

## PREDICTS 6 YEAR TERM IS TO COME

Works Believes Resolution Extending Time of Presidency Will Pass.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Washington, May 2.—Prediction that a six years' term for presidents of the United States and prohibiting reelection would be had in both houses of congress was voiced here today by Senator Works of California.

Opinion is divided concerning the merits of the proposition. Senators Bourne of Oregon and Hiram of Kansas are opposed to the measure, while Senators Penrose of Pennsylvania, Johnston of Alabama and Clapp of Minnesota think a four years term is sufficient without extending it to six years. Senator Cummins of Iowa and O'Connell of New York both favor the measure and believe that it will carry without serious opposition.

## PEOPLE MAY HAVE BEEN MULCTED OF ENORMOUS SUMS

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In a year by the improved business methods achieved than the trifling sum we will have to pay the experts.

"It is my idea that, in view of the fact that we cannot determine just how much the city has lost or what officials may have been responsible, that we should let bygones be bygones and devote our present efforts to a harmonious and economic reorganization of the department."

**Most Employees Honest.**

The mayor's sentiments were concurred in by every member of the board and a resolution incorporating them was passed unanimously.

Expert Whitfield declared before the board that he considers the great majority of the water department employees, hired under civil service rules, efficient, honest and capable. He said, however, that he would recommend the dismissal of two or three whom he had found careless and incompetent. No names were mentioned.

The report of the experts covers 85 pages of extra sized legal cap paper, and it is impossible to give more than a brief summary of the many hundreds of errors, discrepancies, irregularities and shortages noted. Following is a synthetic excerpt from the findings:

**Shortage of Funds.**

"It appears that the water department has suffered a considerable loss of revenue by reason of dishonesty and negligence on the part of employees and by reason of inefficiency of the system. One item of the shortages is that covering the disappearance of 20 tons of lead, valued at \$1550.

"With the system in vogue practically every employee is constantly in a position where he can profit by dishonesty and have no fear of detection.

"The present records show only what receipts were actually turned in to the treasury by the cashiers and not what should have been the receipts. There

are no internal checks. This system creates dangerous possibilities.

The same checks keep the record of income and out of the city and resolve the question of their being used to keep the city out of the city and make the cash balance agree therewith.

The treasurer is allowed to tell for water and for building purposes and the city is not allowed to tell for the treasurer's account. Without the treasurer's account being recorded on the books, the city is liable to the treasurer to report it.

**Evidence of Loss Seen.**

Evidence of great loss of income to the city through neglect of checks in the Algonquin water office were discovered. Hundreds of mistakes were found where the amount posted in the 1911 book was less than the amount in the 1912 book. The treasurer's account had been altered or changed and these books are full of changes of mistakes may have been due to carelessness or they may have been intentional and may represent actual loss to the city.

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**See Hands of Loan Agents.**

"We find many of the pay checks of employees to be indorsed by 'power of attorney' by some other than the payee. The majority of these are indorsed by one man, who is generally known to be a loan agent. We believe this is against the rule of your board and is a very undesirable practice to have among employees.

There appears to exist considerable confusion between the engineering, accounting and repair departments as to the exact scope of their responsibilities. We found a continual evasion of duties and we were sometimes given three different answers, all at variance with each other, when the same question was asked of the three departments. The entire system seems to consist of several independent units without proper connection and without central organization to control and direct.

**Could Do More Work.**

"The system, as a whole, was probably ample in scope at the time it was installed, but the great and marvelous growth of the city has outstripped it. It is entirely inadequate when measured with present day standards.

"Some of the employees appear to be working industriously, but others appear to be shirking badly. We believe that a great deal more work could be done with the present force if the work were systematized.

In brief, the objects of revising the system of the water department would be, according to the report:

"To obtain knowledge of and put on record all income which should eventually be paid by the city; to record all receipts which have actually been paid to the city; and to keep such records that the balances due to the city as shown in the detailed books will agree at all times with the balances due to the city as shown in total in the general books.

"To so reorganize the department that no one employee will have the power to take income which rightfully belongs to the city without collusion with one or more other employees without immediate risk of detection.

"To establish such records of stock that all material paid for by the city

## MAJOR BUTT FIRED PRIVATE PAPERS

Woman Says President's Aide Went to Cabin and Burned Documents.

(United Press Leased Wire.) Birmingham, N. Y., May 2.—That Major Archibald Butt shortly before the last lifeboat put off from the Titanic, retired to his cabin and burned many papers which she said she believed were "diplomatic documents," was the statement made here today by Mrs. H. A. Caspary Jr., a Titanic survivor, who relates she is going to Washington to tell her story to the senate committee. Mrs. Caspary has been in a serious condition ever since she landed from the ship.

Mrs. Caspary declared that Thomas Andrews, of the firm of Harlan and Wolff, builders of the ship, sat next to her at the table and frequently told her that the Titanic had been started before it was finished, but that even though it should be cut into three parts, it would still float.

"I was in Butt's boat," Mrs. Caspary said, "and I am going to tell the senate committee that we wanted to turn back, but that the passengers seized the oars and refused to let him do so."

## LOS ANGELES TO HAVE 2 PER CENT PAWNSHOP

(United Press Leased Wire.) Los Angeles, May 2.—Los Angeles will have a pawnshop on a humanitarian basis if plans under consideration today by several citizens are matured. The object is the protection of working people from loan sharks. The shop will be modeled on the loan office founded in New York years ago by Russell Sage. Two per cent a month will be the maximum charge.

will be eventually accounted for, as having either gone into specific jobs, as being on hand or as having been sold and the cash received.

"To maintain such records that at desired periods many helpful and absolutely reliable reports can be drafted therefrom for use in directing future operations and for the information of the board."

All of the foregoing recommendations will be carried out by the water board. In conclusion the expert report reads:

"We believe, after a very careful survey of the entire situation, that with the proper system in use, a large saving consisting of increased income, decreased expenses, saving of stock and proper collection of income due can be effected by the water department."

## GOOD ROADS DAY SET FOR SAT., MAY 11 BY GOVERNOR

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meeting on this day. Advise us at once whether you have called your meeting and send us a copy of your call. When the complete report is given state-wide publicity we hope you will be toward the top of the list in the results gotten."

Phil E. Bates and George T. Atchley talked in behalf of good roads at the meeting of the East Side Business Men's club last night. Mr. Bates showed a great number of views which showed how much more beautiful is Oregon than European scenery. George M. Hyland, J. Fred Larson and Secretary Walter L. T. of the good roads association attended the joint meeting of the South Portland boosters and Fulton Park Improvement club and talked good roads. The South Portland boosters appointed a committee consisting of Burt C. Jones and J. C. Smith to secure petitions; the Fulton Park Improvement club appointed Dr. Wadsworth and R. Hepburn.

**"Suicide" Upon Occasion.**

(United Press Leased Wire.) Oakland, Cal., May 2.—Because her husband tried to commit suicide by drinking water, Mrs. Marcus Van Gelder sued for divorce. Every time she asked him for money he drank colored water, telling her goodbye forever, she said.

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