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MURPHY OPPOSES COMMISSION PLAN

TELLS COUNCILMEN

After Much Consideration Decides Commission Plan Would Be Expensive in City the Size of Pendleton.

"I am not in favor of a commission form of government for a city the size of Pendleton," declared Mayor E. J. Murphy at last night's meeting of the council. The statement was rather unexpected and it made the members of the council sit up and

The mayor, who had just returned from San Diego, California, where he had been to attend the annual meeting of the California league of municipalities, then went on to explain that he believed the success or failure of the commission form of city government, like the success or failure of Pendleton present form of government, depended entirely upon the men at the head of the government. "If you get the right men at the head in either form, the administration will be successful," declared the mayor.

In discussing the proposition, Mayor Murphy said: "I went to the California meeting pretty well satisfied in my own mind that the commission form of government was the only form for the larger cities. After listening to the lengthy papers present-



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ed at the meeting and investigating the conditions in the cities visited by me where the commission form is in use, I am fully convinced that one is as good as the other.

"For a city the size of Pendleton I am convinced that our present form is the best. Under the commission form of city government you expect PRESENT PLAN BEST must have a business man at the head of it who will be able to devote his entire time. Now, you cannot get a business man to take charge of the city government in that way without paying the price and the price in this instance would be too great."

Will Try to Form League. Mayor Murphy, as the only repre-sentative from Oregon at the meeting. was sent back to his home state with instructions to organize an Oregon league of municipalities. Mayor J. B. Diment of Bellingham, as the only representative from the state of Washington, was sent back with instructions to perform the same service for that state. The mayor said he realized they had a gigantic task before them but that they would undertake it.

Liquor Problem Is Hard One, the mayor said that he found it handled in different ways in different cities and he did not believe that any Kupers is Administrator. hard and fast rule could be laid down for the regulation of the liquor business that would apply to all cities.

He said that this and many other questions of paramount importance to city officers were discussed at the

F. C. Highsmith, former mayor of lan of government. He is engaged in delivering lectures upon this subject throughout the country and learning that Pendleton is now considering the proposition is anxious to

In a letter to Councilman T. G. Montgomery, Mayor Highsm'th says Hemmelgarn and William Gardner his secretary is now preparing a schedule of speaking dates for eastern Oregon. He would like to speak here under the auspices of either the city council or the Commercial club. As Mr. Montgomery understands the matter he will be here shortly, but at this time no definite date has been set for the address.

ATTACK OF HICCOUGHS

MAY PROVE FATAL

Belmar, N. J .- Violent and incessant hiccoughs have so worn down he strength of the Rev. J. W. Mc Laughlin that his physicians have light hope of his recovery. Four years ago he had a similar but milder attack, and was only saved with great difficulty.

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Newsy Notes of Pendleton

Current Literature Club,
The Current Literature club will eet tomorrow, Friday, afternoon, at he home of Mrs. J. F. Robinson,

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ig the winter at least.

lesse Moore Estate Filed.

or is the administrator and the esate is valued at \$45,000.

six Hoboes Last Night.

officers Kearney and Sheer who con- pties. sidered they would be safer in jail

Concert This Evening.

the Presbyterian church will give a formed a Ministry, and in the foreother local singers.

Echo Company Incorporates,

oday with the county clerk for the Echo Mercantile company. The com-pany is to engage in the hardware F Hammer.

Assistant Librarian Resigns.

Miss Edna Rogers, assistant libr- plans, arian at he Pendleton free library, has resigned her position, much to the regret of the library board and Miss Fleck, the librarian. Miss Rogers has been forced to resign owing to the death of her brother's wife. Her brother resides in Portland and in the future Miss Rogers is to reside with In speaking of the liquor problem him and assist in caring for his litle children.

