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#### AMERICA AND EUROPE.

When President Coolidge, a few days ago, expressed a reluctance to engage in any further discussion of disarmament, he rested his case on the attitude of European nations. In an address to the members of the Associated Press he made this position a little clearer. He is willing to call another arms conference, if Europe accepts the report of provisions in spirit and in letter, to the end that the continent become tranquilized and the nations most concerned make disarmament possible.

In this attitude the president will be sustained of proposing disarmament to any of the European nations at this time must be apparent to all. At the Washington conference in 1921, Aristide Briand, speaking for France, concluded a remarkable address, in which he discussed the situation as between man who has, France and Germany:

"If by direction given to the labors of the conference it were possible somewhere over there in Europe-if it were possible to say that the outcome of this conference is indirect blame and opprobrium cast upon France-if it were possible to point out France as the only country in the world that is still nperialistic, is the only country that opposes final disarmament, then, gentlemen, indeed, this conferice would have dealt us a severe blow; but I am quite sure nothing is further from your minds and your intentions.

If, after listening to this argument, after weighing the reasons which you have just heard, you consider it then as valid, then, gentlemen, you will still be with us, and you will agree with me and say that France cannot possible do anything but what she has actually done."

. . .

Tacit approval at least was then given to the attitude of France as voiced by the premier, and since then at least the world has acquiesced in the French army. As long ago as the spring of 1918, when the talk of the League of Nations was becoming rife, nclusion. It was not a prophecy, it was obvious. The Washington conference did not accomplish fi that was hoped for it, because of the stand taken " France. The question that was then open still is on. In the report of the Dawes commission is found a way to peace, but France does not want it hout further guaranties. What the ultimate disvition of the problem may be is on the knees of he gods. President Coolidge says he has no for-mula to suggest for the solution of the troubles of Europe. He does say, though, that when the European nations have so regulated their own affairs that they can get slong together without immense armies, he is willing to call another conference to decide on methods for reducing armies or to abandon them entirely.

# DELAWARE STANDS BY DUPONT.

Republicans of Delaware paid to Gen. Thomas inteman DuPont the compliment of assuring him of selection as national committeeman for the fifth time. This is an almost unprecedented record, and leaves General DoPont the oldest member of the committee in point of service. It may be answered that the DuPonts own Delaware and can have anything they want. Buch an observation rests on either spite or ignorance. No American of recent times has suffered more because of unfair criticism and refusal of credit than has General DuPont.

He comes from a distinguished family, whose patriotic service to the country has never been fully understood. All through the history of the republic the name runs along with real devotion to the cause for which good men have sacrificed. The DuPonts have become wealthy, but so have others. Possessors of wealth have been targets for unthinking abuse for many years in the United States, and the achievements or contributions of any of these have been obscured because of the barrage of accusation thrown up by the envious.

Thomas Coleman DuPont was carefully educated in a technical school, and has served as an engineer in industrial projects. He brought the advantage of his training into the service of corporations that were engaged in developing latent resources, and through his enterprise much of benefit has come to industrial America. Concerns with which he is connected have made great headway in chemical conquest of problems that still are pressing. As a financier he has won a high place, because of his judgment and ability.

He served a short time in the senate, with dignity if not distinction, and went back to private life with honor, but followed by the anathema of those who only see evil in the presence of a rich man.

One of his little benefactions was the presentathe Dawes commission and honestly carries out its tion of a \$5,000,000 highway to the state of Delaware. Not as a bribe, but to benefit the commonwealth by providing something the people could use. He is an ardent sportsman, and a good friend. Ac-

tively engaged in research work, both social and inby the better judgment of the country. The futility dustrial, a business man whose acumen is respected, and a citizen whose loyalty is beyond question, he would seem to have but one real drawback. He is wealthy, and that is enough for those who have not wealth and spend their days in envious jabs at the

### PINCHOT GETS THE ANSWER.

Nothing in the primary elections is more noteworthy than the overwhelming defeat of Gifford Pinchot, who sought to be named as a delegate to the Cleveland convention from Pennsylvania. Not so very long ago the governor of the Keystone state was noted a possible presidential candidate. It was all but agreed at that time that he might be permitted to name the delegation to Cleveland, which surely would include his own name.

