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**OCTOBER 28, 1925**  
**RICHS HAVE WINGS**—Labour not to be rich: cease from their own wisdom. For riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away. Proverbs 23:4-5.  
**PRAYER**—We thank Thee, O God, that we are fellow-workers with Thee in labor that builds not for time only but for Eternity.

**ROOSEVELT BORN 67 YEARS AGO**  
It is a quite unimportant coincidence that Theodore Roosevelt was born 67 years ago yesterday.

Men's birthdays are of no importance to anyone except to their parents. In the due course of time, the anniversaries of these birthdays may become sentimentally important to themselves and to their friends and their fellow citizens.

What was important in Roosevelt was not his birth, but his gradual development in character, through less than 60 years of critical American history.

He was a great man not because he was born, but because he thought much and did much, and loved much, and perhaps hated a little.

Among his loves was for the sea, and for the American navy.

He was never a sailor. And he spent very little time at sea. So he reflects, in his life history, the purely casual relation of most Americans to the sea.

He knew, by observation and by personal responsibility, the definite part that the sea plays in American industry and in defense.

Early in life he wrote a "History of the Naval War of 1812." Fifteen years later, while still a young man, he became assistant secretary of the American navy. And as President of the United States for nearly eight years he gave a larger portion of his interest to the development of the new navy.

There is a glamor about the sea that is, perhaps far apart from its practical interest to us. The navy ought to be of no more serious importance to us than the army, or the air forces of our country. But we have to emphasize one thing, now another. Today the navy is our special concern. And we pause for a moment also to remember the man who helped us build it.

**SEE FARTHER THAN CAN THEIR COUNTRY**  
Two thousand Chinese students storm the place of meeting in Peking of the international tariff conference. They are repulsed, and the conference will go on, with more political theorists angry because China does not have its way.

But once more, there is no "China" to have any way. The government of China, as far as it has one, is the government that is attending this conference. It is composed of both Europeanized and conservative Chinese. But it does not please these students.

We in America cannot imagine a group of Princeton or Columbia students assailing the Washington arms conference. For the government of the United States in some way "represents" these students. Much as we may differ on matters, our government does represent us. China has no possibility of government, yet to represent it. It is gradually evolving toward such a government. But the students are impatient.

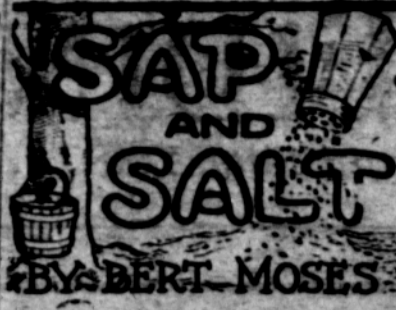
### SEX STUFF ON THE STAGE

While one day we have such a distinguished leader of American thought as former President Hadley of Yale lamenting the undue interference of American governmental agencies with the freedom of American thought, we have on another such an expert observer as Editor Hornblower of the "Theater Magazine" pointing with approval to the British censorship on stage plays and wondering when the American people will get sufficient courage to compel, on the stage, conformity to the decencies of life.

One is almost compelled to think that in Hadley one has once more an expression of the academic, rather than the active point of view. Dr. Hadley does not know, in fact, just what the "interferences" with American thought are. He has given too much attention to Tennessee, with its Scopes trial, and too little to the broad facts of American public life. The truth is not that we need any more "governmental interference," but that we do need self-restraint. If our education and culture does not teach us to a more active assertion of our own rights and opportunities in art and social life, we will go on being namby pamby.

Investigations might be valuable if they ever did anything besides make good front page stories.

The reason young people don't know any better is that they are not old enough by several years.



One way to remove a temptation is to yield to it.

Fashion can usually be depended upon to make the next style worse.

All women are sorry for the big, handsome man with the little screwy wife.

Nature's supply of common sense seems to be always down to the last package.

The ability to talk and the ability to say something are rarely combined in the same man.

You get more pay for knowing a lot about one thing than for knowing a little about a lot of things.

Hex Heck says: "If you don't want to get a reputation as a liar, don't go where you have to explain where you're been."



Los Angeles man left \$10,000 to a girl who refused to marry him. Her kindness was never forgotten.

Seattle man who was arrested for raising checks was sent up himself for five years.

Chicago man is suing a dealer because his shoes hurt. Shoe dealers please make a foot-note of this.

We shipped a million pounds of hunting powder to South America, but she may be hunting trouble.

Bigamist says he married nine times because he was crazy. Some think they were crazy for doing it once.

Boston man gives the preacher \$50 when he misses church, so absence makes the preacher's heart grow fonder.

