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Under Present System It Is Impossible for Executive **Board to Exercise Judgment** in Extending Contracts.

(Continued From Fage One.) tions is carried on by an individual

Iore "At the present time a number of th utside men-supervisors, engineers and foremen-are required to keep office records. This is particularly true of the division of sidewalks, Best results either from an engineering or a ical standpoint cannot be obtained when the field superintendents are required to spend considerable time in the office keeping accounts and preparing reports. Restricted Jurisdiction of Department.

"The title of the department of engincering indicates that its duties are chief engineer is available, and he big tuber weighs 4 pounds, 13 ounces, anould be, for use by any department and is one of several unusually large palate. involving in its operations the construction or maintenance of public This, however, is not the case. The duties of the engineering depart-ment are limited and very closely restricted to the control of sewers, side alks, highways and bridges.

"For example, the highway division of this department has no control whatsoever over the construction and maintenance of park roads. Why? There is absolutely no difference in either the engineering or administrative difficulties in the construction and mainten-ance of park roads from those found on city streets. The lack of such centralization necessitates the duplication of force and equipment.

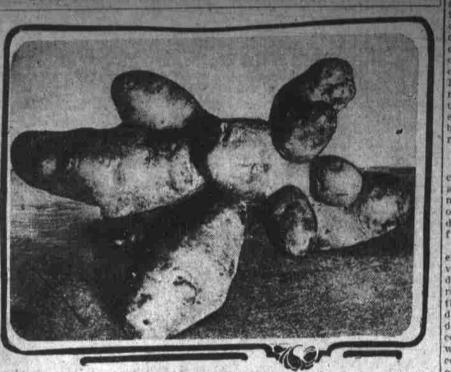
"Moreover, it points toward a lack of proper supervision over the public works within the parks. To succeed in his position, the superintendent of parks must lay particular emphasis upon the development and operation of parks, playgrounds, etc. It is almost impossible to find a man competent to administer the social side of park operation and at the same time be trained in the administration of public works' Improvements.

Reorganization Reeded.

"The supervision of pavement conatruction has been delegated to three district engineers, one in charge of the west side and two on the east side of the city. As the pavement problem in Portland in the past few years has been almost entirely construction, such an organization was no doubt well warranted. In the near future, however, the problem will be one of maintenance and not construction, at which time the present organization will not be the best for carrying on the work. It will then be necessary to district the be brought flush to the rail to a very great advantage. On lower Morrison city for maintenance and to establish one overhead division for all construcand Washington streets, also on Third, tion work, just the reverse of the present organization.

"Each district engineer has a separsie force for the supervision of pave- obtained from such construction meth construction; each district has ods is especially apparent. an individual surveying bureau and a

Need for Subsurface Maps.



GIANT POTATO RAISED IN LOCAL GARDEN

Lordly "family" of tubers, which weighs nearly fourteen pounds

A potato fit for a giant, which is | ones which Mrs. Jones dug up last sea really 10 smaller potatoes in one, is son. Mrs. Jones says that the increased the product of the truck garden of Mrs. rainfall is probably responsible for the general for the entire city-that the J. T. Jones, 392 Minnesota avenue. The increased growth. The large potatoes, the grower says, are satisfying to the

> should be extended at least to the curb specification on the contract. At the sification, for the actual physical filing company then will be compelled to treat lines of each lot and all contemplated present time the only certification of correspondence and reports." changes in street fallways made prior made by the inspector is when the to paving or repaving of streets unless work is finally accepted. Proper control the property owners and street railway of any form of public works' construccompanies waive in writing the right tion demands current detailed reports to have such extensions made or work with certification by the inspectors as done within a definite number of years to the accuracy of the figures of their thereafter. When such agreements are reports and the quality of the material made they should run with the land used, submitted daily,

and bind the heirs and assigns. If the Office Organization Defective. law on this subject is inadequate, it "The physical arrangement of an ofshould be supplemented and then enfice, coupled with the organization of forced, so as to prevent Portland's pavethe personnel, is a very important item ments from being torn up soon after in developing efficient administration. they are constructed. It is evident that At the present time the chief clerk is in permission to tear up pavements has y a separate room with the office enmany cases been too easily obtained. gineer and cannot have any direct su-

Car Line Area Should Be Improved. pervision over the clerical force. Three clerks are in the main receiving room; "The street railroad comapnies are another clerk engaged on recording of required to maintain the street pavepavement estimates is isolated in anment between the outside rails of their other room; the cost accounts of the decided to have a rose show in conneccar tracks and one foot in addition each side. On almost every street stone blocks are used as runners or toothing maintenance division are kept in an en- tion with a eugenics exhibit at Penin tirely different room; while the sewer sula park this year and plans for these records on construction are in still anstones from eight to twelve inches outother room. side the car rall, although the streat "Cooperation among employees and coproper is paved with sheet asphalt, bitu-

under present conditions. The account- for representation. The United Artiing and recording division of the de- sans have already applied for a car partment of engineering is a distinct Mr. Nolta says it will be the most overhead function of that department unique street car parade ever held, requiring as special qualifications for supervision as the construction of sewers or highways. The present chief

clerk has the tille without the powers. "rom experience in many other cities. Parkhurst, who has \$20,000 invested in it has been found that a fundamental gineering and public works departments has been the lack of coordination and cooperation between the accounting and the engineering.

