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The League of Nations

Interviews with the great statesmen of the world, printed as Associated Press dispatches, indicate that enlightened diplomatic opinion favors some sort of league of nations which will make impossible future wars and guarantee the peace of the world.

The latest expression is that of Viscount Bryce, former British ambassador to the United States, who declares that some combination or league of nations is a fundamental necessity to carry out the settlement of Europe and the East.

The main objection which opponents of the scheme have advanced is that a strong police force will be necessary to enforce the dictates of the league, so that the system carries within itself the very principle of strong armaments and militarism that the nations are trying to prevent.

Friends of the proposal answer this argument by asserting that the league will not be something extraneous to existing governments and that the army and navy required to carry out its decisions will not be an armed force set aside, such as a police department is, to do patrol work. This force is to be assigned by the nations in the league for a particular duty when the occasion arises. It will not be a distinct organization.

Viscount Bryce argues for the beginning of a league, leaving details as to method or organization to be worked out later. He believes "that a beginning should be made and solid foundations laid before the conference separates." No one can gainsay that the whole world is sick and tired of war and earnestly pines for the prevention of bloodshed by armed nations. The great war will have been fought in vain if out of it does not come an organized movement to forestall war and preclude the shedding of blood. The people of France, Great Britain, Belgium, Italy and the United States are anxious for a lasting peace. If a league of nations can bring about this consummation without impairing the spirit of national honor and preventing the establishment and maintenance of adequate national defenses, America will accept the movement at its face value. If the proposed league, however, will militate against preparedness and military defenses, America will look askance at its development.

Violating the Liquor Laws

Wholesale violations of the liquor laws in Indianapolis by druggists and so-called dry drink saloon owners have led to the arrest of many men in that city and have brought forcibly to the at-

tention of the public the attempts that are made to import and sell liquor in Indiana.

The public takes only one view of the situation, namely, that violators of the law should be punished to the fullest extent of the law. Indiana was made dry by statutory enactment, and the vote of the legislators must be accepted as a reflection of the opinion of their constituents.

The state is dry and should be kept so. The police authorities of Indianapolis are doing their duty in bringing before the judgment bar men and women who violate the statute either by smuggling liquor into the state or by offering it for sale. A law becomes a farce if the authorities permit violations to go unchallenged or connive at evasions of its provisions.

An Indianapolis investigation, it is alleged, showed that one concern alone had 1,600 gallons of intoxicating liquors in its possession when officers made a raid. This indicates that the concern was selling liquor illicitly on a big scale and seemingly believed it could hide its operations successfully from the police department. The possession of this amount of liquors presupposes an extensive transportation from wet into dry territory. The breaking up of the system that enables the importation of this amount of liquor, and its confiscation by the police, should go a far way in solving the sale of wet goods in Indianapolis.

Fire Loss Figures

The many responses which the fire department has made in the last two weeks to alarms indicate only too plainly that the fire menace and hazard are still with us, perhaps in a greater degree than in former years.

The annual loss by fire in the United States is an astounding one. More than 15,000 lives, mostly women and children, are included in the toll. The property loss amounts to \$250,000,000 annually. More has been accomplished in the last two years to reduce fire waste than in the ten preceding years.

It is gratifying to note that satisfactory results have been attained all over the country in reducing the fire loss. The campaign of education which has been waged in the schools and by the public press is held to be one of the primary causes for the reduction in the fire loss.

The fire hazard, it seems, has been increased this winter by the fuel which is being burned in furnaces. Few furnaces in Richmond are adapted for the consumption of inferior grades of coal which require more air for satisfactory combustion and also give off a large amount of soot that adheres tenaciously to flues and chimneys. Most of the fires have been confined to the chimneys where soot has collected and finally caught fire. Careful attention should be paid to the danger of fire arising from this condition.

