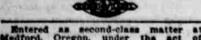
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40,000 FLIES SLAIN BY SIXTH GRADE **ROOSEVELT SCHOO**

urged to stir the schools into making such a movement. a competitive race. The children are not required to save the flies as the school authorities deemed it dangerous to health to have them kept in jars.

The parents are required to sign their children's score card vouching for the accuracy of the count,

The Roosevelt school has divided its grades into teams. Some of the rooms having as high as four teams in the race. The sixth grade room has a score of 39,600 flies killed.

Everett Rummell has high score with over 9000 flies killed, Art Foster second, with 7500 and James Medley third.

every aid to the work and personally has had score cards printed. He said. "We will do our part to Make Medford a flyless town."

MILITIA HEAD ORDERED

TRINIDAD, Colo., May 2 .- Direct charge that the Colorado National Guard officers gave the order to Donald, a stenographer for the military commission. The witness said the order was given by ettner Major uncertain which.

probably be hanged. Later he met Lieutenant Linderfelt, and asked Linderfelt if Tikas was hanged.

"No" he testified Linderfelt refelt carried a rifle over his shoulder the stock to the rear. The autopsy showed Tikas' skull was fractured.

W. J. BURNS, DETECTIVE. ROILS GEORGIA MOE

MARIETTA, Ga., May 2 .- W. J. Burns, famous detective was the center of an angry demonstration when he came here last night presumably in connection with the investigation of the case of Leo Frank, the Atlanta Colombia, not only because it protence of death for murdering 14 year old Mary Phagan.

One man in the crowd surrounding face. Others threatened the detective pal reason for the objection of the with violence if he made a move to resist the man.

Detective Burns escaped to a hotel. while C. W. Burke, who accompanied him here, summoned deputy sheriffs.

This was the home of the slain factory girl and many relatives still live here. The detective's assertion that Frank is innocent and James Conley, a negro factory sweeper convicted as an accessory after the murder, is alone responsible for the crime, aroused intense feeling here. Burns returned to Atlanta tonignt.

GRAIN GRADE BILL

WASHINGTON, May 2 .- By a vote of 37 to 20 the senate last night deleated Senator McCumber's bill proiding a federal inspection and grading of grain entering the interstate not be a humiliating thing, either. It mud designed to secure uniformity in standards and classifi-

TO SECURE RAILROADS

THE suggestion that a constitutional amendment be submitted to the people of Oregon, authorizing state and district participation in the construction of railroads, meets general approval.

There is every reason to believe that the submission of a similar amendement a few years ago caused the Hill invasion and the Harriman activity-both of which have the movement for municipal reform etc., together under one control. since petered out. The realization of state and district in America is confued to charter reaid would inaugurate another program of construction.

Railroads which have professed themselves unable to finance needed extensions would find the new law of a real and permanent reform, there workers to man the organization and material benefit, as the co-operation extended would en- are collateral movements which, to devise, supervise and use methods able the financing construction and operation of these while not essential parts of the char-that will give a broad, efficient proneeded lines. Where co-operation from railroads was withheld, it would permit the people themselves to secure portant. They have been introduced the relief sought, and the development of the region in some cities where the commission

An interesting view of the proposed amendment is ex pressed by Robert G. Smith of Grants Pass, who, as mayor is commonly referred to as the "ef- ing them easily understood, for the of his home city, initiated the effort to use the city's credit ficiency movement." to assist railroad building. Mr. Smith says in a letter to the Mail Tribune:

"Your editorial in Thursday's Mail Tribune suggests to me that the measures submitted to voters of Oregon in city manager plan; for in reality the what it cosis. 1908 for amending the constitution by providing for the eity manager plan is simply an imorganization of railroad building districts, ought again to proved feature added to the original be submitted to the voters of Oregon this year, and I would like to see the Mail Tribune lead in such a move-

"The amendments formerly submitted were defeated out of deserence to Mr. J. J. Hill, who was just entering best private business methods, clari- great benefit is to provide for a genupon some railroad building in this state. I had endeav- fying city finances, establishing ac- eral, well considered, well balanced The fly swatting campaign was ored to have such an amendment submitted by the legisstarted in earnest all over the city latures in 1903 and 1905, but the railroads of the state this week. Each school was fur- controlled both those sessions. The efforts of Grants Pass nished with score cards by the sup- to bond itself to build a railroad have been upheld by the erintendent and the principles were supreme court and its success will give great impetus to ernment from any position of isola-

"The law under which Grants Pass will issue bonds, which I prepared and had introduced in the legislature, passed the house with only two dissenting votes in 1913. Ignoring some of the fundamental This shows the change of sentiment in eight years.

