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The League A Political Issue

It is prophesied, it is to be hoped without too great foundation in truth, that the question of the League of Nations will become a political issue between the two parties, a situation which would be most deplorable. Whatever else it may or may not be, the proposition of the formation of the League of Nations is not a question that must influence our whole future, whether it does or does not materialize into anything more than a theory. But it is a question that demands for its proper treatment the utmost information and intelligent judgment of the people who are to be concerned by it.

confuse the voter, it is misrepresent- for freedom that lives in those opside may one obtain a fair and im- of numbers to impose their will upon and rejection lies not in the inherent vorable than theirs under the old of the age, will be the star in "The - value of the question but the capacity regime. for organization and the oratorical It is scarcely to be expected that powers of speakers of the two par- these ignorant and downtrodden Pick on Me?" . ties.

ship to that uncertain test is a danger | serve the general good. to the American nation that ought not to be tolerated.

Mr. Baker's Tour

in Battle Creek being the first stop- session of the new Congress is called ; ping place.

has little significance so far as it may earlier than our usual schedule and be expected to reveal anything wrong saved for us an hour of daylight at with the stations in which the men the end of the day. for the national army have been Last summer we tried the experitrained and are in large numbers yet ment of going a little back towards "the best foot foremost" conditions fathers and found it good. Most peoto be found when the secretary ar- ple, everybody in fact except the rives as per schedule.

cant because it is so in accordance tra recreation hour of daylight at with the policy that has directed all the end of the day. However, in our military affairs during the period rural communities, where the early of the war, exemplifying Mr. Baker's to bed and early to rise slogan has determination not to see anything never gone out of vogue, the idea that does not reflect credit upon his of a law to turn the hands of the administration of the office of Sec- clock ahead did not meet with popuretary of War, and the persistent larity, and it was this class of objecoptimism that makes him believe and tion that established the bond berepeat whatever he is told by those tween the agricultural appropriation who are interested in covering up bill and the repeal of the daylight : defects of any sort. We may look saving act that attached to it as a for a statement from Secretary rider. If there were any desire in the temporarily general and thus secure

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ment to know just what are the con- ed the war program. ditions in the military posts of the country it would be entirely possible for him to find out by making unannounced and unexpected visits to the several camps. But a four-hour call, advertised days in advance, can scarcely be relied upon to reveal anything that it is desirable to cover up.

Hyphenated Americanism

It's a poor kind of patriotism that practically the same. seeks to inject into the American po- Women have been citizens in Illilitical situation the element of en- nois since July, 1913, five years and dorsement of the principle of self- more, and each election is looked to was no exception in the condemna- some different motive from men in tion of the portion of American their choice of candidates. Each eleccitizens who called themselves "Ger- tion has shown just one thing by its comfort to Germany, even before we nized in their effort to secure the had surrendered our difficult position rights of citizenship-they are human upon the top of the fence.

many there was no recognized differ- the same arguments, they present ence between a German-American about the same average of intelliand an Irish-American, or an Amer- gence and principle. Women have no ican of any other foreign extraction. wish to be looked to as the saviors of Americanism has little to do with the mankind through the instrumentalihyphen or the divided allegiance ty of the ballot. They simply ask for which the hyphen signifies. The equal recognition as creatures pos-Irish-American who seeks to involve sessing the same qualifications as the United States in the purely the men. And each time an election domestic troubles of England and proves just this thing, men are a-Ireland is of a type which has no real right to expect the protection suitable for a political issue. It is of the Stars and Stripes or the respect of his fellow citizens who have forgotten the hyphen that once they, too, possessed.

Freedom

We are hearing a great deal about freedom. The many instances of vio-A political issue has just one pur- lence which are being recorded from pose and just one fate. It is used to Europe are resultant from the desire ed by both parties, the virtues filling pressed people of the troubled nathe vision of those who are in favor, tions who have had no acquaintance the deficiencies the only point of in- with liberty and know not how to terest to the others. From neither use it now that they are able by force partial explanaation of the principles their fellow countrymen who have in involved, and the issue of acceptance the past occupied a position more fa-

members of society should be able to In the long run the right principle distinguish between liberty and is bound to triumph in a democracy, license, between freedom and and in time the real meaning of a anarchy. They know nothing of selfleague of nations will be understood restraint, having had their lives govby the people of the United States. erned for them by a force quite out-: How soon that time comes will de- side themselves. Time will be necespend upon how successful those who sary for them to learn that there is oppose it are in having it made a no happiness or prosperity under a party issue. There is no time to think lawless regime and for the more inin the heat of a political campaign telligent to discover that in order to and the introduction of an important be free they must submit themselves principle of international relation- to restricting laws designed to pre-

That Hour Saved

It is an ill wind that blows no good and even the last few days of the life Secretary of War Baker began his of the sixty-fifth Congress resulted round of inspection of the military in the continuation of the daylight cantonments this week, Camp Custer saving law, at least until a special and measures taken to repeal the This announced tour of inspection act which got us out of bed an hour

in service, because there will be only the working hours of our grandfarming population, fully appreciat-But the trip of inspection is signifi- ed legislation that gave them the ex-