A change has come over the dream since then. Governor Pinchot has gone out of his way to make war against Andrew Mellon. First, he attacked him on his enforcement of the prohibition law as the governor of Pennsylvania thought it should be enforced. President Coolidge responded by pointing out that governors are in some sense responsible for law and order in their home states, and that Governor Pinchot would do well to look after what The Omaha Bee prophesied that, no matter what, is admittedly one of the wettest spots in the union the outcome of the war, England would not give up and let the federal bureau carry on under federal or navy, nor France her army. Six years that have direction. Next the attack took the more direct ince intervened have justified the soundness of that form of inducing Senator Couzens to employ Francis Heney as a private attorney to pry into the Mellon affairs. This was too much for the administration, and it drew a stern rebuke from the president, addressed to the senate.

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Letters From **Our** Readers All ipiters munt be algund, but manne util he withheid upon request. Fum-mentrations of the words and bes with a given preferance. How Our Law Pavors Criminals.

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"From State and Nation"

-Editorials from Other Newspapers-

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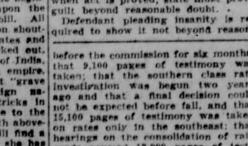
consequences." Well, if it was a mis-take, then there is no one to be blamed for making it but herself. If venue on ground of public prejudice; inquor went to the office of Speaker

blamed for making it but herein. If you e on ground of public prepare, induor went to the once of speaker is the has committee point of outside nations who are trying challenges of trial jury to state's one, their level best to pick a guarrel with the present administration so they can pull down the United States tariff. Defendant may have as many law. The witness admitted that he did not know it. Whereupon Senator wheeler sternly admonished him: pull down the United States tariff. then she is the one who will have to shoulder the blame. It is nothing short of a national disgrace for her to blame the United States for her own mistakes. There has never been anything to to contract the topologie is a state of the s

There has never been anything to indicate that President Coolidge is a coward. If the immigration bill comes to him as the majority sentiment of mony: state's witnesses may be cross-to him as the majority sentiment of to him as the majority sentiment of to him as the majority sentiment of the representatives of the people, thre is nothing else he can do but to sign the bill. Secretary Hughes never should have allowed this indiscreet letter to get into the senate during or the senate during of the people. Should have allowed this indiscreet should have allowed this indiscreet letter to get into the senate during or the senate during between the senate during between the senate during the senate during between the senate during betw

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ing "wolf" at the United States and she, too, will find herself locked out. Canada excludes the natives of India, who are citizens of her own empire, yet no one has written about "grave consequences." When foreign ma-tions learn to leave these tricks in diplomacy at home and come to the United States government with above board square dealing they will find a better reception, but even if she has to gght the whole world, and the whole world seems determined to may ther into a scene attermined to may the into a scene attermine atte



to hight the whole world, and the whole world seems determined to mag her into a scrap, she will maintain what is fair to those who had to leave foreign countries because of the op pression they received at home. This is to be a country of citizens who can and will interest themselves in the country of the second state of the second that in 1920 there were 30,000 tariffs with 435,206 pages. In 1922 the cost to



## FOOR LITTLE RICH BOY

Ma is not mak jongging ev'ry day. I's is not at poker every sight. They take turns at gushing gushes. This ; feet my very reason's taking flight,

Brother Jack is out at goinny afternoone; I'ncle Dick is out bridge-whisting till it's inte-Mister's in the hammock petting, All but that hig slob forgetting -tiosh, it's hard to be a hid that's only eight

Bridget thinks there's no one like the cop; Chauffaur chases chickens with the cal. If it wasn't for my dog-o

I would skip to Chicago. Or some other place that is just as far.

I'm alone from early morn till late at night.

Evrybody having fun excepting me. I have got to atlok at home

No my relatives can roam. I'm as ionesome as a dog without a fical

This isn't original. Neither do we know where it originated.

But it is good enough to repeat: An elderly gentleman, talking with a group of his fellows. admitted that he was 54 years of age. A young gentleman

standing hear exclaimed: "I hope I'll live to be as old as you are." "Young man, do you smoke?" asked the elderly gentleman. "Never used tobacco in my life, sir."

"Drink liquor or play poker?" "Never took a drink and do not know one card from an

other, sir."