The fire department has proved its worth in the last weeks, and if there are carping critics who believe that the men are not efficient in responding to alarms and fighting fire, they certainly will change their opinion in view of the excellent work that has been done in restricting fires and keeping down losses.

UNITED STATES IS URGED TO ACQUIRE LOWER CALIFORNIA



Map showing Lower California and State of Sonora, part of which, it is urged, be acquired with Lower California, and Senator Henry F. Ashurst of Arizona.

Senator Ashurst of Arizona has introduced a resolution in the senate for acquisition by the U. S. of Lower California and part of the



State of Sonora. He would have the government obtain them through negotiation with Mexico. He points out that Mexico would be unable to control the territory

or protect it from foreign invasion. This country, he believes, could convert the territory into a great agricultural country by irrigation from the Colorado river.

Red Cross Issues Statement of U. S. Provisions For Disabled Fighters

Red Cross Civilian Relief demobilization work has just been defined by Lake Division Director of Civilian Relief James L. Fieser.

The obligation of the Red Cross to the families of men in active or military forces does not cease upon honorable discharge from the service," Mr. Fieser says.

In addition, the Red Cross Home Service section throughout Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky are strengthening their organization to meet the needs of the returning men, those in good physical condition as well as the disabled during the period of readjustment to civil life.

Civilians, wounded as the direct result of war activities are also entitled to Red Cross Home Service, and the families living in this country of men serving with any of the allied forces.

Only the families of deserters from the military and naval forces of the United States have no right to this service, though even in these cases considerable action will be taken to assure the families' continued welfare.

But the Red Cross knows that there will not be many deserters. It is the families, anxious to have their men at home, anxious to carry out the plans made before the war, who will need encouragement to keep them from worrying their men.

Difficulties concerning delayed allotment and allowance checks, problems of filing claims for compensation and insurance benefits, health and social problems growing out of the discharge of large numbers of men from service because of physical disability, these and many other necessities will keep the Home Service sections of the Red Cross in the Lake

Division busy for an indefinite time to come.

For the disabled soldier, there is much that the Red Cross Home Service is already doing. Perhaps the most important is teaching the man's family an intelligent appreciation of his needs and difficulties. Often both the disabled man and his family must be persuaded and convinced of the wisdom of the re-training which the Federal Board for Vocational Education offers every man suffering a 10 per cent disability due to government service.

Names of all men discharged from camps and government hospitals in this country are reported to the Red Cross, and the Home Service section nearest each man's home is notified, so that he will not lack help.

The district office of the Federal Board co-operates with the Red Cross division office and these keep up a constant exchange of lists of discharged men coming to the attention of each agency.

Even after a man has been trained and procured employment the Federal Board and the Red Cross still follow up his case to safeguard the man's interests until he is well on his feet.

In all cases, however, Red Cross Home Service sections have been instructed to extend their services upon the principle that action shall be responsive rather than initiatory.

Dinner Stories

His wife had followed him across to be a Red Cross nurse. During a bit of German strafing he fell wounded and woke up several



hours later in a field hospital. His wife was bending over him. "Ain't that just my luck, Jenny?" he murmured. With all the pretty nurses there are over here to look after the soldiers I had to draw you."

Suddenly in the midst of the dance she stopped.

Her face paled and a look of ineffable pain burned in her eyes.

"Take me away!" she faltered. Leaning heavily on her arm she found herself presently in the conservatory. There amid the palms they sat, silent, unheeding the distant strains of melody which called them to the ballroom.

"Tell me," he said at last. Silently she shook her head.

Captain Marmaduke arose to his full height, folded his arms, set his jaws and knitted his heavy brows.

"Anastasia," he said huskily, "you are hiding something from me." Guiltily she nodded.

"You have a secret sorrow!" Again she nodded.

"Someone has come between us?" "No! No! No!" she cried. "Not that!"

"Then tell me!" "If you must know," she replied in measured tones, "if you must know—you have—stepped—on my—corn!"

