News In Social Circles of White Plains and Vicinity

ocal Garden Lovers Plan Early Visit To Bronx Park

R. L. Ditmars of the Zoological Gardens Comments on Early Spring and Its Promises.

White Plains garden lovers have much for which to be grateful this spring. The grass is growing green, the maples are turning red and the crocuses are popping up their bright heads long before scheduled time.

An early spring is particularly pleasing to two groups in White Plains—the Garden Club and the Garden Section of the Contemporary Club. An energetic spring-time has been arranged for by the latter, but one of the most interesting trips for which the members has planned is that to the Rock Gardens of Bronx Park in a few weeks. With Mrs. Albert D. Frost chairman of the garden section as its leader, the section will go to Bronx Park on May 10.

And it will find Bronx Park more beautiful than ever before. Raymond L. Ditmars, director of the New York Zoological Gardens, in a recent conversation with J. R. de la Torre Bueno, a member of the Watchung County Conservation and a resident of 11 North Broadway, White Plains, commented especially on the unusual advance being made in growing this year in the metropolitan parks.

The season this year, is a month earlier than usual, Mr. Ditmars pointed out. In the 20 years in which Bronx Park has been in existence, the keepers and assistance have never seen signs of spring so early. Ground-hogs are coming out of their burrows to be in the warmth of the sun. The bears who usually stay in hibernation until the end of April are enjoying daily pacas around their enclosures. The chimpanzee and kangaroos step out every afternoon for a few hours—all these animals whose natural habitat is in a semi-tropical climate.

In Local Fields.

Down in Bronx Park, as well as along the highways of the county, and particularly along the Bronx River Parkway, one can hear any of these days or evenings the shrill choruses of marsh peepers. Young garter and brown snakes fall frequently into the possession of the boys who welcome release from the house after the winter months, and zoo experts are busy, Mr. Ditmars says, in identifying the snake for the boys. Turtles, too, are basking in the unusually warm sun.

And down in the park, the peacock is a whole month ahead in spreading his richly-colored tail.

All things point to a particularly early flowering of the fields and bright summer. The garden lovers of White Plains have good cause these days to be very excitent and to look forward with pleasure to their trip to Bronx Park.

Silver Lake Group Wants Referendum

axpayers' Association Decides to Appear Before Board to Urge Vote on Annexation

The meeting of the Silver Lake axpayers' Association last night ached its climax, when the members by an overwhelming majority 66-13, expressed themselves as ing in favor of the secession of ver Lake from Harrison, and its nexation to White Plains. Representatives of the Association will esent themselves before the town ard tomorrow evening at which at a referendum be submitted to e people on the annexation.

The question of whether or not ver Lake should secede was ought up before the association month ago under unusual circumstances. The meeting adjourned, that time, and President Calos d three-quarters of those present ft the room. The vice-president, rd Simoncini, it is stated, then ok the chair, and reconvened the eeting. A discussion of the anexation plan took place, and it as then voted by those who had mained not to secede from Harson.

Last night's meeting opened with ice-President Simoncini retaing his occupancy of the chair. The inutes were read, and in them it as incorporated that the Associaon was opposed to the White lains annexation. Following the reading, there were cries of protest, nd many of the members attacked e incorporation of such an opinn as being opposed to parliamentry procedure.

A vote on the acceptance of the inutes revealed 65 being opposed o 7 in favor of acceptance.

Immediately after the minutes ad been refused Calos resigned s chairman of the association, Simoncini as Simoncini was still occupying the chair. The members failed to accept his resignation, owever, by a rising vote. He then resided for the remainder of the onclave.

When the question was put to hose present as to whether or not hey were in favor of annexing to White Plains, no one considerable discussion. Reasons given by members for wishing to annex included the fact that Silver Lake was nearer White Plains than Harrison; that under the jurisdiction of the county seat, there would be greater benefits accruing to the residents from the better municipal facilities and that there would be an increase in property values. A vote was taken, with the overwhelming majority in favor of annexation.

The regular order of business included the formulation of plans for the yearly "clean-up" week which will begin next Monday. The members pledged to aid by devoting part of their time to ridding the village of rubbish. John Macri, who is also a director of the East White Plains Taxpayers' Association, offered to pay for the use of two trucks, and the hire of 50 men to be used in the clean-up. A number of other members also volunteered to provide trucks, or donate money. In this way the village will be saved the $2,000 that it cost last year when it undertook to pay for the large scale house cleaning out of its treasury.