"Sit up late at night with the girls?"

"Don't give a snap about the girls, sir." "Then what'n the devil do you want to live to \$4 for?"

#### The Fishing Liar,

The fisherman who loves to lie about his catch of bass or trout, upon one thing can surely rely-I say no word but have a doubt. His big ones always get away, his catches big were years ago. He finds me feeling blythe and gay, and were years ago. He finds me fe leaves me full of grief and woe.

He holds his hands four feet spart and swears he caught a fish that long. He lies away from running start, and makes his lying good and strong. The fighting liar I despise above all men I ever saw. I wonder if 'twould stop his lies if we should Pass Another Law!

### **Omaha** Limerick.

A sporty young Knight of King Ak At an abdominal straight took a crack. He needed a ten And call for it—then

He simply paired up with a jack.

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Ministers of the modernist persuasion may explain away the resurrection to their own satisfaction, but they'll have a hard time convincing us that Paul was deceived about it.

WILL M. MAUPIN.

such times as these, with Hi John son waving his arms sround the country like a wild man. If there is any blame to be laid on the part of the United States, it is to be laid at the door of Secretary Hughes. In any event, this is only the begin-ning of exclusion clauses upon the United States immigration bill. All Russia has to do is to keep on shout-ing "wolf" at the United States and she, too, will find herself locked out. Concide a calube the commission for sig months:

Hotel (AS "I might," confessed Miss Cayenne. "But he'd have to show me that he got if in a way that wouldn't bring the family into a congressional inves-tigation."-Washington Star. Sliding Down the Cake. Omaha "Will you join our party in the jam-preserves?" asked the first fly. "No." said the second fly, "the lady in the test of the test

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That is a question for Europeans to settle. We are interested, but we cannot thrust ourselves in anywhere without incurring risks that it is not wise to assume. "Our first duty is to ourselves. American standards must be maintained. American institutions must be preserved."

. . . "A nation that is morally dead will soon be financially dead," is the message of the president to the people. "The progress of the world rests on courage, honor and faith." And these latter are just what the opponents of the president are at the moment most sedulously seeking to destroy. Goverament has been attacked from every angle. A standy stream of slander has been poured on the officials of the government, and the president has been subjected to vituperation and abusive comment from men who should be giving their support to him in his efforts to keep high the standard of his country. Along with this has gone the dolorous

chant that the faith of the people in American institutions has been destroyed. Surely not because the government has taken prompt and effective steps to punish the only offenders against whom any proof has as yet been adduced? No, if any faith in our institutions has

been weakened, it is because of the malicious outpourings of so-called high minded gentlemen, who now that the surest way to damn anything is by half-truths, and who have stirred just enough of these into the mess to savor the falsehood of which it is made.

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Faith in our government has not been weakened. because the people have faith in themselves. State after state has voted its confidence in Calvin Coolidge. He stands before the world today the courageous bearer of huge responsibilities, supported by the fealty of the public that looks to him, trusting in his quiet, effective methods, sustained by a knowledge of his unquestioned character and moral stamina. Slander has not touched him, abuse has not moved him, and the people are leaning on him.

Americans will return to their ideals, through the guidance of the calm, firm man, who shows the way to safety. Financial bankruptcy will not come on account of moral bankruptcy, for Calvin Coolidge's message will be heard and his advice will be heeded by a people that still are worthy to be entrusted with the big job of governing themselves.

In all kindness we suggest to Governor Bryan that he has a big enough job trying to beat Adam McMullen without putting in any hours worrying about a presidential nomination. Now and then a state makes a joke out of the governorship, but to date the republic has never made a joke of the

Governor Pinchot has found the answer in the vote on delegates. It is not a rebuke to progressivism, nor a presage of the attitude of the party on any national issue. It is merely the evidence that Pennsylvania voters are lined up with the president, and are not ready to give even indirect dissent to his administration by sending one of its chief opponents to the Cleveland convention.

Right now would be a pretty good time to do a bit more worrying about the future good of Amer-ica, and less about the future good of far distant nations, white, brown or yellow.

The proud father who carries his infantile son and heir in a suitcase doubtless would not trade it for a certain historic black bag and all its former contents.

