

also the cordial cooperation of the heads of the several departments and the employees therein. We are pleased to report that in all instances, except those called to the attention of your Honorable Body at the time, this cordial cooperation was extended. This work has been performed, and at this writing is before your Honorable Body.

We are pleased also to report that the department has demonstrated during this year its ability to handle examinations and recruiting tests of large magnitude, and we refer particularly to the recruiting of engineers for the Water Board, wherein the residence rule was waived and recruits were sought for eleven different special subjects in the engineering service of the Water Department. In this work we had the very splendid assistance of the University of Michigan, through its Engineering Department. Dean Cooley of that department appointed a Committee of the Faculty to assist in the preparation and rating of the examinations. The examinations were held simultaneously in twenty-two different cities in the country and these were attended by applicants who represented residence in practically every state in the Union. This examination has proved an entire success and has demonstrated not only the feasibility but the wisdom of recruiting for high class, technical work, the best talent available throughout the country. The work devolving upon this Commission in this recruiting service was very great, the detailed work voluminous, and in spite of this extra task and the standardization work above referred to, we are pleased to report to your Honorable Body that we have carried on throughout the year without augmenting the staff.

We believe that a close analysis of the activities of this Commission for the past year will reflect an improvement and refinement of the work of previous years, and we herewith promise our effort and predict success therein to make the year 1925's work a still greater success in the administration of the duties of the Civil Service Commission. Respectfully submitted,

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

Theodore W. Kolbe,  
President.

Accepted and placed on file.

For report see file of Council proceedings of this date.

**From the Department of Public Welfare.**

January, 17th, 1925.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—Under date of Janu-

ary 6th, last, your Honorable Body adopted a resolution authorizing the City Controller to borrow \$115,000.00 for various accounts in the Welfare Fund. As a supplement to the aforementioned resolution we would respectfully ask that you adopt the following, which is in conformity with a request of the City Controller's office.

Respectfully submitted,  
PUBLIC WELFARE COMMISSION.  
By H. H. Prenzlaue,  
Secretary.

By Councilman Ewald:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and is hereby authorized and directed to transfer the sum of \$115,000.00 from Notes Payable to the credit of the following accounts in the Welfare Fund:

1 CC Ice and Towels.....\$	250.00
1 DD Office Supplies .....	1,500.00
3 AA Temporary Employes	2,025.00
5 EE Medical Supplies ...	9,000.00
6 C Maintenance of Am- bulances and autos.....	9,600.00
7 CCC Care of Sick.....	5,125.00
8 C General Relief .....	70,000.00
8 D House Rent .....	17,500.00

Total .....\$115,000.00

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Broderick, Castator, Dingeman, Ewald, Murphy, Nagel, Stevenson, and the President—9.

Nays—None.

**From the Recorder's Court.**

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—I respectfully report to your Honorable Body that a jury duly impanelled in the Recorder's Court, in the matter of Opening Buffalo Avenue from Carpenter Avenue to Charles Avenue, where not already open, as a public street and highway, rendered a verdict in favor of said opening Monday, January 12th, 1925, which was confirmed by the Court Saturday, January 17th, 1925.

In accordance with the statute, I herewith transmit a certified copy of said verdict, and of the judgment of confirmation.

Respectfully,  
CHAS. W. CASGRAIN,  
Clerk.

Accepted and placed on file.

**From the Clerk.**

That he presented such portion of the proceedings of the last regular session as is required by the Charter to be so presented, to His Honor the Mayor for approval, on the 16th, inst., and that they were approved on the 20th, inst.

Placed on file.