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in such zone, except for expeditious loading or discharging of passengers.

113—No person shall park a vehicle in a loading zone, other than for the expeditious loading or unloading of such vehicle, during hours when provisions applicable to such loading zones are in effect.

114—No person shall park any vehicle upon any street designated as a through street, for a period of time longer than thirty minutes between the hours of Two and Six A. M. of any day, except physicians and doctors on emergency calls.

115—No person shall park a vehicle on a street at any time for any of the following purposes:

A—Displaying such vehicle for sale or for advertising purposes.

B—Washing, greasing, or repairing such vehicle, except when repairs are made necessary by an emergency.

C—Engaging in the sale from such vehicle, of merchandise or services.

116—All vehicles shall be parked parallel with the curb, with both front and rear right hand wheels within 12 inches of the curb, or edge of the roadway, PROVIDED, that upon streets designated by the Chief of Police, angle parking may be permitted, at designated times in which case the right front wheel of such vehicle shall be against the curb, and the right side of said vehicle shall be at a 45 degree angle with the curb line. Commercial or other vehicles, whether in a single unit, or made up of two or more units, of a greater over-all length than 20 feet shall not be permitted to park on streets where angle parking is permitted.

117—No person driving, or in charge of a motor vehicle shall permit it to be parked, unattended, without first effectively setting the brakes thereof, stopping the engine, and locking the ignition, or some other part of such vehicle, so as to prevent its starting and operation by any unauthorized person. When such vehicle is parked on a grade, the front wheels thereof shall be turned toward the right hand curb.

118—Horse drawn vehicles shall not be parked on streets where angle parking is permitted, unless such vehicle is hacked to the curb, and the horse or animal drawing such vehicle turned so that it is standing parallel to the curb, and such vehicles shall be parked only for expeditious loading or unloading thereof.

119—If any vehicle be parked on any street between the hours of one-half hour after sunset and one-half hour before sunrise, unless there be sufficient light on such street at the point of parking to reveal a person 500 feet distant, such vehicle shall have lighted thereon one or more red lights on the rear of such vehicle, and a white light or lights on the front, visible for a distance of 390 feet, under normal conditions.

120—If any vehicle become disabled at night on the highway, and cannot be immediately removed, and there are no lights on such vehicle, it shall have placed on the side of the road toward the center of the highway, two or more flares or other lights, visible for a distance of 500 feet, under normal conditions, which shall remain until removal of such vehicle, and if the opposite side of such vehicle is not against the curb, similar lights shall be placed thereon.

ARTICLE VII
Equipment of Vehicles

121—No person shall operate, or permit any person to operate a motor vehicle owned by him, or under his control, over any street or highway in the City of Birmingham, which vehicle is not equipped with proper lights, horn, tires, windshield wiper, stop light, rear view mirror and brakes, all of which shall be in working condition for the safe operation of such vehicle. Any vehicle operated in violation of this section is hereby declared unsafe, and a nuisance, and the department is hereby authorized to impound such vehicle and to hold the same until defects therein are remedied, or, in its discretion to issue a ticket to the operator of such vehicle, as hereinafter provided.

122—For purposes of this Ordinance, the lights required on any motor vehicle shall be as follows:

A—Tail light: At least one red light on the rear of such vehicle which shall emit a red light, without glare, visible under normal conditions at a distance of 300 feet.

B—Head lights: Two lights on the front of such vehicle, which are visible for a distance of at least 500 feet, but which are so adjusted that they do not emit a glare, blinding oncoming motorists, and which will, under normal atmospheric conditions, reveal a person or object 100 feet distant; Provided, that a motorcycle shall be equipped with only one such head light.

C—In addition to the foregoing, commercial vehicles shall be equipped with lights required by the state law.

D—Each vehicle shall be equipped with a stop light, which shall signal the intent of an operator to stop his vehicle, or reduce the speed thereof.