The motion picture producers are losing their punch. Not one of them has made a move to grab off the picture rights of the meles down in Washington.

Senor Firpe announces that he has retired from the ring. It is the very general belief of Americans that he was knocked from it.

This discussion of whether kissing is harmless or harmful is purely academic. Very much depends upon the kisser and the kissee.

The statue of liberty continues to show her back to a dry land while she looks out upon a very moist ses.

If Mr, Sinclair is failed for contempt of senate, pray where will they find room for all the rest of us?

There seem to be only two seasons of the year for the prince of Wales spring and fall.

Those investigating committees have brought in lot of gushers, but mostly of gas.

The prince of Wales may be a good sport, but he a mighty poor horseman.

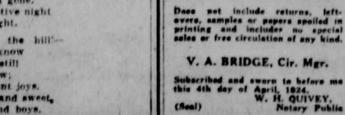
Homespun Verse

**Robert Worthington Davie** 

## LIFE'S LENTHENING CHAIN.

- The old house on the hill,
- The maples and the lane, And Mother's soulful trill. The sunshine and the rain.
- And cadenced lyrics thrill
- My heart with youth again: and through them thought forsakes
- Life's narrow mistakes. Dear days we need recall
- To dim illusions drawn, Which darken and enthrall Evening and noon and dawn. When hope and courage fall,
- And confidence has gone. Dreams from the restive night Give fervor to the fight.

The old house on the hill'-We can not truly know The love in mem'ry still As we decrepit grow; But those transcendent joys. And pictures dear and sweet, We loved as girls and boys.



Shield us from grim defeat.

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effecting four states in the southwest was \$564,000 for printing alone. In the same year in southeastern terri-Omaha .-- To the Editor of The tory the carrier spent \$950,000 for printing of tariffs alone. The expense

Omaha.—To the Editor of The Omaha.—To the Editor of The Omaha.Bee: Referring to communica-tions in the Traffic World regarding congress and the railroads, although it is still regarded as doubtful whether congress will make major changes in the transportation act at this seesdon, apparently there are some possibilities in the legislative situation that may congress called a solution that may in the legislative situation that may result in some railroad legislation be ing enacted. If sessions were held throughout the summer months, it would be idle at this time to predict what congress might or might not do with reference to railroad legislation. Commission should be left free to adjust rates as conditions seem

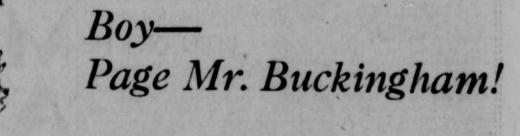
Commissioner Esch and Director Hardle of the interstate commerce commission appeared before the house committee on interstate commerce a few days ago. Comissioner Esch told the committee that there was no way of accurately estimating the cost or the time that would be required in an investigation of the Hoch rates re-vision resoluton. He pointed out that the reduced rates case of 1922 was



We kin git rid of a bum fer 10 cents, an' free ourselves of a book agent by singin' up, but if it ever gits noised around that we think some o' buyin' a car, we might as well leave town. Lemmie Peters knows who's got his Ford, but he can't identify it. (Copyright, 1924.) Opportunity Opportunity knocks at the door of every man. Sometimes - frequently - the fortunate man must have NET AVERAGE money to take full advan-

tage of the opportunity offered. A savings account in this bank-plus regular, consistent saving-will give YOU the resources to achieve what opportunity offers.

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Mr. Buckingham, undoubtedly you remember back forty-three years when you came west to Omaha. Do you still remember that old dim, flickering oil lamp which furnished light for your little home? Quite a difference, isn't it, from the bright electric lamp of today?

Great strides have been made since you joined the Union Stock Yards Company seventeen years ago. In that year the live stock receipts were 5,567,425. In 1923 the totals were near

the 9,000,000 mark, and from present indications. last year's record will be surpassed during 1924.

Omaha, when you came here, was a little struggling village. Today it is a thriving metropolitan city. Electricity, too, has had a marvelous growth during its forty years in Omaha.

Omaha and electricity have had a remarkable past, but neither have yet "arrived." Ahead of both of them is a great future which will make dim even their brilliant and meteoric past.

"Omaha Is a Great Place in Which to Live".

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