

At least no prisoners will escape while being taken to jail in airplanes.

Chinese silk workers have struck for 12 cents a day. The silkworm has turned!

No one except an aviator can come down in life any faster than a porch climber.

The fashionable long, tight skirts show the new freedom is not for women.

With all the boys coming home, this, indeed, will be a regular good old summer time.

Wars may come and wars may go, but the Irish question hangs on forever.

One reason some men don't care for millions is that they enjoy a happy home life.

It's too bad that some men can't have their desire to die in Germany fulfilled.

General Foch may not speak German but they understand what he says when he talks.

It's getting more difficult to become a citizen, and the United States is no place for aliens.

As long as dishwater makes the hands red and chapped there'll be a servant problem.

Austria is talking of banishing its former emperor—if it can find a place to which he might go.

Will there be more or fewer bolsheviks and parlor anarchists in America when the booze is all gone?

Under the new revenue, when you buy cutie a soda you show your patriotism as well as your love.

Perhaps we can forestall the next winter egg shortage by eating so many now that we'll be tired of them.

Swindling by posing as needy soldiers is one home enterprise that cannot be discouraged too soon or too severely.

Every man, woman and child in the country averaged 200 telephone calls last year. No wonder the line is busy.

If our worst troubles never happen, what a long string of threatening events are going to turn out pleasantly!

Poker winnings are taxable. And what about the money a wife extracts from the pockets of a sleeping husband?

One of the problems of rapid transit now is getting money into and out of the United States treasury fast enough.

The only kind of red flag that should be permitted in this country should have the proper proportions of white and blue.

The old-fashioned bully who was described as "a man who would rather fight than eat" has come to life in the modern bolshevik.

It is the American theory that a well-fed enemy is less dangerous and better capable of paying his bills than a starving enemy.

Gradually it may dawn on a foolish world that gunpowder is about as poor a means of civilizing people as kerosene is to put out fire.

Shortage of paper is interfering with the Russian bolshevik propaganda. Probably they are using all the paper to print bolshevik money.

Timid Americans need not fear that the league of nations will relieve America of any mosquito bites from its turbulent little neighbors.

Women are becoming a part of governments at a rate that promises the impossibility at no distant day of any such thing as a secret treaty.

The national geographic board has ordered that the official abbreviation for California shall be Calif, instead of Cal, which is too likely to be mistaken for Col. In this case there's "virtue in an 'if.'"

"Esperanto" and "Volapuk" are likely to be restored to public attention on the theory that a league of nations ought to cultivate a universal language.

The wily Turk is not even hinting how much his feelings will be hurt by certain terms in the peace pact. Probably he's glad to escape lynching.

What days of delightful self-deception are these! The woman in the new tight skirt, when she has walked a block, fancies she has walked a mile.

Fifty years ago, according to an old market report, people were indignant because the butchers had advanced the price of dressed turkeys to 18 cents a pound. Thanks to modern efficiency and conveniences the nude fowl bird now brings twice as much.

If that airplane traveling 300 miles an hour is developed for passenger service it will be land for the sleeping car business. You will be able to arrive wherever you are going almost before you can make even a mental reservation.

# Call New Malady Epidemic Stupor

Disease Misnamed "Sleeping Sickness" Is Believed to Be Contagious.

## MEDICAL EXPERTS PUZZLED

Health Authorities Declare Strange Illness Has No Relation to "Sleeping Sickness," Which Originated in Africa.

Washington—"Epidemic stupor" is the name the health authorities have decided to give the new disease, wrongly called sleeping sickness, which sprang up a few weeks ago. It has invaded eighteen American cities and several army camps, has taken several lives and laid hundreds under its spell.

The scientific name of this new malady is lethargic encephalitis. It is not "sleeping sickness" and has nothing to do with the real sleeping sickness. It has been known for only a few years, and its cause and origin are even more mysterious than those of the influenza.

The disease, when it was first discovered in this country, was found to be a form of sleeping sickness common in the interior parts of Africa, but a closer observation of the symptoms proved this belief to be unsound. Sleeping sickness as found in the jungles of Africa, is caused by the bite of a peculiar insect, known as the tsetse fly.

The new disease was first observed in Austria.

