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CITY ADMINISTRATION.

Although little has been heard
lately of the plan suggested by the
Community Clearing House league
to adopt a city manager form of gov-
ernment for Bend we trust that the
idea has not been entirely abandoned.

Without reflecting in the slightest
degree on the present city adminis-
tration we think it fair to say that
a change in the form of our munic-
ipal government is extremely desir-
able. Bend at present operates under
a charter adopted in 1911 when its
population was less than 1000. In
the nearly ten years that have elapsed
the population has increased more
than five fold. With the increase
have come scores of new problems
requiring for their proper solution
more time and attention than any un-
paid official can afford to give. To
the credit of our mayor and our
councilmen it should be said that
they are doing everything they can
to care for the city work, frequently
at a loss to their own business, but
it is too much to expect of them and
a change should be made.

Whether a commission form of
government or a city manager plan
is the name of the new form is not
especially essential. What is needed
is the employment of an official who
can give his whole time to the job
and be paid accordingly. This might
be done by enlarging the powers of
the city recorder under the present
charter leaving the mayor and coun-
cil as advisors to whom reports
could be made at frequent intervals.
Or a new charter may be adopted
following the corporation idea and
placing the administration in the
hands of an executive official with
a board of directors through whom
he will be responsible to the stock-
holders, that is, the people.
Whatever the plan steps looking
toward the change should be made
at once and if the initiative is not
to be taken by outside organizations
we believe the mayor and council
themselves should make this their
own business and present to the peo-
ple as soon as possible the proposal
for a change.

JAPAN CONSTRUCTS MODERN HIGHWAYS

Out-of-Date Native Engineers Voice
Their Protest Against the
Americans.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin)

TOKYO, August 3.—Japanese engi-
neers in Tokyo are threatening to
start a widespread agitation against
the carrying out of a plan by the
Tokyo municipal authorities to im-
port three American road engineers,
ten assistants and 25 experienced
workmen in connection with its
scheme for the general improvement
of the roads in the capital.

This plan was decided on by the
Tokyo city fathers largely as a re-
sult of advice given them by Samuel
Hill, the well-known American rail-
road and road man, who told them
that as Japan had no engineers who
knew how to make roads on modern
lines, she had better import some
from America.

As a matter of fact, Japanese road
engineers know no more about build-
ing modern roads than they do about
Greek. For ages past traffic in Ja-
pan was very light, and as a conse-
quence it sufficed to spread pebbles
and mud on the roads, which mater-
ial was then ground into a very pass-
able surface by the thousands of feet
which passed over it.

This kind of a road will, however,
not stand up under modern auto
traffic, such as is now becoming com-
mon in Japan. As a matter of fact,
it is touching to see the manner in
which Japanese engineers pin their
faith to a few modern road rollers
which they have imported, expecting
that, now that they have good ma-
chinery, these will make the roads,
even though the material is only



After Conventions

Historic now the great conventions, at which
our foghorn statesmen raved; both parties reek of
those intentions with which the Hades' streets are
paved. Both parties frown on those abuses which
make our lives one long ordeal, and both would
cook the sinful geese of profiteers who gouge and
steal. I listened to the keynote speeches, applauded
when the stunts were done; "of all the pebbles on
our beaches," I mused, "these statesmen take the
bun." I'm glad our woes will soon be over, all
finished on election day; oh, then we'll wade around
in clover, and raise our glad hurroo, hurray! Both
parties give their sacred promise to cure all evils
they can reach; for one, I am no doubting Thomas,
discrediting a keynote speech. When two great
parties are determined to make the world a better
place, so seraphim, bewinged and ermined, might
think its aspect no disgrace, to them I drink two
brimming beakers of tanglefoot (a home made
brew); I heard their gifted keynote speakers, and
know just what they plan to do.

mud and pebbles fished out of the
river beds. Thus a couple of engines
have been puffing up and down the
road most traveled by foreigners,
outside the Imperial hotel, for over
six months, with no visible result
whatever; still the Japanese engi-
neers expect that some day the mir-
acle is bound to happen when the
road roller will make a road for
them.

The Tokyo municipality expects to
appropriate \$35,000,000 for road im-
provement including a gift of \$1-
500,000 from the emperor, who is
much interested in the improvement
of the capital. It is estimated that
it will take about five years to com-
plete the plan now made.

AMERICANS SAVING FRENCH CHILDREN

Good Work Is Done By American
Committee For Devastated
France.

