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ARDEN SHORE BENEFIT OPERETTA HERE FRIDAY

Plans Completed For Elaborate Presentation of "The House That Jack Built," an Operetta

FEATURE CHILD DANCES

Group Which Has Scored Hit of Season Will Appear in Production Here Tomorrow Evening

Final arrangements for the staging of the fairyland operetta, "The House That Jack Built," were concluded today and everything placed in readiness for the initial presentation Friday afternoon when all the guests will be received on the beautiful lawn of the John W. Scott estate in Hubbard Woods.

Miss Hazel Sharpe, who has arranged and taught the dances, will bring with her a group of young girls who are regarded as quite the most talented amateurs in Chicago. They danced at the Onwentsia club at Lake Forest Saturday and are planning to give a unique "storm dance" with realistic thunder and lightning.

Children in Production

The operetta is given by the children of Winnetka for the benefit of the Arden Shore Rest camp at Lake Bluff, a resort and haven of rest for mothers and children of the tenement districts of Chicago. The camp is maintained by voluntary contributions from north shore residents and is considered the most successful charity venture of its kind in the vicinity of Chicago.

The Arden Shore committee in charge of the presentation at the Scott estate is comprised of: Mrs. A. W. Shaw, Mrs. Victor Elting, Mrs. John Stuart, Mrs. Kent Tenney, Mrs. Arthur Tuttle, Mrs. T. Philip Swift, Mrs. A. C. Magnus, Mrs. Mancel T. Clark, Mrs. William P. Sidley, Mrs. Cornelius Lynde, Mrs. Henry Tenney, Mrs. F. W. Scott, Mrs. C. T. Mordock, Mrs. R. H. Ripley, Mrs. Augusta Fenger, Mrs. H. L. Hollis, Mrs. J. H. Hardin, Mrs. George J. Farnsworth, Mrs. George Thorne, Mrs. George Massey, Mrs. Edward Ellis, Miss Ruth Matz.

Mrs. T. H. McLanerney is the general chairman in charge of the presentation.

Children's tickets may be procured for one dollar and adults tickets for two dollars and fifty cents. There will be no war tax.

Many Feature Attractions

One of the additional attractions is a wonderful miniature house, fully equipped and furnished for house-keeping and containing a large and most unusual collection of dolls. There will also be personally conducted tours of the beautiful gardens of Mrs. John Scott, Mrs. F. W. Scott and Mrs. J. H. Hardin which grow upon adjoining plots along the lake shore.

The first presentation of the operetta will be Friday evening and a second presentation will take place at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

NAME KENILWORTH MAN "CON-CON" DELEGATE

Announcement has been made of the nomination of Amos C. Miller, 241 Melrose avenue, as Republican candidate to the Illinois Constitutional convention, from the seventh senatorial district.

Mr. Miller is the retiring president of the Chicago Bar association and stands high in his profession. He is active in Kenilworth and north shore municipal and civic affairs.

Community Dance Tomorrow

A Community dance will be held Saturday evening and a large crowd is urged to come and enjoy themselves for the evening. The community dances are proving very popular.

Charles Ray at Community House

Charles Ray starred at the Community House this afternoon and evening in "The Girl Dodger." One reel of the International News was also shown.

Paving on Elder Lane Begun

Paving began in the southeast section of the Village this week the start being made at the eastern end of Elder lane. Village officials expect the entire section to be paved by the end of November.

School Year Just Closed Marked by Sharp Economy; \$3,000 Paid on Old Indebtedness

The Winnetka Board of Education made a most remarkable record of economy in running the schools during the past year. During the several years previous the schools have been obliged to go further and further into debt. This year has been one of greatly increased costs of labor, books, and school supplies. Yet in spite of these facts the Board of Education not only succeeded in going no further into debt, but paid off \$3,000 of the debts outstanding from previous years.

