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In 1933, D. H. Lehmer asked if Mahler's measure of a polynomial with integer coefficients having at least one root off the unit circle is bounded away from 1. We resolve this problem for the case of the Littlewood polynomials, which have all their coefficients equal to ± 1 . In fact, we solve the problem for any polynomial with no cyclotomic factors whose coefficients are all congruent to 1 modulo a fixed integer $m \geq 2$. Similar methods allow us to resolve the related question of Schinzel and Zassenhaus on algebraic numbers for the same class of polynomials. (Received October 01, 2004)