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## MUNICIPAL NEWS

### Some Items of Interest From the Public Offices About Occurrences of the Week.

The Merriam Commission is petering out. It now has but seven men on the job as it has blown in \$56,000 of the city's money and little more than \$4,000 of the original fund of \$60,000 remains. Within a short time, it is expected, the commission will cease to exist, and the work begun by it will be taken up by the commission created by the City Club. This organization, it is planned, is to be permanent and already has \$130,000 with which to carry on the work. The printing of a number of preliminary reports and one final one, and the submission to the council by the Merriam commission, still remain undone.

The Municipal Civil Service Commission did twice as much work last year as it did the year before, for the same money and none of the members have resigned.

"Something of the growing magnitude and relative importance of the medical and physical examination work," the report declares, "is shown by the fact that 5,038 individual examinations were held during the year as compared with 2,128 in 1908. This marked increase appears despite the fact that there were no original entrance examinations for police or fire service, either of which would have added from 1,000 to 2,000 additional individual examinations.

"The important work which the commission undertook in 1908 has continued increasingly through 1909 at a decrease in the amount of money spent. However, it can only be repeated that if the commission is to realize full results from its future work as outlined in present plans more funds will be needed."

The Board of Local Improvements continues to arouse the ire of taxpayers by providing big jobs for contractors on costly improvements on which no rebates are ever paid back.

Hard work is in store for members of the special park commission and the price of red-hot will advance. Invitations have been sent out to the members of the special park commission, consisting of twenty-five aldermen and citizens, to attend the annual park inspection Aug. 25. The trip will be made in automobiles and will

include stops at the sixty or more small parks, the playgrounds, bathing beaches and the Gage farm.

Five hundred and twenty-one city employees were haled before the civil service trial board during the past year, according to the annual report of the civil service commission.

Of these 126 were discharged from the service, 298 were disciplined, 5 were reprimanded, 90 were found not guilty and 2 resigned under charges.

There were 256 policemen and 190 firemen before the board, and while 57 policemen were "fired" only 31 firemen suffered that fate.

In all other departments of the service there were only 45 employees dragged before the board, and of these 38 were discharged and 7 acquitted.

Commissioner of Public Works Mul-laney began an experiment in street paving when work on Adams street was begun. Only the south nineteen feet of the street were given to the pavers, the remainder being left open to the public. The contractor's gangs ripped open a portion of the river and then gave way to employees of the water pipe extension. They will be followed by men of the public service corporations having underground work. When all the underground work has been completed on the south half of the street the laying of the new pavement will begin. The north half of the street will be treated similarly.

Theodore W. Laist, 515 Rush street, who recently passed the test for city architect, is not eligible, as he has not been registered in Illinois as an architect, having come from California only six months ago. When the examination was held local residence was waived. Mr. Laist was given a marking of 89.36, while the second and only other man on the list was Charles W. Kallal, 1512 St. Louis avenue.

It is announced that nothing will be done toward drafting a bill giving the sanitary district power to build an outer dock system for the city until the return to Chicago of Corporation Counsel Brundage.

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