

## SHAW DECLARES LEAGUE MUST BE MUCH MODIFIED

Says U. S. Must be Allowed to Withdraw on Own Initiative.

That the peace treaty and the League of Nations will never be ratified unless express reservations are made that the United States can withdraw without the consent of any other nation, is the opinion of Hon. Leslie M. Shaw, ex-governor of the state of Iowa.

In an interview with a News-Times reporter, Mr. Shaw, who debated the government ownership of railroads with Dr. Charles Zuehlke at the chautauqua Friday night, made the following statement relative to ratification of the League of Nations:

"Ambiguities are the prime causes of war, as well as of litigation. If the constitution of the United States had expressly provided that the several states might withdraw or had made it clear that they could not withdraw the Civil war would have been avoided. It seems to me the man is worse than an idiot who insists that the admitted uncertainty in withdrawal from the League of Nations shall be perpetuated."

"This much is certain, the treaty will never be ratified unless express reservations are made that we can withdraw without asking the consent or approval of any other nation; second, that we can exclude from citizenship or domicile any race as well as any individual; third, that we can impose for revenue or for protection any tariff we please, and fourth, that the Monroe doctrine with all that it is understood to imply is expressly reserved from the jurisdiction of the League of Nations."

"If these, as some insist, are already safeguarded, the nations will acquiesce and it will not be necessary to recommit the treaty. If objections are to be raised to these reservations by any nation the time to have them raised is before the treaty is ratified."

"That each of these questions is now shrouded in ambiguity and uncertainty is conceded by everyone. Why insist that they shall be left fruitful causes of war if it be the purpose to prevent war why not prevent the causes of war?"

### ELABORATE PROGRAM IS ARRANGED FOR CONCERT AT PARK SUNDAY NIGHT

An elaborate program has been arranged for the weekly concert, which will be given at Leeper park, Sunday evening, at 8 o'clock, by Elbel's band. It will open with the march, "Conqueror," which made a decided hit as the opening number of the Ringling Bros. circus concert.

Friedman's "Slavonic Rhapsody" is a rare treat for music lovers, while it belongs to the classics is a very tuneful and harmonic composition, and can be relished by all the casual followers of band music. In sympathy with this production is the selection from the opera Attila, one of the master pieces of the great composer, Verdi.

A selection of southern negro melodies, entitled "The Sunny South," contains a combination of songs with which all Americans are familiar and always causes a flutter when struck up by a musical organization. The patriot, "Kilauae," is a Hawaiian composition, while the selection from the musical comedy success, "High Jinks," is one of Rudolph Friml's best contributions.

The new location of the band stand seems very agreeable and pleasing to the public. The large and spacious lawn makes it very convenient and enjoyable for the people to congregate, while the music from the new elevation seems to travel better within the range of the audience.

The complete program, which will be interspersed with bright new compositions fresh from the press, is as follows:

"Star Spangled Banner," March, "Conqueror," Teke Grand Selection, "Attila,"—Verdi Waltz, "Vie de Boheme,"—St. Clair Tone Poem, "Apple Blossoms,"—Roberts Rhapsody, "Slavonic,"—Friedman Patrol, "Kilauae,"—Stewart Selection, "High Jinks,"—Friml Southern Melodies, "Sunny South," Finale, "Selected,"—Lampe

Fred Elbel, conductor.

### DIVORCE APPLICANT GIVES MANY REASONS

Saying that his wife stabbed him some time ago with a knife and that she refused to prepare his meals and provide him comforts, Jessie Ellinger Saturday filed a suit for divorce from his wife, Mary Ellinger in Superior court.

The couple were married April 11, 1919 and separated Friday, Aug. 15. Ellinger says in the suit that his wife stays away from home at times and he does not know where she is. He says that she curses him and calls him all kinds of vile names.

