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Thanksgiving Greetings

Wishing you one and all, an enjoyable day and one to be remembered, is our every wish.

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WHY IS A CANDIDATE

EVERY fall the authorities who keep track of such things announce it is time for a city election. Why must we have elections? Because the law requires it, for one thing, but also because most officials can't stand it more than one term.

In olden days, with caucuses, and nominating speeches, and torchlight parades, there were plenty of candidates. Nowadays friends have to go into the "urging" business, and we go to the primaries (about as exciting affairs as the study hours at the library) without knowing whether there'll be anybody to vote for or not.

Why has municipal office been relegated to the list of unclaimed blessings? Let us consider the inducements for busy men to claim this honor. Can it be the pay? Not so you can notice it. A man could make as much at a couple of good window washing jobs a week as by being mayor or councilman. Is it the honor? Ever hear of a councilman getting a gold medal from the people in token of honorable service? Ever hear of any teas given in his honor, or any subscription lists started to buy him a gold headed cane? Ever hear anybody propose a toast for him at a banquet, or suggest a vote of thanks at the end of his term? Know of any babies named after him, except his own? Ever hear any street talk about how deserving he is for his service? Nixie, so far as we observe.

Well then "what do we expect for fifty cents?" Why, we simply insist that our officials "run the city's business just as they do their own." That's the formula.

It has occurred to people in some sections that THEY (the people) might run their municipal businesses, as they do their private businesses, and that is, by putting trained men in charge of cities, and paying them the value of their services. Desirable as this may be, we shall perhaps have to work up to it gradually. It is costly at the start, and finds its profit in the eventual working out. Meanwhile, might it not be worth while to adopt a spirit of helpfulness and appreciation towards those who serve us in municipal offices? As long as we expect business men, for the honor a prophet has in his own country, and a short mention of his official term in their obituary notices, to take these burdens on themselves, wouldn't it be a fair idea for the people to give some time to municipal affairs so that when our officials listen so hard for "the voice of the people" they may hear a noise, and one than can be intelligently understood?

Might we not also quit badgering our officials into a state of desperation and humiliation because of adverse decisions in matters than concern us individually? Maybe it would help. The Booster believes we might do as much with our gov-

erning body by remembering that they are human, as by jumping straight on them with the hobnails too often. We might have less difficulty in persuading desirable men to run for office. If these suggestions are too radical, we at least exhort the critical who are unwilling to provide emolument for a city official in this life, to be more careful to what place they refer him for his future reward. Its worth "trying out" anyway.

SMILE-A-WHILE

WHY I RAN

"I wish to serve no selfish ends. The matter thus I viewed: If I don't run, when urged by friends I fear they'll think me 'Rood.'" —D. L. ROOD

SMILE-A-WHILE

NO PLATFORM

"I'll make no platform pledge—not one. So none from me demand. For, since my friends urged me to 'run,' How can I take a 'stand'?" —J. F. TELANDER

SMILE-A-WHILE

ITS EASY

"The city's business should be run just as you run your own, they say. So, if elected, I expect To work like mad both night and day." —CHAS. POWERS

SMILE-A-WHILE

HOW'S THIS

AS TO what did Delaware and where did Maryland when she wore her New Jersey, and also what did Tennessee, we have long quit pondering. What we want to know is whose garden did Idaho? What kind of a rope did some hunter Colorado, and where has Oregon.

SMILE-A-WHILE

JAKE HILLSTROM says there is no natmeg so great that it will not some day go up against a grater. HENRY SENGSTACKE says that recent events in the European war were not a triumph of Russian arms—but a triumph for Russian legs.

FRANK COHAN who attended the Elk's smoker says that Keno is a finer game than Bridge Whist at a social function because it bridges over the time more easily. LEW THOMAS was very indignant because we failed to say in last week's Booster that he was on the sick list as usual. This was an oversight on our part—we always aim to say every week that Lew is on the sick list, and have done so faithfully for the last 52 weeks but occasionally we forget it.

