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LATIN AMERICAN CONSERVATION PROBLEMS SERIOUS

Park planning projects, as a result of a number of recommendations at Seattle, have particular concern with conservation problems in Latin America. An exploratory trip to ascertain magnitudes of the problem and ways for the Union to render effective assistance was made during the last part of May and early June. Stops were made at Mexico City, San Jose and Turrialba, Costa Rica; Cali and Bogota, Colombia.

Interesting sessions were held with Commission members

Enrique Beltrand and F. C. Lehmann, as well as Park Advisory Committee

Member Gerardo Budowski.

The problems all are similar in character but of varying severity and complexity. Only Mexico has an active Conservation Education Program under way. This may pose one of the key solutions for Latin American difficulties.

POSITION PAPER PLAN

Shortly after the middle of June the Position Paper should be in the hards of all Advisory Committee Members, describing the first steps in the planning of a national system of parks. Discussion on this and two other papers to follow should form the basis for recommendations at Nairobi.