The first case noted in England occurred February 11, 1918, and the epidemic, which never attained large proportions, came, at least, temporarily, to an end in June. The medical research committee of England became deeply interested in the new malady and instituted clinical and pathological investigations. The committee found the disease is a general infectious disorder, characterized by manifestations originating in the central nervous system, of which the most frequent and characteristic are progressive lethargy or stupor and an involvement of the nerve centers controlling the eye muscles.

Marked by High Temperature. Although a rise in temperature was not observed in all of the 104 cases of the disease of which notes were obtained, there seemed to be little doubt that there is always a certain amount of fever in an early stage. The fever usually lasts from two to five days, but may continue for ten or even fourteen days. It may fall suddenly or gradually with oscillation. A period of subnormal temperature not infrequently follows.

Usually the first symptom is sim-

ple catarrhal conjunctivitis (a mild "pink eye") or it may be tonsillitis—simple sore throat and cold in the chest. The disease may be ushered in suddenly by a fainting attack or fit. In marked cases the lethargy was accompanied by heaviness of the eyelids, pain in the eyes and blurred vision. Headache is a common symptom, and rigidity was characteristic of the early symptoms of many cases during the epidemic in England.

After the first stages, the symptoms of a general infectious disease become manifest. The patient lies in bed on the back, often unable to make any voluntary movement on account of great muscular weakness; the face is quite expressionless and masklike, and there may be definite double facial paralysis. The patient is in a condition of stupor, although true sleep is often not obtained.

With regard to treatment, no spe-

ific method has been devised, and the best that can be done is to put the patient to bed and provide good nursing. Cold sponging is often beneficial during the early stages and tends to diminish the delirium. For the pain, numbness and tingling of the limbs warmth is the best remedy. Constipation is obstinate and often difficult to overcome, except by enemata followed by such drugs as liquid paraffin or phenolphthalein. No hypnotics and no morphine or other preparations of opium should be given. Daily cleansing of the mouth and antiseptic treatment of the nose and mouth should be carried out and respiratory complications systematically looked for. The patient should be given to understand that his convalescence will last at least six months after the beginning of the illness.

Officials of the United States public health service are investigating cases of the disease in several cities. They are especially anxious to keep the malady out of the army camps. The first army camp to be invaded was Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va., where one death was reported out of nine cases. Investigation made at the camp showed that in each case the soldier had been ill with influenza.

# English Will Be World Language

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Paris.—It's beginning to look as if English will be the world language of the future—with French as a close second choice and with German running a poor third.

This discussion of a "world language" which is occupying considerable attention around Paris, reveals among other things a strange chapter of German duplicity and trickery. It now seems certain that the Germans, knowing the German language was inadequate as a world tongue, tried their best to get the world to think favorably of certain "cooked-up" languages—made to order things as it were, in order to prevent French or English from being considered as the legitimate world languages.

These artificial tongues, such as Esperanto, which was probably the best known to them, in America at least, were fairly numerous and each one was given some sort of an odd name. They were called Esperanto, Ido, Nov-Latin and several other queer-sounding names. Naturally enough there were a few people in nearly every country that took up these tongues and learned them. But at best the languages were, and are, fads, and are unequal to the great task assigned them—the task of becoming a world tongue.

Paul Mielle, a French scholar, a college professor who holds the chair of English at the Lycee and who is a well-known promoter of international education, is authority for the foregoing

remarks anent Esperanto and German. His brochure on the subject of a world language has attracted considerable attention in France and England recently.

While some political economists are talking about the establishment of an international currency that will be worth its face value all over the world, and while others are talking of a kind of international government that will prevent future wars, of international control of the drug traffic, and several more "internationalized" subjects, including international welfare, the Frenchmen of learning are discussing the international language of the future. And they admit, modestly enough, that English will probably be the favorite as a world tongue, because English first of all is the best known and most widely spoken language of business and mercantile transactions in the world today.

Acknowledging that English is bound to be the favorite the French professors claim their own language will naturally take second place in preference to German.

It was only by the Germans some years ago foresaw the coming popularity of English and French and the consequent shoving of the German language into third place in the race, because it was before the war even that the "kultur crusade" for popularizing Esperanto and Ido and the other artificial languages started, according to Mielle.

Briefly, it is Mielle's idea and the opinion of other noted French and English scholars that the world needs two languages for its future welfare—English and French.