Baker relative to conditions in the In the city, under the complex incamps where the men are most im- dustrial system which governs our patiently awaiting their release from lives, it is impossible to adopt a imilitary control that will seek to schedule of daylight saving unless ocreate the impression that the sol- every body else does so, too. The idiers are delighting in the leisure af- failure of the agricultural appropriaforded by the cessation of the war, tion bill by ensuring the continuance and prefer the discipline of camp life of the daylight saving plan will make to the freedom of civilian conditions. the forward flight of time at least

heart of the head of the War Depart- one of the few benefits that attend-

Just Citizens

Analysts of the primary election returns in Chicago have arrived at the conclusion that the woman's vote had no effect upon the results except to swell the number of votes cast. If no women had voted the proportion of ballots for the several candidates would have remained

determination for Ireland. There to prove that women are actuated by man-American" and sought by woman's vote, has proved the one means, fair or foul, to give aid and point that women ask to have recogbeings like the men, they are moved Before we were at war with Ger- by the same impulses, convinced by mazed, raise their hands in surprise and horror that the woman's voice has not secured reform. It is as citizens that women ask to be recognized, not as super-citizens.

EVERY DAY IS BIG DAY AT WILMETTE VILLAGE THEATER

Dorothy Gish in "Boots", a picture about "Bolshevists," winds up the program at the Village theater this week. The film appears at Saturday matinee and evening performance.

Wallace Reid in "Alias Mike Moran" will open the show house next week. He is on the Monday and Tuesday bill. An added attraction on Monday is the regular Pathe news while Tuesday's extra feature is another episode in Houdini's famous film, "The Master Mystery."

William Faversham, generally conceded the greatest emotional actor Silver King" on Wednesday and Thursday. There will also be a Harold Lloyd Comedy entitled "Why

The feature presentation on Friday and Saturday is advertised as of especial interest to girls suffering the love malady. Lila Lee, with the vehicle "Puppy Love," it is promised will give some pointers on the latest approved methods of wooing. It said to be a most unusual film.

KIDDIES TO PARTICIPATE IN HOYBURN FILM CONTEST

Wallace Reid in "Alias Mike Moran" appears at the Hovburn theater, Evanston, on Friday. There is also a Burton Holmes Travelogue and a Christie Comedy on the program. Saturday's leading feature will be "Puppy Love" starring Lila Lee. There will be International Screen Events and a Harold Lloyd Comedy as added attractions.

The program for next week promises to be of unusual interest. On Friday and Saturday, March 21 and 22, Burton Holmes will appear in person to introduce a Prize Contest among the school children of the north shore, the first prize in which will be a motion picture record of the winner taken at his home.

Elsie Ferguson appears in "The Marriage Price" on Monday and Tuesday. June Elvidge Cummings and Frank Mayo will star in "The Bluffer" at the Wednesday performance. Houdini, in "The Master Mystery", will also be on the program. Dorothy Dalton will be the headliner on Thursday in "Extravagance."

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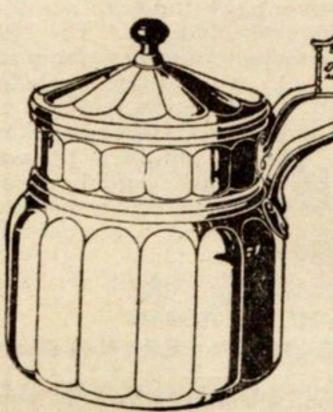
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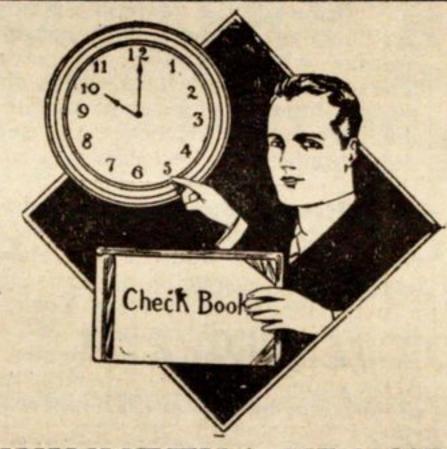
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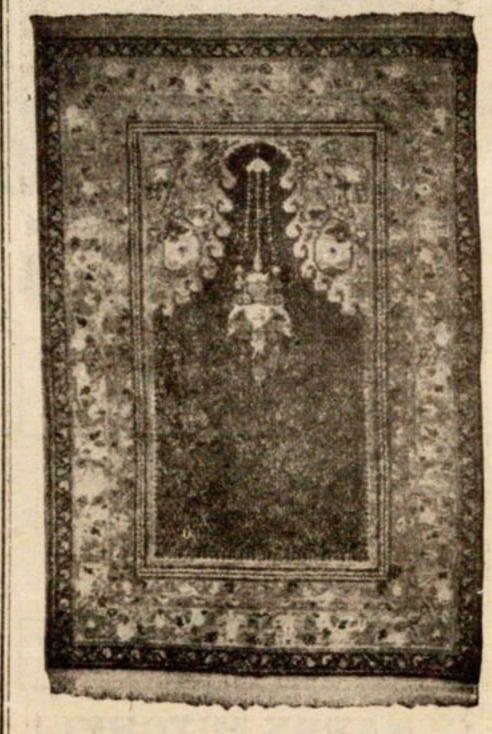
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