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To Name Nursery For Miss Shugard

East Side Day Nursery and Shelter, 317 Elm street, will be re-named the Louise D. Shugard Shelter and Day Nursery in honor of the late Miss Shugard, former president and board member of the nursery. Mrs. A. Edward Zellers, the nursery's president, announced today that rededication ceremonies will be held October 9 at 4 P. M.

Rev. Frederick F. Jenkins, pastor of Forest Hill Presbyterian Church, will conduct the ceremony. A tea

will be held for board members and friends afterwards.

Miss Shugard, who died March 24, had been a board member of the nursery since 1913. Her will set up an annuity to provide the nursery with an income of up to \$25,000 a year.

Woman Hospitalized

Children's Party at East Side Nursery Opens Centennial Celebration There

A children's party at the East Side Day Nursery and Shelter for Motherless Babies yesterday opened the nursery's Charter Centennial celebration. The children in costume danced the Virginia reel and other dances.

Cutting of a birthday cake decorated with 100 candles was a special ceremony witnessed by the president Miss Louise Shugard and member of the board.

The board will hold a tea May 26, at which members will wear costumes of a hundred years ago. Mrs. Frederick H. Mooney is chairman.

An entertainment for the children will be given April 23 by the Junior League. A reception to mothers will be given Tuesday night by the Mothers' Club. As part of the program the children will repeat the dance program of yesterday.

In connection with the celebration the nursery has issued an outline of its history covering thirty years, from its opening in two-rooms at 551 Market street to the present at 317-319 Elm street.

The shelter was founded in the Fall of 1918. This branch is housed in a modern building equipped for the purpose. Deserted babies and children whose mothers are ill are brought to the shelter for day and night care. They also are sent by hospitals, police, State Board of Children's Guardians and other welfare agencies for temporary care until family adjustments can be made.

Days care given by the nursery and shelter in the first year totaled 1,669, and in 1935 totaled 25,721, for thirty years the service days total 488,316.

Hospital immediately after
dead on arrival. The body was removed to Condon's morgue, Harrison, and later was taken to the home of her parents. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

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The board of directors of the East Side Day Nursery and Shelter for Motherless Babies met yesterday afternoon. Miss Louise D.

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East-Side Day Nursery Head 15-3 Is Leaving After 31 Years

After 31 years' service, Mrs. Grace C. Duryee has resigned as superintendent of East Side Day Nursery, 317 Elm street. She will be succeeded by Mrs. William Lederer, nursery school teacher.

One of Newark's pioneers in caring for children of working mothers Mrs. Duryee has been "mother and grandmother" to nearly two generations of children from all parts of the city. She saw the nursery expand from its original two rooms and a yard to its present modern two-story building. The influenza epidemic of 1918 brought about the establishment of a temporary baby shelter within the agency, which now operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Today the nursery is busier than ever taking care of children of war-working mothers.

Writes to Servicemen

Mrs. Duryee, however, has found time to keep up her correspondence with men in military service who, as boys, were in her care at the nursery. She receives letters constantly from servicemen in all parts of the world.

Mrs. Duryee was born in New York City. She married Philip M. Duryee, member of an old Newark family who died 30 years ago. She is a member of the Universalist Church and has traveled extensively in this country and Europe.

When she leaves the nursery next week, she will make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Frank S. Mead of 6 McKinley street, Nutley. Mrs. Mead's husband, former pastor of Grace Methodist Church, Newark, and Grace Methodist Church, Kearny, is editor of The Christian Herald.

Miss Louise Shugard, president of the nursery, paying tribute to Mrs. Duryee's service, today said her resignation had been accepted with reluctance by the board of trustees.

Happiness Rules East Side Nursery, Guests at Officers' Tea Discover

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A keen interest in details of the East Side Day Nursery and Shelter for Motherless Babies was shown by about 200 guests who attended the annual tea given yesterday afternoon by the president, Miss Louise D. Shugard, and other officers and members of the board of directors.

The decorations of palms with daffodils, pansies and other spring flowers were in charge of Mrs. Frederick H. Mooney. Refreshments were planned by a committee headed by Mrs. Edward Zellars.

