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THE UNTAMED TONGUE.— He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life but he that openeth wide his lips shall have destruction.—Prov. 13:3.

DRAINING THE WORLD OF GOLD.

Uncle Sam has a monopoly on the gold of the world, even though a majority of his subjects have not yet had any reason to appreciate in a personal way this new financial fact. Treasury officials reported a while ago that the United States has \$3,000,000,000 or one-third of the entire supply of the precious metal of the entire globe.

Students of the situation indicate that the United States will be compelled to move along some line that may bring about a stabilization in exchange or run the risk of seeing the gold standard gravely impaired.

There are some advocates of the creation of an international currency medium for the purpose of international trade. There are also many opponents to such a proposal. Many American leaders think that this would operate decidedly to the disadvantage of this country.

It is the view of Comptroller Crisinger that American business men and financiers must give serious consideration to measures of this sort to assure resumption of normal production, to regain the fields of trade opportunity now closed in favor of cheaper price competitions, and in order to bring about financial and industrial equilibrium over the world.

SCHOOL FACTS. There are in the United States more than 25,000,000 school children. A fifth of the total population of the nation is in the school house.

It seems to be just about as safe to speed over the highways as to consume the stuff they are bottling in the woods and ravines and selling under the bougainvillee of real goods.

A TASTE OF THE LEAGUE.

Instead of having a league of nations constituted by all the powers of the world, such as Mr. Wilson and the great statesmen of Europe conceived and framed, the Republicans have concluded that they can make an improvement on that idea by having a league with only four powers in it, namely, the United States, Great Britain, France and Japan, "us four and no more."

Of course, Mr. Wilson was jazzed and sabred, too, because he even thought of rushing this country into a league of nations which would present the aspect of any sort of an alliance or complication with internal affairs of Europe.

Aside, nevertheless, from showing in vivid colors the completeness of the inconsistency of the Republican senators and more especially the narrow-brainedness of Lodge, his conceit and selfishness and malignity, there is no doubt that the four-cornered affair will accomplish, in part at least, what the League of Nations would have completely accomplished.

If the arrangement can thrive without incurring the ill-will and antagonisms of the balance of the 40-off states of the world, if it does not in fact arouse their suspicion and jealousy, and thereby defeat the purpose for which it was created, it will redound to the interest of world-peace.

It would seem to make it certain that the four great powers will themselves remain on amicable terms, it will eliminate the bugaboo of war between the United States and Japan. It will settle the unrest which suspicion is always arousing between England and the United States.

It does not guarantee peace, however, insofar as the remaining majority, but smaller powers of the world are concerned, laying aside Germany and Russia which were not signatory to the league of nations.

AN IMPORTANT TEST.

The new farm demonstration agent for this county can apply himself to no task of more immediate importance than that of leadership in the cotton co-operative marketing movement. It is beyond us to explain why the farmers of this country are not taking to this proposition more eagerly.

There is no doubt as to the basic worth of the movement. The plan is admirable. It suggests the only feasible foundation upon which successful cotton marketing in the South can ever be attained. It is the one project so far launched that reaches to the whole depths of the cotton problem and that assures the man who makes the cotton that he may have a voice in determining its worth upon the markets.

MOVIES IN THE SCHOOLS.

Chicago is among the first cities of the country to introduce the movie as a fixed part of its educational curriculum. It has also promised the children that they will be given a mixture of educational films with those of the most popular screen stars.

THE TRUTH ABOUT RUSSIA.

It has been hard to get. Reports sent by various agencies have differed so widely that the run-of-the-mine reader of the newspapers and magazines has been unable to tell heads from tails of the situation. And Russia is a country in which the world has an intense interest, a consuming curiosity, an eagerness to learn about the country and its people which has only been tantalized by the thousands of contradictory stories, the little patches and shreds of truth have come from over there.

More lately trained newspaper correspondents have been ransacking Russia to find out the truth and to depict conditions as they find them for the benefit of the readers of the American dailies. These correspondents have written interestingly. They have been showing us a great country filled with torment, whose millions are famishing, whose children are dropping dead on the streets, whose fathers are in despair, whose mothers are tortured, whose physical properties are run down, whose railroads are collapsed and whose social order is torn and tattered to threads.

And we read these stories of Russia and wondered if even this is the truth about the people and their country, remaining largely unconvinced. Obviously, the correspondents, no matter how fairly they may have tried to deal with their duties, have been allowed to see only what the Soviet masters permitted them to see.

JERUSALEM FELL TO AN ARMY COOK

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They called him "Long Shot" Bill McGee because he soaked his cash in 14,000 pounds of tea and 13 tons of hash. He owned a cafe on the block and said, "I'll add this to my stock—for food will go up with a shock. I do not fear a crash."

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