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## CONAN DOYLE OUT FOR PROHIBITION

Returning, Will Advocate It for England—May Revive Sherlock Holmes.

New York, June 27. — Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, who sailed for England on the Adriatic, said that he returned to England a convert to prohibition, and will advocate it for England, although he cannot spare the time from his psychic work to engage in public meetings and active propaganda. In the interim he intends, however, to have a highball and a glass of wine now and then, he said.

Sherlock Holmes, it was learned, has not necessarily solved his last mystery. The publishers have been very insistent with Doyle's famous creation. Sir Arthur said he had taken no vote against reviving the world's most famous detective.

"I may write of Sherlock Holmes again," he said, "but only if some very strong idea takes hold of me. It takes nearly all my time to keep abreast of psychic work. One must keep closely informed if he himself poses as a teacher."

A recent despatch from Atlantic City said in effect that he was creating a character who might prove a worthy successor to Sherlock Holmes. Sir Arthur was busy at that resort, he said, writing a volume on his psychic adventures in America.

"It is to be a psychic book of travel," he said. "While books of travel in America by Englishmen are very numerous, I think this book, whether good or bad, will be of an entirely new type."

Sir Arthur will compare the psychic atmosphere of one city or section with that of others; will give his estimate of the genuineness and of the powers of some of America's most noted mediums; and will tell of the amusing and serious transactions which took place in his communications here with the departed.

On prohibition Sir Arthur said:—"I go back a convert. I am a man who takes wine, but none the less I think this generation might do a noble thing to give up its comforts, if only doing will help save the next generation from the

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miseries resulting from drinking to excess. "There is little drinking here today, compared to what there used to be. Today, if you want liquor, you have to go and find it. Formerly, it came looking for you."

Lady Doyle emphatically endorsed her husband's views on prohibition. She said the one shadow on the trip had been the sight of horses harnessed so that their heads and necks were drawn back into a position "where they must have suffered agonies."

"This is continually forced on your sight, especially in Washington," she said. "People so kind-hearted as Americans usually are would not be guilty of causing such suffering if they realized what they were doing."

### MOONSHINER KILLS TWO.

Oregon Rancher, After Defying Posse, Then Kills Himself.

Albany, Ore., June 28.—Three bodies torn by gunshot wounds were brought here. They were those of Rev. Roy Healy, pastor of the First Christian church of Albany; Sheriff C. M. Kendall of Lincoln county; and Dave M. West, seventy-year-old rancher and trapper. Their deaths were the result of a raid on West's moonshine still by Sheriff Kendall, accompanied by Mr. Healy.

The sheriff and the minister were shot and killed instantly by the aged rancher, who, after barricading himself in his house and holding off a posse for hours, crept from the building when night came and in his barn ended the episode by blowing off the top of his head with his rifle.

The killing of Sheriff Kendall and Mr. Healy occurred at 8:30 o'clock, and until the bodies of the two victims lay where they fell inside the West yard, members of the posse fearing to enter the premises and remove them.

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Owners, Going Out of Business, Call for Parsons to Destroy Their Stock.

New York, June 28. — For the first time in the history of the local federal prohibition office there came a request last week from the owners for the destruction of pre-prohibition liquors. To the agents of the department it was explained that the firm owning the liquors was going out of business. At first John S. Parsons, chief federal enforcement agent for this state, doubted the genuineness of the contents of the letter; it was so different from anything ever before received by the department. He decided to attend to the case in person. After communicating with the firm it was decided that the destruction should begin at three o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Chief Parsons arrived shortly before three o'clock at the warehouse of B. B. Davis & Co., 280 Hudson street, formerly a wholesale liquor concern. There he was met by Walter M. Wurmser, manager, who assured the prohibition chief that there were about \$10,000 worth of liquors awaiting destruction by the federal authorities. It was on the first floor of the warehouse, where everyone could see, Mr. Parsons then was convinced that the concern was in earnest.

Parsons Takes a Hand. Finding that no help had been procured, except one man loaned by a nearby warehouse, Mr. Parsons rolled up his sleeves and went about the work of destruction with a vim. First, it was hoped to pour the liquors down a sink in the rear of the warehouse. This went along all right for the first ten or twelve cases, when Chief Parsons decided that at that rate he would be there all the afternoon. Then it was decided to take cases of the stuff to the rear of the warehouse and crash the bottles against the walls of the building. Even this was later found to be too slow and one of the walls in the front part of the warehouse received the bulk of the stuff. Presently there were rivulets of liquors in both the front and rear of the warehouse.