Cut Down Expenditures

In no place does this economy stand out more clearly than in the relative amounts spent for educational purposes in the school year 1917-18 and in the school year just closed. The total expenditures for educational purposes in 1917-18 amounted to \$57,092. The expenditures during the past year for the same purposes amounted to only \$52,135. In commenting upon this recently Superintendent C. W. Washburne said:

"This rigid economy has, of course, been reflected in the general up-keep of the buildings and in the meager supplies allowed to children and teachers. It had many disadvantages from an educational standpoint, but under the circumstances it was necessary, and the fact that they were thus able to economize reflects great credit upon the business ability of the present Board of Education.

"Fortunately, however, the additional school funds recently voted by the people and the increased assessed valuation of the district makes it no longer necessary to deprive the children of well kept buildings and grounds, and an adequate supply of materials, books and playground apparatus.

"The Board of Education has therefore approved a budget for next year which provides for paying off a still larger proportion of the school debt, and at the same time for giving the schools the much needed repairs, supplies, and equipment."

Mrs. Benjamin Lathrop Explains the Many Needs of Hospital in France

Editor's note: Mrs. Benjamin Lathrop was in charge of the Paris office of the American Fund for French Wounded and in that capacity was responsible for the distribution of millions of dollars in money and clothes among the wounded in the war hospitals and the destitute families of wounded French soldiers. Mrs. Lathrop is well known on the north shore.

Mrs. Benjamin Lathrop gave a most interesting lecture at the Country club, Evanston, last week on the work of the American Fund for French Wounded which has been carried on from 1914 until the present time and which is to continue its work in the American Memorial hospital to be erected and endowed by the American Fund for French Wounded at Rheims.

In her lecture Mrs. Lathrop told how the comfort kits, bandages, pajamas and socks that the women sent from here were distributed in France. She said that there were never enough comfort kits and at one time she was distributing kits and there were so many more men than kits that she decided to let the men guess what she was about to pull out of the kit and the man who guessed correctly could have the article. It was great fun until she got to the bottom of one of the kits and felt something she could not imagine what it was. On pulling it out she found it to be a package of gum. She knew that the Frenchmen would never know what to do with it, so Mrs. Lathrop decided to have a gum chewing lesson. She got all the gum out of all the kits and gave a piece to each man as far as it would go around and told them that this was an article they could chew but never swallow. She would say, "now start to chew," and she would let them chew for awhile. Then she would tell them to stop in great fear that they would think it was time to swallow the gum. Finally a French soldier from the edge of the group shouted, "like a cow," and then it went very well. Mrs. Lathrop said she felt that she had introduced gum to France and it has taken firm root there.

17,000,000 Bandages Made

Mrs. Lathrop said that the American women had been wonderful in their work. That they never once had failed, and that the bandages they made, which numbered 17,000,000, had reached nearly 5,000 different hospitals. The bandages were sent not only to hospitals in France but went also to Rumania, Italy, Belgium and Serbia. Over 4,000,000 hospital garments were sent from the United States to the American Fund for French Wounded. Mrs. Lathrop stated that \$6,000,000 was expended in this work. It was necessary to spend fifty cents a bale to send the surgical dressings to the different hospitals, for it took from a month to six weeks to get the dressings to the hospitals by rail and if they were taken by motor to the hospitals by the motor service of the American Fund for French Wounded, which grew to be the biggest woman's motor service in France, it took only a day. The work of the girl drivers was wonderful. Miss Louise Tennis, who did such wonderful work in the packing room, had a most necessary if

uninteresting task. Mrs. Lathrop said. She said she was sure that none of the cases containing surgical dressings or surgical instruments were marked wrong from Evanston, but she was told of an emergency case in a hospital where it was necessary to get some surgical instruments to a hospital very rapidly and when the case arrived at the hospital and was opened it contained baby clothes, so it was necessary to unpack everything that was sent and the repack it and send it to the hospitals, which required a great deal of work.

