

### AROUND THE MINES

With a Star 24 rig already on the way, Henry A. Schweikhart of Salt Lake is preparing to drill on the ground for which permit was granted recently on the San Rafael swell.

Copper production in the Phelps-Dodge mines at Bisbee, Arizona, will be suspended, indefinitely on April 15 and the corporation's smelter at Douglas, Ariz., will close at the same time.

Closing the mines of the Anaconda Copper Mining company, as ordered in New York, will throw out of employment 5500 to 6000 miners, it was stated at the Butte offices of the company.

Sinking in the main working shaft of the Prince Consolidated Mining and Smelting company began the first of the week, according to information received from the property at Pioche, Nevada.

Eight inches of high-grade silver-lead ore, assaying 6 cents in gold, 76.9 ounces in silver and 40.9 per cent lead, have been opened up in a winze sunk from the 700 level of the New Quincy at Park City, Utah.

The Tacoma smelter of the American Refining and Smelting company announced a reduction of 40 cents a day in wages beginning April 1. The new minimum will be \$3.20 a day. Seven hundred and fifty men are affected.

Governor Malsey has appointed a committee of Utah men to consider the question of the state's sending a mineral exhibit to the twenty-fourth annual convention of the American Mining congress at the Coliseum, Chicago, October 17-22.

A settlement has been reached between the March Mines Consolidated company and the Hecla Mining company, relative to the dispute as to the apex of the Russel lode near Burke, Idaho, according to reports coming from Spokane.

Approximately 700 employees of the Great Falls smelter of the Anaconda Copper Mining company will be affected by closing of the company's mines in Montana. The smelter has been working at about one-third capacity since last summer.

Francis Marion, Sulth, picturesque western financial leader, one time known as the "Borax King," is back on his throne, his San Francisco friends say, having recently purchased a newly discovered Nevada mountain of colemanite, which is the base for borax.

News comes from Halley of the purchase of the Golden Glow mine, for \$200,000. At the stockholders' meeting, the president, J. Pope, presented an agreement, which was accepted by the stockholders, whereby the entire holdings of the company will be taken over by W. D. Hanson.

With the exception of seventeen days lost during the general strike of miners at Bingham in 1912, this is the first complete cessation of activities of the Utah Copper since operations were first begun, April 1, 1904, at the old Copper-town plant. About 1500 men will be affected by the suspension of activities ordered.

Mining properties of the Utah Copper, Ray Consolidated, Chino Copper and Nevada Copper companies have completely suspended operations, owing to conditions in the copper market, it was announced at New York, March 29, by Charles Hayden of Hayden, Stone & Co., who is financially interested in all four concerns.

The annual report of the Highland-Surprise Consolidated Milling company will be submitted at the annual meeting of the directors at Wallace, Idaho, on April 4. One of the chief items discussed in the report is the possibility now of a home market for their products in the new zinc smelter being erected by the Bunker Hill company at Kellogg.

First sale of oil leases in the Salt Creek field, in Wyoming, under the terms of the federal leasing law, originally scheduled for early this month and later deferred to April 28, has been postponed by Land Commissioner Spry through the suspension of action in the publication of advertisements of the sale, which would affect 6500 acres. No reason was given.

One bodies of unusual size and richness have been opened recently on the property of the Boston and Ely Consolidated Mining company, located just above what is commonly known as the old limekiln, west of Ely, Nev. One hundred and twenty-five tons of ore running 8 per cent copper are now on the dump, while picked samples from a large body developed by a winze will run as high as 89 per cent.

Under the terms of a co-operative agreement effected between the national safety council and the United States bureau of mines, C. L. Colburn, who has served as assistant chief mining engineer of the bureau of mines for the last two years, has been given the duty of visiting the various coal and metal mines of the country for the purpose of acquainting the operating companies with the scope of the technical safety service available to them through this co-operation.

A stockholders' investigating committee has been formed by prominent New York stockholding interests in the American Smelting and Refining company who desire to know more concerning the company's affairs than is revealed in the annual reports.