That the Silver Lake Taxpayers' Association is an organization with its sole object the advancement of the village, was a point made by Mr. Macri in a brief talk before the members. "We have the interests of Silver Lake at heart," said the speaker.

Mrs. Blackford Has Bridge Club Guests

Mrs. Eugene G. Blackford had members of the Parkview Bridge Club this afternoon at her home on Sterling avenue for their regular meeting of luncheon and bridge. Mrs. David Ashton, of New York, who is spending several days with Mrs. Blackford, was a special guest.

Those who played were: Mrs. Charles Fowler, Mrs. David Swain, Mrs. Percy Landell, Mrs. Roland Bosworth, Mrs. Eugene Leonard Mrs. Charles Houston, Mrs. Arthur Reuhel, Mrs. Kenneth Clark, Mrs. William Mehlbach, Mrs. Frank J. Helmle and Mrs. Ashton.

MISS CRABBS WEDS

One of the small weddings of the early spring will be held today in Scarsdale, when Miss Ruth Crabbs will become the bride of Mr. Millard Moore. The ceremony will be performed at 4:30 this afternoon will be witnessed only by members of the immediate family and it soon at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward H. Crabbs, Cushman Road. The Rev. George Smyth, of the Hitchcock Memorial Church, will be the officiating clergyman. Mr. Moore is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan Moore of Bronxville.

DEMOCRATIC BANQUET

The Harrison Democratic Club will hold their annual banquet on Wednesday night at the club house on Harrison avenue. Robert P. Vegnola, president of the organization, and John Janimi, chairman of the banquet committee, promise that the affair will surpass all previous efforts. A full program of entertainment has been arranged.

Contemporary Club Has Final Meeting

At the open meeting of the Contemporary Club tomorrow at 2 o'clock Mrs. Dorothy Moore Lewis, well-known singer and impersonator, will give a program of songs.

The one-act play scheduled in "The Club Dial" for this meeting, has been given up. This will be the last meeting of the Contemporary Club before the annual luncheon to be held May 8 at the Hotel Gramatan, Bronxville.

Smith Students In White Plains

Among the Smith College students who spent the Easter vacation at their homes in White Plains were the Misses Evelyn Michaelin, of Cottage Place, Elizabeth Lumbard, of Lenox Avenue and Georgina Damon of Prospect Avenue. Both are seniors at Smith. Miss Michaelin spent part of her holiday in Bermuda but leaves this week for Northampton tomorrow. Other Smith students at home in this city were Miss Eloise Cheney, of Woodland Place, a junior at college, and Miss Eleanor Waters, a freshman.

POLICE OFFICERS TO MEET

The Westchester Police Officers' Association will meet Friday at a dinner at the White Swan Inn at 7 P. M. according to an invitation received by Chief Joyce today. The Hon. Charles A. Harnett, State Commissioner of Motor Vehicles, will make an address.

MISS READ ENTERTAINED.

Miss Celia Read, of Windmill Lane, Scarsdale, has returned from Mt. Holyoke over the holiday and was honored last week with a dinner given for her by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas T. Read. Among the guests were the Misses Rogene Corey, Isabel Jackson, Margaret Weber, and Richard Gore, Thomas Read, John Lydenburg and Richard Barlow.

SERVICE SOCIETY MEETS

The Woman's World Service Society of the Scarsdale Congregational Church meets today at the home of Mrs. A. W. Delshay, on Drake Road, at three o'clock.

CHEVROLET STOLEN

Police here were notified today by the Yonkers police that a 1926 model Chevrolet coupe was stolen in that city Saturday. The auto bears New York license No. 8 V—15-37 and is painted green.

TEACHER GOES SOUTH

Miss Louise Mayer, of Scarsdale, is spending the Easter vacation in Richmond, Virginia, and will return by way of Washington to resume her position in the Scarsdale schools.

RETURNS FROM SOUTH

Mrs. Richard W. Moriarty, of 38 South Broadway, returned Thursday from a two months' trip to Florida and Cuba.

Scenes Along the Westchester Wayside

Westchester is famous for its many beautiful scenes. Some of them are parked behind bill-boards. This photograph shows a long-drawn out collection of boards placed along one of the county's most thoroughfares. The Roadside Improvement Committee of the Westchester County Conservation Association is working now on plans to take down some of the bill-boards and give the scenery a chance. The General Outdoor Advertising Company is co-operating earnestly with the committee and has made a roadside survey of the county in between communities, plentifully illustrated with photographs. All the photographs showed the ravages wrought in the county's beauty by hot-dog stands, realtors signs, theatrical posters, etc. The picture was taken by the photographer for The Daily Press. These boards are directly opposite the entrance to a fine residential park and are midway between two schools.

