

NEW ENGLAND WATERWORKS CONVENTION PROGRAM.

Of particular interest on the program which has been arranged for the thirty-third annual convention of the New England Waterworks Association, to be held at Boston, Mass., from September 15th to September 18th, will be the report by Chairman George C. Whipple, of the committee on statistics of filter operation. This will be the first of its kind in the history of waterworks conventions in America. Other papers of interest will be those read by Frank A. McInnes and Clarence Goldsmith, of Boston, on lessons to be learned from the great Salem fire.

At the "superintendents' sessions" there will be papers by many eminent men of foremost authority on the operation of waterworks plants; while additional committee reports will be given by Frank A. McInnes on "Standard Specifications for Cast-Iron Pipe," by Allen Hazen on "Meter Rates," and by Frederic P. Stearns on "Low Water Yields."

SECOND INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF MUNICIPAL EXECUTIVES, 1915.

At the First International Congress of Municipal Executives, London, Eng., it was resolved to grant the request of the American Commission of Municipal Executives, assembled by the Southern Commercial Congress, that the second assemblage of the Congress be held under the auspices of the commission at Washington, D.C., in September, 1915. Senator Duncan U. Fletcher of Florida, president of the Southern Commercial Congress, and chairman Clarence J. Owens of Maryland, managing director of the Southern Commercial Congress and director-general of the American Commission, will have charge of this second international congress, and have already commenced the arrangement of plans to make it the greatest convention of civic leaders municipal officials ever held.

JOINT CONVENTION.

A joint convention is to be held by the American Road Builders' Association and the American Highway Association in 1915, either at San Francisco or at Oakland, Cal., during the Panama-Pacific Exposition, the exact date not yet being determined.

RECENT ELECTION MADE BY THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TESTING MATERIALS.

The council of the International Association of Testing Materials has elected as members of Commission No. 58 on "Standardization of Methods of Testing and Nomenclature of Road and Paving Materials," Prevost Hubbard, Assoc. Am. Soc. C.E., in charge of the division of roads and pavements for the Institute of Industrial Research, Washington, and lecturer in highway engineering chemistry at Columbia University, New York; and Arthur H. Blanchard, M. Am. Soc. C.E., consulting highway engineer, and professor in charge of the graduate course in highway engineering at Columbia University.

At the recent convention of the Canadian Union of Municipalities, which was held at Sherbrooke, Que., a resolution was unanimously adopted to the effect that Victoria, B.C., should be the centre at which the 1915 assembly of the union should convene.

INTERNATIONAL IRRIGATION CONGRESS.

The Twenty-first International Irrigation Congress will be held at Calgary, Alta., October 5th to 9th, 1914.

COMING MEETINGS.

NEW ENGLAND WATERWORKS ASSOCIATION.—Secretary, Willard Kent, Narragansett Pier, R.I. Annual convention to be held at Boston, Mass., September 15th to 18th.

ROYAL ARCHITECTURAL INSTITUTE OF CANADA.—Seventh Annual Meeting to be held at Quebec, September 21st and 22nd, 1914. Hon. Secretary, Alcide Chausse, 5 Beaver Hall Square, Montreal.

CONVENTION OF THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENTS.—To be held in Boston, Mass., on October 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th, 1914. C. C. Brown, Indianapolis, Ind., Secretary.

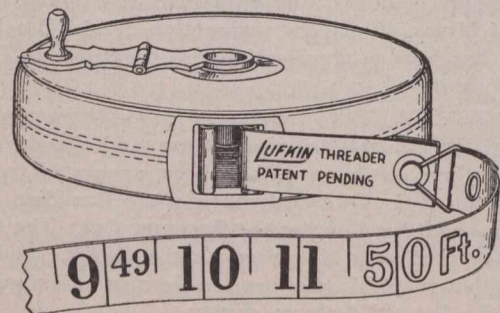
AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENTS.—Charles Carroll Brown, Secretary, Indianapolis, Ind. Meets at Somerset Hotel, Boston, Mass., October 21st, 22nd and 23rd.

AMERICAN HIGHWAYS ASSOCIATION.—Fourth American Road Congress to be held in Atlanta, Ga., November 9th to 13th, 1914. I. S. Pennybacker, Executive Secretary, and Chas. P. Light, Business Manager, Colorado Building, Washington, D.C.

AMERICAN ROAD BUILDERS' ASSOCIATION.—Eleventh Annual Convention; fifth American Good Roads Congress, and 6th Annual Exhibition of Machinery and Materials. International Amphitheatre, Chicago, Ill., December 14th to 18th, 1914. Secretary, E. L. Powers, 150 Nassau Street, New York, N.Y.

METALLIC TAPE "THREADER."

The Lufkin Rule Co. of Canada, Limited, Windsor, Ontario, has just put out a patented measuring tape attachment known as a Threader. It is a loop and stud arrangement, by means of which the tape, though securely fastened to the winding drum of the case when in use, can yet be readily detached from it and a new tape as readily attached, no manipulation of the case, case screw or drum being required to do this. Woven tapes are sometimes torn by accident or through long use often become soiled and worn in such a



way that they must be replaced while the case is yet in very fair condition. The case not receiving the same hard use as the tape line usually outwears it, and representing approximately half the value of the outfit it is of considerable importance that it be a simple matter for anyone to insert a new tape in the old case as often as necessary and thus get the fullest measure of use out of the case as well as the tape. Metallic tapes without cases are quite generally stocked by hardware houses, etc., and can always be easily obtained. The attaching is perfectly and easily accomplished by means of the Threader, which will hereafter be furnished with the company's metallic woven tapes without extra charge.