"It says here that marriage is a preventative against suicide," said Mrs. Gabb, as she looked up from the newspaper she was reading.

"Is that so?" growled Mr. Gabb. "Well, don't forget that suicide is also a preventative against marriage."

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On the Spur of the Moment

OF MORIS MILLER

Chaparral says the following are a few mistakes the discharged soldier will make when he reaches home from the war:

1. Ducking in a manhole if an automobile siren sounds.

2. Reaching for a gas mask while passing an onion field.

3. Snapping at attention if a mule brays.

4. Saluting and saying "Sir" when addressing his wife.

5. Calling the corporal of the guard if a woman speaks to him on the street.

6. Steering clear of saloons, booze, etc. (?)

7. Using a bayonet on German pan-cakes.

8. Wearing a woolen undergarment to remind him of cotties.

9. Borrowing Y. M. C. A. stationery.

We are surprised at Mr. Hoover telling those German food seekers to "go to hell." We didn't think Herbie had it in him.

Forty-five thousand army mules are to be shipped back to this country minus their brays. A sad homecoming for the mules.

"A north-side farmer brought a can of cream to town Monday," says the Warrensburg Star-Journal, "and took home a new motor car. And after buying the car he had enough left out of his cream to get a few knickknacks for the folks, too."

A New York pastor, who preached a sermon on prevailing styles for women, very appropriately took his text from Revelation.

Even the Russians can sing "There's No Place Like Home." For so far as Russia is concerned, there isn't.

GAVE WRONG NAME.

The man who was fined under the name of D. H. Nichols in city court Saturday was Faisko Lazoroff. When arrested by the police for bringing liquor into the state, Lazoroff gave the name of Nichols and was arraigned under that name.

Miss Lillian Moore, of Heyworth, Ill., says she is the champion woman husker of Illinois.

Sir Charles Wyndham Is Dead in London

LONDON, Jan. 13.—Sir Charles Wyndham died Sunday morning. Sir Charles, actor and theatrical manager and promoter, was at one time almost as well known in America as in his native country. He died at the age of 82. He fought in the American Civil War and was a brother-in-law of the American dramatist, Bronson Howard.

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Creates New Flesh, Strength and Energy in Two Weeks' Time in Many Instances.

New York—Physicians and druggists all over the country have been intensely interested in reports concerning the nerve and strength-building properties of Bitro-Phosphate, discovered by the French scientist, Pelouze, and later successfully used and introduced to the medical world by Professor Robin, of the Academy of Medicine, Paris. It is said that the constituent elements of Bitro-Phosphate are the nearest in composition to the materials naturally found in the nerve cells of the human body of any known substance, and that it furnishes an immediate supply of food and energy to the nervous system as soon as it is taken. Frederick Rolfe, M. D., Editor of New York Physicians' "Who's Who," says: "Bitro-Phosphate should be prescribed by every doctor and used in every hospital to increase strength and nerve force and to enrich the blood." Joseph D. Higgins, former Visiting Specialist at North Eastern Dispensary, says: "Let those who are nervous, thin, weak, or run down, take a natural, unadulterated substance such as Bitro-Phosphate, and you will soon see some astonishing results in the increase of nerve energy, strength of body and mind and power of endurance." Those who are inclined toward nervousness, thinness, weakness, nervous debility, sleeplessness, etc., will greatly appreciate the opportunity to secure such certain relief and aid as is afforded by this discovery. In order that the public may always be saved from deception, it has been arranged that the laboratories bottling Bitro-Phosphate will sell it under no other name in this country, and nothing else should be accepted. Very complete information relating to its use in the treatment of nervous disorders is contained in every package, so that it may be understood and correctly applied by anyone. So certain is it to assist those who are nervous to regain their health and vitality that the manufacturers guarantee to refund its cost to any who are dissatisfied after using it. It is sold by Conkey Drug Co. in Richmond and most all good druggists.—Adv.

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