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Current Comments Written From Washington

The veterans of the World War, two hundred thousand strong, parade in New York City. It was not so long ago that the survivors of the Civil War presented a similar front. Now they are reduced to a few old gentlemen riding in carriages. There was a day when the Grand Army of the Republic and its corresponding organization in the South could get about anything they wanted, for the asking, but now all that the survivors of the War between the States can hope for is a quiet seat in the shade, granted as a matter of courtesy and not as a matter of right. If the American Legion has plans for the future, it had better get busy at once. It was able to survive German cannon but no power can save its ranks from being thinned in the march of Time. The child is born who will look upon the last tottering survivor of the World War. The Legion will do well to make its influence felt for good before all is left to remind one of the World War are the stones that mark the places where its soldiers fought.

Over in Russia, they have dis-

posed of political foes by what has become to be known popularly as a "purge", twenty-nine men having been quieted at once by a firing squad. Purges are out of fashion in the more highly civilized communities, but at times a person wonders whether or not the old time purge, even though not always ending with the noose, was not a good thing for the general public after all. Many a California town of the 40's settled down to a period of great quiet after posting a notice that specified individuals were to be out of the village by sunset. The difficulty attendant upon the plan is that there is no present day Solomon to make a wise choice as to who is to be ejected. Yet the fact remains that bad citizens are known, and that about all that can be done with them is to put them away for carrying a concealed weapon or violating the income tax laws. Though not in accordance with due process of law perhaps, most localities would be a happier place, for a few months at least, if the old Vigilantes were given sway for a time, letting the lawyers and the courts fight it out later, while the law-abiding body politic was enjoying peace and tranquility.

Dramatists from the Elizabethan period to the hour of the modern scenario writer have used to good effect the expedient of having a play within a play. Spain

proposes an analogous variant in that a quiet-loving oration of that country has started a revolt against the war. That sounds a trifle inconsistent, but if it is necessary that men contend at arms, a war to put down a war is not so bad a thing, and those who must fight somebody, in order to arrive at the end of a perfect day, might be worse occupied.

A scientist discovers traces of a lost race in Alaska. So far as being "lost" is concerned there are many advantages. There are no rows about who is responsible for the bent fender, and nothing has to be done if the current fails right in the middle of the perusal of the evening newspaper. However, Tennyson was right when he said that a century of Europe was better than a cycle of Cathay, and until human nature changes, or things get a great deal worse than they now are, the majority of mankind will be content to be alive, and will not begrudge lost races the fun that comes from being "lost".

Kansas has a law suit in which a woman 84 years old is charged with running around with other men. Ponce de Leon clearly made a mistake in searching for the fountain of eternal youth in Florida.

LADIES AID MEETING
The Ladies Aid Society of the Federated Church will meet this Friday at 2 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Jessie Lehmann. Mrs. Almer Rydeen and Mrs. Jessie Lehmann will be hostesses.

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Reich Backed Italy Refusal to Attend Parley

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points out, in accord with the Italian argument that means must be found to force Valencia really to deport its foreign volunteers but that matter, formally speaking, is an affair for the non-intervention committee.

The Diplomatic Korrespondenz declares:

"It is diplomatic custom for great powers to discuss major problems and seek clarification of the materials in order to avoid an unprepared and, perhaps, an unsuccessful attempt to reach a solution before the larger body. However, it was not necessary to arrange such an apparatus as appears in the Anglo-French project in order to accomplish such a purpose.

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"The united action of the two Western powers indicated that final decisions were expected."

Prime Minister Chamberlain's speech at Scarborough did not arouse much official interest here. It is referred to semi-officially as an "interim address", and it is declared that whatever Mr. Chamberlain said about armaments is true for Germany as well as for Britain.

Your Post Office Boxes Are Full: Please Empty!!

Postmaster Guy E. Mish has requested the public to please call at the postoffice and remove mail matter from their boxes, so as to assist in speedy dispatch of the recently received mail shipment. Inasmuch as the boxes are small, and parcel post, and second class matter usually bulky, it restricts the activities when the boxes are not emptied frequently.

Another feature which Postmaster Mish has drawn attention to is the fact that it is always possible to dispatch parcel post out of Nome, either by dog team or airplane. This service, if once widely understood by the public, will possibly come in real handy during the coming winter. Also in this connection it was understood that frequently, when other mail consignments are light, small shipments of parcel post often come through to Nome from the States via plane mail, during the winter. The winter mail service starts sometime next week it is understood, and Nome will once again be receiving twice-a-week mail service—something which is badly needed during the summer time, when the services into Nome are disrupted and often cause serious inconveniences.

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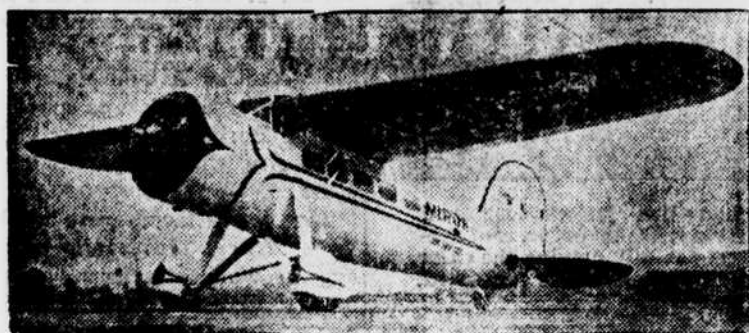
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