

# WE WISH TO THANK THE AUDITOR GENERAL

Below is a letter which we recently received from **Oramel B. Fuller, Auditor General of the State of Michigan** in which he commends our accuracy in publishing the list of delinquent taxes for the state.

**The Birmingham Eccentric Birmingham, Michigan My dear Mr. Averill:**

This letter is to congratulate and thank you for the manner and accuracy in which the tax list was published in *The Birmingham Eccentric* this year.

There were 41,214 descriptions on the tax list you published, of which only one description was published in error.

This is an excellent record and is worthy of commendation. The department of the County Treasurer and the department of the Auditor General appreciate the correctness of the publication.

Yours truly,

**O. B. FULLER (signed)  
Auditor General.**

The publication of these taxes occupied thirty pages of this newspaper and was set in six point type. Most of the copy was in figures and appeared in this style:

Beginning 1400 feet West and 225 feet South of the center of Section three East 50 feet South 100 feet West 50 feet North 100 feet East.	
Lot 19.	196.18 20.71 4.25 1.00 121.74
Lot 22.	42.44 8.28 1.70 1.00 25.42
Lot 42.	18.86 2.72 .66 1.00 15.24
Lot 55.	82.11 16.01 3.26 1.00 102.40

Millions of characters used, but only one mistake! This is a record that has never been attained in any county in the state at any time! You may always rely upon us as accurate and faithful printers.

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## Who's Who and Timely Views

### ENFORCEMENT OF ANTI-TRUST LAWS URGED

By **WILLIAM H. KING**  
Senator from Utah  
(William Henry King was born Fillmore City, Utah, June 2, 1864. He was educated at Brigham Young University, the University of Utah and the University of Michigan. He practiced law at Fillmore City and later at Provo City. For three terms he was a member of the Utah legislature, Utah, being president of the upper body one term. In 1894 he was named associate judge of the supreme court of Utah. From 1897 to 1901 he was a member of congress and elected in the senate in 1917 and is now completing his second term. He has been a delegate to various Democratic national conventions.)

The evils resulting from monopolies and from combinations and trusts in restraint of trade have been recognized wherever they existed. Congress passed the Sherman anti-trust act. Clayton acts to meet the evils of monopoly. Most if not all of the states enacted measures to prevent interstate trade organizations from restricting competition and increasing prices. Unfortunately, neither federal law nor state laws have been enforced and the result has been the progressive growth of monopolistic trusts and combinations in restraint of trade.

### STUDENT LOAN NEEDS FUNDS

In my opinion the most important question which demands solution at the hands of the American people is that relating to trusts and monopolies. Huge financial institutions are merging and consolidating and in every field of industry grant organizations and consolidations are taking place, as a result of which the natural laws of trade and commerce, and supply and demand are set at naught; and substantial portions of the population are either ruined or financially straitened. Mass production is facilitating this centralization, and thousands of smaller units of production are being destroyed and individual initiative and indeed the hearts of working people are being crushed by monopolistic organizations.

It is certain that if the present economic forces continue unchecked, now controlling the economic and indeed the political life of the country, within a few years the very form of our government will be changed and our common and most radical changes. Profound sociologists and students of political economy foresee the rise of socialism when industries are owned and controlled by a limited number of monopolistic organizations. Already there are growing signs of discontent and resentment among the working people of corporations and monopolistic organizations. Fear is entering into the hearts of working people as well as the small business man and those who constitute the very best part of our social structure. The credits of the country will soon be controlled by huge financial institutions. The key industries of the country are now controlled by a limited number of business organizations. Thousands of persons who have built up business institutions and manufacturing plants are thrust aside by the growth of monopolies and find no niche in which they can have a place in our economic or industrial life.

In my opinion the attorney general of the United States should take prompt action to enforce the federal anti-trust laws. I am of the opinion of the D. G. H. & M. division of the Grand Trunk; Edward T. Drennan and others against the D. G. H. & M.; Raymond M. Shock and others against the D. G. H. & M.; and Sidney Norwood and others against the D. G. H. & M.

**Three Wayne Suits**  
Mr. Gladly stated that three suits brought in Wayne County against the state and the railroad to halt work will be brought to the attention of the Michigan Supreme Court next Saturday. He said this was the remaining litigation standing between the railroad and the resumption of work. Because it will cost the contractor between \$40,000 and \$50,000 to get the work under way, the deputy attorney general stated it is of considerable importance that all outstanding litigation be wound up before the order to proceed is given by the state.

**Drunk Driver Sent to Jail**  
Found guilty of driving while drunk by Justice Floyd S. Buck in the case of **W. H. Wixom**, was sentenced to 60 days in jail and a fine of \$35. His car collided with one driven by Russell Goughel of Pontiac on the west Long Lake road. He was arrested by Bloomfield Hills police. He also was ordered to pay \$30 damages.

**Adjourns for Week**  
"Have we any going to lose \$12,000 to \$15,000 if we do take action at this time?" inquired Supervisor John Grant.

