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NORTH AMERICAN CONSERVATION.

With a view to conserving the natural resources of the United States, Canada and Mexico, representatives of these governments, in addition to many of the leaders in the conservation movement in this country have gathered in attendance upon the North American conservation conference in Washington. The conference was called by President Roosevelt, who, after extending on behalf of the American people, his heartiest welcome, declared that nothing augured better the development of the entire continent than this conference.

"I feel," said the president, "that the conference is one of the most important steps that have been taken of recent years, looking toward the harmonious co-operation between the nations of the earth for the common advancement of all.

"I believe that the movement which you today initiate is of the utmost importance to this hemisphere and may be of the utmost importance to the world at large.

"I am anxious to do all in my power to work in harmony for the common good of all instead of each working to get something at the expense of the others. Ultimately each of us will profit immeasurably if instead of striving to advance by trampling down the other each strives to advance together for common advancement."

REGULATING LIQUOR SHIPMENTS.

The Knox bill that has passed the houses of congress in styled a temperance measure, but in reality is nothing more than one of regulation of inter-state commerce in intoxicants. It was designed to prevent evasion of prohibition laws in various states, and secret traffic in liquor.

The bill requires all liquor packages to be correctly labeled, so as to show the true nature of their contents and the act consignee, and prohibits shipments C. O. D., providing suitable penalties.

This new law will doubtless operate greatly to reduce shipments of whisky by express, in cases or demijohns, direct from distilleries to consumers in prohibition and other states, a business that has assumed large proportions of late years.

The Sacramento Bee in commenting upon the passage of the measure, offers the belief that it is one of numerous signs of the growing disposition to impose strict regulations upon the liquor traffic, and that it is not good policy for liquor dealers to resist this, for the only result is agitation for more drastic laws.

WHAT PAPERS SAY

A BUSY DAY IN CENTRAL POINT.

A cayuse and cart and a carpenter created considerable commotion on Pine street last Thursday afternoon in the way of a high-kicking act in which Bridane Sanderson (carpenter) was the stage director and a certain uncivilized cayuse mare was the chief actress, says the Herald, while the cart, which toward the end of the act collided with a tele- phone pole, may be described as the chief mourner. Bridane had heard his did, C. S. Sanderson, the well known real estate man, complaining about the times being dull, and so he decided to liven things up a bit, even if it cost a cartwheel. He therefore attached his uncivilized female quadruped to the cart and started for town. The mare was as docile as a pet kitten until well into town, where an appreciative audience was assured, when she turned herself loose in one of the latter vandiville acts of the season. Any chorus girl on earth who can throw her foot half as high as the vixenish mare did could land a Pittsburgh millionaire in a minute. As soon as the "show" was over and the aggregation had passed out of sight, going south, there was more real live interest in life than had been seen in town since the Christmas football game. Real estate began to advance rapidly and in less than 20 minutes Sanderson had closed a deal for the sale of a 25-acre farm, and 15 strangers who had dropped off here between trains began rustling around to find business locations in what they all declared to be the best town they had seen in Oregon this winter.

Query—If a little one-horse runaway on a muddy day will create all this excitement, what will be the condition here next summer when the new water system is completed and in operation, and 12 or 15 new concrete business buildings, with 25 or 30 new modern dwellings under way?

Answer—There'll be something! dat!

BUTTE MAN RIDES THE BLIND AND DIES

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 20.—While stealing a ride on the blind baggage of Great Northern train No. 2, bound, Philip Dechthof of Butte, Mont., was shaken from his perch and instantly crushed to death under the wheels while the train was near Wellington station. Letters found on the dead man gave his address as 1115 Platium street, Butte, Mont.

HANDITS RAID BUTTE SALOON; SECURE \$210

BUTTE, Mont., Feb. 20.—The most daring holdup in Butte in years was pulled off in Meynith & Hartigan's saloon on North Main street early Sun- day night, when a dozen men were "stuck up" at the point of a revolver and the house was robbed of more than \$200 in cash. On account of the belief of the proprietors that they could locate their men the affair was kept quiet until last night.

The men came in at different doors. The masks were simply handkerchiefs and the pair appeared to have but one gun. The man who entered the back door held a revolver and commanded "all hands up." The other was obeyed and the men were gathered into a corner.

The other man walked behind the bar, and pulling out a drawer, unceremoniously dumped \$210 which the proprietors kept in a towel. He then lifted the register. The victims were made good slight and the robbers disappeared.

CONTRACTOR DIES LAUDANUM OVERDOSE

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., Feb. 20.—Mike Gallagher, a contractor on canal work, died Monday at the Klamath house in this city as a result of an over- dose of laudanum.

It was an experienced railroad and ditch contractor, and worked for Murray Brothers on the north branch laterals. He had saved a thousand dollars for the past summer, but for several weeks had been drinking heavily and squandering his savings.

It is not known how he obtained the laudanum that caused his death. No leg- itimate source of friends or relatives.

SOMETHING NEW IN BOOSTER TRICKS

LOAN ANOLES, Feb. 20.—"Bully Boosters" when the organizers of the Los Angeles Boosters' club today and has invited the members to plan a novel "general boost." An hour is to be spent when some whistle in the city is to be sounded and every full rung and at the same instant every man in town is to grasp the hand of the person nearest him on the street, in stores, or offices, and shout "Boost for Los Angeles."

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—The president today signed the bill making the silverware bag tree grove a national park. The grove which the president had been handed to Representative Smith of California is to be presented to Mrs. Lovell White, president of the California Outdoor Art league.

OLD VIKING DAYS AT THE A. Y. P.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 20.—To build a viking ship, fully equip and man it with picked Norsemen of the northwest, take it across Lake Washington and land at the Alaska Yukon Pacific exposition grounds on August 20, which is Norway day at the fair, is the plan of the Pacific Coast Norsemen and other Norwegian societies of the coast.

A little play symbolic of a story of the ninth century, will be enacted in connection with the voyage of the ship. A king will be chosen by the picked Norsemen. He will appoint nobles, oarsmen and seamen, and will command the ship on its trip to the Fairgrounds.

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