Accounting Records Neglected.

"Fundamental accounts for control over appropriations and expenditures, contracts and open market orders, are conspicuous by their absence. There are no proper accounting records in the main office worthy of name. In making-the survey of this partic

the guidance of an administrator.

information was not to be obtained.

"From the appropriation accounts it

was impossible to determine the unen-

cumbered balance which would be avail-

minor exceptions). There was also no

information of balances outstanding on

Regarding Cost Records.

Ordi

an attempt was made to obtain

ndex has been prepared in order link the information recorded in large cum bersome bound books could be mad-vallable for easy reference. By enter-ing such records direct on the index cards themselves, die whole operation could be eliminated. There are severa other instances of similar duplication of work due simost entirely to the use of bound books for recording purposes It is fundamental in all public works recording where accessibility depends upon a location index that the original entries be made on cards rather than in bound books, such cards to be filed directly by location.

Should Use Central Files. "The department multialns an effi-

(United Press Lansed Wire's San Francisco, April 21.-With the wireless operators who are on strike tent filing division. Hence, it seem abaurd that the plans, profiles and maps are not all kept there in charge against the Marconi company leaving of the filling clerk. Strangely, the sewer of the filing clerk. Strangely, the sewer vessels as rapidly as they enter port, division maintains an entirely distinct Fresident S. J. Konenkamp, of the Commercial Telegraphers' union, who i iling room

The present system of correspondhandling the strike alfuntion here, de-clared that everything is going satisence control operated by the filing division is sufficiently comprehensive and factorily and that victory will be th detailed to control correspondence and ultimate result, Nine operators quit work yesterday. records after they have once reached

the files. However, a large part of the One was on the steamer Kilburn, which department's problem in scorrespondence sailed for Eureka; two left the Lurline lepends upon the control of reports and when it arrived in port, and two left the Havalei. Five other men not assigned orrespondence, particularly complaints, while in transit through the office. This to the vessels joined in the strike.

could be established by a simple form of registration when the meil is received and in the charging of letters and reports to the various division heads to whom such correspondence should be referred. Duplication in the fore being called out, but as rapidly as should be referred. Duplication in the they arrive at their home ports they filing sytem of card indexing by name join the strike. Konenkamp says that and subject could be avoided by the inthe Marconi company will stallation of a subject classification replace the union men for a few days based either on the duodecimal principal but that the supply of non-union oper of classification, or the pneumonic classators soon will be exhausted and the with the union.

PART OF 1913 FESTIVAL

The people of the Peninsula have de Successful business men of Portland cided to reintroduce the Rose Train and Rose Shower as features of the Rose the county jail, if a plan suggested by "Pat" C. Lavey, the real estate dealer Festival this year. A meeting of the serving time in that institution, is ful-Ladies' Auxillary of the North Portland filled. Commercial club will be held in the

The most prominent of those in this city will be asked to donate their serv-North Portland branch library this ices for a night and speak to the jail inevening to discuss plans for the unique mates on success in business. The plan feature. Other parts of the Peninsula is approved by Sheriff Word. district will be represented by delegates. At present each Wednesday night

Mrs. G. F. Manning will be the dele-gate from St. Johns. It has also been song and gospel services are heard in the Jall, interested church people having charge of these services. Lavey's plan may be put into effect

within a short time. If it proves suc events will be discussed this evening cessful it is likely that the work will be a permanent feature at the jail. J. H. Nolta has been put in charge

of the rose train. He asks that all ordination of effort cannot be expected lodges in the city make arrangements

Crater Lake Hotel.

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, April 24.-Alfred H a hotel at Crater Lake, is here to learn cause for the lack of efficiency in en- from the interior department what rights he may have and whether his investment there will be respected.



Strs. Kilburn, Lurline and Hanalei Abandoned by Wireless Men on Strike.

