





In the Sphinx of the White House "he said anything worthy of note" since he has been in office, his statement the other day regarding the American merchant marine was most praiseworthy. The President insists that America or Americans must own ships and that none of the present government owned ships will be sold except to operators under the American flag.

In view of the immense cost the ships have been to the United States government and in the face of a recent interview with Matthew C. Brush, in which it was urged to sell government ships to foreign owners, our rather timid President did well to maintain his stand in favor of an American merchant marine.

Mr. Brush, who is something of an expert in shipping matters, declared that an American fleet had nothing whatever to do with national defense. He insisted that in the event of war we could seize enough ships in our harbors, enemy and neutral ships alike, to meet any emergency. Just how we would explain such a move to a neutral nation, he did not say.

We agree with the New York Herald Tribune which says, "Regular fast service under our flag is essential to develop and protect American commerce."

"The pity is that Congress is so slow to face the realities of this cost. The present methods of operation are wasteful and, in many cases, do not develop bona fide American lines. The vices of government operation, demonstrated repeatedly in many fields, cannot be avoided by leases or similar methods of control. The country deserves a powerful merchant marine. It is willing to pay for it. Why not expend this price in the most efficient possible way by payments to private lines upon a basis of mail service or what ever other basis seems most effective?"

With such a system of government support there would be little difficulty in selling the fleet to American owners. The wastes of government operation would be ended and the upholding of our American shipping personnel, ashore and abroad, would be certain of accomplishment. Meantime it is good to know that the fleet will not be dispersed among foreign owners."

#### A Genuinely Important Item Of News

H. M. Gottrell, of the Georgia Bankers' Association, tells of some "cars of diamond" that perhaps are duplicated in Florida. But if they are duplicated the world has not heard much about it, nor have many Florida bankers worked themselves into the upper form attained by the hero of Mr. Gottrell's story.

The story has to do with a man of Valdosta, Georgia, who is known by his admiring friends as "The Sweet Potato King." The man's other name is F. S. Shover, and his desire to attention to his sweet potato hobby by bringing from Puerto Rico the best seed he could find. The crop from the Puerto Rican seed was one hundred bushels to the acre of which thirty-five bushels were of the best grade.

When he dug those potatoes he selected for the next year's seed the potatoes that produced five or more United States grade number one potatoes in an acre, one hundred and twenty-five bushels grading United States number one.

The sweet potatoes that grew at the end of three years, careful selection by this method were planted, and they produced three hundred and seventeen bushels in acre, one hundred and twenty-five bushels grading United States number one.

The season, Mr. Gottrell explains, was no more favorable and the same amount of labor and fertilizer were used as when one hundred bushels were grown from ordinary seed.

To the Herald a story like that is of great interest. It would be the fashion for new papers to publish that kind of news item under big headlines. It is tremendously more important as a matter of information than are about ninety-eight percent of the news stories accorded preferred space.

Perhaps some one in Florida knows of another good "diamond" growing three potatoes where only one grew before. The Herald would like to have some news items about such things as that.

#### In The Sweet Bye-and-Bye

Eighty-two percent of the children of school age in the United States are enrolled in the public schools, and only twenty-two percent of the men and women of the United States will realize the importance of the public schools.

And in that bright and wonderful time, school teachers will be paid adequate salaries, such adequate salaries that it will be possible to employ high-grade, finely trained men and women for teachers in all the schools, and possible to demand that these teachers have the personality and the character that can influence boys and girls along the right lines.

Today there are many school rooms blith with fine teachers. Those teachers are the men and women who work in the love of teaching work. They are underpaid, imposed upon, deprived of living conditions to which they are entitled. And they are probably the most unappreciated workers in the world.

A man confined in a British work house cut off his hand with an ax, because he knew the doctors would give him whisky, which he craved after drinking.

"Well, if we were Captain Blamey, we'd be doing plane work, and not make that trip with Rone Fonda."

As we reported it, it was a Labor Day in 1932, just seven years ago that an almost unheralded Dempsey flattened Jess Willard.

