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SAFE FROM ALL EVIL:—The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul, Psalm 121.7.
PRAYER:—We will say of the Lord, He is our Refuge and our Fortress: our God; in Him we trust.

STOCK MARKETS ARE 'WORKED'

Most of the sins that are committed in the manipulation of stocks in "Wall Street" are purely psychological wrongs. There may be no intentional fraud, but the wrong is committed just as surely, and with less chance to prevent evil results, because the machinery by which the wrong is accomplished is so little understood. Even the wisest men in the field of finance are puzzled to know how some of the stock movements happen.

In theory, and in much of the practice, the Wall Street adjustment of values is of great public service. To have an open market that responds readily to the facts that affect commercial worth, is a public necessity. To have a ready market for anything helps to save values and to create them.

But to have a market that deals in rumors, in misunderstandings, that may be swayed by misinformation or by false propaganda, is destructive of public confidence. The fever that has been shown in stocks in various parts of the country in the last few days, east and west alike, is not good for finance, nor for industry.

The trouble is that stock markets are still almost purely places for buying and selling. Some day they will be places for learning and knowing, as well.

PERSONAL LIABILITY FOR FIRE PREVENTION

Personal liability for damages arising from fire on account of the alleged gross carelessness of another will be given its first test in the courts of Georgia as a result of the filing of one of the few suits of its kind, in the Bibb County superior court. The petition, instituted by the Macon Cabinet Works against the Southern Box and Basket Company for damages of \$17,000, is of particular interest for the reason that insurance companies and officials and citizens of Macon are working in conjunction to reduce the normal burning ratio of Macon.

Mass meetings of civic bodies and citizens have been held to correct conditions that will result in increasing insurance rates if not abated, and the city courts are invoking fire hazard laws and assessing heavy fines for their violation. When the public once awakens to the fact that property owners, who carelessly or willfully permit fire hazards to exist on their premises, cause thousands of dollars of useless expense to other citizens in the shape of necessarily higher insurance rates, there will be a more general demand for fines and penalties to be charged against such property owners who are responsible for loss by fires.

In the present case the defendants were notified to clean up their property. All notices were ignored and accumulations of trash were permitted to exist with resulting fire losses to adjoining property. This case deserves national attention and should form the basis for legislation relating to personal liability for negligence in maintaining fire hazards.

MODERNIZING TURKEY

They are going to be modern in Turkey even if they have to resort to very ancient methods to accomplish it. One of the signs of modernity in the Orient is not to wear the turban. So in Constantinople, no one is to be allowed to wear the turban except certain priests.

Imagine our compelling anyone to wear any sort of head gear! But then we are merely free and western, and have no sorts of tyranny except that of social control. A stronger law than that of the constitution prevents our wearing turbans. But if any of us are crazy enough to want to wear a turban, neither the state law nor the city ordinances would prevent.

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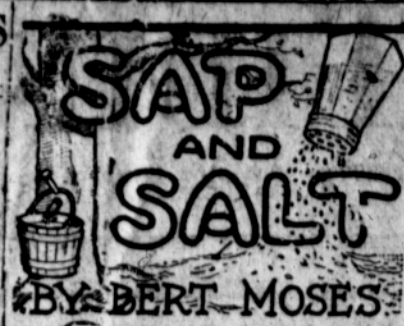
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BY BERT MOSES

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The less a man knows about a thing, the more willing he is to explain it to you.

If you are poor and lack brains, you are a fool; if rich, you are merely "eccentric."

No man is anxious to go back to real work after he has got hold of a little easy money.

The average man doesn't know what he wants outside of knowing he wants something he hasn't got.

Hez Heck says: "When the conceit and microbes is taken out of a man, they ain't much of anything left."



"Look prosperous anyway," advises a pressing shop. Yes, the power of the press is great.

Something about work makes us so mad we would like to grow up and marry a rich widow.

A bachelor is a man who can't even enjoy staying away from home.

Money won't get you into society, but lack of it will put you out.

At beauty shows, all of it does.

An old golf club and a new husband makes excellent rug beaters.



By CHARLES P. STEWART
NEA Service Writer
WASHINGTON — Why can't the United States make a success of merchant sailing?

