

picious isolation, nor smug superiority, but is marked by friendly cooperation for common ends with frank recognition and cordial acceptance of national differences of tradition and life. Only a Canadianism that serves these high ends can justify itself whether we think in terms of the welfare of our Dominion, of our Empire-Commonwealth, of the English-speaking world, or of that larger community which we call mankind."

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*Newspaper Birthday*

On December 10, 1933, the Seattle *Post-Intelligencer* celebrated its seventieth birthday. There were no ceremonies but the paper's issue of that date carried a fine historical story by J. Willis Sayre. The article stresses the fact that some of the first readers are still with us. One of the illustrations shows Mrs. Susannah Mercer Graham reading a faded copy of the *Post-Intelligencer* with plans for rebuilding the city after the great fire of 1889, and another shows Mr. Rolland H. Denny, last survivor of the city's first colony of settlers, reading a present day issue. The article is worth saving for its history values.

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*The Widow of Allen Weir Passes*

Hon. R. W. Condon sends a clipping from the Port Townsend *Leader* of December 14, 1933, conveying the information that Mrs. Allen Weir had died in Oakland, California, on December 6. She was born Ellen Davis at Ontario, Canada, in July, 1856. Her father, Hall Davis, settled at Dungeness in 1873 and became one of the leading dairymen in the Territory of Washington. On November 12, 1877, she was married to Allen Weir, publisher of the Port Townsend *Argus*. Mr. Weir was a Delegate to the Constitutional Convention of 1889, and was elected first Secretary of State when that Constitution became effective. Olympia became the family home. Mr. Weir died there on October 31, 1916.

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*National Archive Building*

When the American Historical Association meets for its semi-centennial celebration at Washington, D. C., in December, 1934, the National Archive Building will be ready for at least an inspection. The cornerstone was laid by President Hoover in February, 1933, and construction work is proceeding. Professor J. Franklin Jameson, Chief of the Division of Manuscripts in the Library of Congress,