After the guests were received by Miss Shugard and the superintendent, Mrs. Grace O. Duryce, they went through the building to inspect the provisions made for the welfare of the nearly 150 youngsters on the roll. The happiness of the children was commented on by the visitors, who found them playing together much as in a large private family, with no air of institutional restraint.

The callers lingered longest in the shelter wing of the building, where babies from three weeks old up are ideally housed with every possible provision for their well being, from violet-ray glass to toys and gentle-voiced attendants.

All furniture in the shelter is in miniature, adjusted to the size of the children. A tiny stairway, where babies learn the art of ascending and descend-

ing steps, was much admired, especially when some venturesome mite of an explorer was seen making an attempt to climb alone.

Elsewhere in the building the children who spend only their days at the nursery and whose wage-earning mothers call for them late in the afternoon were seen, as were some older children who go to the nursery during out-of-school hours. Some of the children took part in a program of entertainment under direction of Miss Mildred Parsons.

The clinic in the basement, the dining room with tables not much more than eighteen inches high, and even the kitchen, were seen and admired.

Returning to the board room the guests were served with refreshments from a tea table decked with daffodils and orchid sweet peas and lighted with orchid-colored candles. Mrs. William E. Smith and Mrs. George W. W. Porter presided.

EAST SIDE DAY NURSERY

IN NEW HOME ON APRIL 1

The East Side Day Nursery will move April 1 into its new home at 317 and 319 Elm street, if the plans of the board of managers made yesterday afternoon at the monthly meeting, in the present home at 71 Merchant street, are carried out. Miss Louise D. Shurgard, president, was in charge of the session, which, following the routine reports, was confined to the consideration of plans for the removal and tentative arrangements for a public reception, to be held probably April 12. Mrs. Grace G. Duryee, superintendent, reported 726 children cared for at the nursery during February, 1917.

The biennial report of the nursery has just been issued in booklet form. This contains pictures of the present and new buildings, the names of the ten officers, nineteen board and seventeen associate members, and the personnel of the five committees. There are also the reports of the treasurer, Mrs. Elvin W. Crane, and of Mrs. Duryee.

The superintendent's record for 1915 and 1916 contains the following items: Attendance, 20,003; largest and smallest number for one day, sixty-two and three, respectively; number of children cared for without charge, twenty-seven; aggregate free attendance, 3,709; fees from parents, \$814.65; institution open, 547 days; bottles of modified milk prepared, 17,080; work found for forty-nine women.

The receipts and disbursements for 1916 totaled, respectively, \$2,998.20 and \$2,746.90, which left a balance January 1 last of \$251.30, according to the statement of Mrs. Crane, which also records the payment of \$10,000 on the new building, erected at a cost of \$16,400.

Activities of the year, with the outlook for the future, are reviewed in the report of the secretary, Miss Emma Volz. The names of donors to the institutions and the amounts of their gifts are also appended, as are the names of those who have made special contributions for the new building, both financial and material.

Incorporated in the book, in addition, are the names of the four officers and twenty-five members of the auxiliary to the board, whose president is Miss Eleanor Hendrickson, and the year's report of the secretary, Miss Isabelle Warrender.

New Day Nursery

Plans Made for Entertaining
Grown-Ups as Well as
Littlest Tots.

With the view to gradual development into a community center the East Side Day Nursery will soon move into its new building, Elm street, between Tyler and Lang streets, and launch a wider scope of social service work than it has accomplished heretofore as a day nursery at 71 Merchant street. That there is great need for such a center in that district since the close of the Newark Neighborhood House, was a sentiment voiced by Miss Louise D. Shugard, president of the Board of managers, in a talk with a representative of the News.

"Although much of what we hope to accomplish along this line is only visionary," Miss Shugard said, "we have built our nursery with tremendously large rooms—rooms that can serve the purposes we wish them to both days and evenings."

The new building will be occupied, it is expected, about March 1, labor troubles having delayed its completion. Miss Shugard added that she had been shopping for the furnishings of the various rooms and that they will be given to the public one of the first afternoons and evenings that the new institution is occupied.