### Great Mothers of the World

MARGARET AITKEN  
Mother of Thomas Carlyle

By MARY GREER CONKLIN  
It was this mother who first applied the spark that fired Thomas Carlyle's ambition: it was from her that he got the germ of those talents which made his name illustrious. She brought her son up in poverty and obscurity but lived to witness him refuse a Knighthood. During his life long this mother and son were like Emily Dickinson—the poet of unique withdrawal from the world, who wrote:

I'm nobody! Who are you?  
Are you nobody, too?  
Then there's a pair of us—don't tell!  
They'd banish us, you know.

How dreary to be somebody  
How public, like a frog—  
To tell your name the livelong day.

To an admiring bog!  
That he might have calm and freedom from intrusion in order to concentrate on his work, Thomas Carlyle preferred to be "nobody."

The young women of today who enjoy a cigarette might contemplate with envy Margaret Aitken; for, up to the time he married, when the great man's work was done his most pleasurable creation was a quiet pipe with his mother. She had the Scottish instinct for preaching and argumentation and a fine enthusiasm for things of the mind, albeit her early education had been neglected and she had no time while rearing nine children to learn to read. Nor did she learn to write until Thomas, her first born, had gone away to school, when she labored patiently—with ink, she herself had made—that she might write to her boy. And how those letters flash into utterance something glorious, an under-current of philosophy, mixed with the sweet, tender and loving interest of a devoted mother! Elbert Hubbard, in his "Little Journeys" has drawn a cozy picture of this mother and son, the two alone in their quiet, modest home: "The stone floor, the bare white-washed walls, the peat

considering on the hearth, ending out long strait strings that dance among the rafters overhead, and the mother and son sitting there watching the whole silent. The woman takes a small twig from a bundle of sticks, reaches over, lights it, applies it to her pipe, takes a few whiffs and passes the light to her son. Then they fall in low earnest tones of man's duty to man and man's duty to God. Thinking conquers everything. The intensive thought of those two, congenial souls, this mother and son, won England's boundless admiration, and the son easily took his place among distinguished men, the intellectual peer of the greatest. Thomas Carlyle was too much absorbed in his work to have much to do with society, but what society he did see was the best. He cared nothing for anybody's admiration or flattery. He lived in an atmosphere of lofty thought so infinitely above small and envious and detracting people that he was practically independent of human sympathies. When he came to die he might have rested in the vaults of Westminster; but he chose to lie in a humble churchyard beside his mother and father, near Ecclefechan in Scotland, where he was born.

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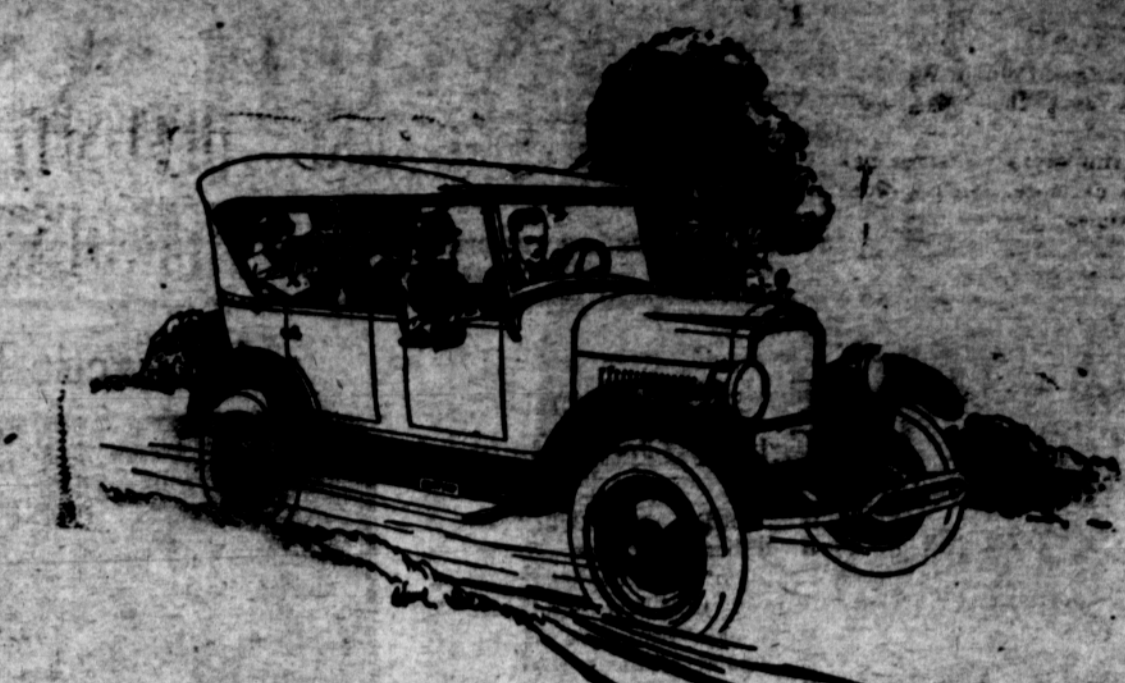
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