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Dear Friend:

We would like to mention a pleasant occurrence in connection with the program of children's activities at headquarters. During May and



the first half of June, Mrs. Vera Leeper, an outstanding artist and authority in her field, presented a special class on "Creative Drama Through Puppetry." She is a gifted teacher of the young, and on Sunday afternoon, June 11th, her "student body" presented a program which was attended by a substantial audience of parents and well-A handsome stage was wishers. erected in one of our lecture rooms, and the program was most enjoyable. The antics of the puppets caused frequent chuckles, and the dedicated efforts of the chil-

dren were thoroughly appreciated. We are sorry that all our friends could not see the "production," but we are reproducing herewith a photograph made especially for the Contributors' Bulletin.

The Men's Committee of the P.R.S. met for dinner on June 12th. The meeting was held at the Limehouse Cafe, specializing in Chinese food, and while it would not be quite accurate to say that they broke bread together, they shared chop suey in a most fraternal manner. Forty-six were present, and Mr. Gilbert Olson, Chairman of the Committee, hosted the occasion in a very professional manner. The purpose of the gettogether was to make plans to advance the work of the Society by sponsoring special projects through pooling resources and abilities. The Chairman opened the meeting to discussion, and several proposals of real value were made from the floor. It was also moved, seconded, and passed that the Committee should meet monthly for discussion here at headquarters, and that a dinner meeting would be held every three months. I was present as a guest of the Committee, and gave a short talk about the growth of our Society and its plans for the future.

We are happy to report that as the result of a letter that we sent out recently, a number of our friends who had pledged to the earlier Building and Budget Funds of the P'R.S., have sent in new pledges to

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help in the further progress of our activities. It looks as though we will have many calls upon our resources in the years lying directly ahead, and with your help, we can be ever more useful in getting basic ideas to folks who desperately need them. Many, many thanks to these fine people.

It may not be too early to mention that my fall program includes a visit to Denver in October. Details will be announced later, so that friends in that area will have ample warning. We will be in Denver immediately after the aspenviewing season, as we have no intention

of competing with this major event. In November, we will make our usual trip to San Francisco for a lecture program at the Scottish Rite Temple (October 31, November 2, 5, 7, and 9). There is also a rumor that I will make a rather extended tour of Texas in the spring of 1962.

On September 10th, 17th, 24th, and October 1st, I will make guest appearances on a radio program, "The Pursuit of Understanding," which will be presented in San Diego by Miss Olive Conway. The purpose of this program is to bring together representative leaders of liberal religious movements to strengthen the bonds of spiritual sympathy in this critical time when cooperation on this level is so necessary. The talks will be broadcast from San Diego, Station KPRI-FM (106.5), at 9:30 on Sunday mornings, and can be heard in most parts of Southern California. It is planned that the same series will later be broadcast from Los Angeles. Listen in, and spread the news among your friends.

We think that you might enjoy a view of our main entrance, so the wandering photographer made the accompanying snapshot. The stone lions, of Chinese origin, have been in our collection for many years. When we told the contractor to mount these lions on their substantial pedestals, we did not expect him to be quite so original. In the traditional Chinese manner, they should have been facing each other, but he so placed them that they give a more extroverted impression. They are peering up and down Griffith Park Boulevard, to welcome folks approaching from the north and south. The lion is an ancient symbol of vigilance and protection, to remind us all of the principles of our work.

With best wishes for a happy vacation season, I am always

Most sincerely yours,

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