AN OLD POEM IN A NEW SETTING

(Recited with great feeling by Several Central Avenue Boosters on the 1st day of the month.)

"Oh! Wad some power The fiftle gie us To see some folks before They see us."

SMILE-A-WHILE

No Wonder.—If England would adopt American hustle she wouldn't be so long getting busy in the war. In this country, a candidate "runs" for office, in England, he "stands."

A LA BILLY SUNDAY

Observing the success of the Billy Sunday methods in the matter of conversation, Puck arises to suggest that the attempt be made to apply the same methods to other church ceremonies and activities, proposing the following formulas:
• Pastor (christening infant): "What do you want to call this hunk of excess baggage, Bo?"
• Presiding Parson: "What miserable-mutt giveth this skirt to be married to this gink?"
• The Bride's Father: "I'm the guy."
• Industrious Usher: "Slide, you icecards! Slide!"
• Passing the Plate: "Come across with the ironmen, you low-life tightwads!"
• Sunday School Superintendent: "All of you little flivvers that want to swat Satan stand on one leg."

CENTRAL AVENUE SAYINGS

Aids We Do Not See.—We guarantee entire satisfaction or your money back. (County Assessor's Office).

SMILE-A-WHILE

Central Avenue to the Front.—With two candidates for Prosecuting Attorney in the Coke Building, Central Avenue stands a good chance of nailing that office, anyway. Too bad we can only vote for one.

SMILE-A-WHILE

Will Still Be Represented Here.—Tom Russell is reported to be about to move to Wyoming. He owns the Russell building on Central Avenue, and while he is away W. A. Reid will Russell for the rents.

SMILE-A-WHILE

Almost Perfect.—Will Chandler has returned from the exposition. He says the architecture of the buildings is pretty good, but a few little touches he could have suggested would have improved it a good deal.

SMILE-A-WHILE

Very Report.—Henry Sengstacken and I. S. Faulman ask us to refute the Central Avenue gossip that they signed Ike Chandler's petition as a secret move to get him on the council to cripple him as an insurance competitor.

SMILE-A-WHILE

Ike Chandler Throws Us Down.—In withdrawing from the race for councilman, Ike Chandler states that it would interfere with his private business. If Washington and Lincoln had talked that way where would this country have been, Ike? Did you forget Central Avenue?

SMILE-A-WHILE

Anything for a Change.—R. E. Miller, of the Puget Sound Bridge & Dredging Co., went home to Seattle this week. For the last few weeks Roy has been expressing great eagerness to get away. The last thing he said before leaving was that it would be his one ambition to get back to Coos Bay.

SMILE-A-WHILE

Too Good To Be True.—Harry McKeown left this week for the exposition. Some of those who saw the snappy togs he wore for the trip up the beach report that the "House of Kuppenheimer" was paying his expenses. The Booster reporter tried to hunt him up to confirm this, but didn't recognize him till the boat had left the dock.

SMILE-A-WHILE

Something Shocking.—When Doc Houseworth told 'Gene Crosthwaite about receiving a letter from San Francisco saying there was another slight earthquake there 'Gene only remarked, "an earthquake is about the only thing left that can shock San Francisco." And as 'Gene visited Chinatown and the Zone when he was down there I guess 'Gene knows.

Dorsey Kretzer dropped into the Kaufman real estate office yesterday and inquired, "Did I leave an umbrella here yesterday?" "What kind of an umbrella?" asked Wilson Kaufman. "Oh, any kind at all, I'm not fussy," Dorsey replied.

SMILE-A-WHILE

THE CAUSE

Here's one that Jim Kellond is telling on one of the candidates for the city council. He says that Al Mendel asked Fred Telander, "What do you think of the cause of gravitation?" "I don't know much about it," Fred answered, "but I guess I'm for it."

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(To E. W. Steele.)
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TO PLAY SAFE
An editor remarks: "We think," He never puts it "It seems to be a proper kink," For married men to try.

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