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IN FRIENDLY.
The province of British Columbia
—our interesting neighbor on the north—once had prohibition of the liquor traffic. The forfeiture of the citizens of that commonwealth was not sufficient for the strain, and they abandoned the experiment for a system of liquor control by the state. It may be a more conciliatory British Columbia, decided to go into the liquor business just about the time the United States decided to go out of it and required all its citizens to go with it. What is happening in British Columbia under the new regime is graphically set forth in an article, entitled "Liquor Control in British Columbia," from a Vancouver, B. C., paper.

PROGS OF HUMAN BEINGS?
The decisive vote by which the people of California have defeated the anti-animal experimentation bill, known also as the anti-vivisection act, submitted another interesting initiative in the recent election, is a clear triumph of reason over emotionalism. It will not be contended that the proponents of the measure were insincere or that they were actuated by any but the highest motives. The opposition, however, clearly had the better of the argument, it marshalled a formidable array of facts in its support and it won because of them. For it was made plain that not only human beings but the very animals whose suffering would have been inflicted by the measure, would have been benefited by its defeat.

A SURE ESCAPE FROM CAR SHORT-AGE.
Revived interest in use of the Columbia river for navigation in conjunction with power and irrigation is a natural sequence to the recent intermountain decision, which will make that shortage an annual occurrence. Neither fruitgrowers nor wheatgrowers who are within easy reach of the river would need to depend on railroads if the river were open to barge navigation and the fact that there have been no docks existed. When railroad service is not only costly but spasmodic, there is a double motive for getting along without it.

In making the necessary tests, "The use of from six to a dozen frogs," it was urged, "might be the means of indefinitely prolonging a number of human lives." As between frogs and humans, the voters of California seem to have cast a conclusive ballot in favor of the latter.

CAN YOU BEAT IT?
"Each and every person holding an appointive office in any of the offices, departments or institutions of this state shall hereafter hold the same for an indefinite term, not exceeding four years, and shall at the expiration of such term, be appointed by the appointing power which made the appointment, and such appointive power shall in all cases have the right and power to appoint a successor or successors."

FRUITS OF PROVINCIALISM.
One reason for the political revolt of the western farmer against eastern control of the republican party is to be found in a speech which was made recently in New York by Julius H. Barnes, president of the United States chamber of commerce. He told of the congestion of grain at both upper and lower lake ports in consequence of inadequacy of facilities on railroads from Buffalo to New York, on the Erie canal and on the waterway to the west.

WHAT A BEE IS WORTH.
The man who is reported in the news dispatches as having paid but a half interest in a bee puts a higher value on the insect than did the old-timers in Oregon. An anomaly of nature to which the first naturalists who visited the region frequently alluded was that although the bees were numerous, some of the best honey was produced where the bees were absent.

KEEPING EARTH'S BALANCE.
The earthquakes in Chile are but another and incidental manifestation of the effort of the earth forces to achieve the equilibrium of rest. In a prehistoric age they must have been common to all localities and all climates. There is probably no fraction of the earth's surface, as Professor Lawson, the California geologist, has pointed out, that has not been shaken by the agitation that is called earthquake.

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INDIFFERENT TO NATIONAL DUTY.
One statement in the resolutions adopted at the conference of the National Civic federation on international affairs states what should be the governing principle of American foreign policy. It is: "America took a leading part in the great struggle and must bear her share of the responsibility for the settlement."

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Party Solidarity Gone, Radicalism on Increase.
Eugene Register.
Out of this year's general election, coupled with that of two years ago, two things stand forth rather prominently. One of them is the fact that party solidarity and consistent party allegiance are gone.

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Those Who Come and Go.
Tales of Folks at the Hotels.
"Long before the ruins of Italy became ruins, or were even built, America had a civilization, so when Americans want to see ancient ruins, instead of going to Europe they should visit the ruins of Arizona."

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Boroughs Nature Club.
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Can You Answer These Questions?
1. Do any squirrels except chipmunks have cheek pouches?
2. What makes aspen leaves tremble so?

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More Truth Than Poetry.
By James J. Montague.
ARARY UNDISCOVERED.
There comes a breath from Arary of frankness and myth. Across the sands the Redoubt hands their milky chagrins spur. The hoary wonders of the East—the stranger may behold—the crumbling stones and bleaching bones—Of centuries untold.

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WHERE RUN-NEERS GATHER.
"Where Run-Neers Gather"
British Columbia.
Has not the time arrived to put an end to the unenviable position British Columbia has achieved as the headquarters of the bootlegging business?

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