PORTLAND, OREGON, FRIDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 10, 1905.

WORKS WELL

Public Employment Agency Secured Positions for Twenty Thousand Last Year.

COST CITY SIX CENTS FOR EACH PLACE FOUND

Expense of Running Office Thirteen Hundred Dollars-Private Concerns Are Licensed and Under Strict Regulation for Public's Protection.

Seattle pioneered the way in establishing municipal employment agencies in this country. The office there was first opened in 1894, since when it has been maintained by the city and constantly is increasing its usefulness. Establishment of a public employment agency in Portland having become a live issue, The Journal has secured facts regarding the work in Seattle.

Although a public agency is maintained by the city of Seattle, there are from 15 to 20 private agencies which are licensed and controlled by city ordinance. The public office is in high favor with the working classes and has the cordial support of the union labor element of the city. Laundries severally years ago agreed to receive employes through the public agency and many, other institutions requiring considerable help have been quite partial to this institution.

An Economical Arrangement.

Seattle maintains the civil service commission in conjunction with the municipal employment agency, to the extent of having the labor commissioner, who has charge of the agency, serve as seretary of the civil service commission, and his stenographer perform the service commission, and his stenographer perform the service commission. form the work of a clerk in the em-ployment office. This arrangement re-duces the salary charge materially, but duces the salary charge materially, but taxes the secretary heavily. The appropriation for this work never has been large, so that the agency could do little advertising. Labor Commissioner A-H. Grout, who has been in that office for many years and who is one of the most ardent champions of public employment agencies, has won the confidence of both the employer and employing classes. Despite the fact that the present arrangement requires most of his time as accretary of the civil service commission, Mr. Grout is able to perform important services for the unemployed laboring element, and is instrumental in placing an average of 2,000 persons each month in suitably places.

of any or by both fine and imprisonment not exceeding the places.

In the annual report issued by the labor commissioner for the year 1964 is set forth a summary of the work done, average per month and cost to the entity per position furnished from any garded the country, as the first work and are family as the total number of positions furnished was 3.976, monthly average 441, total expense \$100.85 and cost to the city for each position 2.23 cents; 1895, 1571; monthly average 482; total expense, \$1.20; cost per position, \$2.33 cents; 1895, total of 3.463 positions. Set total cost, \$724.85; average cost per position, \$2.1.35 cents; 1896, total cost, \$1,137.13; total cost, \$724.85; average cost per position, \$4.80; average cost per position, \$4.90; total cost, \$1,132.51; average cost per position, \$4.90; total cost, \$1,23.46; average cost per position, \$4.90; total cost, \$1,23.96; monthly average, \$2.300; total cost, \$2.340; total expense, \$1,23.96; average cost per position, \$4.90; total cost, \$2.340; total expense, \$1,23.96; average cost per position, \$4.90; total cost, \$2.340; total expense, \$1,23.96; average cost per position, \$4.90; total cost, \$2.340; total expense, \$1.200; total cost, \$2.340; total expense, \$2.300; total

e. \$1.368.35; average cost per po 6.36 cents.

Saving to Unemployed., mputing what the city saved to imployed, \$1.25 is taken as ar the unemployed, \$1.25 is taken as ay average amount usually paid to employment agencies for work by laborers and others. If the average cost for all work furnished by the municipal agency of Seattle is placed at 5 cents, which is fair, the saving per position is \$1.20, or a total for the year of 1903 in Seattle of \$38,366, and a grand total for all of the time that the Seattle of fice has been open of much more than \$250,000. Labor Commissioner Grout in his annual report of 1991, notes that a man or woman seeking employment is as a rule in more urgent need of help than at any other time in his or her career, and that this saving effected for the unemployed by the Seattle agency does more to help those who need help than any other work that the municipality could undertake.

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It is found in practice at Seattle that a woman or girl is helped by the public office about once where men are helped six times. This is accounted for by the fact that the men outnumber women in the fields of labor and general work on a greater scale than these figures show. Many hop-pickers are furnished in the summer and railroad hands are sent out in throngs when railroad construction is in progress near by. No class of positions is represented more heavily than another, considering the number of people engaged. Some years the agency accomplishes more than in others, because of the varying demands for labor, but there has been a steady tendency to grow, despite the fact that little effort has been made to increase the appropriation and broaden the scope of work. The labor commissioner says that if he were given a latitude to advertise at given times, and get in touch with both employer and employe, he could accomplish far greater results. For some time the average cost of maintaining the agency has been \$1.300 a year, exclusive of rent, telephone, light and fuel, all of which are small items.

Private Agencies Licensed.

