

WILL CITY EVER HAVE A MANAGER

Legislature Expected to Take Action on New Form of City Government

Will Hammond some day be controlled by a city manager? The question is not without import. While state laws do not at present permit this form of city government, there has for some time been a bill before the legislative bodies providing for it and although either voted down or tabled on several occasions, the same bill, revised and well sponsored, is soon again to be presented for consideration, this time with more than a fair assurance of success.

Optional for Cities.
The bill provides for an option between two forms of city government, each of which has been successfully tried. The one is the commission form; the other, the commission manager form. Singularly enough, it was a great disaster that introduced the first of these forms of government—the Galveston form of Sept. 5, 1900. Galveston, prior to that time, had the usual mayor and aldermen type of city control. No one was directly responsible. Consequently, under the strain of the flood conditions, the mayor and his council were helpless, and it remained for business men of the community to carry on the real rescue and reconstruction work. Finding what they could do in such a crisis, once it was over, these men drew up a commission form of government and it was approved by the Texas legislature. It provided for five commissioners, chosen irrespective of politics direct by the people, and to these five were given both the legislative and executive powers, only the judiciary being outside their province. The five commissioners, with a directly-elected "mayor-president" and a presiding officer, each has charge of specific civic tasks, divided into that of finance and revenue, public works, public affairs, public health and safety and commissioner of supplies. Each man is directly responsible, and is comparable to the various department heads in any well ordered big business.

Dates from Galveston.
Galveston's success was so immediate and so far in advance over the form they had had before that the recovery of the city from the flood has been one of the most remarkable instances in the history of any American city. Five years later Houston applied for and received a charter largely on the lines of the Galveston form. There was felt among other cities, however, that so few men in such autocratic control, left no adequate system of checks and balances, and it was left to Des Moines, Ia., to inaugurate an improved plan for the larger cities. This Des Moines plan calls for the entire time of the commissioners; provides compensating salaries and adopts the initiative, referendum and recall as checks upon its city officers. Three hundred cities over the country have run under this plan, selecting their officers under non-partisan conditions.

Plan Then Travels.
Lockport, N. Y., then added one more to the five commissioners of the Des Moines and Galveston plans—a city manager. While New York state did not grant the charter, the plan has since been adopted in other states, the



Eugene Myers, Jr.

Invited to speak before the joint agricultural committee of the house and senate now working toward enacting legislation to relieve the farmers, Eugene Myers, Jr., urged congress to place the war finance corporation in operation again. He was formerly manager of the finance corporation. He pointed out to the committee that the corporation is intact and in full possession of all the powers it has ever possessed, including the power to insure its own bonds, as it did in April, 1919, to the extent of \$200,000,000.

Thought Man Was Crazy

"I have suffered from stomach and liver trouble for years; the last two years people have been calling me crazy. The doctors could not do anything for me. The awful bloating of gas seemed to press against my brain and I could not think clearly. Three months ago a friend advised taking May's Wonderful Remedy and it has worked wonders in my case. All my bloating and suffering is gone and I feel as though newly born." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One does not require or money refunded. Summers Pharmacy and druggists everywhere. —Adv.

IMMIGRATION LAW, PROPOSED, WOULD STOP THIS FLOW



Part of the daily stream of immigrants leaving Ellis Island to settle in various sections of the country.

If legislation now being discussed in congress is enacted, immigration to the U. S. practically will be halted for at least a year. Proponents of the ban on the influx of Europeans assert that a continuation of the stream will work a hardship on the wage earners now in the U. S. and will present other difficult problems. The ocean liners have been bringing on an average of 16,000 aliens a week to Ellis Island, the immigration clearing house. This means that 823,000 would come within a year. The proposed measures under discussion do not bar relatives of immigrants now in the U. S. or the tourist and business classes.

largest city now using it being Dayton, Ohio. The city manager is to the city what the general manager is to the industry. He is the nerve center with five important motor connections. The system unquestionably has the effect of fixing responsibility, something not strictly true of our present system. It has resulted in a great improvement in the honesty of public officials, and because it has embodied the principles of the initiative referendum and recall, it is a genuine expression of the will of the people. While admittedly not the same in the point of efficiency, it has proved where tried, nevertheless, better than the government of cities of like grade using the old mayor and council system. No business organization would for a moment consider running on the hit-or-miss plan of the usual Indiana city governing boards—at least not with competition and efficiency the powerful words they are in business of today. Neither, the friends of the commission plans argue, should Indiana cities remain longer running on their present system.

Recall Omitted.
One feature omitted in the pending bill is the powerful weapon of the recall, though the initiative and referendum is retained. As it now stands, the bill provides that at any time, not less than thirty days after the passage of the act, at least 10 per cent of those who voted at the last preceding general municipal election may file a petition with the city clerk asking that the question of adoption of either of the plans of government be submitted to the electors of the city. If the petition is found to obtain the required number of proper signatures, the city clerk within five days must certify the results of his examination to the legislative authority of the city at the

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Butter	Best Pure Cane Granulated	Very Best Guaranteed
51c lb.	10 pounds for	65c doz.
3 pounds for \$1.51.	89c	3 Dozens for \$1.93.
Campbells	Mixed Nuts	Campbells
Soups — All Kinds	Fancy No. 1 New Crop	Pork and Beans
3 Cans 29c	4 lbs. 95c	3 Cans 32c

Good Luck	BUTTERINE	61c
Soaps	2 POUNDS FOR	
Coffee		
Cereals		

American Family	Our Own Import	Kellogg's Corn Flakes, 3 for 30c
P. & G. Naphtha	Guaranteed to be the best	Post Toasties, 3 for 32c
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Amber Soap	can buy.	Quaker Oats, large 29c
Kirk's White Flare	Sold with a money back guar-	Armour Oats, large 29c
Lava Soap	antee if not satisfactory.	
Star Soap	Come in and get a sample.	