123—No person shall operate a motor vehicle on the streets of this City between the hours of one-half hour after sunset, and one-half hour before sunrise, without having the lights required in the preceding section lighted. Lenses or glasses on such lights shall be kept clear from dirt or other obstructions impairing visibility of such lights.

124—Every bicycle, push cart, and other vehicle, not otherwise covered by the foregoing provisions, or by the State Laws of Michigan, shall have on the front thereof, a light fully visible for a distance of 300 feet, under normal conditions, together with a red light, or reflector, which shall give forth a red light, on the rear thereof.

125—Whenever the load on any vehicle shall extend beyond the rear thereof, there shall be placed on the back limit of such load a red light, meeting the same requirements as a tail light on a vehicle. During the day time, however, such load shall have in the place of such red light, a bright red cloth or flag, not less than 12 inches square, plainly visible under normal conditions at least 300 feet from the rear of such load.

126—No vehicle other than an authorized emergency vehicle shall be equipped with, or have thereon any siren, bell, or exhaust whistle, and on such emergency vehicles, such devices shall be used only when such vehicle is being driven in an emergency.

127—Every vehicle shall have a mirror, which shall be so adjusted as to give the driver thereof a clear view to the rear of such vehicle. No objects shall be placed in any vehicle such as, or in a manner to, obstruct such view to the rear thereof.

128—The windshield of every vehicle shall be clean and unobstructed, and no person shall operate any vehicle on which the windshield is dirty, fogged, or otherwise obstructed so as to block or impair the view of the operator. There shall be no cards, stickers, placards, or other objects on a windshield, other than those permitted or required by state law, or by the terms of this Ordinance.

129—No vehicle having a metal stud or flange on its wheels shall be permitted on any paved street in the City. This section shall not prohibit the use of chains on tires, when necessary or advisable for safety, due to snow or ice on the pavements.

130—Nothing in this Article shall be construed as altering the requirement of the Michigan Statutes as to the equipment required, on motor vehicles, and the use thereof, by the operator of such vehicles, it being the intent hereof to set up minimum requirements for vehicles operated within the corporate limits of the City of Birmingham.

131—The Chief of Police is hereby empowered to require the inspection of vehicles and their equipment, from time to time. He may, if such vehicle complies with the provisions of this Ordinance and the State Law, issue to the operator or owner of such vehicle, a sticker, to be affixed to the lower right hand corner of the windshield thereof, stating that such inspection has been made, and that said vehicle is approved. If such vehicle be found defective in any regard, he shall, in his discretion, give to the owner or operator, a ticket, or notice, setting forth the defect, ordering him to have it repaired, and report back within ten days for another inspection, or such vehicle may be forthwith impounded and held until such defect is repaired. Failure to report back, or to have such defect repaired, shall constitute a violation of this Ordinance: Such vehicle shall be forthwith considered a nuisance, and the Department may abate such nuisance by impounding said vehicle. The sticker provided herein shall not be larger in size than 2 x 3 inches, and shall read horizontally.

ARTICLE VIII
Miscellaneous

132—No vehicle, commercial, or otherwise, shall be driven or operated on the streets of this City, with any load thereon greater than that allowed by the Michigan State Law on State highways.

133—No vehicle shall be driven on the streets of this City, when the same is loaded so as to obstruct the view of the driver thereof, or to interfere with his operation of such vehicle.

134—Bicycles shall not be ridden or operated on the sidewalks in that area on Woodward Avenue, between Oakland Avenue and Brown Street, and on East or West Maple Avenue, between Bates Street, and Brownell Street.

135—Bicycles shall be equipped with a horn, bell, or other warning device, other than the so-called siren, and any person operating a bicycle on a sidewalk in any part of the City, other than the portion thereof set forth in the preceding paragraph, shall, on approaching any pedestrian, give a warning of his approach, and shall yield the right of way to such pedestrian or pedestrians.