"The Grants Pass act, however, applies only to incor- constantly pressing for solution, does porated cities and towns having over 3000 population, when the proper system would be to have the bonding dis- Wages, poverty, destitution, unemtrict comprise a county or several counties, thereby per- ployment, food supply, fuel supply mitting the bonds to rest upon all the territory benefited. are terms which used to be foreign The railroads thus built could be operated, leased or sold. to the vocabulary of a city govern-

"Objections would of course be made to burdening it is realized that community welfare lie affairs. Records must be kept in communities with bonds, but let us not forget that the is made up of the welfare of the inbonds of every railroad are the burden of the people dividuals. served, as they pay all the interest through fares and Superintendent Collins is giving freights, as well as dividends upon watered stock.

"The burden under municipal or county or district rail- York during the six years between roads would be no greater, and probably less. Last year the railroads in Oregon paid net profits of over six million dollars. If these were owned and operated by the lion dollars. If these were owned and operated by the employ experts to co-operate in putstate, the net profits would pay the entire cost of the state ting New York's city business on an rected it is poor satisfaction to the LUDLOW TENTS BURNED government, and provide a sinking fund of over one mil- efficiency basis. Similar agencies in taxpayer to know that each employed lion dollars a year.

"The great success of the municipal street railroads in the same time received \$300,000 from price and that there is no graft. San Francisco have opened the eyes of the nation, and the citizens for like work. Milwaukee One of the greatest causes of "clean out" the Ludlow tent colony public is beginning to realize that the people can engage in and Boston have established official waste and inefficiency is the lack of and burn the tents was made before enterprises that will pay profits, as well as those like sewthe coroner's jury today by J. R. Mcerage and police control, which are all outgo, with no year,
of the United States has organized growth. Lack of city planning or erage and police control, which are all outgo, with no revenue profits in return.

"But the greatest object is the development of a coun- the efficiency movement to govern-Hamrock, or Captain Carson, he was try now surrounded by the Southern Pacific on three mental problems. sides, with the ocean on the other side, and no railroads Questioned about the capture and leading to it. Ocean transportation is the key to Oregon's death of Louis Tikas, a Greek strike future, and against this the railroads have been fighting sponsibility and authority is a carcommotion behind the cars and was for half a century, and railroads to the Oregon harbors will dinal principle in commission governtold Tikas was a prisoner and would never come by their consent, at least not till their hand ment. Nothing would violate this is forced by the people.'

Mr. Smith's suggestions are good. Medford two years ago initiated a rate bill to secure relief from the railroads tion plied, "I gave instructions Tikas was and break Portland's throttling monopoly upon the traffic not to be killed but I shouldered a of the state. There is no reason why the community should rifle." The witness swore Linder not again take the lead this year in a continuation of the effort and secure relief as well as development by making Efficient because it makes officials possible a program of railroad construction.

This Country Owes Columbia Apology

(From the Sacramento Bee.) the recently negotiated treaty with poses to pay that nation \$25,000,000, but because it makes an open apol-

ogy to Colombia. The latter seems to be the princi-

This payment of \$25,000,000 was Colombia without any justification or apologize at the same time. right, save the right of might, and this apology was to be as a partial amende for a very dishonorable ac-

For when the United States took from Colombia the zone through which the Panama canal passes, she deliberately stole it. There is no other word to express the action, And even the man who did it-Theodore Roosevelt-can find no better excuse therefor than that it had to be done, or the construction of the Panama DEFEATED IN SENATE canal would be far, far in the future.

Under these circumstances the payment of this money, with an apology, would be little enough for this nation to do as a matter of common justice and common honor. It would would be an act of manliness and of

There is nothing cowardly

strong nation apologizing to a weak News comes from Washington to nation whom the potent one has the effect that the senate of the wronged. The act of manliness is United States may refuse to confirm to apologize. It is unmanly not to do so. And if the United States of America apologizes to Colombia for this theft after reimbursing her, she would not only be able to hold her hand higher among the nations of the earth, but she would be much better respected by her own citizens

By all means let the United State to be because of land taken from pay this money to Colombia and

It is very little reparation under the circumstances.