Seattle prescribes an annual license of \$100 annually for private employment agencies, payable in advance, and no license is issued for a less period than one year. Any private agency taking a fee for giving employment must give a receipt showing the amount, name of the applicant, wage to be paid, place where work is promised, and on this is a promise to refund the money without delay if the employment is not secured as indicated. This obligation does not extend to payment of the expenses incurred by the applicant is seeking the work indicated. On the reverse side of the receipt is a blank for the prospective employer to fill, indi-Private Agencies Licensed. verse side of the receipt is a blank for the prospective employer to fill, indicating why the employment promised was not given. It is specifically stated that the entering into any agreement between an employment agent or person. firm or corporation for whom labor is furnished, by which the laborer accepting work furnished in this manner shall be discharged soon after receiving the same and another hired; shall be unlawful, and may be punished by a fine of \$100 or imprisonment not exceeding 30 days, or by both fine and imprisonment. Washington has no state law to control such operations, this regulation being by municipal ordinance.

Chairman Baker of State Republican Committee Asks Money to Boom the Cause.

THINKS PLACE IS WELL WORTH AN ASSESSMENT

Those Invited to Contribute Do Not Concur and New Machine May Have to Go Its Rusty Way Unoiled.

Frank C. Baker, chairman of the Reublican state central committee, according to common report, has organ-ized to raise a big campaign fund for the coming year, not less than \$20,000, according to estimates that have be made. It is claimed that he has levied assessments on members of that party throughout the state who are presumed to be aspirants for office.

It is said that the chairman has writ of the great need for funds to carry on the coming state campaign, and that the amount asked ranges from \$1,000 down to \$250, according to the importance of the office wanted.

One Who Was Assessed.

One of the Republicans to whom he is said to have written is R. Alexander of Pendleton. Mr. Alexander is one of the most prominent merchants of eastern Oregon and several years ago was a candidate for the Republican

was a candidate for the Republican nomination for state treasurer. He was not nominated, although he had strong support in all parts of Oregon.

It is understood that Chairman Baker addressed to Mr. Alexander a letter in which the situation is described as imperatively demanding liberal contributions, and the opinion expressed that, if Mr. Alexander would send to Mr. Baker half a thousand dollars, the cause of good government thereby would be of good government thereby would be advanced and the state would be started toward its political salvation

He Will Not Donate.

Equally authentic is the statement that Mr. Alexander did not buy a draft for \$500 and mail it to Mr. Baker, and that it is not his intention to do so.
The attempted assessment is said to
have been prompted by the theory that
Mr. Alexander is again a candidate for
the Republican nomination for state
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FRANCE REBUFFS AMERICA IN SHEPARD CASE

State Department Told That MINERS TO ENTERTAIN Reckless Automobilist Was Lucky to Escape as He Did.

(Journal Special Service.).
Washington, Nov. 10.—France has turned down the state department of the United States in the latter's attempted interference in the punishment recently meted out to Elliot F. Shepard. because of the killing in France lately of a French child by running over it with an automobile which was going at a terrific rate of speed.

The state department was importuned, it is stated, by various influential persons of the Shepard, Sleane and Vander bilt families to interfere in the matter ade to rescind the court order fining

and incarcerating young Shepard. It day afternoon. is alleged the answer from the French government was to the effect that Mr. as the train will not arrive here till Shepard had been given the minimum 3:15 and will leave at 4:20, plans are penalty, as under the law it was a case under way to show the visitors the best of homicide and he was very lucky to escape with such a light sentence.

PORTLAND EXCURSION

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
Grants Pass, Or., Nov. 18.—Preparations are under way for the entertainment of the members of the Portland business men's excursion while the vis-itors are in Grants Pass next Wednes-

The Kind You Have Always Bought

men will be in Grants Pass but an hour, under way to show the visitors the best that Grants Pass affords and give them a taste of southern Oregon hospitality. The Grants Pass Miners' association will be host on the occasion of the visit of the Portland business men. An especial display of gold, and gold and copper quartz will be made at the permanent minerals exhibit room of the city for the benefit of the guests, and of placer gold at the local banks. A short program is being planned and will be given at the mining building. The main object on the part of those who have the entertainment of the business men in hand is to better acquaint them with the conditions and needs of Josephine county.

HEIVERS IS DIVORCED

Detroit, Mich. Nov-10. Counte May de Sziliassy, formerly Miss Louis May Hecker, daughter of Colonel Fran

a divorce from her titled husband. Count Gyuin Hope Joseph de Saillassy.

The action for annulment of the marriage was brought by the counters and nonsupport was the technical charge. Saillassy was formerly secretary of the Austrian legation at Washington and the wedding of the count and Miss Hecker took place in Detroit in 1898, and was a big social event.

Behind the charge of nonsupport is the tale of the rich American heiress and impecunious nobleman in search of wealth. It is said that immediately after their marriage the count importuned his bride for large sums of money and after their return to Austria his treatment of her was so brutal that Colonel Hecker went to Europe and brought his daughter home.

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