136—A pedestrian crossing a roadway at a point where there is no cross walk, shall yield the right of way to all traffic lawfully on such roadway, at the time such pedestrian enters thereon. The provision of this section shall be inoperable at intersections or where there are traffic control signals; at such places, drivers of vehicles shall yield the right of way to pedestrians lawfully crossing a roadway.

137—No person, firm, or corporation shall operate a so-called "sound vehicle" on the streets of the City of Birmingham, without having first procured from the Department a written permit to operate such vehicle. For purposes of this section, the term "sound vehicle" shall include any and all vehicles to which there is affixed or attached any loud speaker, or other horn, and which is connected with any microphone, or amplifying device, and which is designed or intended to be used for amplifying the human voice, or other sounds, so that the same can be heard at a distance from such vehicle. It shall not include radio receiving sets in automobiles, or any sound equipment used by the Police Department. Provided, however, that vehicles carrying such equipment may be driven on the streets of the City when necessary in passing through the City, but in such case, the sound equipment shall not be operated in Birmingham, except in accordance with the provisions of this section.

ARTICLE IX
Enforcement

138—Unless otherwise ordered by the Chief of Police, it shall be the duty of any Police Officer, or other person, authorized by the terms of this Ordinance to enforce the provisions hereof, upon witnessing a violation of this Ordinance, or of any rule, regulation, or order of the Chief of Police, or the Department, passed pursuant hereto, to give to the person so violating said Ordinance, rule, regulation, or order, a Traffic Violations Ticket, in a form specified and provided by the Chief of Police, which said ticket shall contain the name and address of the alleged violator, the description of the vehicle operated by him, if such violation arises out of operation of a vehicle, and the operator, or chauffeur's license number of said alleged violator, together with the provision of this Ordinance alleged to have been violated, and which said ticket shall instruct the said violator to appear within 72 hours at a Traffic Violations Bureau, hereinafter provided, to answer to said charge.

139—In the event said alleged violator shall appear at said Violations Bureau, within such period, the person in charge of said Bureau shall inform said alleged violator that he has an option of paying a fine at the Violations Bureau, as hereinafter provided, or of answering to a complaint in the Justice Court for the City of Birmingham, on such charge. In the event such alleged violator refuses to pay such fine at said Violations Bureau, it shall be the duty of the officer giving the Traffic Violations Ticket above set forth, to forthwith make complaint before the Justice of the Peace of the City of Birmingham, or some other Justice of the Peace having jurisdiction, and to take said alleged violator before such Justice of the Peace for arraignment.

140—In the event there is no Justice of the Peace available, for making the complaint required in the preceding section, the person in charge of said Violations Bureau, or the Chief of Police, is hereby empowered, in his discretion, to either give to said alleged violator, a summons requiring such violator to appear in said Court on a day certain, or to require said alleged violator to furnish a bond in the amounts hereinafter set forth for his appearance in said court, on a date certain.

141—When a person shall have been apprehended for the violation of the terms of this Ordinance prohibiting the operation of a motor vehicle while under the influence of an intoxicating liquor, or for reckless driving, the officer or other person apprehending such person shall not give any ticket, but shall forthwith place such person under arrest, and such person shall be forthwith taken before the Justice Court for said City, or if not in physical condition to be arraigned in court, held in the City Jail, or in the discretion of the Chief of Police, permitted to furnish bond for his appearance, provided that any person so held in jail shall be arraigned in court within 48 hours after his arrest.

142—In the event any person is permitted to furnish bonds as heretofore provided, such bond shall be not less than the following amounts: For any charge for which a penalty is hereinafter provided, such bond shall be of an amount equal to the amount of such penalty, and $5.00 in addition thereto. For reckless driving, at least $25.00, and for driving under the influence of an intoxicating liquor, at least $50.00. The release on such bond is, however, purely discretionary, and not a matter of right. Such bond shall be on a form provided by the Department and shall run to the City of Birmingham. Provided, however, that such bond may, in the discretion of the Chief of Police, be in the nature of a personal recognizance.