The third oil rig for testing the San Rafael region was unloaded at Price March 26, and started to the field. The equipment belongs to the Utah Oil Developing company, recently organized to develop some promising claims south of the Ferron dome by Emery county.

### President Visits Wounded World War Veterans



President and Mrs. Harding inspecting Walter Reed hospital in Washington and visiting with the wounded ex-service men.

### When Sap Flows in the Sugar Maples



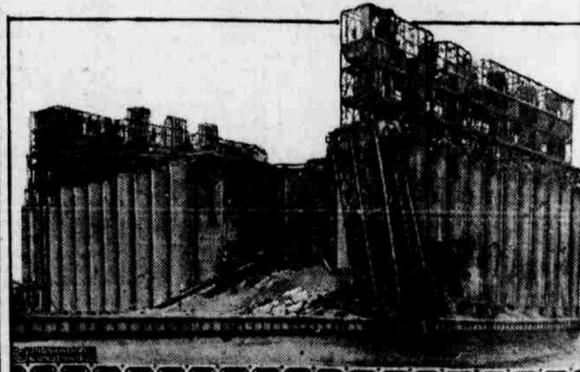
In thousands of sugar maple groves in the United States and Canada scenes like these may be seen. Above—Collecting the sap for the sugar house. Below—Tapping the trees and hanging the sap pails.

### Washington Home of the Denbys



Secretary of the Navy Edwin Denby has purchased a home near Sheridan Circle at 2224 R street. The house is in a quiet, exclusive neighborhood, several congressmen living in the same block, including Senator Gilbert M. Hitchcock of Nebraska, Senator James D. Phelan of California and Representative Ira D. Copley of Illinois.

### Explosion Wrecks Greatest Elevator



An explosion which tore sections of the greatest grain elevator in the world into fragments, shook Chicago, threw glass and fragments over an area of five miles and was heard as far as Benton Harbor, Mich. Six persons are believed to be dead and the property loss will total to six to ten million dollars. It is on the Calumet river and is operated by the Armour company. Grain dust probably caused the explosion.



MOTHER FUR SEAL.

"They think it is funny," said Mother Fur Seal, "that I am able to recognize or know my own children, but I would think it funny if I couldn't."

"Of course every mother fur seal would think as I did about this matter."

"The reason that creatures think it is funny that I know my own children, is because we mothers stay about on the same great beach and there are thousands of mothers and children all about."

"But I always would know my son," said Mother Fur Seal.

"Our children are such dear, playful, merry creatures. Especially when they're very young, and even during the first four or five years of their lives there is nothing they enjoy so much as swimming and playing, diving and playing tag and other games."

"We're known as the Alaska Fur Seal family, and we live interesting lives."

"We're quite fashionable and in the winter we go to coast lines further south than in the summer."

"In the spring or very early in the summer we travel sometimes as much as two thousand miles. Gracious, wouldn't it be an expense if we had to pay for our journeys the way people do?"

"But then people wouldn't care for the way we travel, through the great ocean, whether it's stormy or calm, whether there is rain or sunshine above."

"We go on and on, and no matter how great the fog may be we never lose our way, but go swimming steadily on and on until we reach the islands we're going to for our summer."

"When we reach our summer home we begin to think about the seal babies who have arrived after we have been at the island homes for awhile."

"We stay out of the water for long periods of time, often to make sure no harm will come to our babies. And we go back and forth for our market."

### COL. J. M. WAINWRIGHT



Col. J. Mahew Wainwright of New York who will be assistant secretary of war. He is a New York National Guard officer and during the war served as inspector general on the staff of Major General O'Ryan of the Twenty-seventh division.

### DR. C. L. ALSBERG



Dr. C. L. Alsberg, chief of the bureau of chemistry of the department of agriculture has received the appointment as director of the food research institute established at Leland Stanford university by the Carnegie corporation.

### DR. WILBUR F. CRAFTS



Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts, superintendent of the international reform bureau, who has agreed to halt his campaign for a federal motion picture censorship law on the promise of the motion picture producers to eliminate all improper, salacious and degrading matters in their productions. The National Association of Motion Picture Producers has promised to aid in the movement for clean motion pictures.