**Lucy A Hope**  
"Our most likely chance of finding the slayer of Ballo lies in the possibility that the murder may prey on the mind of the supposed woman companion of the slayer and cause her to confess. There is also an outside chance that trouble may develop between the couple and lead to bringing the slayer to justice," Undersheriff Greenan said.

**As the murder was apparently not premeditated and the slayer probably has no motive other than to protect himself from intrusion or suspected robbery, there is nothing which furnishes a clue as to the starting point for our investigation. Frankly it appears now that we must depend upon luck," he concluded.**

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pal building, through to Woodward avenue; it is designed to open up the city toward avenue, and to relieve heavy traffic at Woodward and West

Total cost of obtaining the land amounts to \$76,665.74, while the Birmingham city council, such as sewers, pavement, curb, etc., is estimated at \$15,257.00. Birmingham will contribute one-third of the first amount, or \$31,022.95, and one-sixth of the latter amount, or \$25,418.50.

Judson Bradley and Mrs. John Dodge Wilson are the property owners who are affected by the proposed opening. Mr. Bradley would lose 20 feet of Woodward property and 60 feet of Pierce street frontage, while Mr. Wilson would lose 40 feet of Woodward property. The plan of opening the street would finance the opening out of the payment of \$9,540.00 net to Mrs. Wilson, and \$23,600.00 to Mrs. Wilson.

Loren G. Stauch, owner of a building on the northwest corner of South Woodward, was the first of the citizens of Birmingham who proposed to vigorously oppose the proposed Merrill street opening. He claimed that the opening would depreciate his property, and therefore offered to buy the \$500.00 to the village if the project were dropped. He further offered to give the village \$500.00 to the village if the project were dropped. He further offered to give the village \$500.00 to the village if the project were dropped.

Charles J. Shain, former village president, told Village Commissioners Elberly, Halgren, Hulbert, Robert E. Allen, Harry Allen, Herys, and Lee A. White, that the village method of assessment was, in his opinion, wrong. He felt that the village at large should not pay any of the cost, because of the increased value of the property and abutting the opening to Bradley and Wilson. The proposition should be handled by the village, that piece of unplatted property, by having the street dedicated to the village, and the village giving a bond to cover the cost of improvements," argued Mr. Shain.

J. Harry McElroy, another former village president, and affected by the proposed Merrill street opening, declared the approval of a change between the first and second assessments made by the village, claiming that the present plan of assessment is placing too heavy a burden upon nearby frontage; he argued for a greater levy on Bradley and Wilson, and felt that the village at large should pay more because of the increased value of Woodward and West Maple avenues.

**Defends Action**  
E. H. Tilghson, with David Ladd, local realtors for the village, obtained action for the village. He declared that Bradley and Wilson were giving Birmingham better than a fair proportion of the settlement between Merrill street opening, and added that "Mr. Bradley doesn't care whether the street is opened or not; if it does not go through now, however, an arcade may be put up that is part of the plan to utilize the land." Mr. Tilghson held that the assessments against nearby business interests were fair on the basis that this property would be enhanced in value.

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cleverly fashioned wooden gun painted black in the Ballo garage. It had been so perfectly carved that it would have been impossible to detect at night it was a revolver.

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## SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATE'S WORK LAUDED

### Mrs. Fred D. Farrar Praised By Educational Secretary

#### TELLS ACHIEVEMENTS

Wholehearted endorsement of Mrs. Fred D. Farrar, candidate for a place on the Birmingham school board at the elections Monday is given today by Lois Hayden Meek, educational secretary of the American Association of University Women and nationally known in educational circles.

In a letter to the Birmingham Board of Education Mrs. Farrar's work with the association is highly praised. The letter follows: "I am delighted to learn that Mrs. Fred D. Farrar has consented to run for the Birmingham School Board in Birmingham, Michigan. The citizens of Birmingham would be indeed fortunate to secure Mrs. Farrar on the School Board. She is a keen business executive, is interested in education, and knows children not only from her own two girls but from careful study during the past five years. Mrs. Farrar has done outstanding work for the American Association of University Women in Michigan since 1924, when I became National Educational Secretary. As Educational Chairman

of the Birmingham Branch of the Association she organized study groups for intensive study of professional, elementary and adolescent education. Later as president of the branch she organized their work unusually well, with a definite educational purpose in mind, integrating the study groups, scholarship and fellowship activities and the collegiate instruction service to high school girls.

"Her most significant contribution, however, has been as state educational chairman during the past two years. Three state wide institutes have been arranged with the aid and the collaboration of the education in connection with the Merrill Palmer School in Detroit; the co-operation of the Kalamazoo Public Schools; and one on play and recreational materials for children from infancy to adolescence with the co-operation of the J. L. Hudson Company in Detroit. Very sincerely yours, Lois Hayden Meek, (Educational Secretary)

### Just for you—

Do you wish to locate some persons in Detroit, Royal Oak, Pontiac, or Birmingham? Then come into The Eccentric office at any time when you may use the latest directories covering these territories.



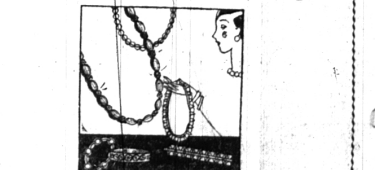
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