Congress undoubtedly will try to find an answer to this question next winter, as a result of President Coolidge's quarrel with the shipping board. A half-hearted attempt to answer it was made, through a House of Representatives investigating committee, about a year ago. Practically nothing was accomplished and finally the inquiry died a natural death.

America's merchant fleet was a great institution up to 60 or 70 years ago.

It gradually dwindled away, due to the fact that there was a greater field for enterprise in opening up the west than in navigation. Hence the country ran along for decades, hiring the British and others to do its ocean carrying, until the war broke out.

The war gave the foreign vessels so much to do for their own governments that they couldn't bother with American business.

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which suddenly found itself with no means of supplying its shipping requirements.

Of course Americans began ship-building at once, but it takes time to create a merchant fleet.

Nevertheless, by the time the war ended, the fleet was on hand, a rather crude affair, for the most part, but capable of steaming from port to port with cargoes and passengers on board. At this point the nation discovered that it had forgotten how to run ships profitably.

The trick of making merchant shipping pay has got to be rediscovered, if the United States is to have what it wants—a privately-owned mercantile marine.

The government can go on operating the ships at a loss, but this isn't a satisfactory arrangement and private concerns won't take over the job—not, and foot the bills. So Congress' task is to find out why the government can't make the business yield returns, as it does in other countries.

Great Mothers of the World

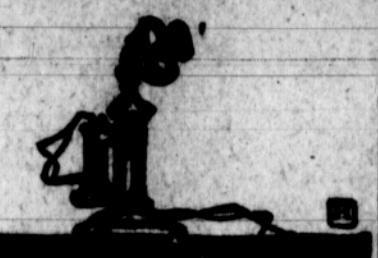
CESS OF WURTEMBERG
Real mother to Carmen Sylva, Roumanian Poet and Author.

By MARY GREER CONKLIN
Grandmothers are perhaps the greatest of great mothers, especially when they become the real and nurturing mothers of their children's children, long after they have reared their own children. Such a mother was the mother-grandmother of this sketch, Carmen Sylva's own mother, the reigning Queen of Roumania, was too occupied entertaining the King and his visitors from other courts to train and direct the tiny meditative genius whom God had given her. So this loving "grandmaman" had the entire charge of the little Princess Elizabeth. "Grandmaman" pronounced by the little girl so beautifully in French, happened also to be the step-mother of Elizabeth's mother—again giving the lie to the saying that to be "treated like a step-child" is invariably to be treated slightly. The affection between the child Elizabeth and her "grandmaman," and between Elizabeth's mother and step-mother, was as genuine as if the devoted grandmother had actually born the children she so tenderly reared. Carmen Sylva in her book "From Memory's Shrine," tells of her grandfather's wooing of the beautiful young stepmother whom he brought to his court five years after Elizabeth's first maternal

grandmother died. It was therefore the greatest comfort to the youthful grandmother to find herself joyfully welcomed by the youngest member of the family, then a little girl of five. The warmest affection sprang up at once between them and lasted throughout their whole lives.

This grandmother was meditative and a scribbler too; for she wrote a book entitled "Histoire de mes Peines" a rare exposition of the disadvantages of having been born to the purple rather than just a plain, ordinary citizen; for in "Grandmaman's" childhood, during the French Revolution, aristocratic birth was looked upon with suspicion. The little princes and princesses had a hard time of it; they were mistrusted and shunned by their school fellows, who refused to let them join in their games, until the children of grand households came to feel that the great clock on the stairs, with its ceaseless ticking, was their only friend and companion.

The little girl who was to become the Roumanian poetess, Carmen Sylva, as well as H. M. Queen Elizabeth of Roumania, was never happier than when sitting at the feet of "Grandma-



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man," playing with the tips of her delicate tapering fingers, while the Dowager Queen conversed with others. It was from this thoughtful, serene woman, who had a special facility with the pen and wrote a great deal herself, that the future author gained her first poetic inspiration. Remembering her happiest hours as those spent with "Grandmaman" her childhood grief at the Dowager Queen's passing was inconsolable. (Copyright, 1925, by Mary Greer Conklin, (Syndicate) Great Britain rights reserved. Reproduction forbidden.)

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