WANTS GOVERNMENT TO OWN PHONE LINES The city council by unanimous vote

yesterday went on record as being in favor of governmental ownership of telphone and telegraph lines, when the

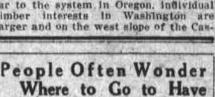
> wire system of the United States. OF ROSEBURG, OR., ELECT

Roseburg, Or., April 24 .- The '91 Mental Culture club, of Roseburg, has elected officers for the coming year. President Konénkamp has received elected officers for the coming year, telegrams from San Pedro and Seattle as follows: Mrs. William Bell, presisaying that the same thing is taking dent: Mrs. O. Olsson, first vice presi-place in those ports. Wherever possible dent: Mrs. J. A. Buchanan, second vice the men are allowed to return home be-



C. H. Flory, assistant United States district forester, is in Seattle attending the spring meeting of the Washington Forest Fire association, which is being held this week at the office of the state

WOULD HAVE BUSINESS fire warden, beginning today, The work of the Washington Forest MEN ADDRESS PRISONERS fire association has been extramely ef fective. While its organization is similar to the system in Oregon, individual will give at least one night a week timber interests in Washington speaking to the prisoners locked up in larger and on the west slope of the larger and on the west slope of the Cas-



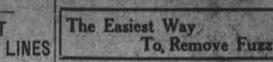
Dr. U. S. G. Fletcher, Suite 72 and 73 Selling-Hirsch building, a local Chirop-odist, announces he has just recently installed electrical rotary for removing ingrowing and clubnall excess callouse from the planter part of the feet, pos-itively one of the latest and most com-Construct it is likely that the work will be a permanent feature at the jall, and a set of the latest and most complete apparatus known in this profession with this new device. It is not necessary to use a knife at all, thereby eliminating all pain, making the operation a pleasure to you. Also eliminating the bills as are married men, according to Edwin Drake, credit man for Rosenfeld Brothers, who gave an address on the subject of credit at last night's dinner of the Portland setail merchants at the Hotel Oregon. C. T. Berg presided at the dinner, Mr. Drake said that inasmuch as the single man usually has no one dependent on him he

Properly.





Because the nutional forests and the state of credit business done in Portland flian in any other city on the Paulific cosst. W. P. Jones, vice president of the Merchants National bank, spoke on the abject of credit between banker and re-tail merchant. R. W. Raymond spoke in behalf of the World's Christian Citizen-ship conference.



(Boudoir Secrets.)

No longer is it necessary for women troubled with hair on face or arms to submit to the torturous electric needle, or experiment with injurious preparalawmakers adopted a resolution urging tions, for powdered delatone, mixed with the Oregon delegation in congress to water to form a paste and spread on the the Oregon delegation in congress to use their efforts to have the federal au-thorities assume control of the talking wire system of the United States. '95 MENTAL CULTURISTS '95 MENTAL CULTURISTS

Eyebrows can be made to grow thick and glossy by rubbing a little pypoxin on each day. Short, straight cyclasses become long and have a beautiful will curl if pyroxin be audied at lash roots with thumb and forefinger. Be real careful and don't get any where no hair is wanted .- Adv.



computing division which does consid This is the same draughting criticism subsequently noted herein relative to organization in the sewer diand is a very serious hindrance to obtaining best results. "Notwithstanding the large amount

of paving construction, there is a total lack of comprehensive progress reports on work done and material used. To establish any sort of control over pavement construction, it is absolutely essential that current statements of work one and quantities used be returned inspectors to the main office and there recapitulated by contracts for the use of the engineers in charge.

No Checks on Time,

"How it is possible for the executive board to exercise proper judgement in extending the time limits of contracts beyond the time specified therein without current progress reports is bey and our conception. As shown by the min-utes of the executive board, it is nevertheless customary to grant time extensions. For example, during the eight months following march 1, 1912. than real.

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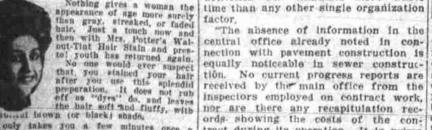
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"Although it is of great advantage to limits will very soon have to be exthe administrator to have the complete panded. history of each contract filed together extension of the city is when the adin one place, it has not been done. For engineering purposes and for current control over construction operations a duplicate copy of the contract, the curits. rent progress reports, statements of amount of money pald, reports from the from the inspector on quantities used should be readily available. "Sewer, water and gas connections graphic expansion of the city.



Use Walnut-Tint Hair Stain to Re- division. Such recording is a clerical

tain Their Attractiveness.



