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## BECAUSE THEY ARE HONEST.

The manager of one of New York's largest hotels, says an article in a current magazine, "during the last year cashed \$3,150,000 worth of checks for guests and patrons. As an indication of the care employed it need only be mentioned that the total loss from bad checks amounted to less than \$125."

This is more than an indication of care by hotel people. It is a commentary, writ large for all to read, upon the honesty of people in general. Dishonest people succeeded in passing \$125 worth of bad paper. Doubtless others tried to do so and failed. But \$3,150,000 worth was good paper, given in good faith.

This is why the blue sky crooks flourish. Most people are not only honest, but, being human, they judge other people by themselves. They believe the glowing folder, the smooth-tongued salesman. Most people, also, retain in some corner of their minds a childlike belief in fairies. In the spheres of their own daily business they may be shrewd, keen buyers, good judges of human nature. But outside the gates of their own province they take representations at their face value—because they themselves are honest.

This is a time when everybody has a bit of ready money or a bond laid by. The mail is flooded with stock advertising, the front door bell rings often to admit the salesman whose oil is confined to his voice, whose motor value is limited to the hired car he rides in, whose airplane futures are paths in the pathless sky.

Some of the stock is good. In every town there is at least one banker or broker who has been established for years, who has nothing to gain and everything to lose by advising his townsmen falsely. It is his business to know the market. If the advice of such people be sought before investing in stocks of unknown value, there will be little loss from wild cat mines and blue sky motor companies.

## THE BURDEN OF FRANCE.

It is unfortunate that France feels obliged to act alone in holding the Germans to terms of the peace treaty which have to do with vital considerations of France's own safety. If there is no other practical way, however, France is to be commended rather than criticized for her recent conduct. Germany must be kept in submission until her war obligations have been met; and to keep her submissive, it is well for Germany to be taught a stern lesson.

It is easy and natural for England, and still more for America, to minimize the French sense of peril. France has Germany always on her border. She has suffered too much to endure anything any further depredations or any condition that might make the Germans dangerous hereafter. France has a greater stake than any other allied nation in the fulfillment of Germany's peace pledges. France is especially concerned with the status of the Ruhr basin, because she depends chiefly on that district for the German coal supplies due her in compensation for her own wrecked mines.

But over and above all other direct considerations is the fact of Germany's persistent evasion of the peace terms. She has maintained a larger army than she is entitled to. She has kept thousands of airplanes when she should have none. She has neglected to demobilize her naval forces. She has not yielded up submarines and other vessels as she promised to do. She has not delivered the quantity of coal agreed upon. She has not shown an honest intent and a sincere desire to discharge her treaty obligations. There is nothing left, then, but coercion.

The pity of it is that upon France alone is imposed the task of holding Germany to her duty. This is properly the work of all the allies. Great Britain, Italy and America ought to be by France's side. And if they were, there would be no force required. A stern command would suffice.

That stern command cannot be given without the presence and cooperation of the United States in the allied councils. The most pointed lesson of this whole unpleasant business is that France has to use force, and even run the risk of destroying the little remaining unity among the allies, because the United States refuses to ratify the peace treaty and take her rightful place in the League of Nations. With a strong league in operation, Germany would not dare to trifle with the allies and make her treaty pledges scrapes of paper.

## PARCEL POST DEFECTS.

Parcel post service has long been urged by the government as a means for bringing the farmer and the city customer together, and there has been a good deal of wonder as to why it is not used more for this purpose. A writer who has been interviewing farmer patrons of the service suggests some of the reasons for its failure.

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## The Tower of Babel

By BILL ARMSTRONG

PROBABLY COVERED WITH SAWDUST.  
(From News-Times.)



PA PERKINS

SEZ.

Some men are  
crooked they  
even' try to raise  
their own checks.

## THE NEW FOURTEEN "PINTS."

1. That the name of Brandywine, N. Y., be changed to Coldwater, N. Y.

2. That "Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes" be made the National Anthem.

3. That all mention of the Bourbons be expunged from school books.

4. That on account of being suggestive, rye bread be withdrawn from sale by all bakers.

5. That no part of a ship be referred to as a saloon, for the reason that such reference might raise false hopes.

6. That all bars be removed from hotel entrances or be designated by some other name.

7. That the word "port" be expunged from navigation charts and references.

8. That the use of alcohol lamps be forbidden by law.

9. That the useless \$9,000,000 white jackets and aprons in this country be sent to the starving bol-

16. That the word "still" be expunged from the American language and all dictionaries, and the word "quale" substituted.

11. That all mint be plowed under and vanilla beans planted.

12. That any barber tantalizing a customer by using bay rum on his hair be given 10 years.

13. That all pretzels shall be made straight, instead of bent in the old familiar style, to avoid reminiscences.

14. That men with the "foot-rail limp" shall not be allowed to march in any public parades.

## TAKING NO CHANCES.

She—Dad, I am afraid I am married. I want you to see a doctor.