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THE NEW AMERICAN CITY

A Resume of the Recent Movement in Municipal Politics and the Salient Features of Civic Reform By Benj. C. Sheldon, Secretary Medford Charter Commission

VII.-THE EFFICIE NCY MOVEMENT.

ment) movement, are almost as im- the city. but in the main they accompany it. be complete; they must be system-Of these one of the most important atie; they must be on a plan mak-

(May I digress long enough to renind the reader that the term "comommission form).

Get Things Done

The efficiency movement has adcurate records of all transactions, diminating waste, checking opportunities for dishonesty and, above all else, providing thorough publicity.

It also aims to remove city gov tion and to make it the customary things done." Doing things efficiently means doing them thoroughly. and intimate problems of city life, not in the long run make for econ-

City Bureaus

Public-spirited citizens of New an official commission on economy and efficiency; all seeking to apply

Commission governed cities would not be consistent without the efficiency program. Centralization of reprinciple more than the distribution into parallel channels, among several employes, of a given technical func-

Good Charter Necessary

The efficiency movement considers the new charter (if it be a good one) responsive to the people's will; effic ient because it enables those clothe with responsibility to know exactly what they are expected to do, and the people to know whether they are doing it; efficient because it is easy to place both credit and blame; efficient because it rouses public interest in community affairs.

Charter revision usually stops with the establishment of such a machine designed for efficient work. It should not stop there. It should contain provisions that make obligatory the introduction of certain methods providing for the efficient maning and running of that machine True, if people do not elect honest and capable men, no kind of a char ter can make a good city administra tion, but it can help mightily both by providing methods that contribute to efficiency and by setting up alarn signals whereby the citizens generally can know how the machine is running and where it needs adjusting.

Efficient Organization

There must be an efficient organzation. That follows close after the efficient charter. An efficient or ganization places the right men in the right places, arranges work in proper classifications; makes clear ndividual responsibility and tasks

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In the mind of the average citizen brings detached bureaus for auditing,

Efficiency of personnel is imporvision. While that is of prime im- tant-in other words, a specially portance and in most cities a con- trained, skillfully directed and persummation necessarily precedent to manently employed corps of city ter revision (commission govern- gram of service to the citizens of

Accounting and reporting methods movement has not yet taken root, are of first importance. They muscitizen must judge officials by results and he cannot judge them without a full understanding of the facts. mission government," as I use it, and The alert citizen wants to know

Budget, Purchasing Agent Budget-making should be provided Officers can bring themselves and the people into close relations by

calling in general advice and help in dressed itself to bringing city busi. the making of a budget and then conness methods up to the level of the fining themselves strictly to it. It plan of action. It minimizes log rolling and trading.

There should be a business-like central purchasing agency to buy all supplies required by the city government, at the lowest price possible considering the quality and grade of and accepted agency for "getting the supplies required. Also proper storage regulations. Furthermore, every officer should maintain an ac curate list of all city property in his care, and the disposition of each item of the same.

Publicity

The efficiency movement requires ample publicity. Nothing less can be made to do. The publication of the ner, is the surest way to enable citia manner designed for a prompt transfer of the same, at any time, to reports that are self-explanatory.

It often happens that the most costly inefficiency is not extrava-1906 and 1912 contributed upwards gance or waste in doing work, but Philadelphia, Chicago, Cincinnati, is giving a full days work, that sup-Hoboken and eisewhere have during plies are purchased at a reasonable

poor planning are bosting American cities much more in the long run than graft and poorly qualified officials. German cities are setting us a derful example in that regard.

A charter should not be burdened with the details of these efficiency requirements. They are usually left to an administrative code. But the charter should provide that such a code must be adopted, and should specify some of the salient requirements for efficiency which such code should contain.

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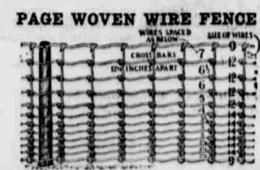
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