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The set first-class integrates associate 25 cents estimates. The set and address and concesse 25 cents estimates of your annes and address and concesse 25 cents estimates of the set of t

"Proper control over the construction and maintenance of substructures the information absolutely necessary for demands the preparation of recapitulation maps showing the entire subsurface condition of each street. Their ab-sence places very serious difficulties in the way of future pavement administration and public utilities control. The able for future work, or even the real advantage of such recapitulation unexpended or cash balance (one or two naps will become more noticeable as the city grows older and the - treets become rowded with various substructures.

lithic pavement or wood blocks. This

principle in paving construction has

been discarded by progressive pavement

engineers for some years. It con-

tributes to an uneven surface, is un-

sightly and increases the maintenance

"Where the rails have not been set

on a concrete foundation, a single run-

ner of brick laid parallel with the track

would be sufficient to make a firm joint

and would present a neater appearance.

or on a very firm foundation and well

ballasted, the asphaltic pavement can

Fourth and Fifth streets, where the

traffic is very heavy, the poor results

Where the car rails are set in concret-

cost of the joints very greatly.

unliquidated contracts and open market orders. The fact that there is no liabil-"The present, however, when con ity accounting whatsoever counted with struction is under way, is the only time the same lack (yesterday's report) in when such maps can be accurately as the auditor's office, presents serious dif-Their preparation has been sembled. ficulties to proper administration, authorized and should not be delayed longer. A strict control should be ea-

"Contract accounts which would permit of the submission of partial estitablished over the location of all submates and of monthly payments upon structures in the street, the engineering extensive construction for maintenance department to give line and grade to work were not to be found. Contractors all public service corporations and other are not paid until the work is completed. city departments desiring to lay main-This works a bardship upon both the and conduits in the street. What superontractors bidding for city work and vision there is today is more apparent the city itself. It necessitates higher bids on contracts. There is no excuse for this from any standpoint.

Should Plan for Future.

function and should be placed under

"The work of street extensions can- nary commercial custom demands that not be carried on to any advantage with- a contractor engaged upon extensive out very close cooperation with the coun- wark be paid at definite intervals for ty and it should be in even closer rework- completed. lation to the Greater Portland Plan commission. Few matters are more im-"With the exception of the maintepertant to the future greatness of Portnance division, no cost records have been land than conformity to a well designed established in this department. It is city plan, yet thus far detailed plans no less desirable that accurate cost have not been prepared. records be currently compiled for con-"It may be noted by looking at a struction work. The installation of a map of the city and vicinity that the

platted district is rapidly extending tion card index file, showing blocks and out beyond the present city limits. intersections, could be used for nearly the geographical growth of Portland in all the records in the department. Progthe last decade can be used as a basis ress reports on contracts, inspectors' for future reckoning, the present city reports on conditions of work necessary to be done (of which there are none in The time to regulate street the department) could well be filed in

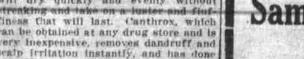
juxtaposition with the cost and exdition is first platted, but the jurisdicpense records applying to that partiction of the department of engineering does not extend beyond the city limular work. "Omission to use the carbon process If statutory revision be needed, preparing duplicates necessitates adthe legislature should be asked to authorize the department of engineering ditional cost in cierical hire. This is chemist on materials used and reports to plat all new additions within a rea- particularly true in the preparation of sonable area outside the city limits in final estimates. Five detailed records,

the direction of the prospective geo- identically the same, showing the quantitles used in various construction work. are made out individually in the main Regarding Sewer Construction, "The continuation of a separate fil. office. This condition also applies to ing room for sewer plans and profiles the reports of work done on sidewalk and a separate division of design and construction chargeable to the property survey wholly independent of the draft- owner. By the substitution of the loose ng and surveying of the other divi- leaf-system instead of bound books now sions of the engineering department, used, several rewrites of detailed sideviolates a fundamental principle in ef-ficient organization. The records of "In the recording of house connections on sewers, a comprehensive card the engineer's estimates of final quan-

Positive Aids to Beauty Seekers

(From National Health Journal.) Any skin, even the most oily, can b teaspoonfuls glycerine added. This wonfler prevents chapping and adds a charm of natural beauty. It does not rub off as easily as powder, but when on seems part of the skin, and will prove a boon to any woman's appearance. struction (which is the basis for pay-Cleanse your scalp and leave the hair ment) without detailed progress re-

clean, sweet and wholesome by shampoo-



the chief clerk. Centralization of like activities will eliminate more waste Nothing gives a woman the time than any other single organization

nection with pavement construction is made smooth, velvety and charming by equally noticeable in sewer construc- discarding face powder and using tion. No current progress reports are stead a lotion easily made at home by received by the main office from the dissolving 4 cunces of spurmax in $\frac{1}{2}$ inspectors employed on contract work, pint witch hazel (or hot water) ords showing the costs of the con- derful whitener and complexion beautitract during its operation. It is prima facie impossible to make up an accu-rate, engineer's certificate of quantities used in the course of sewer con-