143—When any police officer or other person has given a Traffic Violations Ticket, as heretofore provided, it shall be unlawful except in cases hereinafter provided for any person whatsoever to quash, alter, or in any wise change said ticket, or to accept or receive any amount for so doing, or to accept any fine for such violation, other than that provided by this Ordinance, as hereinafter set forth. It shall also be unlawful for any person to attempt, on his own behalf, or the behalf of another, to procure the quashing, altering, amending, or changing, of any such ticket, or the penalty to be charged therefor. PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that nothing herein shall affect the right of the Justice Court for the City of Birmingham, or any other court to discontinue any case, after the filing of a complaint, or to change or alter the penalty for such alleged violation. Provided further, that in the event a ticket has been issued for failure to have an operator's or chauffeur's license, or a registration receipt, for illegal parking, or for defective equipment on a vehicle, such ticket may be quashed by the Chief of Police. This, however, is a purely discretionary power.

144—In the event any person who has been given a Traffic Violations Ticket as above set forth shall fail to appear at said Violations Bureau within 72 hours, as required by said ticket, it shall be the duty of the person in charge of said Bureau to forthwith, in his discretion, either cause complaint to be made before the Justice of the Peace for this City, and request the issuance of a warrant for the arrest of said alleged violator, or, to issue a summons, summoning said alleged violator to appear in said Justice Court on a day certain, which must be not more than ten days from the date of such summons. Said summons may be sent to said alleged violator at his last known address. Upon failure to appear, as required in said summons, said violator shall be forthwith arrested, by virtue of an attachment or warrant, issued out of said court.

ARTICLE X
Traffic Violations Bureau and Vehicle Pound

145—There is hereby created for the City of Birmingham a Traffic Violations Bureau, to be operated by the Chief of Police, and such other person, or persons as he may from time to time direct. Said Violations Bureau shall be a necessary adjunct to, and a part of the Department.

146—Said Violations Bureau is hereby authorized, as provided in the preceding Article hereof, to grant to an alleged violator the option of paying a fine, in accordance with a schedule of fines and penalties hereinafter provided, at said Bureau, on appearing in the Justice Court for said City, in response to a complaint and warrant charging such violation.

147—Said Violations Bureau shall keep accurate, complete and full records of all violations, the disposition thereof, and of all monies received therefor, which monies shall be turned over to the City Treasurer, and paid into the general fund of the City.

148—The person in charge of the Violations Bureau, upon payment of a fine, at said Bureau, shall make a receipt therefor on triplicate, the original of which shall be given to the alleged violator, and shall state that it is in full payment for the violation charged, which violation shall be stated on said receipt.

149—As a further requirement of payment at said Violations Bureau, the alleged violator shall, in writing, waive his appearance in court on said charge, and confer upon the Chief of Police a power of attorney to enter an appearance for him, if necessary, in court, and to enter in said court a plea of guilty to such offense.

150—There is also created, as a necessary adjunct to the Violations Bureau, a Vehicle Pound, which shall be operated by the Department, and to which vehicles impounded in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be taken. Said Vehicle Pound shall be operated in such place or places as the Chief of Police may direct.

151—Upon witnessing a violation of any provisions of this Ordinance for which it is impossible or impracticable to give a violations ticket to the person committing such violation, and for all violations of the provisions hereof regarding parking of vehicles, it shall be the duty of the officer or other authorized person witnessing such violation to forthwith impound such vehicle, unless otherwise ordered by the Chief of Police, and to cause the same to be removed to the Vehicle Pound. He shall then report the violation to the Violations Bureau, together with a description of the vehicle impounded.

152—The owner or operator of such vehicle then may redeem such vehicle from said pound, upon payment of fees as set forth in the schedule of fines and penalties, hereinafter provided. In the event such owner shall not willingly pay such penalty, it shall be noted on his receipt that such penalty is paid under protest, and at the same time, a summons summoning him to appear on a date certain in the Justice Court shall be given him by the person in charge of the Violations Bureau.