The estate of John Timmerman, de. the petition for the appointment of administrator filed yesterday with monwealth in the possession of lix and in the state of Texas. The Texas part of the estate consists enwith the petition of the widow of the in future years. deceased, Karl Kupers was appointed administrator of the estate, The heirs are Mrs. Timmerman and five children, ranging in age from three

ing the coming year. those in the running for chief are P. A. Anderson of the Byers' mill, and J. L. Vaughan, present chief. For first assistant the candidates are Jack Childreth and Frank Stroble. Ed 1 are the nominees for second assistant. Each of the local fire companles has the right to nominate candidates for the above positions. All the firemen then meet on the first Monday in December to cast their votes for the men they prefer. The election will be held in the firemn's quarters in the city hall.

VALUABLE BLANKET ON

One of the finest blankets ever produced by any mill in the country is called and the prisoner, a man who now on exhibit in the window of the Alexander Department Store. It was manufactured by the Pendleton Wool- threatened to demand an investigation en Mills and will be presented by the and the officials have commenced mill company as the sweepstakes prize for the National Wool and Sheep show to be held in Portland in connection with the annual convention of the National Wool Growers' associa-

The blanket is valued at \$150 and one of the finest that the local mills is capable of producing.

On a background of purest white appears the emblem of the National Wool Growers' association. This consists of the national shield in red, white and blue, bearing a ram's head n appropriate colors. The coloring and shading of th head of the sheep is as natural and life-like as though t were painted.

The blanket has been viewed and admired by hundreds during the day. It will be given for the best general exhibit of sheep at the show,

CHOSEN AT TRYOUT

A try-out for the purpose of selecting members of the debating team which will represent the Baker City high school in the Oregon Interscholastic Debating league, was held at It's hard to the high school last evening, says the

> The question of the debate was Resolved: That the Armaments of the Nations of the World Should be Reduced to the Minimum in Time of Finch, James Donald, Everett Saunders, Glenn Miles, Robert Donald and

Those selected for the team by the

Finch and James Donald, with Everett Saunders as alternate. C. C. McColloch, A. A. Smith and James Nichols acted as judges.

GREEK LEADERS IN FIGHT.

M. Venizelos Making Hard Struggle to Lighten Taxes,

Athens .- M. Venizelos, the strong man of Greece, is engaged in a flerce tussle with a system by which overburdened taxpayers have been op-J. C. Coombs is moving in from pressed to meet the financial demands by and will reside in Pendleton durof an ever-increasing list of sinecure holders.

In this dead-set against corruption M. Venizelos is supported by the The birth of a ten-pound boy is King and the more intelligent portion sported to the wife of H. C. Schunann at the family home, 214 Perk- new chamber meets in January. M. Venizelos' position as Premier will be reatly strengthened.

Events of the last few months have The first papers in the estate of led up to a situation in Greece that sse Moore deceased were filed today gives rise to anxiety. When the Sepith County Clerk Saling. J. B. Say- tember elections to the National Assembly took place it was decided, or account of the military and naval coup d'etat brought off by Colonel Tsorbas and his colleagues two years Six wanderers were given quarters ago, to amend the constitution by a the city bastile last night. They calling that body into existence in ere picked up during the night by place of the existing chamber of depu-

The then Prime Minister M. Kaller. gis, resigned with his cabinet, as uncrown ought to be free to choose it Miss Edna Gates and the choir of own advisers. M. Venizelos then musical concert at the Presbyterian front of his programme put the rechurch this evening. Selections will storation of military discipline in the be rendered by Miss Gates, Miss Bernice Ruppe, Mrs. J. R. Dickson and fundamental articles of the constitution. His path proved a thory one, became apparent that an adverse Articles of incorporation were filed on his advice the king dissolved the

Undoubtedly a large majority of the Greek people are behind the strong pusiness and has a capital stock of and able statesman, who is determin-\$10,000 divided into shares of 100 ed to carry through schemes of na-each. The incorporators are C. J. tional regeneration. Whatever dis-Guillford, Ed Hammer and Emma orders occur are really in the nature f demonstrations against the parties of professional politicians, who would frustrate M. Venizelos' public-spirited

DEVELOPMENT IS PLAN.

Australian Commonwealth to Colonize Northern Territory.