Tells Needs of Hospitals

Mrs. Lathrop told of the great need in France for this hospital at Rheims. She said that to anyone who had not been in northern France it was impossible to imagine the terrible condition of things. "Anyone who talks of northern France recuperating is absolutely ignorant of the conditions that exist," she said. "Everything is gone. The glass factories are things of the past. There is not a loom working, not a factory left. The little children are dying of tuberculosis. There is unspeakable filth everywhere. I myself have been in chateaus where the Germans have taken their horses upstairs and used the bedrooms for stalls." She then told of a man named Jean who came back to Cambrai after four years of absence not having had any idea all that time where his family was. He asked an old French woman where his wife was. She told him she was dead. His only son had perished and as he asked after his daughters, this old woman told him they were all gone she knew not where, except one who had married and was now in Paris, and poor Jean started out to walk there to try and find her.

French Are Not Normal

Mrs. Lathrop said that one of the hardest things she had found since coming back to America was the way everyone asked if the French were appreciative of what the Americans had done for them. She said our own soldiers had come back with unpleasant tales of the French, of how they were overcharged for everything, of the seeming lack of appreciation for things done for them. Mrs. Lathrop said that they were appreciative but they were not normal. "They have been through so much that they haven't the feelings of a normal person," she said. "Their country has been so devastated that they feel there is no future for them and they are very bitter."

Women Need Aid

It is best to do something for these poor people who are now returning to their home, to help the little children, who have had their hands and feet blown off by German hand grenades which the Germans have left tied to the vegetable patches as they retreated, and to help the women, sick from lack of nourishment or from diseases contracted from drinking the polluted water from the wells. This hospital is to be a memorial for the 50,000 American boys who lie buried in France. Every bed will have above it the name of an American soldier who died serving his country. The endowment for each bed is \$6,000. It is desired that the hospital be rep-

Sacred Heart Honors Returned War Heroes

Sacred Heart parish in Hubbard Woods is giving a home-coming reception to the men of the parish who have been in the service. The reception is scheduled for Sunday, July 13.

At a military mass at 10:30 o'clock the service flag will be lowered and at 12:30 o'clock a dinner will be served to the returned soldiers and sailors.

In the afternoon a reception and entertainment will take place on the church lawn. An attractive program has been arranged and the entire parish is expected to be present. The affair is in the hands of committees from the various church organizations.

Name New Hostess for Community Dances

During the absence of Mrs. J. Allen Haines who is spending the summer in the east, Miss Harriette Houghteling of Winnetka will act as hostess at the Community dances. Miss Houghteling was one of the most enthusiastic and active workers for the former Navy League and has had a great deal to do with the success of the Community dances.

The hour at which the dances start has been changed from 8 P. M. to 8:30 P. M.

Anyone wishing information as to these dances may see Miss Houghteling at Community House during the evening of the next dance July 12, or by writing to Mrs. E. W. Wortley, Community House, Winnetka, Illinois.

FORMER WILMETTE GIRL TRIED IN U. S. COURTS

Mrs. Leona Olmsted Garrity, formerly of Wilmette, was arraigned on Tuesday before Federal Judge A. B. Anderson at Indianapolis, charged with having passed spurious money manufactured by T. J. Williams, a former employe of the Lake Shore Publishing company.

Judge Anderson continued and took the case under advisement with the remark: "Twenty-two, married, divorced and guilty of passing counterfeit bills, I don't know what to do with you. Case continued."

Judge Anderson severely reprimanded two attorneys in the case for having taken \$200 from her for "services rendered." Their only services included advice that she plead guilty. Williams who plead guilty several months ago to "raising bills," is in the penitentiary.

WINNETKA GIRLS READY FOR BIG SUMMER CAMP

On Thursday evening, July 17, a group of twenty-six girls, with Mrs. E. W. Wortley in charge, leave for a two week's outing at the camp near Ludington, Mich. which is conducted under the auspices of Community House. They will go by auto to Chicago, and by boat to Ludington.

The Boy Scouts who are at present in the camp expect to leave for home with Mr. Anderson, on July 15. Reports from them indicate they are having a wonderful time, fishing, hiking, swimming and everything; and that the life of the great out-of-doors is agreeing with them splendidly. The girls expect to return on July 30.