153—No vehicle which has been impounded shall be released except on payment of the penalty as above provided, except, however, that the Chief of Police may, in his discretion, authorize the release of a vehicle from such pound, but shall, at the same time, cause a complaint to be made in the Justice Court for said City.

154—If it subsequently appear to the Justice Court that said vehicle was improperly impounded, or that said penalty should not have been imposed, said Court shall have power to order the re-payment to said violator of the amount paid by him under protest.

ARTICLE XI
Adoption of Schedule of Fines and Penalties

155—When there is an offense for which settlement may be made at the Violations Bureau, as above set forth, such settlement can be made only by payment of a fine or penalty, according to a schedule adopted as follows: The Chief of Police, in conjunction with the City Manager shall prepare a schedule of fines and penalties for all violations of this Ordinance, other than reckless driving, and driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor, or narcotic drugs. Said schedule shall contain one, and only one fine or penalty for each offense contained therein. Such schedule shall then be presented to the Commission, and when adopted, by resolution of the Commission, shall be effective, and binding until changed in the manner provided for the adoption of such schedule in the first instance. All cases in which the alleged violator elects to make payment at the Violations Bureau shall be settled, and payments made in accordance with the amounts set forth in said schedule.

156—Copies of said schedule shall be printed, and available to any person wishing a copy thereof. Copies printed in large and legible type shall be posted in conspicuous places in the Violations Bureau.

157—No violations ticket issued as above provided, shall be settled for a lesser or greater amount than is specified in said schedule, nor shall the person in charge of said Violations Bureau be authorized to accept part or installment payments thereof. Such person may, however, grant an extension of time in which to make payment.

158—The schedule of fines and penalties shall in no wise be binding upon any court having jurisdiction in cases under this Ordinance, and such court shall be bound only by the provisions of Section 32 hereof as to penalties imposed for violations hereof.

ARTICLE XII
Savings Clause, Etc.

159—This Ordinance and the various parts, sections, and clauses thereof are hereby declared severable. If any part, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional, or for any other reason is declared invalid, it is hereby provided that the remainder of this Ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

160—All ordinances, or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, and particularly Ordinance 171, and Ordinance 201, of the City of Birmingham, are hereby repealed. This repeal shall not, however, affect any rights which have accrued, penalties incurred, prosecutions instituted, or violations which have occurred prior to the effective date of this Ordinance. As to such rights, penalties, prosecutions, and violations, said former ordinances shall be and remain in force. This Ordinance is not retroactive.

161—This Ordinance shall take effect ten days after the date of its final passage by the City Commission of the City of Birmingham and its publication, as required by the Charter of the City of Birmingham.

But It's True——————!

The field was owned originally by Henry Roynton, who decreed in his will that if his farm should be sold, the new owner would have to agree to grow corn there from seed developed there the year before. The idea has been carried out right up to the present day.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 19th day of March, A. D. 1938.

Present: Hon. James H. Lynch, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Frank A. Atcheson, Deceased.

Edith C. Atcheson, executrix of said estate, having filed in said court a petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be limited and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said court.

It is Ordered, that four months from this date be allowed for creditors to present claims against said estate.

It is Further Ordered, that the first day of August, 1938, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims against said deceased.

JAMES H. LYNCH, Judge of Probate.

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Mrs. Edith C. Atcheson,
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BACK FENCING

By
A MAN ABOUT TOWN

▲ Now we know that Spring is here. We read about its coming in the newspapers; we saw three robins out in our back yard; and we were REQUESTED to get out the old spade and dig up the earth for the Mrs. so she could plant some bulbs. Yes Sir! . . . and there is MORE coming we feel sure.

▲ The news department here at the Eccentric were all a bit perplexed the other day when an individual called and said that he had just seen his FIRST caterpillar of the Spring season. He said that he was going to call Wylie Bell first, but changed his mind and called The Eccentric. We can't figure out the Bell connection. Maybe Wylie IS a collector of fuzzy, woolly worms such as this one was perported to be.

