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DON'T BE A GOOSE-STEPPER

A league to standardize women's clothes, organized some time ago in Paris, of all places, has hoisted the white flag. It finds that the thing simply cannot be done. Women may agree to wear standardized shoes and other things even less conspicuous but when milady's hat is mentioned, there is revolt.
 As a matter of fact the failure of the league is gratifying. The tendency everywhere to standardize everything if allowed, to continue to make "goose-steppers" of everybody. There may be places where standardization is desirable and necessary. This is especially true on railroads and certain mechanical fields, but elsewhere standardization leads to monotony and a dreary existence.
 A block of standardized houses is not to be compared with a block of individual houses separately designed. No person is fastidious who dislikes to wear clothes "just like her neighbor." It is the variety in life that makes it tasty.

CLEMENCEAU CANNOT SEE IT

Georges Clemenceau, in one of his written articles, makes the quaint remark that "all theories which have been recommended to Continental Europe have the drawback of having been manufactured for the benefit of the European continent by men who do not belong to that continent."
 This remarkable pronouncement is not even superficially true. Moreover it cancels itself, since if anyone manufactured a theory for Continental Europe it is prima facie evidence that Europe failed signally to manufacture a theory for itself. The continent of Europe is no sprightly young state, experimenting along the pathway of nationality. It is a hoary old adventurer who did little else but evolve theories, mostly false, for several centuries; all of which added fuel to the conflagration of 1914.

THE MAINE WOMAN WHO HAS GONE ON A HUNGER STRIKE TO FORCE A RECONCILIATION WITH HER HUSBAND IS ESTABLISHING A FAIRLY GOOD PRECEDENT FOR PLUMP GIRLS WHO HAVE PASSED THE CUTE STAGE.

SOAP has reappeared in Russia, but to those who see in this a decadence of bolshevism it is pointed out that the safety razor is still unknown.
 EUROPE'S difficulty appears to be that whenever someone tries to pour oil on troubled waters he manages to get it on a fire instead.
 Smoking among women may not be as general as reported, but these cigaret bargain sales look mighty suspicious.
 A Toledo man says he has discovered 214 different kinds of mushrooms in twelve years. It is obvious that he didn't try them all.
 There's always a fly in the ointment. Eiker bandits are annoying rich bootleggers.

graceful thing to suggest calling out the fire department, or in suggesting any other necessary remedy. When a man can't keep himself straight, it is a friendly office to hand him a sound principle or two to help him do so. When a continent, after centuries of effort, dare not go to sleep without pistols under the pillow and a howitzer behind the door, it is only fair to indicate that something is wrong.
 What poor old Clemenceau does not realize, and never can realize, is that there are no stable principles of human intercourse that can fit themselves to the narrow European conception of conception of distrustful, jealous, competitive nationality. The theories he decides as alien are nothing more than the principles of common-sense by which a saner world tries to further its happiness; they are alien to M. Clemenceau only in the sense that the New Testament is alien to the gun-man. The defect lies with the gun-man.

THE AMERICAN MUSEUM

The Museum of the American Indian which was recently opened to the public in New York City is unique in being the only one of its kind in the world. The collection comprises 1,800,000 specimens of American Indian life. George Gustav Heye, the founder of the collection, is an American engineer who early made the gathering of Indian relics a hobby and of late a business. The specimens represent the life of Indians in both South and North America, and were the result of 25 years' search on the part of Mr. Heye and his explorers.
 The significance of such a collection as is housed in the Heye Museum is not to be underestimated. Little is known of the origin of the American Indian. As a matter of American history, it is important that scholars should be encouraged to direct their investigations in this direction. In no better way could this be done than in the establishing of such an institution as the new Museum of the American Indian.

U.S. MEN FORM GIANT TRUST IN RUSSIA

By Georges Popoff
 STAFF CORRESPONDENT L. N. SERVICE
 MOSCOW, Dec. — Purchase of a million dollars' worth of cotton in the United States will be one of the first business acts of the American Industrial Corporation, incorporated in the State of Delaware, which has entered into a contract with the Soviet Government to operate a number of clothing factories throughout Russia.
 The contract was drawn by Sidney Hillman, of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of the United States, assisted by Earl Dean Howard, of Northwestern University, and J. K. Thompson, former president of the Cottonseed Oil Corporation.
 The American Industrial Corporation has a capital of one million dollars, and under its agreement with the Soviet Government it will operate a clothing trust in the cities of Moscow, Petrograd, Kazan, and Nizhni-Novgorod.
 Already there have been recruited 20,000 Russian workers for the industry, who will be directed by American executive officers.
 Although the corporation is primarily for the purpose of carrying on a clothing manufacturing business it is authorized to invest in other enterprises and has authority to open a private bank to receive money from and transmit money to America. It is also planned for the company to open a tourist bureau.
 Under the terms of the agreement the Soviet Government guarantees to pay the company back its accumulated profits in the event that the company agreement is withdrawn. Under the terms of the contract the capital of the company may be withdrawn upon two months' notice, after the company has been in operation for three years.
 Stockholders in the corporation include Lenin and persons in the United States, Canada, England, France, Mexico and Lithuania. Lenin purchased two paid-up shares, paying for his shares with American banknotes.
 All dealings of the company will be on a gold basis, and Hillman, the organizer, predicts dividends of 25 per cent. He hopes that eventually there will be 400,000 people on the payroll of the company.
 The corporation has accepted all of the Soviet labor laws, but has been given the status of a favored corporation.
 Moscow papers state that Secretary of Commerce Hoover has given assurances that the United States will not interfere with the agreement or its operation.