10 Bars 59c	3 lbs 98c	
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JELLO	ALL FLAVORS	29c	FLOUR	GOLD MEDAL	1.19
	3 PACKAGES FOR			24 1/2 lb. bag for	

CANNED GOODS Milk MISCELLANEOUS

Apricots in Syrup	Tall Carnation—2 for 25c	Aunt Jemima Pancake Flour—
large can, 3 for 75c	Tall Mansfield, 2 for 23c	3 packages for 47c
Peaches—California	Guaranteed Best Quality	Flour—4 lb. bags, for 48c
large can, 3 for 75c	Tall Hebe—3 for 25c	Buckwheat—package, 3 for 52c
Strawberries—No. 2 size can	Tall Nutro—3 for 23c	Buckwheat, 4 lb. bags 53c
3 for 75c		Peanut Butter—Pure—
Cherries in Syrup—red-pitted.		5 pound pail for \$1.19
3 for 75c		Red Karo—5 lb. pail for 41c
Corn—3 for 29c	National Biscuit Co.	Macaroni or Spaghetti—Red
Tomatoes—3 for 29c	SODA CRACKERS	Cross, 3 for 25c
Peas—3 for 29c	Per Pound 16c	Yeast Foam, 3 for 25c
		Pure Apple Butter, qt. jar 45c

Peaches	Prunes	Navy Beans
Muir California Fancy	Sweet Meaty California	New Michigan Hand Picked
3 pounds 77c	3 pounds 54c	10 pounds 59c

first class, of seven members in cities of the second and third classes and of five members in cities of the fourth and fifth classes.

Each Commissioner Salaried.
Each commissioner shall receive a salary of not to exceed \$600 in cities of the first and second classes, of \$500 in cities of the third and fourth classes, and of \$300 in cities of the fifth class. In every city the mayor shall receive an additional salary equal to 50 per cent of the amount he receives as commissioner.

The city manager is to be appointed by the commission for an indefinite period and shall be removable at its pleasure.

TRY A "TIMES WANT AD"

Bureau's Good Work.
The bureau of American ethnology, by its extensive work, is preserving much of value concerning the Indian tribes of North America—not only their language and customs, but also their habits and other material remains. The annual report is enriched every year with the results of various investigations among the Indians, giving them an interest, not only to scientists, but also to the average man interested in the story of this once powerful race, which is rapidly disappearing through being absorbed into the other races.

"True Lovers' Knot" Explained.
A true-lovers' knot is the Danish trelovelses-knot, "betrothment bond," not a compound of true and lover.

MANY WOMEN USE GLYCERINE MIXTURE

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Three Pound Can .. **\$1.05**

PRESERVES—Monarch brand, pure Strawberry. Dozen 17 oz. jars \$3.75. 32c per jar	APRICOTS—Bee brand, fine quality—dozen cans \$2.00 17c per large size can.
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Sugar Best Granulated with grocery order of \$2.00 or more (flour or soap not included), 10 lbs. for 85c

BUTTERINE—Jelke's Good Luck, per pound 32c	BUTTER—Our very best, per pound 55c
WALNUTS—Fancy Imported 3 lbs. 88c, per pound 30c	FILBERTS—Fancy Sicily per pound 18c
MIXED NUTS—The best grade only, per pound 26c	MINCEMEAT—Rice's No. 96 Condensed, 3 pkgs. 47c; per pkg. 16c
MINCEMEAT—Ready for use quart jar 45c	PLUM PUDDING—Curtis Blue Label or Savoy. Each 39c
PICKLES—Sweet Mixed, full quart jar 45c	PURE APPLE CIDER—Gallon jug, \$1.00; large bottle for 30c
Sour, Dill of Chow Chow Pickles, large jar for 25c	PEANUT BUTTER—Monarch brand, 10 oz. jar for 21c
WINE—Virginia Dare per bottle 85c	BAKED BEANS—Oriole Brand dozen cans \$1.30, per can 11c
PEACHES—Packed in heavy syrup, large can for 39c	COFFEE—Fancy Peaberry 4 pound limit. Per pound 22c
ORANGES—Large California Navels. Each 5c	

Christmas Candy

Of course, you'll be wanting all kinds of Candies for holidays and it is not too early to put in large supplies. Deliciously fresh Candies—just the sorts you love—pure and dainty as they make them will be found in our Candy corner and the "Candy Island" on the main aisle. It's a popular place these days—prices are very low. Below are a few specials:

POP CORN BALLS—For the Christmas Tree, pink and white, per dozen 29c	BROKEN MIXED CANDY—The kind Children like for Christmas Satin finish. Per pound 35c
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We have a nice assortment of Candy, all pure goods, at a very low price. Come in and look this over. Per lb. 20c

WALNUT MEATS—All halves per pound 59c	CRACKER JACK OR CHUMS 3 packages for 25c
JELLY ROLLS—For the Christmas Tree. Per pound 35c	LOTUS CHOCOLATES—the best kinds. 1 pound box for 85c

We have the best stock of Christmas Candies displayed in Hammond at prices that are right. Special prices to churches and schools, in any quantities.

Bring the Kiddies to the Great Santa Claus TOY STORE

The exhibition is the best we have ever presented. The most eager child will not be disappointed—something they have been wanting for so long. Bring them tomorrow and Saturday—these below are special:

BOYS' MILITARY DRUM—large size, fiber head, special at 89c	KID BODY DOLL—full jointed, well made, \$3.25 large size, at 33.25	KIDDIE KAR—a real kar, well made \$1.69 extra heavy
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