

SEEK DRAINING

OF OLD LAKE

Whitley County Pond Affects Highway, Is Claim.

Claiming that an extensively traveled highway between Aetna and Troy Townships in Whitley County will be inaccessible to use all season unless Old Lake, a fifty-nine-acre body of water in Whitley County, is drained, the board of

Whitely county commissioners of that county has petitioned the State department of conservation for permission to drain the lake. Charles G. Sauer, assistant to the director of the conservation department, and an engineer, are in Columbus City today to investigate and recommend the future course to be taken.

According to the Whitely County commissioners, the present lake level endangers the highway, which at certain seasons of the year is impassable owing to inundation by overflow. The road was built recently at considerable cost and will not be of all-year utility if conditions are not remedied.

Several citizens of Whitley County have taken a different view of the situation and, being opposed to the draining of this beautiful lake, assert the road situation can be clarified without destroying that water body.

According to letters from individuals who oppose interfering with the Old Lake, the highway in question should never have been laid out on its present route. At a certain point it lies just three-quarters of a mile from the lake, across a sink or swamp section, and the surplus water and moisture occasioned by close proximity to the lake is

devalued by the ditching. The assertion is further made by some communicants that land owners contiguous to the lake are the prime movers for wishing to drain the lake, hoping to profit through the development of low lands in that section.

Department of conservation officials said today they would take an impartial attitude in conducting this investigation. They pointed out that in the past Indians has been neglectful of its water resources and that if conditions warrant even effort will be made to save this lake.

make in view of the fact that the time is not distant when the State will need all its available water resources.

Court Sets Aside Divorce Decree

Circuit Judge Harry Chamberlin today announced that the court had set aside a divorce granted to Harry B. Kam...

Affidavits were filed before the court tending to show that Kamschulte was not a resident of the State of Indiana at the time he asked that a divorce be filed as contemplated by the statutes.

the grand jury has been directed toward this case.

Two Victims Report Pockets Were Picked

Two pickpocket robberies were reported to the police last night.

Samuel B. Adams, 1000 West Third

Otto Wickstrom, 1426 Dawson street, was pushed by a man while he was looking into a store window at Market and Pennsylvania streets, and a few minutes

later missed his pocketbook that contained \$2.

Widow Ends Fight

for Shonts' Fortune

NEW YORK, April 2.—The attempt of Mrs. Milla D. Shonts, widow of the late Theodore P. Shonts, to break the traction magnate's will in which he left the bulk of his fortune to "My Friend, Amanda C.

Thomas," had ended today. Mrs. Shonts formally withdrew all of the charges she had made against Mrs. Thomas and the will was admitted to probate.

Says Doctor Sewed Gauze Up in Wound

gauze are going to cost Dr. Frederic Seville \$50,000 if Miss Catherine O'Malley wins the suit she filed against him today. Miss O'Malley charges Dr. Seville operated on her in 1919 for appendicitis and left the gauze in her body.

Rankington Accepts Position in West

Special to The Times.
COLUMBUS, Ind., April 9. Charles F.

COLUMBUS, Ind., April 9.—Charles B. Talkington, formerly of this city, who recently resigned from the position of superintendent of the Indiana State farm at Putnamville, has accepted a position as superintendent of the Black Hills Cement Mills at Black Hills, S. D.

Legion Prepares for
'Fourth' Celebration

Officers of the Marion County Council of the American Legion and heads of committees in charge of preparations for

the legion's Fourth of July celebration, were to meet this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the legion headquarters to discuss their plans.

"TIGER" CASES CONTINUED.

The cases of Earl Harrigan and his

brother, Loyd Harrison, Thirty-Third and Station streets, charged with operating a blind tiger, were continued in city court today by Judge Walter Pritchard until April 14. The brothers were arrested Friday by Lieutenant Cox and Sergeant Burk, after the officers found a sixty gallon still in full operation last

sixty-gallon still in full operation, forty gallons of "white mule" whisky, 400 gallons of raisin mash and fifteen empty three-gallon jugs in their home.

BONDS FOR HOSPITAL.

HARTFORD CITY, Ind., April 9.—A bond issue of \$80,000 for the construction of a county hospital here has been offered for sale July 1. Bids will be received by the county commissioners.

STATE REJECTS COAL BIDS.

Hoping to obtain lower prices, the joint State purchasing committee has rejected all bids for coal for State institutions. The commission will take up the question of buying coal again at a meeting May 1. The action taken by the commission followed a conference with Governor

Warren T. McCray.

TWO FINED IN AUTO CASES.

Two men were fined \$10 and costs by Judge Walter Britchard in city court.

today on charges of operating automobiles while under the influence of liquor. Those fined are Joe Hanser, 3514 College avenue, and Pless Prather, negro, 714 1/2 North Senate avenue. Charges

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