

U. S. DUMPS COPPER ON MARKET BUT PRICES SHOULD BE AFFECTED LITTLE

COMES now another aftermath of the war. The war department at Washington authorizes the sale of 100,000,000 pounds of copper which it no longer needs and the almost countless investors in copper stocks are asking rather anxiously whether this will have much effect in quelling the value of their stocks.

The reason the war department is throwing this copper back on the market is that it no longer needs vast quantities of the metal for manufacture of war materials. It had stocked up heavily in order to be assured of a supply, whatever might happen to production.

But apparently the department is only anxious to get rid of its copper surplus and is willing to charge off the loss.

The effect on the market ought to be negligible. One hundred million pounds of copper is a very large amount, considered by itself, but not when compared with the total production in this country over a period of a year.

To prevent any temporary demoralization, an arrangement has been made between the war department and the copper producers' association for the latter to act as the marketing agent.

The transaction does not greatly interest the producers except that it enables them to get into the market in five and ten million pound lots and thus prevent any further unsettling of prices.

There is no immediate prospect of a revival of demand for the red metal. Just as long as the embargo is on, there will be no great call for copper.

Germany in the Coblenz region are reported to be hostile toward American troops. They must be getting fed up. They crawled when they were hungry.

Mormons Die From Hardships Trekking Across Country C. R. Morehead Tells of This and of Indian Troubles

TODAY C. R. Morehead relates some more exciting incidents of his early days among the Indians on the western plains. Resuming his narrative regarding his second trip westward (in 1853), he tells of the terrible suffering the Mormon pioneers were crossing the country, of an exciting experience with a band of friendly Indians over an eloquent affair in the tribe.

By C. R. MOREHEAD. Fort Leavenworth in company with Hiram Lightner, who had been appointed agent for the company at Fort Laramie, the former agent there having been driven out by the Laramie river a short time before.

Next we reached Fort Kearny, and the pleasure of listening, at Harry Dyer's outfit, to many exaggerated stories about the Indian depredations out west, which greatly excited the men, and I was glad as he had never crossed the plains before.

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Guidance On The Right Path

NEWSPAPER summaries of the bill which the federal bureau of immigration is drafting for passage by congress indicate the bill should have the warm support of every American citizen who loves his country and detests the forces which are at work to undermine and destroy it.

Its provisions specify the registration of all aliens within the country in one year after enactment of the law and the re-registration of all aliens annually for four years thereafter, thus making five years of registration.

There is another point, and a very strong one. It is that all aliens tentatively admitted shall be required to make bond as a guarantee of good behavior.

Of course, El Pasoans ought to buy real estate rather than oil stock, but how many really dealers have themselves put money in oil stock and how many of them are renting offices or desk room to oil company representatives?

Nature is giving every advantage for the production this year of the largest and best crops the southwest has ever known.

Advocates of the league of nations speak their mind and so do the opponents and neither side seeks to convince the other but maybe they do influence the people on the border line.

Mexican converts to von Eckhardt's propaganda are able that sometimes a dead cow thing doesn't win.

El Pasoans Saturday will play the fascinating game of "Button, button, who hasn't got the button?"

The world doesn't fall for Jack Johnson just because he says he flopped for Willard.

Give the Bolshevik enough rope and he will hang himself, let us hope.

West Texans agree that it's a pretty good world—after all.

See Nothing, Hear Nothing, Say Nothing - By Hal Coffman



Little Interviews Says Mexico Needs To Be Advertised To The World An Exposition Across The River Might Help Greatly

MEXICO must do something in the way of advertising its resources and commercial advantages, and do it at once, if it is to be in position to attract American capital when industry is depressed and the country open to trade and travel.

Following the view of the Bell Products exposition held in El Paso in 1918, the question of holding the Conventions of the International Fair of Commerce and Industry in El Paso, Texas, and the annual fair of the same name in the city of Chihuahua, Mexico, was discussed.

After some further inquiries and answers about the story that had passed the year before, we presented the chief with some tobacco, and he, with a great deal of flourish, assured us of our safe passage to Fort Laramie.

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Be A Modest Winner Or A Cheerful Loser

Be a modest winner or a cheerful loser. It is a motto that should be kept in mind by every one who is engaged in any kind of business or profession.

AN ODDLY PRINTED WAR POSTAGE STAMP. Among postage stamps which are sure to prove of interest to future collectors is the British Honduras series of 1918.

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When the Motorman Won't Stop Where the Company Says He Will

I AM going to lay off again today and print another one from one of my friends. It is easy to draw a salary for filling this space and let other people fill it—if I can "get by" with it.



Some Chips From the Editorial Block; Thoughts From the Staff Typewriters

THE boss has asked all members of the staff to contribute a few paragraphs each daily for this column. The writer promises to "kick in" right along, unless on some morning his hand is blocked by one of Walker Hines's elongated freight trains, which have an after-breakfast habit of strolling through the heart of the city and giving El Paso the aspect of a country.

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