Bob Holly, well known all over Florida in newspaper circles, is now secretary of the Stanford White and Subsidiaries. Watch him grow, the mighty L. Miller Banking Company into the hands of a receiver.

It seems kind of like a kick in the teeth that such an insignificant sum as fifty thousand dollars should be thrown away the mighty L. Miller Banking Company into the hands of a receiver.

Harry E. Tracy has just announced a novel called "The Train," telling all about the little episode with Stanford White and Subsidiaries. The author, when the book is published, will get their book out, or just to break his gambling superstitious, handles certain cards which they might write on the world.

The question is, "What's going to be done about it?"

The bankers' association suggests hiring lawyers, have investigations, and then prosecute. That may not suffice, but in jail, but won't restore the depositors' money.

The result of the trouble lies on the shoulders of the bankers. If they want better banking laws short."

#### EUROPE'S WAR DEBT ATTITUDE



# Does Roof Leaking?

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MRS. FRED S. DAIGER, SOCIETY EDITOR

Mr. and Mrs. James Rockland were spending a few days in the city on business.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Bisell and son, where they spent the week end with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Wright left Saturday afternoon for Bradenton where they will spend the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Herndon, of the Jethro School will be held at their class room meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution Sunday morning for Alachua where they will spend a short time visiting friends.

Misses Lenore and Eugenia Parham of St. Augustine arrived in Sanford Sunday for a brief stay and are guests at the Valley.

Mr. and Mrs. Don McDonald and daughter, Mary, from Utica, N. Y., Mrs. McDonald and Martha were there all summer, Mr. McDonald is back for the past few weeks.

W. W. Miller is at home again from a visit with friends in Pompano Beach.

Miss Erna Hauseffer of New Smyrna has been the home guest of Mrs. Ruth Grier for the past week.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. Jones of West Palm Beach are spending a short time in Sanford and are staying at the Seminole.

Miss Louise and Miss Bertha of Port Orange are visiting in Sanford as the guests of the Helen and Louise Gilbert at their home on West First Street.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Kirsh, J. C. Kirby, and C. H. Wright were visiting in Sanford as the guests of the Helen and Louise Gilbert at their home on West First Street.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Thornton were among the Jacksonville business men arriving in Sanford Saturday to spend a short time here on business.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY: Mr. P. S. Thompson, bus. com. 1000, Sanford, Fla. Retired. Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Cutlerman, Mobley Drug.

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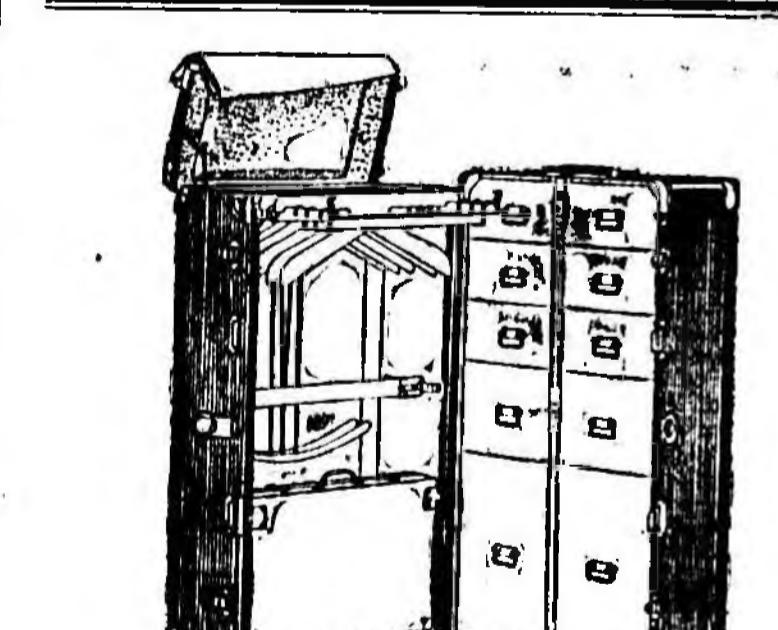
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