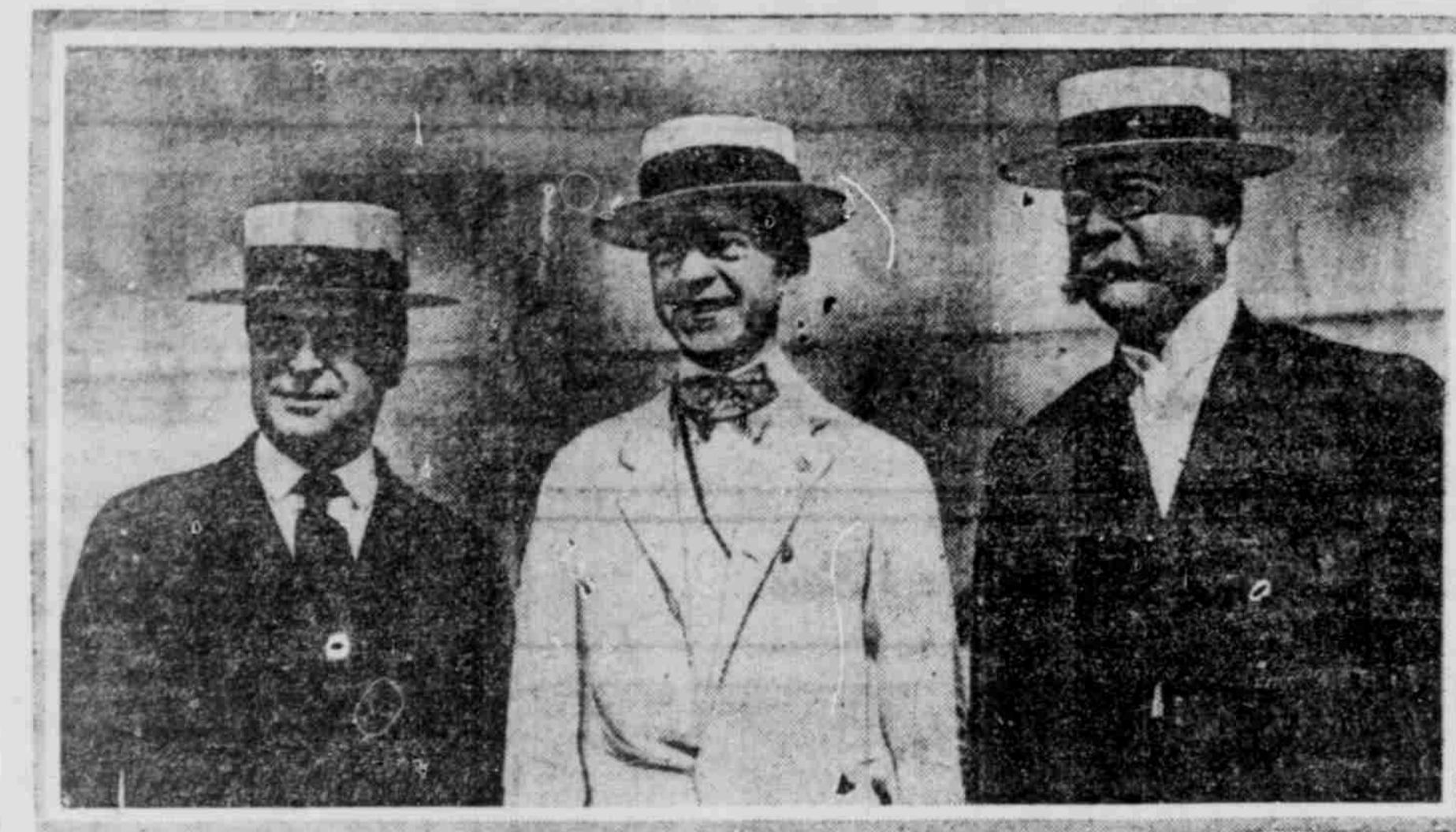
ABRAHAM—

LOYAL AMERICAN PICNIC. At Pottawatonia Park, Sunday, Aug. 17 all loyal Americans are urged to attend this picnic. Program of sports at 10 o'clock. Come and bring your dinner baskets.

G. H. FINCH, O. S. BARRETT, Sec. Pres.

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### H. C. L. Investigators Confer With Wilson



Victor Murdock, W. B. Culver and Secretary Redfield.

Victor Murdock (left), William B. Culver, chairman of the Federal Trade Commission (center), and Secretary of Commerce William Redfield, photographed in Washington recently after a conference with Pres' Wilson regarding government plans to cut the high cost of living.