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin)

PARIS, August 3.—At a day of
feminine sports held recently at
Dreux in which were represented
seven athletic associations of girls
and women from Paris, from Char-
tres, from Choisy-le-Roi, Auteuil
and Dreux, and from the Children's
Colony of the American Committee
for Devastated France at Boullay-
Thierry high honors were carried off
by the American trained girls.

The first prize of twenty-five
francs for the relay race and the first
prize of a similar sum for tug of war
—both typical American sports—
went to the children from the com-
mittee colony.

Little Mademoiselle Manteau of
Boullay-Thierry won first children's
prize and Mademoiselle Ratel, also
from the colony, second children's
prize for the running broad jump.
In the running high jump, too, and
the eighty meter dash, colony
children ran away with all the
honors.

All these prize winning girls are
children brought to the American
Committee Colony at Boullay-
Thierry from the devastated Aisne.
Once under nourished and undisci-
plined, with nerves suffering from
the shock of war, they have been fed
and warmed and educated and loved
back into healthy, happy normality.
The girls gymnastic and musical
drill are under the direction of Miss
Mary Hirtkamp, an American, while
the boys' work is supervised by Mon-
sieur Fallet, a hero of Verdun, with
Croix de Guerre and Medaille Mil-
itaire.

THINKS HAYWOOD CAN BE CONVICTED

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin)

CHICAGO, Aug. 3.—States Attor-
ney Hoynes expressed confidence of
obtaining a verdict against "Big
Bill" Haywood and thirty-six other
I. W. W. as a result of the con-
viction of William Lloyd and nine-
teen fellow members of the Com-
munist labor party on the charge of
conspiring to overthrow the federal
government, late yesterday.

About Ideal Small Boy.
There is something that always
makes me feel good—that is a red-
haired, freckle-faced little boy that can
whip all in his gang and at the same
time is not a bully.—Exchange.

KAFRISTANS A WARLIKE RACE

Hereditary Foes of Afghans, Their
Chief Form of Diversion Is
In Murderous Forays.

Adjoining Afghanistan, and now under
the same government, is Kafiristan,
a hilly country inhabited by primitive
but most interesting people. Like the
Afghans, they are warlike and hos-
pitable, but perhaps owing to the
abundance of vines in the country, are
great wine bibbers. Hitherto they
have been the hereditary enemies of
the Afghans, and still the raids and
forays on peaceful Afghan villages are
regarded as the choicest form of sport.

The gatherings of young warriors for
an attack on the Afghans are the oc-
casion of all-night revels, and a selec-
tion is made of the most promising
volunteers, an exchange says. The
raid lasts about a fortnight, and on
its return the party kindles bonfires
on a hilltop to announce its arrival.
On seeing the beacon the whole neigh-
borhood flocks to the spot, and who-
ever has killed a Mussulman is car-
ried shoulder high to the village, where
dancing and festivities are carried on
in celebration of his feat. He who
can boast of no victim is treated as
an outcast and his fellow villagers
give him food over their shoulders.

Drink Water When Tired.
Dr. Eliza B. Mosher of Brooklyn
urged the members of the Women's
Medical society of New York state to
drink a glass of water at 10 a. m. and
others at 3, 4 and 5 p. m. This, she
told them, would dilute the products
of fatigue which were entering the
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New York shoe firm announced
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ruth they would give him a pair
shoes. Babe might be hard on
one but thirty-three pair is more
an he needs so he has given
boys of a New York orphanage
claim to the shoes.
See, he has a heart for orphan
as he was in an orphanage
self one time.

Music of the Shepherds.
In the stillness of the night, what
more beautiful or soul-elevating than
the mournful music of a flute? It
was this instrument which the shep-
herds of Bethlehem were playing that
memorable night, when the angels in-
terrupted to announce to them the
birth of the Savior.

Economy.
The pot of gold at the end of the
rainbow—has anybody ever seen it?
Will anybody ever return with it?
Economy may mean the difference be-
tween living in a poor house and sup-
porting one.

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TWO MILLION DEAD IN SASKATCHEWAN

(By United Press to The Bend Bulletin)
REGINA, Sask., Aug. 3.—Two
million dead. That is the toll of
the great war waged this spring
and summer on gophers in this
province by school children eager
to win prizes, such as Shetland
ponies, sheep and pure bred pigs,
offered by the provincial govern-
ment to the best gopher hunters.
Elmer Oliver, a Golgate school boy,
was declared king of the gopher
hunters for having destroyed 11,171
of the rodents.

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