

"CITY MANAGER" PLAN GAINING WIDE FAVOR

Northwestern University Expert Predicts Early Doom of Old Time Ward Politics

All great American cities of the future will be administered by the "city manager" plan, according to Dr. Augustus Raymond Hatton, professor of political science of Northwestern university who was retained this week to conduct a research bureau on this comparatively new system of city government for the International City Managers' association.

Dr. Hatton will open his first semester at Northwestern next week. He is well known the country over for his work in presenting the advantages of the city management idea to municipalities who have shown interest in the plan. His research work will not interfere with his duties as professor on the Evanston campus, however.

Represents 350 Cities

The International City Managers' association represents 350 cities in the United States, Canada and New Zealand which are run by city managers.

The bureau to be operated by Dr. Hatton is assured of an annual appropriation of at least \$100,000 with which to carry on its work for five years, it has been announced.

In addition to cities in foreign countries, a dozen American cities have adopted this system, according to Dr. Hatton. They include Cleveland, Indianapolis (not yet in effect) Cincinnati, Kansas City, Grand Rapids, Dayton, Sacramento, Fort Worth, Miami, Tampa, Rapid City, New London and Portland, Me.

Politicians Doomed

The doom of ward politicians and machine politics is assured with the adoption of city managerships, Dr. Hatton said. The system enables the operation of the city government as a business and not a political enterprise. It usually consists of a hired "manager" under the direction of a small group of trustees or "council," who advise him but do not dictate to him.

Dr. Hatton's research work will take him to Winnetka and Glencoe which are operated under the city manager plan fostered by the Northwestern professor. The success they have achieved leads Dr. Hatton to believe the plan is especially suited to small towns, and his work will be directed along those lines for some time.

1,000 Students "Knock at Gates" of Medical School

Of the more than 1,000 applicants for admittance to the freshman class in the school of medicine of Northwestern university this year, 122 have been accepted, Dr. Irving S. Cutter

has announced. Only five of this number were admitted with the minimum two-year college preparation. Fifty-five have had four years of college preparation and have received the first degree in arts. One has a Ph.D. degree.

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