The nursery board already has in operation a Mothers' Meeting Class, a Small Girls' Club and a Babies' Clinic in conjunction with the day nursery. The institution was started about eight years ago in a store in the vicinity of the former Neighborhood House with seven children as a branch of the Eighth Avenue Baby Shelter and Nay Nursery, and was the only day nursery east of Market street before the Holy Angels Day Nursery moved to that vicinity this winter.

Arrangement of Rooms.

The ground floor is the basement of the newly erected building which is practically completed except for interior finishing. On this floor is one large room which will be used for a reception room during the day and for a recreation room for boys and men at night. On the first floor is an assembly room, or play room, for the older children, and the board room which will also be used as an amusement room for girls. The superintendent's dining room, kitchen, pantry and children's dining room are also on the first floor.

Rooms on the second floor of the two-story building are the crib room, diet kitchen, smallest babies' baths and the "runabouts" room and baths. Four bed rooms for the resident workers complete the rooms of the building. "We haven't lost an inch in our building," Miss Shugard exclaimed. "Our lot is 50x100 and our building is 46x60. Across the back of the house are two porches 8x40 feet, which will be used for both sleeping and play porches. The yard will be turned into a veritable playground, with apparatus suitable for the children's use. A large, cheerful room in the basement or ground floor will be turned into an isolation room for cases warranting such a room. Many of the cribs are gifts in memory of someone and will bear a suitable inscription plate.

Miss Shugard reviewed the work that has been done during the past two years to assure the success of the new building, which is costing \$16,500 to build. Ten thousand dollars has been raised, and the board is working now to reduce the mortgage of \$6,500. A series of entertainments, the proceeds of which will be turned into the mortgage fund, is being arranged. On April 16 there will be a benefit performance at the Broad Street Theater, when Leo Feinrichstein will be seen in "The Great Lover." In charge of this are Miss Shugard, chairman, and the following members of the ways and means committee: Mrs. Spaulding Frazer, Mrs. J. H. Steel, Mrs. Elvin W. Crane, Mrs. Amos Bissell, Mrs. William H. McKinney, Mrs. Frederick H. Mooney, Miss Emma Volz, Mrs. Theodore Gray, Mrs. Carl A. Glese, Mrs. Charles W. Eleder and Mrs. Edward E. Warren.

Mrs. Mooney is arranging for a large card party to be given in the Robert Treat Hotel on the evening of February 7 and Mrs. Eleder will give a similar affair January 27 at the home of her mother, Mrs. John W. Steiwald of 55 Broad street.

Scope of Work Growing.

Reviewing the work of the nursery, Miss Shugard explained that, although the two-and-one-half months that the nursery was closed last summer on account of the infantile paralysis epidemic were months that ordinarily mark the largest attendance at the nursery—usually as many as 1,200 children a month—a total of 9,000 had been cared for at the institution during the time the nursery was opened. "We care for as many as seventy-three children some days," Miss Shugard said, "and are often so full that we have to put two babies in one crib." There are no modern conveniences at the old building such as baths and furnaces. This fact has hampered the work of the superintendent and her helpers to a great extent. Enough modified milk is prepared each day to last each child during the night at home.

"I feel that we are now on the upward grade," Miss Shugard added, "and though our work has been uphill work to this time, I met with hearty co-operation and goodly contributions from almost every source and we expect to warrant the trust of the contributors in the work we are about to

undertake in our new home. Our maintenance fund is small beyond any idea, and in beginning the work the Neighborhood House dropped we will need the hearty support of all our friends."

Mrs. Grace O. Duryee, superintendent of the nursery, was for many years interested in social service work in New York City, and the work of that character at the institution will be under her direction. The new building was started last June and is the board's contribution to the city's 100th anniversary celebration. Last May, a Robert Treat block dance was held on the block where the building now stands and a feature booth was temporarily built on the present nursery site. The day following the dance ground was broken for the structure. In closing Miss Shugard added that it was the board's wish to keep the babies of the nursery as children, as boys and girls and as young men and young women. "For," she added, "it is the influence of morals, which must be instilled in the growing boy or girl, that make for a cleaner and in every way better neighborhood."