Poster Artist

MISS MURIEL BEYER

Miss Beyer, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emil C. Beyer, Jr., of 36 South Broadway, is numbered among the younger artists of the city whose work is being shown with increasing frequency. The poster for the Easter Dawn service, exhibited before the C. M. C. A., was Miss Beyer's work and other posters, previously exhibited at the same place, have come from her brush. Her work also appears in the "Dial," the official organ of the Contemporary Club. Miss Beyer is a popular member of the younger set.

Scarsdale Society

Mrs. John T. Kelly, of Cooper road, is at Palm Beach, where her sons, Walter and Dean Kelly, are visiting her during their vacation from the Choate School.

Mr. and Mrs. George M. Waugh of Sage Terrace, are at Virginia Beach with their family, to remain for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Updegraff and son, Norman, of Claremont road, spent the Easter week-end at Marblehead, Mass.

Miss Emily Torry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Owen Torry of Heathcote road, is in Boston to attend the Elliott Hall dance.

H. D. R. Burgess of Hampton road, Scarsdale, is abroad on a business trip. He will travel through England, France, Germany, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Finland and the Baltic states.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas T. Read of Windmill Jane, with their sons, Thomas, Jr., and Myron, have left for a visit to Mrs. Read's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Willys Peck, in Washington, where Mr. Peck is chief of Far Eastern Relations in the State Department.

Mrs. John Muhlfeld, of Sherbrooke road, has sailed for Europe to be gone about three months. Mrs. Muhlfeld will join her daughter, Miss Jane Muhlfeld, in Paris, and will visit in France, England and Germany.

AWARD MEDALS

Westchester Youth Decorated for Saving Lives of Women Near Peekskill

Yonkers, April 1.—The New York Life Saving Association has awarded two Westchester youths and a California companion, $25 in gold and bronze medals, for their part in the rescue from drowning of two young women near Peekskill last June.

The Westchester boys are Sterrel and Samuel Wood, sons of Commander James Wood of the United States Naval Academy Arsenal at Iona Island, near Peekskill. The two boys with Joseph Beget Fredericks of Berkeley, California, swam to the rescue of Miss Isabelle Bishop of Peekskill and Miss Kate Parson of New York City, after a canoe in which the two young women were paddling about the island, overturned. Newbold Bishop, brother of one of the girls, was drowned.

RETURNS TO COLLEGE

Miss Marion English, of Park Drive, is returning today to Wells College, Aurora, N. Y., after spending the Easter vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. English.

VISITING IN CITY

Mrs. Josephine Brown, of Newark, N. J., is spending several days with her sister, Mrs. M. L. English, 34 Rathbun avenue.

Will Ask Voters For $3,000,000 For Schools

Mount Vernon, April 2—Voters in the school districts will be asked at the may elections to approve a plan for the expenditure of nearly $3,000,000 on a new school and improvements of existing buildings.

The board of education today took record as voting $2,500,000 in a school expansion program.

Of the amount $388,000 will be for a new school in the Fleetwood Woods section. The balance will be spent in remodeling present school buildings.

FOUR CHILDREN ESCAPE

Yonkers, April 2—Four children, the oldest of whom was 12, narrowly escaped serious injury here yesterday afternoon when they were thrown from the tonneau of their father's car after it had collided with another at the intersection of Axminster street and Nepperhan avenue.

The children, sons and daughters of Anthony Nicoletti, 425 North Terrace avenue, Mount Vernon, were riding from the latter city to this point when a collision with a car driven by Carlo Caldi, 41 Maple street, Yonkers, overturned the Nicoletti machine and hurled the children into the highway.

Anthony, 12, oldest of the group, was holding Marie, 20 months, when the accident occurred and aided in preventing serious injury by shielding the tot as he fell to the street. Police served summonses on both Caldi and Nicoletti on charges of reckless driving.

JUDGE ALLOWS MORTGAGE

Supreme Court Justice Joseph Mordhauser today signed an order in special term here, allowing the Jewish Federation of New York Inc., to place $50,000 mortgage on its property at 122 South Broadway, Yonkers. The mortgage will allow the federation to complete a new Jewish center. Max Klein, of Yonkers, appeared for the federation.

