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section at present people are not so much interested in changes in the reclamation act or in bond issues as they are in getting the government to extend the Umatilla project by the expenditure of money already due this state.

One of the most important parts of Secretary Ballinger's report is that wherein he recommends governmental control of water powers. Here the hand of President Taft seems clearly visible. It is recommended that the general government retain the land adjoining power sites; that easements be granted corporations desiring to develop power; that 20 years be the maximum time for which such privileges may be granted; that the construction work must be carried on within a specified time and that the corporation or individual doing the work must pay a moderate charge to the government or upon the gross earnings during the first 10 years of operation, "adjusted at each subsequent 10 year period and equitably determined by appraisalment."

That the government should have some such hold as this upon the water powers all economists will agree. The government was slothful in not taking such action many years ago. The natural resources of the country should be utilized for the benefit of all the people. They should not be monopolized by a few.

It will be interesting to watch what congress will do towards enacting proper legislation upon this subject. During the coming session President Taft will have a splendid opportunity to use his influence with the lawmakers.

**MORE ABOUT POWER.**

The East Oregonian has previously pointed out the great importance of electrical power in the upbuilding of a city. It is an indispensable element. Without adequate power Pendleton cannot well become much more than it is at present—a big country town. With plenty of electrical power this may be made into a manufacturing center for we already have the other essentials.

With a sufficient amount of power Pendleton may also be provided with traction facilities that will insure the supremacy of this place as the commercial hub of eastern Oregon. With traction lines into the irrigated sections to the west; to Grant county on the south and to the rich section northeast of Pendleton the business of a great region will be insured for Pendleton and the future growth of this city made certain.

If Pendleton can secure the power the Washington-Oregon company proposes to develop upon the Walla Walla river this city will then be very favorably situated with respects to power. With that power and with the power that may be developed upon the John Day river and upon the Umatilla this city will be given something like 15,000 or 20,000 horse power. That is said to be more electrical power than is now used in the city of Portland.

Naturally the power most desired at this time is that which is to be developed upon the Walla Walla river. That power is especially desirable because if we do not get it it will go elsewhere. It will be taken into the state of Washington and utilized. On the other hand the power of the Umatilla and of the John Day will "keep," temporarily at least. Those streams are naturally tributary to Pendleton and can be developed when needed.

Bishop Paddock seems a fit man for the position which he holds for eastern Oregon is a good field for men of force and courage. Even those who may not share his views upon ecclesiastical subjects will yet admire his high purposes and applaud the vigor of his ways. "All the world stands aside to let that man pass who knows whether he is going."

The election to be held next Monday is one in which every patriotic citizen should participate. An issue of the greatest importance is involved and it will be settled correctly unless through indifference too many people remain at home and do not vote. Many have not registered for the election. Those people must be sworn in for their votes will be needed.

Mayor Murphy stands for Pendleton and for the advancement of this city; his opponent is backed by interests that would block the progress of this city. Which one do you want for mayor?

There are two mayoralty tickets in the field, the Progressive and the Pessimistic. Mayor Murphy is the candidate of the former element.

Pendleton has a host of former gridiron stars and a game in which they could participate would be worth seeing.

If Jupiter P. will continue his good work it may not be necessary to irrigate the lands west of the Umatilla.



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For through the dark the winged vision came, Smiling the fine, tense harpstrings of your soul, One weary night upon a singing flame You passed beyond each petty care's control.

You did the things you did not like to do, Made day by day the thankless sacrifice, And so, dear heart, I love to think of you Deep bosomed in your restful paradise.

Watching clear spaces of the hours drift by To vibrant measures of some new delight — And yet we pined you that you must die

And leave your urgent day, your broken night —  
 —Ada Foster Murray.

**SAINTS.**

Who were the saints? A startling, an audacious, once almost a punishable, question; but when asked of the laity to day, it is likely to be answered with a half-pitying smile or a frank admission of ignorance. Yet happily, the words "saintliness" and "saintly" can never be dispensed with in our common daily language. And who were the saints?

They were men and women of flesh and blood, who, without celestial aura and crown, once trod this dusty earth, like ourselves. They were real people, living real lives, with real results. If we allow ourselves to be led back by the hand of history, sacred or secular, whichever we prefer, to examine the work accomplished by these men and women—now called saints—we shall be surprised. In our age, so worshipful of the material and the visible, we shall respectfully recognize their usefulness and their joyous activity in every sphere of life. Even in earthly affairs, they created and bequeathed to us the best that we have and know.

the saints, but the saints, in a very real sense, who made the Church. During the first centuries, after Christ and His apostles had vanished from earth, it was individual men and women, living in deserts, in cells and caves that guarded the new revelation. It was they who kept the spiritual lamp burning, upheld the new standards of life and blazed the way for modern civilization.

Christianity has always been the religion of the individual, and its power from the very beginning lay in its appeal to personality. It was individuals who first warmed hearts into Christian fervor. And so the church, like all corporate bodies, was gradually formed by these separate particles coming together.—From "The Saints" by Eleonora Kinnelcutt in the December (Christmas) Scribner.

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