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WORK SHOULD BE THOROUGH.

The county commissioners have signed a contract with Joseph W. Wilson of Corvallis, Or., and forwarded it to him for signature, calling for the experting of county records for ten years past for the sum of \$1300,

The Tribune is the original advocate of experting county records, but it believes the work should be done in thorough and workmanlike manner or not at all. It believes that a change in the present system of keeping accounts is as essential as the experting.

The Tribune has gone quite thoroughly into the cost of experting the records, and does not believe that any competent expert can afford to go over the records of ten years for double the money to be paid Mr. Wilson. Certainly no well established firm of experts will guarantee to do it. Mr. Wilson does not agree to establish a more modern system of bookkeeping, either.

What Mr. Wilson's credentials as an expert are, is not known. However, the laborer is always worthy of his hire if his work be well done, but cheap pay usually brings cheap work, and if the books be not thoroughly gone over, better save the taxpavers the money a slipshod job would

TO TEACH ROAD CONSTRUCTION.

One of the most practical matters to engage the attention of that most practical institution, the Oregon agricultural college, is a course to be given this winter on road construction. Earth, gravel and broken stone roads will each be studied. Drainage and its importance to highway construction, including methods of drainage, carrying capacity of tile, manner of laying tile drains, determining proper grades for drains, etc., will be earefully studied The effect of grade upon traffic for different kinds of road, the effect of rise and fall, crown, rolling, manner of applying the road surfacing material, etc., will all be considered. Also methods of repair and maintenance will be giv en due consideration.

At the recent sessions of President Roosevelt's country life commission in Portland, no subject received more consideration than did country roads. Throughout the discussions, the opinion was repeatedly expressed by the farmers and others present, that one of the most essential requirements for better rural conditions is better publie highways, and as each student who avails himself of this course returns to take up his business of farming he will not only be an advocate of better roads, but will be able to construct them properly. The coarse will supply a long felt want.

It would be a good idea for Jackson county to send its road builders for a course at Corvallis-they need it.

The CHILDREN'S X-MAS



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