The aroma from the broken bottles was wafted across the street and soon drew a large crowd which was visibly affected at the sight of so much prohibition stuff going to waste. The warehouse soon was filled with persons attracted by the odors. After some delay they were excluded.

In all Mr. Parsons destroyed seven five-gallon demijohns of Italian wine, and forty-one cases of the same stuff; twenty gallons and twenty-one cases of orange bitters; one case of blackberry cord; eleven cases of aromatic bitters and two cases of ginger brandy.

Mr. Wurmser explained that it would take too long to dispose of the liquors in the regular way and as the firm had decided to go out of business it was deemed advisable to have the government destroy the stuff. It is understood that a wholesale drug concern will occupy the building. The destroyed liquors, all of

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### GOOD-WILL.

(Halifax Chronicle.) Hon. Albert J. Beveridge, former United States senator, who was one of the principal speakers at the great international Kiwanis convention held at Toronto this week, made an eloquent appeal for the perpetuation of friendship and good-will between Canada and the United States.

"In all we think and feel and do," he said, "we Americans have ever the ardent desire for Canadian understanding, approval and friendship. We are infinitely proud that for more than a century peace has blessed us both, and that our identity of interest has been strengthened and made humanly vital

by affectionate sentiment. . . . So may it always be. As the decades pass and the procession of the centuries goes by, may Canada and America be found in closer and even closer accord, their people achieving mutual aspirations toward a common civilization and similar destiny."

Much of Mr. Beveridge's address was devoted to a comparison of the constitutions of the United States and other countries. In his opening words he paid a tribute to two leaders of Canadian Liberalism, past and present. "I came to know well," he said, "that remarkable man, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, one of the ablest men of any nation during the last half century; and my acquaintance with and friendship for your present splendid prime minister, Right Hon. W. L. Mackenzie King, is to me a happy and valued circumstance. He is the best type of public official—able, upright, courageous, broadly and accurately informed, and devoted to the well-being of his country."



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the corner, who he said could remove the bodies of the men he had killed. For fear, however, that West might mistake the cypher for a would-be captor no effort was made.

West, an expert shot with the rifle from his long experience in hunting wild animals, shot and killed both Kendall and Healy without warning while they were perhaps fifty yards from him. He fired only twice.

Sheriff Kendall, armed with a search warrant, left Albany yesterday for the West ranch, accompanied by Mr. Healy, who desired to see a raid on a still to obtain material for a story which he intended to write. The minister went merely as a spectator.

After the shooting West returned to the house and sat down in a chair with the rifle between his knees. As long as it remained daylight he barricaded himself in his house and defied the possemen to capture him, but when night fell he bade his wife, who had remained with him, farewell, telling her to go away where harm would not befall her.

"This is the last good-bye," he said as he kissed her and showed her through the door of the house. Shortly afterward he reached the barn where he killed himself.

### WANTS EUROPE RESTORED

Chicago Banker Says Our Rehabilitation Depends on It.

St. Louis, Mo. June 28.—The problem of requiring payment of the allied debt, or cancelling it, is "the fundamental question, upon the answer to which will depend the future of our own commercial and industrial welfare and that of the rest of the world," Walter Lichtenstein, Ph. D., Chicago banker, said at the convention of the Illinois Bankers' Association here. Dr. Lichtenstein then presented a summary of both sides of the controversy as raised in a recent statement from the Chicago Association of Commerce.

"Most of my time during the last months has been spent in making an economic survey of the country on behalf of the American Bankers' Association," said Dr. Lichtenstein. "It is evident that there is a much greater feeling of hopelessness in the country. The most thoughtful observers feel that we have probably gone as far as we can in a rehabilitation of our conditions unless we can bring some influence to bear upon Europe—as it is Europe which is the sore spot—and I believe that in the present juncture of affairs this fact cannot be overemphasized."

"With the exception of Great Britain, none of the European countries is really in a position to bring about a net reduction of its governmental indebtedness to us in the near future."

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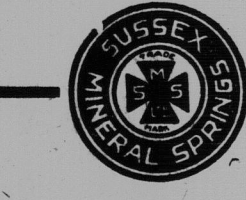
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