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Lenox Hill Settlement.

Those who have not visited Lenox Hill Settlement since the re-decorating will, perhaps, find a visit worth while. One of the club members was heard to remark, "Gee, but we have one swell house to come to now." The keen delight shown by the various clubs and individuals is touching as well as gratifying and those who bear the expense will undoubtedly feel repaid.

The staff, also, has been somewhat changed. There are now two men residents, one of whom is making a study of neighborhood conditions and organizing civic clubs and the other has charge of the boys' work.

Owing to the courtesy of Miss Cummings, who is in charge of the social centre at one of the public schools, the activities of Lenox Hill House can now be indefinitely extended. Miss Cummings is allowing the Settlement to use the centre for athletic work, dances, dramatics, special classes, etc. Our boys and girls can now play basketball, indoor baseball and other athletic games to their heart's content. A men's English class has been formed which will meet in a room equipped with desks, blackboards and text-books. This class pays for its leader and a man well qualified for the work has been secured. Already a large dance has been arranged to be held in the beautiful school gymnasium.

Using the school in this way has so relieved congestion at Lenox Hill House that the following new clubs are being organized: a choral club, a dramatic club, a young men's civic club, a study hour for children needing special care, and a game room for boys, besides the many social and industrial clubs already in existence.

Unfortunately the school is only open in the evening which bars out the

younger children, but we are hoping that soon we shall be able to use it also in the afternoon.

This larger work naturally means increased expenditure and a larger number of volunteers, but it is well worth it and we have the faith to believe that if the work is worth while the money and workers will come. We earnestly beg, therefore, that those interested in this settlement will come to the house frequently in order to get in touch with the work and will give what they can in money or service towards its support.

The Settlement is greatly in need of the following:

Contributions for a much needed bathroom on the third floor. Cost about seventy dollars.

A rug for dining room.

12 pillow cases.

2 dozen napkins.

Contributions toward replenishing dining-room china and kitchen utensils.

Meat grinder.

Rosalie Manning,
Head Worker.

"Birthday Tea" at Lenox Hill."

Do not forget that the first "At Home" of the season will be, as is customary, "The Birthday Tea," at the Settlement, 446 East 72nd Street, when the officers of the Associate Alumnae and the directors and resident workers of Lenox Hill House unite in welcoming their friends and making them acquainted with the work of the Settlement.

Of course it is always permissible to carry gifts to a birthday party and presents of money or articles useful in the house will be greatly appreciated, but above all, **come**, make the acquaintance of Miss Rosalie Manning, the new Head Worker, and, by your presence, give

strength and encouragement to her and to the officers.

Bear in mind the date, Friday, November 15th, from 3.30 to 5 o'clock.

In Memoriam: Mary Willard.

At the Fall Reunion on Saturday, October 19th, the following announcement was made:

A memorial service in honor of Miss Mary Willard will be held in the Lenox Avenue Unitarian Church, 121st Street and Lenox Avenue, on Sunday, November 17th, at half-past three in the afternoon. Former pupils and other friends of Miss Willard are asked to be present.

After making this announcement, on behalf of Miss Willard's family, Professor Cone continued: "In referring to-day to our great loss in Miss Willard's death, I do not mean to cast a shadow on our meeting. It would indeed be strange and ironic, if the thought of that happy spirit should ever bring to us unalloyed sadness. Her life was full of cheer; she constantly rejoiced in '*the things that are more excellent,*' and was continually drawing others to share in that immortal joy. Her last words to us, as some of you will remember, were spoken at a cheerful feast not very long ago; and their purport was the plea that we should hold fast with jealous care the purity of our beautiful English tongue, that we should rightly prize the treasures of our noble English literature. The speech ended on the note of joy; for to illustrate the finest quality of that literature she quoted, with exquisite appreciation, the 20th sonnet of Shakespeare: 'Haply I think on thee, and then my state Like to the lark at break of day arising From sullen earth, sings hymns at heaven's gate.'

Surely it would be her desire that any thought of her should bring to us, not sorrow, but the hope and aspiration of the happy lark, as he soars toward the supreme excellence of the sun."

The Faculty Club.

The biennial business meeting of the Faculty Club was held on May 13. At the close of the meeting the following were elected to hold office for two years:

Professor Emma M. Requa, President;
Miss Marion S. Coan, Vice-President;
Miss Maud Hopkins, Secretary;
Mrs. Charles T. Kirk, Treasurer.

The members of the new council appointed by the president are:

Professor Edgar Dawson,
Professor Clara Byrnes,
Miss Grace B. Beach,
Miss Frances Sanford.

A vote of thanks was given to the retiring President, Professor George M. Whicher, and to the staff officers for their able management of the club during the past two years.

The series of informal afternoon teas held under the auspices of the several departments of the Normal College will be continued during the coming year.

The Training Department, Wednesday, November 20th, 1912.

The History Department, Tuesday, January 7, 1913.

The Grammar Department, Wednesday, April 16, 1913.

To increase further the social relations among the members of the staff of the Normal College, the Club cordially invites them to tea in the Music Room, Wednesday afternoons from 2.30 to 5.00 o'clock. On Wednesday, Feb. 5th, 1913, tea will be served in the drawing room, where there will be an exhibition of the work of the instructors of the College Drawing Department.

The Committee on Current Municipal changes is to have an afternoon meeting when the recent municipal developments will be reviewed.

The President and members of the Council will be pleased to have other special interests introduced at the Wednesday afternoon teas and will welcome suggestions that will increase the usefulness of the Club.