

# Letters to the Editor

## Engineers Passed Over.

*To the Editor of The New York Times:*

I have been interested, amused and indignant to see that so many public relief works calling for engineering experience and ability have been confided to the direction of non-professionals, especially at a time when so many competent professional engineers in the various special works are unemployed.

Under former administrations "outside" professional specialists were often retained to assist or even superintend governmental employes; and as a rule the latter were glad enough not to have to expose their perfectly excusable lack of experience in the lines in question, by going it alone.

The employment bureau of the various engineering societies can furnish competent men to work with, over or under, political heads of relief works.

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