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FIGHTING WITH THEIR MOUTHS

THE Germans have not lost any of their aptitude for fighting with their mouths forgetting that the time has passed for that sort of diversion. For three years they bluffed the universe into the belief that they were as a buffalo soldier said "the fightingest nation on earth" but that opinion should have been dispelled when they went up against the citizen soldiers of Uncle Sam who did no talking but went after the enemy with a spirit that soon shattered the morale of the whole Teuton race. They fooled the Russians into reneging on the allies and now are resuming the talk of letting the Bolsheviks do whatever fighting may come their way. As things look now the Reds have all the trouble they can take care of at home and it is merely a matter of time before there will be an acknowledgement from the degenerates running the Lenin government that they have reached the end of their rope.

Germany is helpless from a military standpoint. Authentic information compiled by the American army of occupation shows that the present government has only 225,000 troops available for service, and, even including remnants of the old army units now in garrison which are partly useless, total under arms is not more than 425,000. On the eastern front are 140,000, mostly volunteers. May 2 witnessed the end of the German demobilization which began immediately after the armistice, first releasing the 1920 class which was still in training, and then the old classes successively down to the 1899 class, the last of which were or should have been discharged April 30. In January, when it became clear that the old army must go, but that troops were needed to preserve order and for the eastern front, numerous enterprising officers began organizing volunteer units, no two alike, except that all were ostensibly for the eastern front. Later these units, usually termed volunteers, began combining and proving their worth in suppressing disorders. They were, almost without exception, adopted by the Ebert-Scheideman government and are still the mainstay of the new army. In addition to these units almost every old army regiment lately has been trying to save something out of the wreck by recruiting a volunteer detachment to pass over into the new army. It is still unsettled how far these units can keep their old regimental identities, but apparently all will be absorbed into the new organizations. Few of these organizations have shown themselves of much value. The national assembly at Weimar has officially established a new army, or Reichswehr, until May 1, 1920, and has permitted the administration to arrange details. The war ministry has accordingly ordered an army of approximately 250,000 with 50,000 additional home guards, entirely volunteers. Roughly speaking there will be one brigade of each old corps in the various districts throughout Germany and these will have their hands full in preserving order and restricting their activities to police duties.

THE LOS ANGELES WAY

IT IS eminently fitting that an alleged metallurgist should hit upon Los Angeles to demonstrate a new process for reducing ores which is of the sort that appeals to the credulous and ignorant for the sake of selling stock among those who know nothing of the art of treating ores or of extracting their mineral contents. The latest candidate for investment is circulating in a rural district where the people know was much about ores as the man in the moon, for we are told that one woman has invested \$45,000 in building an experimental plant. She will be thankful in later years to know that she was not inveigled into constructing a smelter or furnace on a commercial scale. Reading the prospectus one is seized with amazement at the credulity of the masses in venturing their money on an enterprise about which they cannot have any knowledge beyond the assurance of the alleged inventor that his smelter would furnish an artistic annex to any country gentleman's backyard for we are informed that the proposed outfit will be "unique in the possession of an ore treating plant without gases or noxious odors and with no unsightly pile of tailings or other refuse." The process used leaves no tailings or no dumps which is strongly emphasized as the chief attribute of the process. That the company may not suffer for an opportunity to show what it can do the inventor offers the use of a mine situated near Victorville, Calif., whose chief recommendation is that it has an endless variety of mineral to meet the most fastidious requirements for this mountain is advertised to carry "inky-hued ledges that contain unlimited quantities of ore which on being assayed was found to contain pitchblende, hornblende, vanadium and uranium of the corinite family. General sampling also shows the ore to contain gold, silver, copper, platinum, bismuth, zinc, sulphur, tin and other minerals, some in paying quantities." The versatility of the promoter probably accounts for his not having an unlimited quantity of brass and steel in the same repository. This is the kind of food some get rich-quick speculators feed on while at the same time looking with suspicion on legitimate mining projects which can only boast of having gold and silver ledges yielding \$20 to \$30 a ton.

Without any design or action on the part of Nevada silver producers the markets have helped to swell the value of every holding in the Tonopah district by jumping the price of silver over night from \$1.01 1/2 to \$1.10 an ounce, an increase of 10 per cent that will add millions to the production of the properties of this district in the ensuing year. No wonder the world is crazy over silver investments and grasping the hand of the man with a first-class prospect while urging him to take their money to develop further deposits of the precious metal.