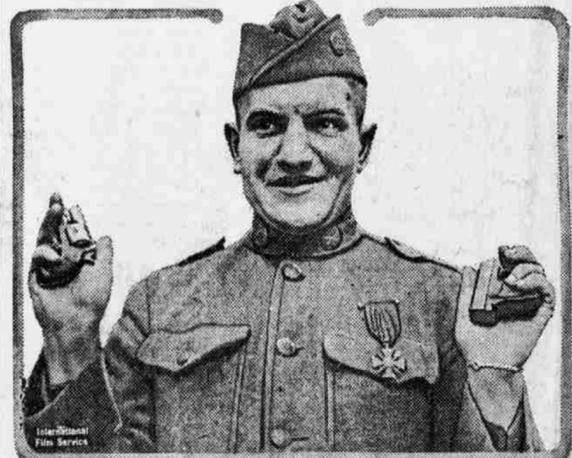
While there was a lot of speculation some years ago about finding a universal tongue, such as Esperanto, we had as living languages in this world of ours the two tongues that completely filled all requirements. There was really no need for inventing a new language.

There has been a kind of official adoption of the idea that English and French shall be the world languages of the future in the fact that proceedings at the peace conference have been conducted in these two languages. The procedure has been cumbersome, it is true, but it has been possible for practically all of the delegates to understand everything that takes place in the way of speech making.

The French clique of educators promoting the plan of making English and French the common international tongues want the peace conference, or the league of nations, to perpetuate the procedure of the peace conference and make both tongues the official languages for conducting the business of the league of nations.

Semi-official communications have been addressed to the various governments that were lined up against Germany, and to many officials of all these governments recommending the plan. Numerous senators and deputies have gone on record as favoring the scheme.

## "KAMERAD" GUNS USED BY THE HUNS



A Croix de Guerre man of the American army, one of Ohio complement, holding in his hands two "Kamerad" guns which were used effectively by Germans in their "surrender" to American troops. The German method was to throw up their hands when encountering a small American force and to bring the gun from concealment and into play when the Yanks approached within firing distance.

## SCOURGED BY TYPHUS

Whole Towns Are Wiped Out in Poland.

Pitiful Tales of Distress and Suffering Told by the Red Cross Mission.

Washington.—Pitiful tales of the distress and suffering throughout eastern and southeastern Poland have been brought to Warsaw by members of the American Red Cross mission who have just returned from an eight-day tour of inspection during which they covered 1,500 miles and distributed food, clothing and medicines in 20 cities and numerous villages, according to cable advices to the Red Cross headquarters here.

Everywhere they found typhus, which had practically wiped out whole towns. Smallpox and trachoma also were prevalent, epidemics threatening

because sick and well are herded together in many homes.

In many of the isolated villages starving peasants lined the roadside and begged for food. For weeks they had been living on an imitation bread made from potato peelings, dirty rye and the bark of trees, but the supply of even these ingredients had been exhausted.

Woman Gets Money Back.

Marinette, Wis.—Seventeen years ago, at a band concert in this city, Miss Adeline Pratt, deputy register of deeds, lost a pocketbook with several dollars and a kepsake knife in it. She was surprised recently on going to the post office to receive a packet containing the knife and money without any explanation. Whether she lost the pocketbook or it was stolen from her she does not know, but efforts to recover it by advertising at the time failed.

## SIGNS 20 CHECKS AT A TIME

Mechanical Device Aids War Risk Bureau in Handling Immense Business.

Washington.—The war risk bureau now is issuing checks for allotments, allowances, insurance and compensation in the same months that they fall due.

Announcement was made that 1,062,566 checks were mailed in March, representing a total of \$39,148,323.05. Since the bureau's establishment, nearly \$419,000,000 has been paid out.

A mechanical device by which 20 checks are signed with an actual pen signature at one time has been installed to assist in handling the enormous volume of business transacted by the bureau.

In Hard Luck.

Swartswood, N. J.—Jeptha Stoll, farm hand, couldn't eat breakfast until he'd driven six miles to buy a match to start a fire to thaw his false teeth out of the water glass.



## HOME SHOULD COME FIRST

Proper Habitations Most Important Things in the Development of a Nation Worth While.

Better homes make better people and, therefore, a better nation. Education which will bring about a general appreciation of absolute justice is the need of the world.