## HOOSIERS

### A Glance Over Indiana

THE TOSS OF A PENNY caused Frank Rothe of Munce to get in bad. He, with two friends, Walter Newport and Charles Holmes, decided to steal a car. As to which should drive the car was a question. A penny was tossed in the air and fate fell to Rothe. He is now charged with stealing a machine and his friends are held as accessories to the charge.

FOREIGNERS WERE BEING naturalized in Indianapolis. Questions were asked the men, and finally the question came, "Do you know who discovered America?" The answer from the foreigner was, "No, I don't exactly know who discovered America, but I know that the Kaiser found out about it in a mighty big hurry!" The man was made an American citizen.

THE TO THE LACK OF grosses at Poneto, an elevator that had been overboard burst open and deposited its contents on the ground, amounting to about 2,000 bushels of wheat.

MEMBERS OF THE CIVIC club of Brazil, Ind., had their annual outing at Elviver, where boys from the town were entertained. When one boy was asked if he had a good time he said, "Good time." Gee! I drank several bottles of pop, ate four or five sandwiches, ten ice cream cones and then bought a melon for 25 cents and got 50 cents back in change."

MIKE KRUSZVNSKI, former policeman of Gary, is expecting to take a trip to Indianapolis to see Judge Anderson, according to police officials of the steel metropolis. With three liquor law violation cases against him in Gary courts, Mike was again raided Thursday night and 24 bottles of whiskey were found.

WARSAW EXPECTS TO HAVE a pure water supply by Sept. 1, 1926, according to officials of that city. For years they have been using impure water from Center lake.

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"EXHIBIT A" IN THE CASE against two Mundie boys was ordered not destroyed by Judge McClellan. The boys were arrested for stealing melons and a big watermelon was produced as the first exhibit. The boys were found guilty but after the trial all surrounded the judge's chair while he sliced the exhibit and furnished each present with part of the evidence, even to the defendants.

BLOOMINGTON BARBERS prepared to "trim" the public in style when they boosted their prices to 50 cents a trim, 25 cents a shave and 50 cents for a massage.

SAFE-ELLOWING IS GETTING old in Indianapolis, police say, the more modern way is taking the safe along. Robbers entered the office of the Indianapolis Mortar and Fuel company and removed the two-ton safe to the rear of the yards, where they endeavored to load it on one of the company's delivery trucks.

HOWARD COUNTY HOLDS the record for the highest number of octogenarian voters. Records show 123 such voters and an organization to be known as the Howard County Octogenarian society has been proposed. Rueben Deupler, 85 years old, says he is the best athlete in the list and can jump from the ground and crack his heels together twice before returning to terra cotta.

### News of the City from the Official Records

#### MARRIAGE LICENSES

Susie Funnell, South Bend, domestic to James A. Harkins, South Bend, a laborer.

Everett Hardy, 110 E. Dayton st., a trimmer to Miss Esther Hillwig, Stephensville, Mch., domestic.

Lawrence R. Gillian, auto driver to Miss Eulalia O'Brien, domestic, both of South Bend.

Daniel B. Brink, waiter, R. R. 5, to Miss Ina Swihart, cook, 408 E. Fox st.

Helen Cankling, typist to Gordon W. Dillman, office employee, both of Mishawaka.

Louis F. Schleiger, machinist to Miss Vivian French, stenographer, both of South Bend.

#### BIRTHS.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Norman, 425 S. William st., a daughter, Aug. 16. Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Ganser, of Hammond, Ind., formerly of this city, a daughter, Aug. 13.

#### JUNE POSTAL RATES ON ARMY FOOD IN EFFECT

South Bend postal authorities were notified Saturday that zone postal rates in so far as they would apply to shipments of surplus army food were in effect, suspended. The sale of food by parcel post begins Monday.

Circular letters have been sent all postmasters directing that they collect only postage for the first zone, no matter what the distance the foodstuffs would have to be shipped.

The difference will be made up by the war department, which on shipments to third and fourth zones, will deduct from the price charged for orders a sum sufficient to make up the postage.

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