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NEVADA LEADS IN SILVER

THE government report on production of precious metals during the year 1915, gives Nevada pre-eminence among the states in the production of silver. This is due most largely to the output from the mines of Tonopah. This is now the heaviest producer of silver, as a principal product, of any district in the world, although, as a copper by-product, Butte leads. This is due to the enormous output of the red metal there because of its present price, the highest it has reached in nearly two decades, while silver was at its lowest ebb in 1915. Let conditions equalize and there be more of a parity between silver and copper and Nevada will not merely lead in 1916, but will have no close rival in silver production.

HELPING FRANCE

A DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE bulletin states that a French industrial commission is now touring the United States and investigating conditions "with a view to establishing a market in this country for French products." One of the members of this commission is secretary of the French Syndicate of Cotton Spinners. He is making his headquarters at the Boston office of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce. Thus, while the Department of Commerce is, ostensibly, bending every effort to get the American manufacturer to extend trade abroad, it is at the same time giving the widest publicity at government expense to the efforts of foreigners to capture the American market and putting the machinery and conveniences of the government at their disposal in favoring their designs. Several instances of this nature have been recently reported.

"LET US WATCH AND WAIT"—OLD HYMN

EVER since the beginning of the war, and even prior to that time, when the Mexican situation was at its most critical point, President Wilson has been quoted innumerable times as saying: "The government will take action." What action has it taken except vigilant inactivity, suspended animation, save for the function performed by the optic nerve, watchful waiting, as it is commonly termed?

Again, says Tumulty, the government will act. This is with reference to the Persia tragedy—the Lusitania massacre, the episode of the Frye, the Ancona case, and multitudes of others having been seemingly thrown into the discard, as well as the high handed acts of the British in sequestering American vessels and cargoes, sending them to the prize court, together with the conduct of the French government in having its cruisers search American vessels to find if, perchance, any member of the crew possessed the odor of limberger or enunciated in guttural fashion.

The administration has acted. It has worn out quite a few typewriter ribbons and has paid more money in cable tolls than would dredge the Tonopah river and render it navigable, but action like this is as effective as an oration by a mute delivered in an institution for the blind.

PRAISE FOR NEWSPAPERS

IT IS gratifying to note that in the annual report of Solicitor Lamar of the postoffice department due credit is given the newspapers for their assistance in reducing the number of fraudulent schemes manipulated through the mails, says the Chronicle.

Official acknowledgements of this character should serve as a corrective to that shallow criticism which does not probe beneath the surface when accusing the press of fostering crime by the publication of sensational stories. As a matter of fact, the criminal dreads the publicity of a newspaper exposure even more than he fear the police.

He may move from town to town working small frauds for years, but the moment his swindle comes under the notice of the press the authorities are put upon his track, and, even if not arrested, he is compelled to abandon a nefarious device when it is given due publicity. With the co-operation of the newspapers, Federal police have been able to extend the commercial utility of the postal service by stamping out the frauds and giving the public increased confidence in legitimate mail order enterprises.

Even if it were true that the sole object of the newspapers is to furnish the news, that object cannot be accomplished without, at the same time, assisting in the reduction of crime. For one morbid or unhealthy mind incited to a crime by publicity a score of criminals are brought within easier reach of the police.

PATCHES

When the law extending the "war taxes" for a further period of peace passed Congress, a Washington paper announced the fact in these words: "The Wilson administration yesterday put the first patch on its tattered fiscal situation." This picturesque language is most accurately descriptive. There has been and there will be no intention, at the White House or among the Democratic leaders in Congress, to do anything permanently effective for the relief of the treasury. The freetrade bulk is rotten and unseaworthy even in calm weather, as was well attested in the year prior to the European war. In time of stress the freetrade craft becomes even more dangerous. Yet her captain and crew refuse to have her remodeled. They will continue to put on patches which will render the bulk more unsightly and harder to manage and which may or may not plug the leaks.

CLIPPED AND CREDITED

The government contemplates a new issue of postage stamps. Pharmaceutical Era please copy.—Buffalo News.

Villa is quoted as saying that he is going to Europe. Does look like he ought to have enough by this time.—Nashville Tennessean.

The limit in cruelty, even for Mexico, has been reached. Carranza has ordered all his captives to take a bath.—Columbia State.

The only fighting men who were out of the trenches on Christmas left them merely to charge the enemy.—Philadelphia North American.

"Put up the sword" sings a Western poet. Great Jehosaphat, has it come to this! These be hard times, indeed.—Buffalo News.

"Allies Will Stay in Balkans" says Dickie Davis. Several thousand of them will, until Resurrection day, anyway.—Boston Daily.

But just think of the disappointment of the street car company. It didn't get that boss even for a Christmas present.—Indianapolis News.

King Peter of Serbia lost his crown in his flight. And judging by his mad escape it appears he also lost his head.—Baltimore American.

T. R. hates the hyphen so that Brother Bird may as well abandon his hope to have him run on a Progressive-Republican ticket.—Boston Transcript.

The want ad department announces that Henry Ford has two perfectly good squirrels he'd like to swap for the dove of peace.—Birmingham News.

In a New Jersey town all saloons have been ordered to boil their beer glasses. This order is apt to make the thirsty beer patrons boiling mad.—Baltimore American.

ILLUSIONS OF DESERT OFFICIALLY DESCRIBED

STRANGE CHARM OF THE REGION AROUND LAKE LAHONTAN

A playa is a shallow, flat-floored depression characteristic of valleys having no regular drainage to the sea, in which storm waters collect and evaporate—a wet and dry lake. It may be a shallow lake or a salt-incrusted mud flat.

In his description of the prehistoric Lake Lahontan, in the Great Basin, the late I. C. Russell, of the United States geological survey, writes:

"The scenery on the larger playas is peculiar and is usually desolate in the extreme but is not without its charm. In crossing these wastes the traveler may ride for miles over a perfectly level floor, with an unbroken sky line before him and not an object in sight to cast a shadow on the ocean-like expanse. Mirages, which may be seen every day on these heated deserts, give strange fanciful forms to the mountains and sometimes transfigure them beyond recognition. A pack train crossing the desert a few miles distant may appear like some strange caravan of grotesque beasts fording a shallow lake, the shores of which advance as one rides away. The monotony of midday on the desert is thus broken by elusive forms that are ever changing and suggest a thousand

fancies which divert the attention from the fatigues of the journey. The cool evenings and mornings in these arid regions, when the purple shadows of distant mountains are thrown across the plain, have a charm that is unknown beneath more humid skies, and the profound stillness of the night in these solitudes is always impressive."

Joseph C. Piercy

Owing to delay in shipments of new goods for our new store, we are compelled to postpone our big opening until

Friday, January 7th

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