BOYS ELECT CABINET

Miss Boswell, Thomas MacLaury, Frank Cheney, Stanton Erixon, Lyman Bates, John Vaughan, Malcolm Moore, Jack Sullivan, Clyde Smith, Joseph Burke, Eric Linton and Gordon Simpson have been chosen as officers of the boys' cabinet of the Y. M. C. A.

FORMER RESIDENTS RETURN

Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Cooke, former residents of White Plains, were the guests recently of Mr. and Mrs. Julien Olney, of 16 Stirling Avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Cooke, who motored east from Denver expect to return here shortly to make their permanent home.

BRANDER MATTHEWS DIES

New York, April 1.—Brander Matthews, prominent as critic, playwright and educator for almost half a century, died yesterday at his home after a week's illness.

For 33 years Matthews was a member of the Columbia University Faculty, retiring in 1924.

MR. FROST RETURNS

Albert D. Frost, of 321 North Broadway returned recently from a ten-day trip to Cuba and Florida.

Old Bell Calls Congregation to Worship

The old church bell which for sixty-six years called the congregation of the First Presbyterian Church to worship in the church which was burned in Huguenot and Main street, rang again Sunday, in New Rochelle, in the belfry of the new church. Left to right in the photo are: Reverend Edwin Junkin, director of religious education; M. J. Van Tassell, chairman of the building committee; Gilman S. Talbot, member of congregation, and A. T. Colwell, president board of trustees.

American Woman, Now Noted Doctor in Tokyo, To Address Auxiliary

Dr. Mabel E. Elliott of St. Luke's International Hospital to Speak April 9 at St. Bartholomew's Parish House.

In St. Bartholomew's Parish House, White Plains, at 8 o'clock on the afternoon of April 9, Dr. Mabel E. Elliott, famous for her work in connection with Near East Relief, and now connected with St. Luke's International Hospital, Tokyo, will talk to her work in that famous medical centre.

The meeting will be held under the auspices of the Women's Auxiliary of the church with Mrs. J. S. Graham, of Mapleton Court, in charge of the arrangements. Because of the distinction of the speaker and the importance of the work in which she is engaged, Mrs. Graham is planning to have the auxiliary branches of all the churches around White Plains present.

Dr. Mabel E. Elliott is assistant to Dr. Rudolf B. Teusler, director of St. Luke's International Hospital. Born in London, England, Miss Elliott came as a child to the United States with her parents and received her early education at St. Augustine, Fla. Graduating later from the University of Chicago, and then from Rush Medical College with the degree of M. D. in 1904, her first experience as a physician was in Cook County, constituting the city of Chicago, and then as resident physician in Mercy Hospital at Benton Harbor, Mich.

As physician and surgeon in field hospitals during the World War, she engaged until toward the close of the war, she entered the service of the American Women's Hospital for Near East Relief, where she was constantly employed until she returned to the United States in 1925 for rest and renewed study in her profession.

It was in the Near East that Dr. Elliott's brilliant attainments were displayed. Here she was at the head of the Marash Hospital of the Near East Relief.

On January 21, 1920, the Turks broke loose in Marash. Dr. Elliott evacuated the hospital on the night of February 10. She went out with the French, two nurses, a worker and one Y. M. C. A. man and 5,000 refugees, half of whom died, from exposure to cold and snow before the end of the three days' march.

On May 23, 1920, Dr. Elliott returned to America.

Going back five months later under an arrangement between the Near East Relief and the American Women's Hospital, Dr. Elliott in 1921 established at Ismid, an up-to-date hospital with teaching clinics, nurses training classes, and a soup kitchen. At the beginning of September, 1921, she went to the Caucasus on a medical inspection trip. Returning to Ismid she transferred her personal work in October, 1921, to the Caucasus.

Immediately after the Smyrna disaster, September, 1922, she was sent to Mitylene to aid the refugees who managed to reach that island. In November, 1922, she was made medical director of Near East Relief in Greece, especially of the Near East Relief Hospitals and dispensaries in various parts of Greece and the islands. She was appointed by the Greek government to carry out quarantine and sanitation on the Macronisi Island for the refugees from Anatolia. Greece has decorated Dr. Elliott with the Silver Cross of St. George, the Gold Cross of St. George and the Greek Croix de Guerre.

Dr. Elliott is now serving as a volunteer in the service of the Episcopal Church at the great Far East medical centre which is directed by Dr. Teusler. Her entire adult life has been devoted to humanitarian work in various parts of the world.

