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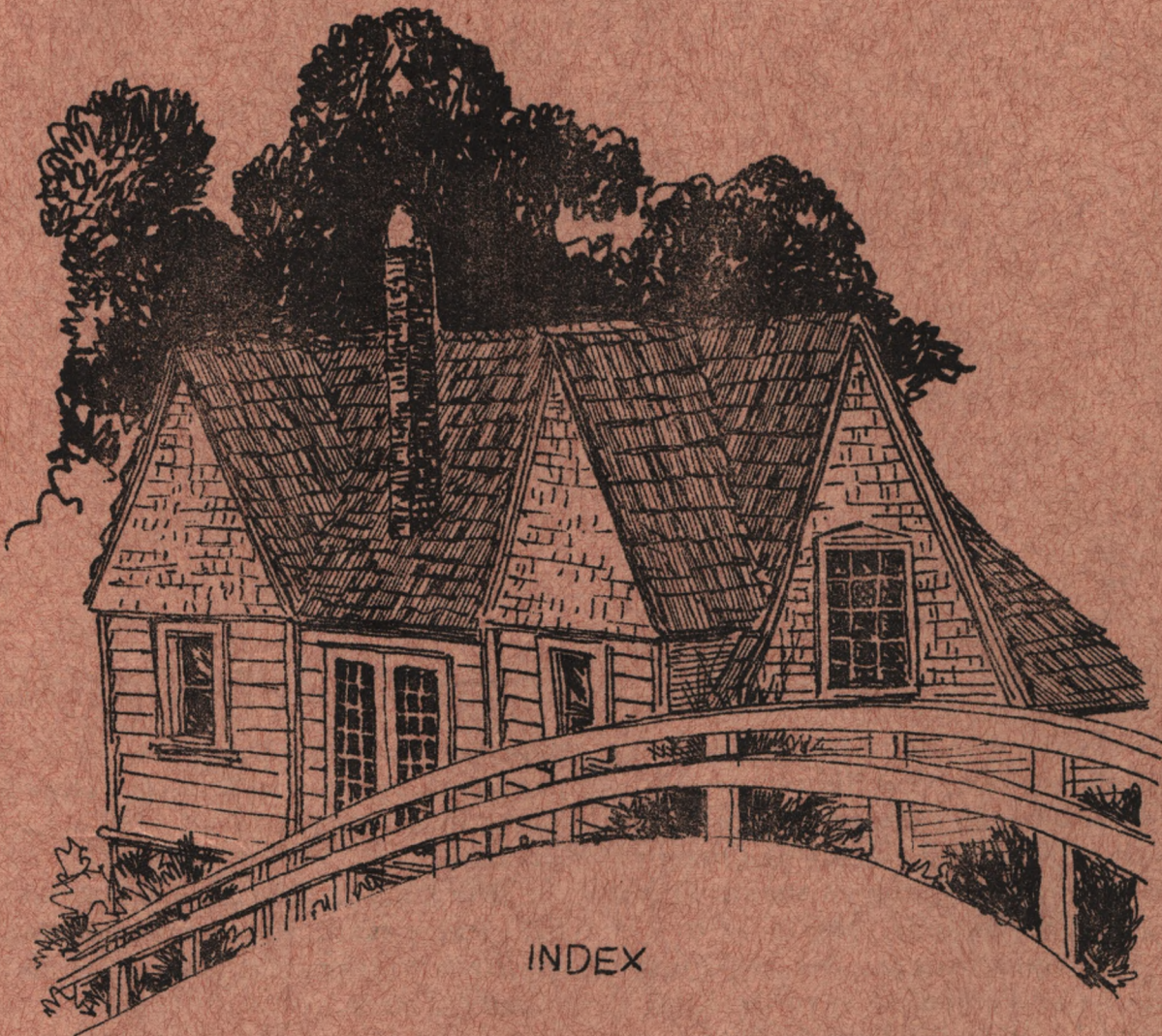
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INVITATION^{TO} ELEGANCE

Kenneth S. Janes
Interior designer

Announces the Opening
of his STUDIO OF
INTERIOR DESIGN
WITH ANTIQUE ACCESSORIES

Sunday February 4
1 to 5 pm

OLD FIREHOUSE Point Richmond

The West Side Keeps Improving

Thursday, with 31 of its 36 members in attendance, the West Side Improvement Club held its regular monthly meeting. The group, which has been active in community improvement since the turn of the century, continues to show its active concern. Having spearheaded the movement to save the East Brothers Lighthouse, they decided to request that the City Council of Richmond endorse its preservation.

Plans were begun to sponsor a benefit Dessert Card Party for the Little League Baseball teams. The party will be held March 1 at 1:30 p. m. in the Community Center. The public is invited, prizes of many kinds will be offered... and there will be a choice of card games to play.

The West Side Improvement Club is also donating to the assistance of the

Salesian Dad's Club project, which will provide a stadium at Salesian High School which may be used by all high schools in Richmond!

The Club is also donating to the Cerebral Palsy fund. Their next meeting is the first Thursday in March, at the Community Center.

• COMMUNITY • DINNER

There will be a fund-raising Swiss Steak Dinner at the First Methodist Church on Friday evening, February 9, from 5 to 7:00. The Methodist Church's dinners have been very popular, very reasonable, and very delicious. Besides, community dinners are fun -- you may even meet your neighbor.

REMINISCING

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With Don Church

Interesting and sometimes amusing articles from old Richmond and Point Richmond newspapers, courtesy of the Richmond Museum.

1914

From the Richmond Independent of February 5, 1914:

"MAN IN TROUGH THINKS HE IS SHIP WRECKED"

"A man giving his name as Henry Williams was arrested by Officer Munday last evening for acting in a drunk and disorderly condition. When picked up by the officer Williams was floundering around in a watering trough and thinking he was probably in a shipwreck and was shouting 'Save the women and children first!' He will appear before Police Judge Lindsey tomorrow."

1917

From the Independent, February 6, 1917:

"WOMEN VOTE, ALLOW THEM IN SALOONS!"

"Stoutly contending that women should be allowed to enter saloons because they are allowed to vote, Councilman William Picton, last night, asked the City Council to amend the ordinance prohibiting same.

Attorney Lee Windrem appeared in behalf of the saloonmen protesting the "clear glass fronts for saloons" ordinance.

He said, "I am in favor of any reasonable ordinance that will reduce the number of saloons in this city. More restrictions are placed on the saloons of this city than any other city in this region and furthermore these restrictions are obeyed. The amendment as proposed making the saloons install clear glass fronts will not reduce the number of saloons or improve the morals of this city, but I do believe it would tend toward immorality."

"Women and children will be able to look into these places with no good results, and no less patrons will frequent the saloons.

"Tenants will be forced to pay for the changing of the saloon fronts from their present for to the glass arrangement. Landlords will not stand the expense. Many of the best places in Richmond have artistic glass fronts at present which will have to be torn out. You don't find places with these kinds of fronts in San Francisco, Oakland or any of the other cities around the Bay. In conclusion, glass fronts would make for bad public morals.

Councilman Picton said "With deference to Mr. Long's statement allowing women to enter the saloons to look for their husbands, I move that the amendment prohibiting women to enter saloons be amended inasmuch as they are allowed to vote." Councilman Long has stated that "Today I was asked by a lady to find her husband for her who was in a saloon. If there had been glass fronts the lady would have been able to find her husband without any assistance."