He—Why? I'm perfectly well except for a slight touch of dyspepsia.

She—That's just it. I'd like you to get a certificate from him showing that your dyspepsia antedated our marriage.

IMPORTANT TO TRUE!

(From News-Times.)

"Why should I kill Mabel?"

she asked the officials. "She was my friend, and if Mabel was here now, she would tell you I did not kill her," the Baker woman declared.

Naturally we are out of funds again and are looking for other fertile fields.

Signed  
The Five "Cash and Carry" Bank Bandits.

## WHAT'S IN A NAME

Facts about your name: its history; its meaning; whence it was derived; its significance; your lucky day and lucky jewel.

BY MILDRED MARSHALL

EMMELINE

Emmeline is another of the feminine names produced from the root Amal, of which Amelia has been already discussed. But Emmeline, which has often been erroneously confused as a derivative of Emma, has an interesting history. The name, which is translated to mean "work serpent", has no connection other than by similarity of letters, with Emma, which means "grandmother".

Emmeline came into existence through the queen of Navarre and the Austrias. The sister of Sancho I of Navarre, who married Alphonse the Great, was called Aline. But the ladies of Navarre were not contented with a single name—they must have equivalents. So Aline was also Simea and Ximena.

Ximena survived the longest of her other names and came to be popular in all classes. The wife of the Cid was so called but the French turned her into Chime. The English promptly called this strange name Emmeline and even France now has an Emmeline. The form Emelyne, which appears in old ballads, is identical with Emmeline.

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Jasper is Emmeline's talismanic gem. The bracelet on which it will avert evil spirits and prevent the bites of venomous creatures, particularly of snakes. A prayer for rain will be answered if the one who prays wears jasper. Tuesday is Emmeline's lucky day and 5 her lucky number.

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If Possible.

Somebody, at this stage of the

proceedings, should accept a man-

donatory to William Jennings Bryan,

and Edward Edwards.

That I was rather influential.

It mattered little if they grew,

They won't be in the least essential;

But when they came the neighbors

knew

That I was rather influential.

With the primary elections under way there is less work for ouija.

The little political bee is certainly improving each shining hour.

With the primary elections under way there is less work for ouija.

Germany's walls might fall on more sympathetic ears did we not know her so well.

## Other Editors Than Ours

## LAND GRANTS FOR SOLDIERS.

(Oklahoma Oklahoman.)

As an alternative to money payments the American Legion is asking congress to remedy the deficiencies in the compensation of soldiers and sailors by granting public lands to the service men who may prefer real estate to cash. Not much attention is being given to this proposal, probably because of the belief that land worth having is not available.

There is on foot, however, a reclamation project, which promises to add to the nation's resources hundreds of thousands of acres of the most fertile land in the world. The soldier or sailor who wins a farm in this tract will get a prize far more valuable than the largest money "bonus" proposed in any of the numerous bills on the subject. Moreover, the land grants will not be burdensome to the taxpayers.

If congress adopts the American Legion plan far-sighted service men will weigh the alternative forms of compensation before filing claims for the money payment. Besides cash and land grants the Legion program calls for vocational training and government aid in building a home, the service men to have his choice of one of the four.

The reclamation project referred to calls for the construction of a canal at a cost of from \$30,000,000 to \$40,000,000, by which water from the Colorado river will be used to irrigate vast stretches of desert in southern California. This barren land lies in the Imperial Valley, a large part of which has already been transformed by irrigation into a garden spot. With a chance to get a farm worth from \$200 to \$300 an acre, shrewd soldiers for whom farming has an appeal will turn up; their noses at a cash bonus.

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## New Hosiery for Men—

The new Two-Tone Effect is the latest in Silk Hosiery for Men. This hose is not only very good looking, but has exceptional wearing qualities. It is priced at \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.

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Madge Evans is a well known movie actress just 13 years old. She has played in lots of movies and perhaps you have seen her. Madge Evans Hats were designed especially for this little actress and we have some here—just like them for you.

They are made of Milan straw which gives the very best wear and have nice long streamers of silk Grosgrain Ribbon just like the ones that Madge herself wears. Prices \$5.50, \$7.75, \$7.50, \$8.50.

Other little hats in rose, copen, sand, white, black, blue and brown in Milan, leghorn and peanut braids, \$2.25 to \$5.75.

Millinery Reduced  
\$18.50-\$20 Hats on Sale at \$12.50

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