Dr. Elliott arrived in San Francisco from Japan on furlough a few weeks ago and is delivering a series of addresses in various parts of the country on the work which is going forward at St. Luke's Hospital.

Concert Given For Benefit of Hebrew Home

A benefit concert was presented by the auxiliary of the Hebrew National Home at Marion Hall Sunday evening. The money collected will go to the home.

The feature of the entertainment was a group of Yiddish songs given by Anton Joseph Shapiro, cantor of the B'Nai Judah temple of New York, and radio artist. Speakers were Harry La Cashe and Max Rosenfeld, manager and treasurer of the home, respectively, and Benjamin Levy, manager of the auxiliary. Mrs. A. L. Goldberger of Yonkers, president of the auxiliary, was presented with flowers.

The committee for the entertainment included Mrs. Bertha Goldberger, as chairman; Mrs. Rose Lapkin, Mrs. Bertha Rabinowith, Mrs. Rebecca Bergman, Mrs. Ida Jacobson, Mrs. Clara Zelinsky, Mrs. Rebecca Meltzer, Mrs. Minnie Lichtenstein, Mrs. Pauline Rankow and Mrs. Jennie Mark.

SIGMA DELTA TOMORROW

Donnybrook Lodge, 4 Weaver Street, will be the scene tomorrow night of the fourth spring dance of the Sigma Delta Kappa sorority. The chaperons will be Mr. and Mrs. John Brown, Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Mellor. The members on the dance committee are the Misses Teresa Senfeld, Dorothy Callaway, Mildred Gottlieb, Margaret Mallonky, Ann McQuaid, Margaret Metzgat, Lucille Revere, Marie Shannon, Vera Troll and Elaine Walter.

AT YONKERS BRIDGE

Several White Plains women were among the guests present last evening at a bridge given in Yonkers by Mrs. Carroll McGhe, of Park Plaza. Among those from this city were Mrs. William F. Mellchinger, Mrs. Frank MacNichol, Mrs. E. A. Keefe, Mrs. Austin N. Herten, Mrs. W. A. Sullivan, and the Misses Adelaide Sullivan, Hazel and Edna Gargan, Florence Devine and Genevieve Herten. Others present were Mrs. Leo A. Bowes, of South Beach, Conn.; Mrs. F. Rossell Herten and Mrs. Thomas Peterson, of New Rochelle.

RUMMAGE SALE OPENS

The Quaxaumpum Chapter, Number 732, O. E. S., opened a rummage sale today at 2 S. Lexington Avenue. The sale will continue Wednesday and Thursday.

Phi Lambda Is Host at Annual Spring Dance

Senator and Mrs. Walter W. Westall were among those present last evening at the first formal spring dance given by the Phi Lambda fraternity. This was the Easter dance held at Briarcliff Lodge and chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Parkinson, of White Plains. Senator and Mrs. Westall attended the dance with Mr. and Mrs. Parkinson.

About two hundred young people enjoyed the dancing in the white ballroom which had been decorated for the occasion with flowers and to which atmosphere was given by the fraternity seal hung conspicuously at the end of the room. In addition to the members of the local chapter there were several representatives from the chapters in New Rochelle, Yonkers, Mamaroneck and Pelham.

The committee of arrangements for the dance was headed by Arie Ericson. On the committee were Joseph Griffin, Douglas Haywood, William Sterling, Morris Parkinson, William Parkinson, Robert Ruger and William Demarest.

Ruth Lovett As Leader of Club

The Gay Girls' Club of the White Plains Y. W. H. A. elected Ruth Lovett as leader, yesterday afternoon. The club is planning to offer a play during Passover.

The first lecture in the course concerned with club leadership will be given Thursday evening, at 8 o'clock, in the Y. W. H. A. rooms. The executive director of the Y. M. H. A. and the Y. W. H. A., Joseph Zeff, will be the speaker. His topic will be "The Psychology of the Youth."

MISSIONARY SPEAKS

Miss Sarah F. Clarke spoke on missionary work in Japan at a meeting of the Missionary Society of the Hitchcock Memorial Church of Scarsdale. The meeting was held yesterday at the home of Mrs. Glenfield Young, on Elton Road, at three o'clock. Miss Clarke is one of the missionaries supported by this church.

WELLESLEY TEA

A Wellesley-in-Westchester will hold a tea on Wednesday, April 17, at three o'clock, at the residence of Mrs. A. G. Birdsall, at 2 Sunset Terrace, in Bronxville.

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