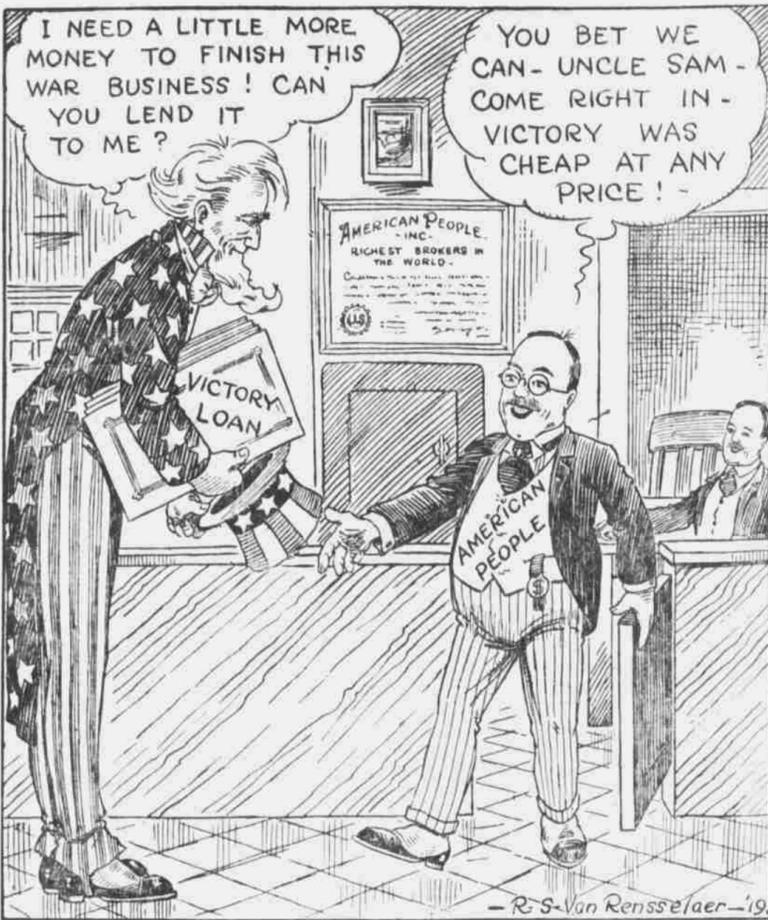
Looks as if the Democratic party might be over before the war is.

Holland is the only country that has got more than it wanted out of the war.

Why not make Mr. Bursleson director of the weather bureau and let him put a meter on the east wind.

President Lowell of Harvard university says Washington's farewell address was a great thing in its day. So was Harvard university.

WELCOME



Maybe for lack of something more agreeable to talk about the democratic leaders intend to use the Fiume question as a paramount issue in 1920.

When Mr. Baker succeeds Mr. Wilson as president, as per rumor, the administration flower will be changed from the violet to the pansy.

The trouble is that every time they sprout a new government in Europe we have to make a new loan. Between feeling our enemies and lending money to our friends we begin to feel like a good thing.

The North Dakota farmers who have accepted Mr. Towley's socialism as a means of escape from the oppressions of the grain men remind one of the fellow who gave his horse a sprukling can full of paris green after seeing him swallow a potato bug.

The late Mr. Woolworth never would have made a good member of an appropriations committee in a Democratic congress, for he handled ordinary nickles and dimes. A Democratic congressman cannot recognize a piece of money smaller than a ten thousand dollar bill.

"Nobody can ever accuse a New York legislature of being stingy with the taxpayers money," says that faithful democratic organ, the New York World. The only stingy legislative bodies we have in this country are democratic congresses.

AMUSEMENTS

BERT LYTELL AND A SNETT COMEDY TODAY

Bert Lytell, voted one of the most popular stars of stage and screen, has added new greatness to his name by his work in "The Snetter," which will be the attraction at the Butler today. This play, taken from the story of the same name, which was published in the Saturday Evening Post has resulted in drawing unusually high praise from noted critics and has gained unbounded praise for the clever star. At the time of its publication the story attracted nationwide notice and was declared to be a gem of humor and innuendo, worthy of being called a classic. In its adaptation the plot has been very carefully followed and the picture has proved one of those surprises which jaded critics often hope for but seldom see. It contains many laughs and much wholesome romance which makes it a veritable mine of delight. And the comedy today, "Hide and Seek Detectives," a two-reel Mack Sennett production, is some comedy—one of the best the famous director has ever produced—one continual laugh from the very start to the finish.

Tomorrow, another great bill, with Charles Ray in "A Nine O'clock Town" and Pearl White, the Pathe premier serial queen, in "The Light ning Raider," which is the best yet.

Monday, Kathryn Williams and Theodore Roberts in one of the best comedy dramas of the year, "We Can't Have Everything."

SPANISH BELT PUSHES TUNNEL

The Spanish Belt weekly report follows:

Tunnel work has been resumed in west drift No. 1. Work at that point was abandoned for several days owing to all hands being needed at putting in the concrete foundations for the two Chicago pneumatic compressors. The foundations are now completed and in a few days both compressors will be set up. Another important improvement will be the placing under one roof of compressors blacksmith shop and store-room.

At the San Pedro shaft the cleaning out of the old workings has been resumed. On the arrival and installation of a new and heavier hoist, which is now on the way to the mine, development will be pushed to the limit.

The company is also installing a 1700-foot pipe line, which will supply water necessary for all purposes, including machinery.

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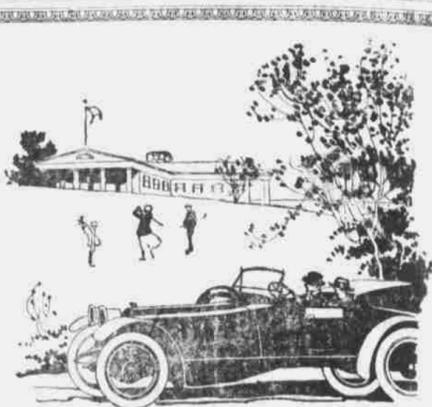
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