

# THE PLAY FOR CRADLE BUDGET

Little Theatre Players to Present "Officer 666" June 26 and 28

## "HOMES FOR BABIES"

Evanston Institution Places Many Infants

Winnetka playgoers are to enjoy an unusual treat at Community House on the evenings of Thursday and Saturday, June 26 and 28, when the Winnetka Little Theatre players present the three-act melodrama, "Officer 666," as a benefit for the Cradle society. The play is given under the auspices of the Winnetka board of the society.

Under the supervision of L. L. Buchanan, a brilliant cast has been assembled for the presentation of Augustan McHugh's celebrated mystery drama that is counted among the greatest successes in the history of the American stage.

Assisting Mr. Buchanan will be Norman W. Harris, stage manager, and John K. Coolidge, property man.

**The Cast**  
The cast of characters will be as follows:

- Bateato, Japanese butler.....
- ..... Franklin Callahan
- Phelan, a policeman.....Richard S. Bull
- Whitney Barnes.....Charlet H. Matz

- Travers Gladwin .....
- ..... William C. Boyden, Jr.
- Helen Burton.....Mrs. Sanford B. White
- Sadie Small.....Miss Harriet Nichols
- Mrs. Burton.....Mrs. Richard S. Bull
- Alfred Wilson.....Charles Eastman
- Watkins.....Dain D. Fuller
- Captain Stone.....Robert Elmer
- Kearney, a plainclothes man.....
- .....Ernest R. Cole
- Ryan, a policeman.....Spencer S. Beaman
- Another policeman.....Gilbert Scribner

### Located at Evanston

The Cradle, for the benefit of which the play is given, is located at Evanston and is incorporated under the laws of Illinois. It was dedicated, March 10, 1923, and the first babies brought out on the following Monday. At that time the nursery was completely furnished and equipped for the care of eight babies. The staff consisted of a head day nurse, assistant nurse, night nurse, and combination cook and laundress. Dr. Mitchell was the pediatrician in charge until January, and Dr. Luskie has been in charge since that time.

The babies come to the Cradle from hospitals, social service departments and physicians. Whenever it is possible, and in these cases it is almost always true, those in charge have personal interview with the mother of the baby before accepting it.

The Cradle, it is explained, is a nursery to establish the physical fitness of little children to go into the homes of love and devotion. The first year's record shows that the average length of time in the Cradle is about 35 days. During the past year 81 babies were taken in, 65 of which have been adopted into permanent homes, three returned to their mothers with an assurance of excellent care, one taken by its grandmother, two sent to hospitals because of symptoms that precluded the possibilities of placing them, and three taken by death.

The Cradle's budget for the ensuing

year is estimated at \$16,000 in addition to \$4,000 to be paid off on the home.

The purpose of the Cradle is to place as many normal babies as possible in families, thereby putting out of their lives forever the need of charity and giving them the opportunity to become fine citizens of tomorrow. At present there is a waiting list for babies of more than 50 names. During the past year babies have gone into homes in Canada, Michigan, Missouri, Kansas, Ohio, Wisconsin, Nebraska, Indiana, Minnesota, Louisiana, besides many in Illinois.

### FINED ON LIQUOR CHARGE

Four men, John Dorband, Tom Hayes, Marney Hale, and Harry Kilby were each fined \$20 and costs on charges of disorderly conduct and transporting intoxicating liquor, in Winnetka police court this week.



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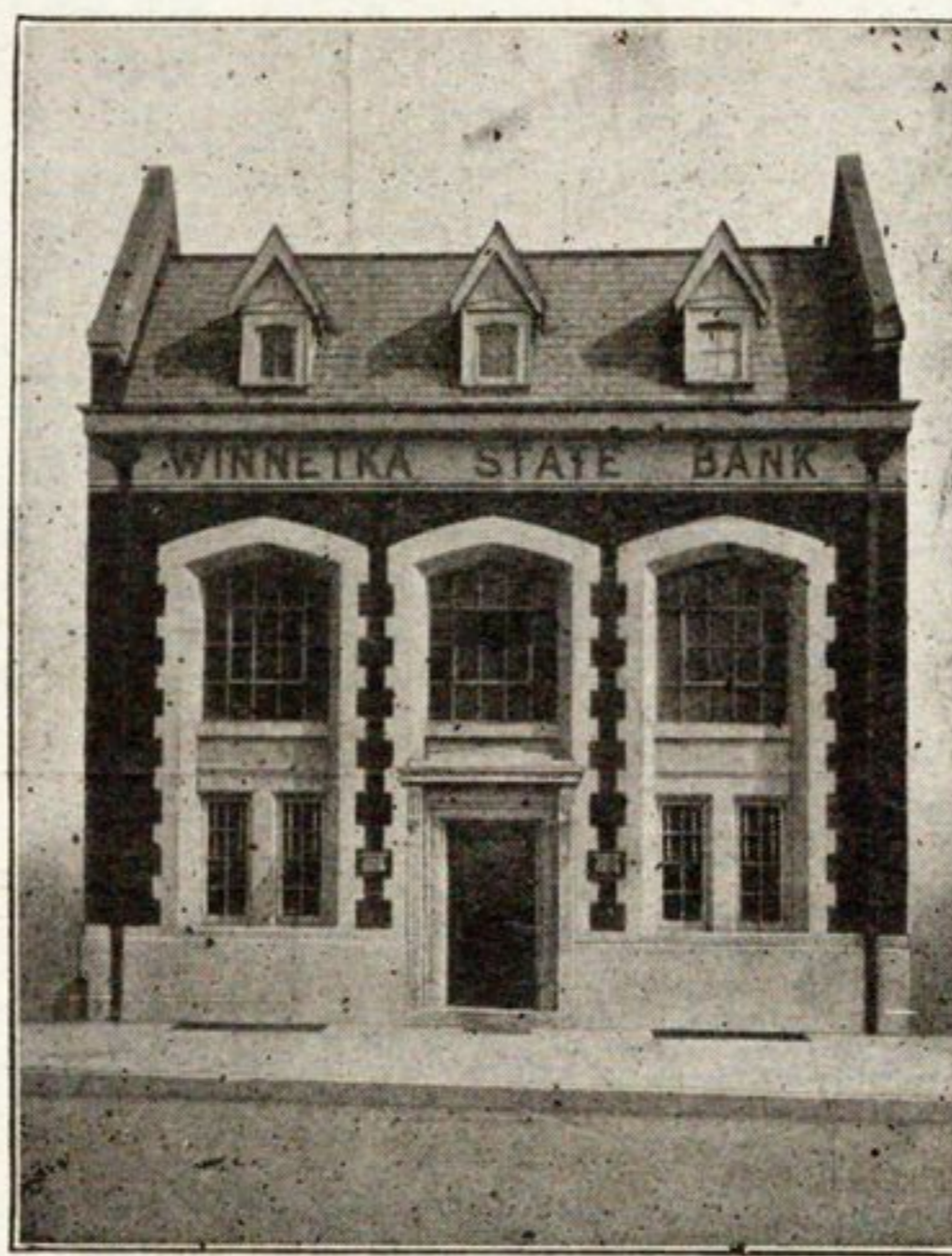
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