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Salome may have been an acrobat instead of a dancer, but the fact remains that she was some vamp.

The jury in the potash promoters case appears to have kept its eye on the main point.

Splendid weather and spring work make an inspiring combination.

Fiume is emitting some unpleasant fumes.

One Railroad Wakes Up.
One more railroad has seen the light. Under the guise of "homeseeker excursion rates" the Union Pacific will after March 1 sell round-trip tickets from Chicago to the far west for a one-way fare, plus \$2.—Topeka State Journal,

A Debt of Honor
New Hampshire Editor Gives Opinion of the Bonus Claim.
[From the Manchester (N. H.) Union.]
How shameful and niggardly has been the treatment accorded the former service men of the United States in the World War, when contrasted with the treatment our Allies have accorded their men who served in their armies and navies, is only appreciated when a summary is made, first, of the discharge pay promptly voted the veterans of the Canadian, the British, the French, the Belgian and the Italian military forces upon their discharge from the service.

Now look over and digest the significance of the following table which gives the post-war debt, the estimated wealth, and the percentage relation which debt bears to wealth, in each of these six countries:

Table with columns: Country, Debt, Net Wealth, P.C.
Canada: \$2,340,000,000; \$1,000,000,000; 23
Belgium: 4,870,000,000; 12,000,000,000; 40.6
France: 50,560,000,000; 32,500,000,000; 63.3
England: 37,310,000,000; 129,000,000,000; 28.9
Italy: 15,810,000,000; 100,000,000,000; 15.8
United States: 990,000,000; 350,000,000,000; 0.28

Belgium, torn, devastated Belgium, with one twenty-ninth of our wealth and with a debt six times as big as ours proportionately, votes her sum we give our soldiers and sailors a third of our wealth, and with a debt more than four times bigger than ours proportionately, without any delay paid her soldiers and sailors when they left the service discharge pay more than three times the sum we gave our men.

And yet in the face of the fact that we were the richest nation in the world at the end of the war, in face of the fact that every one of our Allies who lost more in men and treasure and were immeasurably more involved in debt than ourselves, promptly provided their soldiers with a sum estimated to be sufficient to enable them to purchase a civilian outfit and to find a civilian job, a thing which we have not yet done, nevertheless, there are found both men and newspapers who dare to talk of a belated, shamefully belated act of justice, as a "gratitude" to the men who stood between this country and a terrible world disaster.

Even poor, distracted, well nigh bankrupt Italy, with only one-tenth of our wealth, and with a debt more than seven times that of America, surpassed us in the sum of \$4 per man.

Presently, in the minds of such men, and such newspapers, these men are only heroes, deserving the best their country can give, who are danger threats. When peace and security come through their efforts, and they ask only that they be treated with the same consideration their fellow defenders of civilization received at the hands of their respective governments, then they become gratuity hunters, grafters and treasury raiders.

When we recall the bombastic, unrestrained promises made these same men, when their present detractors were filled with fear, or carried away by a sort of patriotic hysteria, and then, in contrast to the way they are treated now, escape from a nauseated disillusionment is difficult.

Perhaps one of the things which helps us to keep our mental balance is rereading the words of George Washington when he said a moral menace as great to a nation as any other, is the habit of lying. When peace and security come through their efforts, and they ask only that they be treated with the same consideration their fellow defenders of civilization received at the hands of their respective governments, then they become gratuity hunters, grafters and treasury raiders.

That provision should be viewed, as it really was, as a reasonable compensation offered by the congress. It was part of their hire. It was the price of their blood and of your independence; it was, therefore, more than a common debt—it is a debt of honor.

Booklegging, as a growing practice among booksellers, begins to draw comment even from that conservative organ, the Publishers' Weekly. By booklegging is meant the trade in forbidden books, volumes privately printed, or others upon which the book censor has set the seal of his disapproval.

Booklegging is not such a moral menace as one might suspect. Since most of the bookleg writers whose work are in demand are really artists, their books seldom prove as bad as they have been cracked down to be. But the customer almost never protests his bargain, not merely because blind pigs have no squeal, but because confessing that he found nothing wrong with the book would shew him unsophisticated. So the book would shew him unsophisticated. So he reads and reads till he finds some esoteric wickedness.

Booklegging, as in bootlegging, imagination may supply the kick.—Chicago News.

How to Keep Well
By DR. W. A. EVANS
Questions concerning hygiene, sanitation and prevention of disease, submitted to Dr. Evans by readers of The Bee, will be answered personally, subject to addressed envelope is enclosed. Dr. Evans will not make a diagnosis nor prescribe for individual diseases. Address letters in care of The Bee. Copyright 1922.

A BRIGHT'S DISEASE TEST.
Here is an easy way to find out whether or not you are headed for Bright's disease, or have already arrived at that port.

Tobacco Prohibition
(From the New York Times.)
Slaves of what John B. Gough used to call the Black Devil may affect to scorn the anti-toxic movement in Nebraska, a state where the license and regulation of the filthy weed points to the inevitable sequence of its prohibition.

Infection May Spread.
C. R. T. writes: "Kindly advise me regarding tuberculosis peritonitis. I left the hospital, where I have been treated on sanatoria, which the physician claim was due to tuberculosis. I am 19 years old and am feeling better every day."

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