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WINTER'S SONG AND LAUGHTER.

I. Now and then a day of light and Winter's song and laughter; Fire blazing mighty bright (Hope it won't blaze hereafter!)

II. Holly reddening on the bough, just like rubies gleaming; Tell the old, sweet stories now—dream the old-time dreaming.

III. Lots o' joy in every place—little children singing; Ain't this world a friend to grace, with such music ringing? —Frank L. Stanton.

SOUND REASONS FOR IT.

Commission government for cities is not a fad. It is a nation wide move for bettering municipal government and it has come to stay. The commission idea first took form at Galveston, Texas, and since then the plan has been taken up by hundreds of other progressive cities, especially in the west and middle west.

There are sound reasons for the commission government move and it is because of them the move is proving so popular. First it is a move for greater efficiency and efficiency in everything is what the modern world is after. It is the disposition everywhere to cut out waste, needless expense and incompetency.

There are explicit reasons why the public service, municipal, state and national should be made more efficient. One of the greatest of reasons is to be found in the changes that are underway along economic-political lines.

Now since it is a fact that officials must face these new and graver du-

ties it becomes necessary to bring a higher order of men into the public service and to allow them to work under such conditions as will permit of the best results. This calls for the concentration of responsibility and for the payment of salaries. Good service cannot be expected if responsibility is not closely fixed, if officials are not closely watched and if they are not paid for their work.

Because of these considerations and others the East Oregonian is strongly in favor of commission government for Pendleton. In the view of this paper the adoption of the commission charter will be a step forward and a big step toward securing greater efficiency in our municipal government.

ABOUT THE EXTENSION.

Much of the opposition being manifested just now to the extension of the Umatilla project may be charged to Oliver P. Morton, John McCourt or whoever is responsible for the adjudication suit that has been brought before the state water board.

In a bulletin published in 1909 the state engineer gives an opinion that it requires from three to four acre feet of water to reclaim an acre of land. If this estimate is correct then Mr. Morton is entirely too stingy with the old settlers who live on McKay creek, Birch creek and on the Umatilla river this side of Butter creek.

It is also known that the reclamation legal force does not look with kindness upon the idea of having the reservation water rights established. In this they are also wrong. If the Indians of the reservation are legally entitled to water, as it seems they are then their rights should be fully established and protected.

The extension of the Umatilla project would be a fine thing and the East Oregonian would like to see it carried out. But obviously the extension must be secondary to the reservation rights and secondary to the rights of the settlers along Birch creek, McKay and the Umatilla. Furthermore the settlers on the Umatilla meadows, which is needed for a reservoir site are entitled to object if the government offers them but \$50 per acre for land that sells in the market at \$200 per acre.

THE WATER SITUATION.

There is no reason why anyone should oppose the commission charter for fear it will hurt the chances for a gravity water system. People will be able to get a gravity water system or any other system they may want, just as quickly under commission government as under the present "jerk line" system of things. In fact they should be able to get what they want easier than at present.

Under the commission plan there will be but a single board and the people will have a very close hold on that board. At this time we have two different bodies having authority upon the subject and they are working at "loggerheads."

However, voters who want a gravity water system for Pendleton will do well indeed to turn out on election day and vote for Will Moore for water commissioner. Mr. Moore is the out and out candidate of those who want gravity water. He is for mountain water and the sincerity of his position

cannot be questioned. His opponent, James Johns, says he favors a filtering system. He was brought into the race by people who want to beat Mr. Moore because he has been a zealous advocate of a gravity system. A vote for Mr. Johns will be a vote to reimpose the present board for its efforts to secure a mountain water supply. A vote for Mr. Moore will be a vote to encourage those who are striving to obtain mountain water for the city.

The Stanfield people waited a long time before they got into the game but they seem to be making a strong finish.

Judge Lowell is after Jonathan Bourne's toga. Will he be able to get it this time?

There would be things doing if the colonel wanted to run again. But he does not, according to his close friends.

The election occurs next Monday.

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No Experiment Station. Ella—That young farmer tried to kiss me, saying that he had never kissed a girl before. Stella—What did you tell him? Ella—That I was no agricultural experiment station.



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