EUROPE'S LATEST NIGHTMARE

Work has started on the construction of East Gary's new power plant.
 Leo Wolf and William Hastings have purchased the southeast corner of State and Sohl Streets, from George Robin for \$12,000.
 Representatives of the Crown Point Light Co. met last night with the City Council and discussed the rates for electricity. The power men admitted that the rates were unreasonable, and agreed to a new schedule which will afford some relief.
 Two toboggan slides have been erected in the basement of the Lowell public schools for the children. A third and larger one may be installed soon.
 The Gary mills have let the contract for construction of equipment which will confine waste heat from the open hearth furnaces and utilize it under the boilers of the power plant.

IF CHAS. ARKIN AND SON CAN'T REPAIR YOUR WATCH THROW IT AWAY.

163 State St.
 Est. 1889.

Ten YEARS AGO TODAY

Gostlin, Meyn & Co., Hammond's pioneer real estate firm today announced that it had increased its capital from \$100,000 to \$200,000.
 Nels Wedberg, crane operator at the Standard Steel Car Co. in Hammond, had his artificial leg crushed off this morning, when it slipped into the path of a passing crane as he was climbing to his own cage to start work.
 Frank and Irving Betz, are back in Hammond, after a visit to London and Paris. In the stormy voyage home their boat nearly sank and all of their spare clothes were washed overboard.
 Julius Kincock, of Robertdale was badly injured this morning when the front tire of his motorcycle exploded and threw him to the ground.
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ON THE SPUR OF THE MOMENT

ACCIDENTS WILL HAPPEN
 The claims agent of a well-known accident insurance company says there is at times considerable humor discernible in the somber background of his business. Some cases were reported to him as follows:
 "I placed an electric fan beside my bed on a hot night. While asleep I stuck my foot in it."
 "In a playful mood I kicked at my wife while barefooted and accidentally struck her on the knee, thereby spraining the big toe of my left foot."
 "I was undressing for bed. In removing my union suit I fractured the second finger of my left hand."
 "I was embraced by a friend, who playfully said that he could make me cry, and fractured my rib."
 "On a private yacht I had just had a highball, got up, the boat gave a lurch and I sat down on the glass."
 "Missed my train and while walking on country road fell over a cow lying in the road."
 "Sitting in a chair in a barber shop and billiard parlor, a ball from the pool table near by struck me on the nose, breaking nose and injuring one eye."
 "Had been talking with another man and as I started to walk along didn't notice a woman had pushed a baby carriage directly in front of me—fell over it."
 "I was going down the walk in front of my house when an automobile wheel which had come off two blocks away rolled down the hill and struck me, fracturing both bones of my right leg."
 "I was riding in an automobile when it struck a hole in the road, causing my teeth to come together with such force that my lower jaw was fractured."
 "Looking for burglars. I was accidentally mistaken by one of my neighbors for the man we were looking for and he shot me in the arm."
 Vienna doctor has told all the women in the world how they may be beautiful, and, gosh! how they will dread it.
 One pastor says the average girl goes to a dance wearing only four garments. Well, we'll take the pastor's word for it.
 EVEN "PUNCH" GOT THIS ONE
 A New York paper suggests that as we are not paying our debt America should send some of her lecturers to England. Don't do that. We'll pay.—Punch (London).
 He was a proper professional conjurer, and after proceeding to get the audience under his spell, he commenced in real earnest.
 "Now, ladies and gentlemen," he said, with a wave of the hand, "this is the magic cabinet. I invite any lady in the audience to enter the cabinet. I will then close the door, and when it shall be opened again, the lady will have disappeared, leaving no trace."
 There was an impressive silence until a little, undersized man in the second row turned to an enormous woman who sat by him, and breathed eagerly:
 "Maria, dear, won't you oblige the gentleman?"
 There is always a little something to be thankful for when we approach Thanksgiving day. A fire in Honolulu destroyed 4,000 ukuleles.

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