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Vets Auxiliary Visits Willowbrook School

Women of Queens County Jewish War Veterans Auxillary yesterday presented children's gifts to be distributed at Christmas to officials of Willowbrook State School.

While on visit the members were taken on tour of the school grounds and facilities by Mrs. Catherine Webb of the school staff. Chairman of the veterans group was Mrs. Yetta Lader.

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Scout Troop Gets Gifts for Willowbrook

Members Bring Presents To Christmas Party In Great Kills Church

Fifty gifts will go to Willowbrook State School as the result of a Christmas party held last night by Boy Scout Troop 3 in the hall of Great Kills Moravian Church.

Each of the half-hundred members of the troop brought two presents to the celebration, one for distribution at the party and the other for donation to a charity, later chosen at Willowbrook State School.

New Pastor Attends

A surprise visit was made to the session by the Rev. Edward T. Fisher, now of York, Pa., who has been appointed pastor at the Great Kills Church. He will take up residence at the parsonage at 74 Hillside terrace, Sunday.

The Scouts and some 40 parents who also attended the event played various games, which were directed by Brian Saderholm and Karl W. Orgell, and sang carols under the leadership of William Saderholm Sr. Mrs. Victor Saderholm was accompanist.

Refreshments were supplied by the auxillary of which Mrs. Harry Braun is president. In charge of last night's affair was Kurt Wegner, Harry Braun, Russell Ramee, James Gunter and George E. Collins.

Psychiatry And Religion Are Compared

Both Seek Betterment Of Man, by Different Means, States Doctor

Dr. Martin Lazar, assistant director of Willowbrook State School, spoke on "Psychiatry and Religion" last night, at the Sabbath Eve services of Temple Israel Reform Congregation, Silver Lake, in the temple chapel.

"Both psychiatry and religion overlap in some areas, but are distinctly separate in others," said Dr. Lazar. "Both, however, seek the betterment of man, but by entirely different means.

"Religion is based on the belief in a supreme being, consisting of two main portions, the belief in a Supreme Being, and a system of ethics and morality. Psychiatry also consists of two portions, the science of the mind, and the methods of treating mind disorders.

Points of Difference

"Religion attempts to increase the emotional state of man in order to establish a set of reactions whose emotional standard is more satisfactory to the individual. Religion offers prayer as a means of begetting confidence and bringing victory over difficulty. Psychiatry, instead of increasing the emotional state, attempts to drain tension.

"Religion views man as having a free will, and being able to determine his life both here and in the hereafter. Psychiatry views man as a product of his past, and his future as being determined by his past. Religion and psychiatry both, are concerned with the harmony of human relations, with man's hopes and dreams, his happiness, freedom and peace."

In a special ceremony Dr. Charles L. Ozer, spiritual leader, blessed the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Werb and named him Robert Mark. Following the services, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Werb were hosts at a reception for the congregation in honor of their infant grandson.

The services were conducted by Dr. Ozer assisted by Cantor Mark Levy and the temple choir directed by Mrs. Meyer Lindner. The kiddush was chanted by Mr. Levy and the Sabbath candles were lit by Mrs. Joseph Werb and Mrs. Lewis Werb.

Soloists were Robert Blaffield, a baritone, and Miss Jacqueline Werb, who played Haydn's Sonata No. 5, accompanied by Miss Thelma Evenesen at the organ.

Sisterhood Hears School Psychologist

Dr. Kathryn Gasorek, clinical psychologist at Willowbrook State School, was guest speaker last night at a meeting of the Sisterhood of Temple Israel Reform Congregation, Silver Lake, in the temple. She is a former instructor at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N. J.

The essential difference between psychiatrists and psychologists, Dr. Gasorek pointed out, is that the former are doctors of medicine specializing in diseases of the mind and nervous disorders and dealing with physical symptoms; whereas the latter, in the main, are non-medical men interested in research and in acquiring knowledge concerning the behavior of individuals.

She touched on various branches of psychology — vocational, industrial, social and clinical. When the need arises, she urged her listeners, choose your psychologist in the same manner as you would choose your physician, dentist or lawyer. A question and answer period followed the talk.

Mrs. Eleanor Ecker, ways and means chairman, reported that there will be a paid-up membership tea in the temple on Feb. 2, with Mrs. Ben Levee as chairman. Mrs. Lise Rosenberg, president, who presided, announced that an annual Purim party sponsored by the sisterhood will be held March 1.

Members of the sisterhood will be hostesses at a U.S.O. dance Jan. 29 in the Jewish Community Center, Mrs. Mae Stein stated. Mrs. Ruth Gibbs reported on an annual card party in the temple last Wednesday.

Mrs. Estelle Gootenberg, program chairman, introduced the speaker.