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WHERE THE GOLD IS.

That the United States will continue to be the center of gravity of the world's gold and silver supply is easily manifested by a study of the conditions.

This continent is producing gold and silver in large quantities, in addition to the gravitation here of Europe's gold. The total mined gold of the past centuries, together with the looted treasure of the orient and of Mexico and Peru, is placed by the Journal of the American Bankers' association at \$30,000,000,000. But fight to land this has utterly in 1915, is again manifesting the of Ball players. Percy Hall, one of new owner of the Braves, has ever confidence in Mr. Stallings as a manager and has given him full authority to go ahead and produce a winner. Many baseball experts consider Stallings the most capable manager in the game, except, perhaps, John McGraw of the New York Giants.

Salaries of Ball Tossers.

The original minutes of the National league read at the New York banquet by Robert Young, son of the fourth president of the organization, were enlightening to the modern ball player who commands a salary of \$10,000 to \$15,000 per season.

The dust covered records showed that the National league's share in the receipts for the first season, 1876, was a meager \$821.46. At that time the league received 10 per cent of the receipts, as it does today. Therefore the total receipts for the eight clubs of the organization were a paltry \$8,214.46. Ty Cobb, Eddie Collins, Tris Speaker and other ball players who individually receive more than \$12,000 per year for their services please take notice.

Forty years ago an entire league was conducted through a season on about two-thirds the salary commanded by a big star of the game today.

Rowing Classic at Lake Cayuga.

It is practically certain in the opinion of Morton G. Bogue, chairman of the board of stewards of the Intercollegiate Rowing association, that Lake Cayuga, Ithaca, N. Y., will be the scene this year of the annual Poughkeepsie regatta and that the races will be moved on June 24. Definite refusal on the part of the New York Central railroad to operate the observation train on June 30 or July 1, the only dates available at Poughkeepsie because of tide conditions on the Hudson, has destroyed the last hope the stewards entertained that the railroad officials would yield.

Vermont University's Ball Team.

After two poor seasons the University of Vermont will put a strong baseball team on the diamond the coming spring. Palmer and Hamilton, the freshman battery, expect to equal the work of Malcomb and Mayforth of the crack 1912 team. Their work thus far in practice and their prep school records stamp them as high class players. Vermont university, which turned out such players as Arlie Pond of the old Baltimore team, Ed Ruelbach, formerly of the Cubs, and Ray Collins and Larry Gardner of the Boston Red Sox, will be well represented by an entirely amateur team.

Marshall Challenges Capablanca.

Frank J. Marshall, chess champion of the United States, has issued a challenge to Jose R. Capablanca, champion of Cuba, for a chess match for the pan-American championship. One of the conditions of the challenge is that half of the series of games must be played in the United States and the remainder in Cuba. The number of games to be played is not specified in the challenge, nor is any time fixed for holding the match.

Bicycle Riders Suspended.

The National Cycling association, carrying out its threat made some time ago, has suspended all the bicycle riders who competed in the six day race at Chicago recently and all amateurs who competed in the preliminary events at the Coliseum, which were promoted by Packey McFarland and his associates.

Launch For Yale Navy.

The Yale navy has received a present of a handsome coaching launch from several alumni who are interested in boating, and it will be received in time for the spring coaching of the crew. One hundred and seventy candidates have registered with Captain Seth Low. The navy has also been given two new shells by alumni.

that Europe will henceforth use paper money for the most part.

In 1820 the money of Europe consisted of \$345,000,000 in gold and silver, and \$115,000,000 in paper, the paper forming twenty-five per cent of the whole. In 1896 the money consisted of \$3,000,000,000 in gold and silver, and \$3,720,000,000 in paper, the paper forming fifty-five per cent of the whole.

And today, with the enormous issues of war paper, the gold constitutes a small percentage of the money in use in Europe. But while the United States has acquired the bulk of the world's gold, and a large portion of the world's silver, the circulation of gold has not increased. No one sees more gold on the market place on this account.

As a result the American bankers will have a problem in what to do with the gold. It will doubtless remain in the vaults. Paper is the best coinage. Gold or silver are barbaric mediums of exchange. The faith and credit of the government are as good as the gold.

If the European nations depended today upon their supply of gold where would they be? They rightly depend instead upon their confidence in the capacity of their soil to redeem their promise to pay.

GOVERNMENT NITROGEN PLANT.

If the government builds a nitrate plant, a proposal to which the senate has declared itself favorable, it will undertake a project that may cast light in several directions.

