

## PRISON REFORM CLUB SUBJECT

### Maud Ballington Booth at Sunday Club

Maud Ballington Booth, known affectionately throughout the United States as the "Little Mother of the Prisons," will be the speaker at the Wilmette Sunday Evening club on February 10.

Mrs. Booth gained her unique title by virtue of more than 20 years service in social service and reform work in prisons in every section of the country. She is regarded as one of the leading authorities on prison reform problems and will have an unusually interesting message for the Sunday Evening club patrons.

"Multitudes of humanity-loving hearts have been thrilled by Mrs. Booth's story of her work in connection with the Volunteer Prison League, which she founded and by her own efforts has sustained and vitalized," reads a comment. "More than 85,000 men, while serving prison sentences, have ascribed their complete regeneration to the league and are still loyal to it. National prison reforms have been promoted, and a number of splendid and valuable rural properties in widely separated states, temporary homes for discharged prisoners, have been acquired, equipped and are now in operation."

It is one of the prime purposes of the league to find employment for these but until thus provided for the friendless men and women find a haven in these "Hope Halls," one of which is located in Chicago.

In addition to her reform work, Mrs. Booth has written several books among which are "After Prison, What?" "Sleepy Time Stories," "Lights of Childland," "Twilight Fairy Tales" and "Was It Murder?" the last named having gained general favor throughout the country.

Miss Mary Welch will be the soloist for Sunday evening.

## MAKE CHANGE IN CONCERT DATES

### Next Evening Concert to Be Given February 12

Two late and important changes of concert dates are announced in the current series being given by the Little Symphony of Chicago at New Trier High school under the auspices of the New Trier Township Orchestral association. Due to a conflict of engagements over which neither the orchestra nor the association has any control, the matinee scheduled for Monday afternoon, February 11, has been dropped. This engagement will be made up to subscribers in April. The evening concert, which was scheduled for the same date, will be given instead on the following evening, Tuesday, February 12. Subscribers, if possible, will be advised by mail, but readers are asked by the management to pass the word along to their neighbors.

At a meeting of the board of directors of the association held last Tuesday there was a long discussion of plans for the season of 1924 and 1925. These plans will be definitely formulated and announced later, but they contemplate an orchestra with an average of about 45 men, instead of 35 men as heretofore. This, if accomplished, will make available a repertoire for concerts never before possible owing to the narrow limitations of such a small body of men.

The program for next Tuesday evening's concert follows:

#### Program

- Overture to "Mignon" ..... Thomas Symphony No. 7, A Major..Beethoven
- Allegretto
- Scherzo—Presto
- Adagio Pathétique ..... Godard
- Duet for Flute and Clarinet—
- Tarantelle, Opus 6.....Saint-Saens
- Messrs. Quensel and Evenson.
- Intermission
- Suite—L'Arlesienne No. 2.....Bizet
- Pastorale
- Intermezzo
- Minuet
- Farandole
- Serenade Lyrique .....Elgar
- Valse Triste .....Sibelius
- Slavonic Dances .....Dvorak

### N. T. C. A. Membership Drive Brings 50 Men

A meeting of the New Trier Commercial association, scheduled to take place at headquarters in the Brown building on Monday evening, February 11, at 8 o'clock, is expected to develop into a regular rally of business men, marking the close of a whirlwind membership campaign in which 50 names were added to the association's roll.

## KENILWORTH BURGLAR LOSES KIT OF TOOLS

What frightened the burglar who attempted to enter the home of Alexander Hannah at Woodstock and Essex avenues, Kenilworth, last Friday night? Chief of Police P. J. Murray does not know the answer to that question but he has a kit of burglar's tools which the prowler left behind when he departed.

The Hannah family is not at home at present but Mr. Hannah has been staying at the house nights. He returned late Friday but noticed nothing irregular but the next morning evidence indicated that a burglar, or a pair of burglars, had attempted to pry into a rear window of the house. The window was considerably scratched up and beneath it lay a "jimmy," chisels and other burglar's tools. Tracks in the mud showed that the man or men had probably entered the yard from a car parked nearby. The man who worked at the window had stood on an upturned box which remained. Whether a passing car, a noise in the house or something else frightened the robber is not known but it was evident that a hurried exit was executed.

Chief Murray called the next morning, investigated the case but found no clues as to the identity of the prowlers. This is the first attempted burglary in Kenilworth in several months, the chief says.

### State Collected \$40.78 from Each Person in 1922

According to statistics just given out by the Federal Department of Commerce the state of Illinois, during 1922, collected an average of \$40.78 in taxes of all sorts, from every man, woman and child in the state.

The revenues included general property taxes, special taxes, poll taxes, licenses and permits, and special assessments. The total collected from these sources by the state and all its subdivisions was \$271,610,097.

This total was made up of \$217,668,

672 general property taxes; \$3,106,269 special property taxes; \$64,354 poll taxes; \$28,114,400 licenses and permits, and \$22,656,402 special assessments for improvements.

The statistics also fixed Illinois' debt, less sinking fund assets set aside to meet such debt, at \$364,018,917, an average per capita of \$54.66 for 1922. This was contrasted with the 1912 total of \$139,480,367 or a per capita average of \$32.62. The increase in a decade was 161 per cent.

The assessed valuation of all property subject to general property taxes was \$4,000,497,373 in 1922, as compared with \$2,343,673,232 in 1912, an increase of 71 per cent. The per capita assessed valuation increased from \$396.96 in 1912 to \$600.70 in 1922. The per capita tax levy increased from \$14.37 in 1912 to \$37.60 in 1922.

### Famous World War Play to Show on North Shore

North shore residents are being urged to attend the performances of "A Buck on Leave," a musical comedy to be staged at the Evanston Country club February 12, 13 and 14 under auspices of Evanston Post No. 42 of the American Legion.

"A Buck on Leave" is the original A. E. F. show which played before a million soldiers and civilians in Europe and later enjoyed an extended engagement at the Auditorium theatre, Chicago.

Heading the cast in the Evanston performances will be Pat Barnes, the

author. He will be supported by north shore talent and chorus.

Tickets may be obtained at the Rennecker Drug company and at Wilmette Motor Sales.

### NEW HOME FOR PACKARD

A new building is to be erected by the Packard Motor company in Ev-

anston to take care of its increased business, but the location has not been announced as the signing of the contract has not been completed, it is said. The proposed site covers an area of 75,000 square feet, according to A. A. Crumley, manager of the Evanston branch of the company.

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