### FORTY-THREE MILLION LIVES

Lost to World Through the Great War, According to Figures Given by Statistician.

A study of the different statistics of the actual and potential loss of life due to the recent war reveals the fact that about forty-three million lives have been lost to the world either directly from the war or from causes induced by it, Richard P. Strong, M. D., writes in the North American Review. These losses are made up of, first, approximately 13,000,000 deaths which occurred in the military service; secondly, a surplus mortality above that which occurred in normal times in the civilian populations amounting to approximately 10,000,000, due to epidemic and other diseases, privation, hardship, physical exhaustion, and similar causes; and thirdly, a potential loss of 20,000,000 lives due to the decreased birth frequency below that which occurred under normal conditions before the war. The adult male population in many European countries has been reduced by from 14 to 20 per cent. The figures of Alonzo Taylor show us that there are between 50,000,000 and 60,000,000 people in Europe who have lost their prewar occupations owing to the fact that the markets for their products no longer exist, having been changed or taken away from them by other countries. Many of these people have or soon will become refugees in Europe, among which class of people not only poverty and hardship, but also disease always reigns, resulting in a high increase in death rate and decrease in birth rate.

### LOOK ON WALKING AS JOKE

People Seem to Regard Primitive Method of Locomotion as Altogether Out of Date.

Charles Hanson Towne writes in the Century: When I refer to the difficulties of walking, I do not refer to the infirmities of age, to flat feet, or to avoirdupois. Not at all. I mean that it is hard indeed in these rushing times to go afoot, even on the most distant by-roads, without being considered eccentric. People stare at you as though you were some kind of freak or criminal. They cast suspicious glances your way, never dreaming that perhaps you prefer your own feet as a means of pleasant locomotion.

I asked a certain friend if he would not accompany me. My friend turned to me and instantly said: "My car is out of order."

"But I did not mean to go in a car," I as quickly answered. "Why," he replied, looking at me as though I had gone quite mad, "how else would we go?"

"On foot," I bravely made answer, yet realizing that this confirmed New Yorker would never think the same of me again. And it was so. I shall not forget, if I live a hundred years, his final disgusted glance. If anything further was needed to crush me utterly, I do not know what it could be.

### Adult Illiteracy in Mexico.

Instruction for illiterates in the territories of the republic of Mexico is provided by a law promulgated recently. The law authorizes the employment of persons in every locality who will undertake the instruction of one or more illiterates. Children under fifteen years of age who live in districts provided with schools are not included in the application of the law. The American consul at Mexicali, Mexico, who reports the promulgation of the law, states that it will not only tend to uplift the peon classes, but it will also create a better feeling on our border. Under the American immigration law illiterates are not allowed to enter the United States, although their more fortunate fellow countrymen may cross and recross the border at will.

### Speech Strangely Restored.

Antoine Dumas, a farmer living near Yssitgeaux, who for three years had been without the power of speech, was cured in an unusual manner without the cost of a cent. Dumas served in the French artillery during the war. During one of the heavy bombardments his voice ceased to function, and although scores of army doctors tried to aid him, no one had ever been able to restore his power of speech. While working in the hay loft of his barn he slipped and fell to the ground. Farm hands who ran to his aid discovered that while his only injury was a small bump at the back of the head, Dumas was able to curse as loudly and colorfully as the rest of the farmers.

### Evelyn Pass.

In the great government reserve on the eastern side of Yellowhead pass in the Rocky mountains, known as Jasper park, Alberta, is a pass leading from Athabaska falls, on the Athabaska river, to Maligne lake. The geographic board of Canada has recently named the pass Evelyn, after Evelyn, duchess of Devonshire, wife of his excellency the governor general, and daughter of the marquis of Lansdowne, who was governor general of Canada from 1883 to 1888. The duchess of Devonshire visited the pass, now named after her, during last summer.—Montreal Family Herald.

### Hidden Features.

"Turkish ladies conceal their faces." "So do we," replied Miss Cayenne; "only we use cosmetics instead of 'yashmaks'."

Grub Makes the Butterfly. Why is a butterfly like a hot roll? Because it is the grub that makes the butterfly.