In looking for the cheapest way of extracting nitrogen from the atmosphere, the government is competing with the world to take him on for the championship. He looks like a champion. He is six feet four inches tall, weighs 218 pounds and has the longest reach known to the prize ring. He is built

Central Association Season Opens.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., May 3.—With eight strong teams in the Central association and better prospects than last year for a money making season, the 1916 play was begun today with four games, as follows:

At Cedar Rapids with Waterloo.
 At Clinton with Marshalltown.
 At Muscatine with Mason City.
 At Burlington with Fort Dodge.

Each team will play 65 home games, nine Sunday games and one or two holiday games. The death of the Federals has aided the smaller associations and leagues, the Central as much as any, by making available a better class of players and by stabilizing the sport. President Justice thinks all the clubs this year will pave the way for many profitable seasons.

Five Million Motor Cars.

Figures given by the Automobile Chamber of Commerce are amazing, even in this magical industry where growth and progress have ceased to surprise us. It is estimated that this year's production will reach the tremendous total of 1,250,000 cars, nearly 350,000 more than last year's record output. That means one sale to every 80 people in the United States.

By the end of the present year, it is figured that there will be 3,500,000 motor vehicles in the hands of American owners, making one to every six or seven families. That might be regarded as coming dangerously near the limit of the nation's purchasing power. The demand, it would appear, must soon stop skyrocketing, leaving only a steady call for the replacing of old cars. But the experts say there is a market in the country for about 5,000,000 motor vehicles. And since all prophecies in this business have been distanced over and over again, they might just about as well say that there will be 10,000,000 cars owned in the United States within a few years. If the reported discovery of an automobile fuel made from water and costing one cent a gallon proves to be true, it would be a rash man who would set any limit to the automobile market.

School Funds Guarded by Officials.

Salem, May 2.—That the state and county officials of Oregon are much more zealous in safeguarding the school funds than are some of the neighboring states is shown by an investigation, started a short time ago

portant business out of the hands of contractors, and preserving the secrets of new processes likely to be discovered.

The nitrogen not used for powder will go into the making of fertilizers. Probably a close co-operation with the department of agriculture will be set up, so that the farmers of the United States will be made acquainted in a short time with the large fund of knowledge regarding the importance of nitrogen which German farmers have passed and used profitably for many years.

This is a war measure which is unique in that it is of value to the country in time of peace also.

A Chicago laborer feared that he would be obliged to pay personal taxes on his six children. He placed their value as greater than that of all the wealth in Chicago and he earns \$1.60 a day, so, naturally, he was anxious.

A scientist has been laboring for five years to teach an ape to talk. He has given up, having decided that the beast would have very little of interest to say, anyway.

Villa seems to look upon it as a family secret as to whether he is dead or alive, and if alive where he is spending his time.

Women soldiers in New York have voted to drill in trousers. This is going to drive many men from the pacifist ranks into the war party, we fear.

A Pennsylvania man who wanted a look possession of a locomotive Kid Malt a mile to the nearest saw. The famous "bars all around him" the fact that Fulton showed Jim Jeffries.

by the legislative committee of the state of Washington, representing the State Federation of Labor, the Farmers' union and the State grange," said State Superintendent of Public Instruction Churchill today.

"The secretary of the committee wrote me calling attention to the fact that 25 per cent of the money derived from the sale of timber and rentals of the forest reserves is paid by the federal government to the various states and that the law provides that it shall be by them divided among the counties in which the forest reserves are situated and the money expended for the benefit of the public schools and the public roads thereof and not otherwise.

"A comparison of the way this money is divided in the different states is quite interesting. This committee sent a statement which shows that in many counties of Washington all the money is expended for the benefits of roads and the schools receive nothing. In some counties a very small sum is spent for roads and schools and the balance is 'otherwise' expended.

"I sent a letter to each county in this state asking for a statement as to how the money is expended in Oregon. I have received letters from nearly all the counties, and in every instance the money is equally divided between the school fund and the road fund."

Sinnott Gets Funds for Umatilla.

Pendleton, Or., May 2.—Through the efforts of Congressman Sinnott, the low bridges planned across the river and the other at Tborn Hollow, are in a fair way to be built. The Indian bill containing these two items has been passed upon by the conference committee at Washington according to word received here. Two-thirds of the cost would be provided by the government and one-third by the county.

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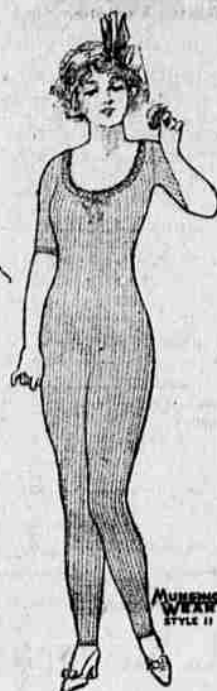
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