Melborune.-Now that the standing problem of the Northern Territory. comprising 523,620 square miles has been solved, the Federal government is more than ever convinced of the wisdom of the step it as taken towards expansion.

The passage through both Houses ceased is estimated at \$125,000 in of Parliament of the Northern Territory acceptance bill places the con County Judge Gilliland. The proplarge new tract of land, ripe for colerly is located in this county near Heonization. The debt of accumulated on behalf of the North-ern Territory has been taken over by tirely of real property while the part the federal government, an expendiin this county consists of both real ture which at present is a dead loss and personal property. In accordance though it will return a rich harvest

For several years past the Northern Territory has been the hopeless bugbear of Australian statesmen. Some parts of it are still unexplored, owing to lack of available capital for opening up the country to extensive Mineral Wells, Texas, and the president of the mayors' association of the Pendleton firemen will hold their the pendle of railroad communications. Next Monay evening, December 5, move means that in time the North-EFFECTUALLY; DISPELS Texas, wants to talk to the people of annual election and will choose a fire ling state, providing homes for hunchief and two assistants to serve during the commission chief and two assistants to serve during the commission. Nominations present the population apart from for these positions are now closed and the aboriginal tribes of "blackfellows"

is only 1081 persons. Energy will now be thrown into speeding up the scheme for the transcontinental railway, which throw open an enormous area of fertile farming country.

Geological surveys are also expected to reveal rich deposits of gold and other minerals.

Prisoner Was Forgotten.

Paris .- At Nos. 20 and 26 Rue de Cambrai, there are large stables and coachhouses belonging to carriage contractors, who supply the transport for the prefecture of police. There are housed the police vans known as "paniers a salade." About 3 o'clock Thursday morning the conclerge was awakened by shouts, oaths and blows. He aroused two stable hands and they made a round of the stables. The shouts came from one of the prison They opened it and found a prisoner who had been forgotten. He complained of the narrowness of his sleeping quarters. Policemen were had been arrested for theft, was taken to the nearest police station. He one.

Vanderbilt Not Entirely Bogus. Paris.-The bogus Vanderbilt, who charged with having attempted a \$25,000 fraud on Miss Evelyn Maud Taylor and Miss Helen E. Beatrice of London, has bet \$10,000 that he is a relative of William K. Vanderbilt.

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ECHO NEWS AND

(Special Correspondence.)

Echo, Ore., Dec. 1 .- The Henrieta Rebekah Lodge, No. 36, I. O. O. F. of this place, met last night and held their regular semi-annual election. The following officers were elected: Noble grand, Minerva Scholl; vice grand, Mary Barker recording secretary, Nona Houser treasurer, Eulalla the guest of Mrs H. D. Smith. Smith; financial secretary, Prudence Young.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Cunha's baby daughter, who has been quite sick with pneumonia, is greatly improved and thought to be out of danger.

Bert Logston, meat cutter at the Echo Meat Market, had the misforune on Monday of stepping on a rake lain's Liniment is applied a cure may and running three teeth through his foot. The accident, while painful, is liniment is one of the best and most not considered dangerous, although remarkable preparations in use. Sold Mr. Longston will not be able to at-

tend to his duties for several days. Miss Dack Montgomery, a traveling reader and soprano, gave an en-tertainment here last night at the I tomorrow. December 2nd.

O. O. F. hall under the auspices of the public school. A large crowd was

Mrs. Hugh Smith returned Monday from Spokane, where she has been visiting with friends,

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Walker of Pilot Rock, are here visiting with Editor Castle and wife. Miss Eunice Mudge returned to her home in Portland on Tuesday, after

two weeks' visit with friends in Echo and vicinity. Richard Thom of Hermiston, was business visitor here the first of

the week. Mrs. J. M. Pointer of Pendleton, is Mrs. M. C. Barzee is assisting in the George & Miller store with the

holiday trade. A sprained ankle will usually disable the injured person for three or four weeks. This is due to lack of proper treatment. When Chamberbe effected in three or four days. This

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