EAST SIDE NURSERY A CHEERFUL PLACE

NEWARK 3-17
Plenty of Sunshine in Spacious New
Quarters of Institution in
Elm Street.

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FORMAL OPENING TOMORROW

With sunshine and light pouring in at every one of the many windows tastefully draped with pretty white cottage curtains, the rooms of the newly erected building of the East Side Day Nursery present a scene of cheerful immaculateness, while happy youngsters play about in what is to them "really and truly home." With the formal opening of the new building at 317-319 Elm street tomorrow the routine of daily life at the institution will be taken up and enlarged to meet the demands of an up-to-date nursery, caring for children from as young as three weeks to those of school age.

As one enters the nursery, a broad hall runs from the front door to the rear of the house, whose reception and play porches, 1x40 feet, are being erected upstairs and down. To the left of the hall is the board room and the superintendent's dining room, which are furnished with delft blue rugs and draperies. A white-shelved mantelpiece of brick encases an open fireplace in the board room, and in this room is also hung a panel, the gift of Miss Louise D. Shugard, president of the board of managers, on which will be daily inscribed the name of the donor who is keeping the nursery for each day. A colored etching of a mother and child is at-top the panel.

To the right of the main hall is the older children's play room and the dining room for all the youngsters, fitted with tables and chairs for children of various ages. The doors of the house are of natural finish wainut, and the broad front and rear stairs leading to the second floor are of white and oak finish, respectively. Space and sunshine are predominant in all parts of the house. The ground floor of the house is its equipment, and here, in addition to a modernly equipped laundry, boiler room, wardrobe and receiving room, is the "isolation" room, in which children with symptoms of disease or illness will be placed temporarily.

On the second floor is the crib room, in which are twelve cribs for the tiniest babies; a babies' bath, a large number of spacious closets, toilets, the rooms of the superintendent and assistants, and the nurseries, or toddlers' play room, which is also fitted out with slat or day beds, which can be lowered from the walls. The Young Ladies' Auxiliary has fitted out the room by means of a series of benefit affairs.

Youngsters May Take Food Home.

A diet kitchen, in which enough food is prepared for the children and babies to take home with them to last over night or over Sunday, as the case might be, is also a feature at the nursery. In this way the babies and children are fed on the nursery diet at all times. All day yesterday and on every day since the "family" moved into the new building last Friday mothers in the neighborhood called to see the bright rooms where their children spend their time, and, although many of them could not express in English how appreciative they were of the institution, their eyes shone with happiness that made for an expressive voiceless speech.

"We are prepared to meet the needs of an overtaxed day nursery," Miss Shugard said yesterday to a News representative. "Even in the case of war playing havoc to a great extent, we could care for 250 children in these splendid rooms. But it is going to be a struggle to keep up the institution unless our kind and generous friends continue to remember us. We sincerely hope that every one in the city who is at all interested in children and their welfare will come in tomorrow afternoon or evening to our tea and reception, so we can show them the result of years of effort and earnest toil."

Miss Shugard emphasized the fact that, although several hundred invitations to the opening had been sent out, every one in the city would be welcome to attend the affair.

A theater benefit will be given Monday night at the Broad Street Theater at the nursery, when "The Great Over" will be played. Tickets may be obtained from members of the board at the theater box office. Announcement of the subscribers will be made in a few days.

The first monthly business meeting of the board of managers in the new building was held yesterday afternoon and was featured by an informal tea, at which Mrs. Frederick H. Mooney was the guest. Mrs. Mooney also presented to the nursery a pedestal and jardiniere, which was placed in the board room. A total of 950 children were cared for at the institution last month, it was reported.

The list of donors were announced as follows: subscribed funds for the cribs and suitable plates bearing the following names and inscriptions will be placed on the cribs: Church of the Resurrection, First Presbyterian Tabernacle, Mothers' Neighborhood Club, "In Memory of Mrs. Forrest Wilber," Florence Aldridge Taylor, King's Circle of King's Daughters of the Central Presbyterian Church, Mrs. Carl A. Gliese, "In Memory of Mildred Tuttle," Mrs. R. A. Kirk, "In Memory of Mrs. J. C. Corlies," and