WILMETTE WOMAN GOLFER LOSES IN W. W. G. A. PLAY

Mrs. Burt C. Hardenbrook, 1101 Forest avenue, Wilmette, who qualified, in the third flight for the women's Western Golf Association tournament at Beverly Country club this week was eliminated Tuesday by Mrs. S. Willard, of Skokie who triumphed 1 up, 19 holes. Mrs. Hardenbrook also lost her match in the putting tournament to Mrs. T. W. Torr, of Olympia Fields, the matching ending with Mrs. Hardenbrook 1 down.

In the W. W. G. A. western championship tournament held last year at Indian Hill Mrs. Hardenbrook captured the honors in the third flight. She was formerly a member at Westmoreland but now is at the Skokie Country club.

On Trip to Northern States

A. D. Bradley and family of 508 Maple avenue, are touring through the northern states this week.

representative of the whole country. Endowments may be made by individuals, by organizations or by committees.

WILMETTE MOTOR COP CHARGED WITH THEFT

Albert Ottone Arrested by Evanston Police, Charged With Theft of Auto Tire

ANSWERS, "HUGE MISTAKE"

B. F. Marthens of Evanston, Complainant, Demands Arrest Following Loss of Spare Tire

Albert Ottone, Wilmette's motorcycle policeman, fell into the meshes of the law this week and will appear in the Evanston police court Wednesday, July 16, to answer a charge of larceny instituted by B. F. Marthens of 714 Lincoln avenue, Evanston. Ottone is charged in the warrant with the theft of an automobile tire, alleged to have been taken from the Marthens car on Saturday, July 5.

Ottone provided bonds of \$300 at Evanston police headquarters Wednesday evening following his arrest by patrolman Eugene Worthington of the Evanston department. Arraigned before Justice of the Peace John F. Boyer he declared the whole matter was a huge mistake. The hearing was set for Wednesday afternoon, July 16.

"Protected" Machine

The story of the alleged theft was related to the police by Marthens Wednesday evening. The facts are set forth after this manner. Marthens and a companion were riding through Wilmette in Sheridan road Saturday when they encountered a blowout. About that time Ottone came along on his motorcycle. Ottone suggested parking the car in a vacant lot near the street and, according to Marthens, promised to maintain a watchful eye on the machine.

Marthens returned later only to find the spare tire missing from the rack on the rear of the machine. A search coupled with a bit of detective work ensued and terminated at the Terminal garage on Fourth street, where, it is said, Ottone houses his private touring car. Marthens claims he found the missing tire on Ottone's car.

Escapes Cell-room

A warrant demanding Ottone's arrest was sworn out before Justice Boyer Wednesday afternoon and Ottone was in police custody by evening. He quickly provided the necessary bonds to escape the dingy cell-room at the Evanston station.

Ottone has been suspended from the local police force pending the disposition of his case, according to Village authorities.

Ottone has been a member of the Wilmette police force for several years. He came by the name of the "hemesis of speeders." His home is at 504 Park avenue, Wilmette. He told Evanston police he would retaliate with a suit charging Marthens with slander.

CLUB WOMEN ARE GUESTS AT THE R. C. DAWES HOME

Mrs. Rufus C. Dawes and other members of the community kitchen committee were hostesses at a luncheon given Tuesday at 1 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Dawes, in Evanston. The guests at the luncheon were the presidents from the different women's clubs from Lake Forest to Englewood and representatives from the press. The guest of honor was Jack Imber of the royal air corps of England. He spoke briefly of his war experiences.

Winnetka Defeated

Evanston Foster Feds won from the strong Winnetka team by a score of 9 to 3, Sunday, July 6. Hendricks was on the mound for the Foster boys, allowing only three hits and also struck out twelve of Winnetka's batters. Bailey did his bit by catching a good game for the Foster boys. Jack Russ did some wonderful batting. Russ, up at bat with three men on bases, got a three-bagger and he also played a wonderful game at first base. The Foster boys will play strong teams from the north shore at Foster field every Sunday.

N. T. C. A. Meeting

The regular business meeting of the New Trier Commercial association was held at the Wilmette Village hall, Monday evening, July 7.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Scharf and two daughters, Dorothy and Lois, are spending the summer at the cottage on Lake Wauconda.