Centuries ago all the laws necessary for the good of mankind were summed up in ten brief clearly stated laws. Ever since that time the politicians of the world have been trying, without success, to make better laws. Laws there are without number, but not one is an improvement, not one is necessary if the original ten were generally observed.

The second is "Love thy neighbor as thyself." And in referring to the first: "On these two commandments the whole law hangeth."

Get out the Bible and read the first two and then the other eight. Rural adornment through gardening is one way to make better homes. Give the family an attractive abiding place—outside and in. Not wealth alone can make a home. There are many attractive and beautiful homes where money is scarce. The memory of a beautiful home is a power for good as long as one of the family remains, or any who know them.

Growing things have a tendency to elevate one's thoughts and aspirations. They cause us to think of better living and show that really beautiful things may be ours for a little effort.

## DON'T NEGLECT THE GARDEN

Country Will Be Benefited If Each Lot Is Made a Permanent Food Producer.

If you started a home garden last season how about making it a permanent food producer?

A bed of asparagus is known to have given continuous service for more than thirty years, and asparagus is one of the first of the spring vegetables. A row of blackberries along a garden fence has produced abundant crops for twelve successive years. A few hills of rhubarb have provided delicious sauce and helped with the making of pies season after season, with very little cost or attention. Strawberries require more care, but they furnish the first ripe fruit in the springtime, and a very small plot of ground in one corner of the garden will supply the family.

Put into a home garden a little money, knowledge gained from competent advice and your spare time. Draw from it an insight into the workings of nature, healthful exercise and a reduction in your food bills. A home garden is a good thing to keep going year after year.

## Own a Home.

The Chicago real estate board has decided to launch an effort to encourage home ownership throughout the city, that Chicago may regain its title of "The City of Homes."

The department of labor at Washington is engaged in a national campaign to encourage the construction of homes for the purpose of avoiding any disarrangement of our business fabric, because of the discontinuance of war work, and to provide employment for our boys returning from the army.

The idea has been tried with astounding success in many cities. The advantage to the city as a whole, from the standpoint of better citizenship alone, is so great as to more than justify all the efforts that may be expended.

## Urges More War Gardens.

Increased efforts of horticultural societies to co-operate with war gardeners and thus continue the fruitful backyard gardening which attained such prominence during the war emergency was advocated by Leonard Barron of Garden City, N. Y., authority on garden topics, in a lecture before the Massachusetts Horticultural society. "Gardening," he said, "is a national asset because it gives outdoor occupation, production, education and profit, all at the same time." He believes that the gardening movement will continue.

## His Sweet Disposition.

"So you lost your case in court, Mr. Gloom?" said an acquaintance. "Yes," replied J. Fuller Gloom. "And still I am not soured by it; I do not think all lawyers are dishonest. Lincoln was a lawyer, and he was honest. Rufus Choate was honest. Probably some of the signers of the Declaration of Independence were lawyers and honest. And I know the names of several other lawyers, also dead, who are honest."—Kansas City Star.

## Buy Good Trees.

It does not pay to purchase poor trees of any kind. Real economy consists in paying reasonable prices for high grade trees. A few good trees are better than more purchased at the expense of quality.

## Two Good Ideas.

A splendid plan is for planting memorial trees by church congregations and for planting trees along motor highways.

## Thousands Have Kidney Trouble and Never Suspect It

Applicants for Insurance Often Rejected.

Judging from reports from druggists who are constantly in direct touch with the public, there is one preparation that has been very successful in overcoming these conditions. The mild and healing influence of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its remarkable record of success.

An examining physician for one of the prominent Life Insurance Companies, in an interview of the subject, made the astonishing statement that one reason why so many applicants for insurance are rejected is because kidney trouble is so common to the American people, and the large majority of those whose applications are declined do not even suspect that they have the disease. It is on sale at all drug stores in bottles of two sizes, medium and large.

However, if you wish first to test this great preparation send ten cents to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., for a sample bottle. When writing be sure and mention this paper.—Adv.

Just Talk. "Wombat, your wife is talking about going to Europe next summer."

"Well, it doesn't cost any more to talk about going to Europe than it does to talk about going to Hornet Crossroads. And that's where we're going."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

One Obstacle. "Do you believe you can drown your sorrows in drink?" "Of course not. My wife can swim."

The man who goes around wishing he had never been born is not the only one who regrets it.

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