▲ The other day a local lady shopper stopped at one of Birmingham's popular stores and asked the clerk who offered her services the price of Ric-Rac. When told that it was three cents a yard, she shrugged her shoulders and said, "Huh! I can get three yards for ten cents down the street a few doors." . . . and she really meant it.

▲ There will be a big time in the old town in just a few more days. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bruni have left their local food market to the care of their son-in-law and daughter, and have set out for New York City where they will meet Mr. Bruni's mother and his brother and sister-in-law. They have just arrived from Amantea, Italy, and will return to Birmingham with the Brunis where they will make their future home. Won't Grandma just love to bounce her darling little grandson Sammie on her knee! He must weigh 210 in his swimming suit.

▲ Well, our local high school lads ALMOST won out in their quest for State Class B Basketball honors. They did a fine job and were a credit to the town. Word has been passed around the town that they were stacked up against a pretty good ball team and a very determined official. We dislike to blame a loss on an official, but we did see the boys play against Roseville High, and it looked to us as though the "whistle blowers" did have their eyes on the local lads pretty diligently, and over-looked the acts of the opposition quite frequently. They won in spite of the rather questionable officiating that night. St. Theresa was just a bit too tough to handle with the "sixth man" thrown in for good measure . . . and the Maples went down by the slight margin of "just one point." We congratulate the losers and hope that Capt. Donnie Upward and his gang will step out and trim the cream of the crop next year, regardless of the "whistle blowers." A good team can take it on the chin and come back for more, and that's just what our boys are going to do. Watch and see!

▲ We heard about another observing person in our town the other day. Mrs. Harold M. F. George noticed that on page 33 of the Telephone Directory the printer had substituted "Birmington" for Birmingham at the top of the page. Well, we guess WE all make mistakes. Mrs. George must have an eagle eye.

▲ If you should see a group of young fellows parading down the street in natty sailor uniforms, don't think that the Navy has started recruiting in Birmingham. The boys will probably be members of the first local unit of Sea Scouts who have just received their suits of blue. They are members of Boy Scout Troop B-4 and form the nucleus of what is hoped will be a successful Sea Scout Troop. It's a fine outlet for youthful energy for boys of High School age . . . and that "GOB" uniform sure makes a hit with the boys. It IS pretty nifty, we think, even tho we did wear the outfit for about seventeen months some years ago.

▲ Mr. B. Frieds, manager of the local Cut Rate Flower Shop recently opened in the Hanna Building, tipped us off to the fact that they have secured a five-year lease on their present location and are planning on remodeling the store and making it into a first class flower shop. The local shop is a link in a chain of stores operated by this organization, other stores being in operation in Lansing, Kalamazoo, Pontiac and Saginaw.

▲ Dr. Jack Hassberger is back from his tour of the west. We are told that he had a great time and that he did a lot of horse-back riding while soaking up a lot of "Western Atmosphere" at the Arizona Dude Ranch. On a visit to Hollywood, he drop in on the former Theodora MacManus (now Mrs. Alexander Tolutoff) and was ushered into a Hollywood Party in full swing. During the course of the affair, the Doctor was invited to step out into the garden where oranges were ripening on the trees. Hearing footsteps approaching, (not on horse-back) he turned from his orange picking and, who should come dashing towards him but Ann Walker Kresge, formerly prominent in Detroit and Bloomfield social life. She was tickled pink to see Jack, we've been told, and said that with all its glamor, Hollywood would never take the place of her former abode and that seeing someone from Michigan was better than a dozen letters from home.

▲ Do you remember the time when you started out on a new job and walked in on the boss for the first time and proceeded to "do your best" under the scrutinizing eyes of the head man and the others about the place? If you do, you can well appreciate the spot that Birmingham's new preacher was in when he took his place behind the pulpit at the Presbyterian Church last Sunday and faced not one boss, but over 500 people who were all there to pass judgment on him. As you may, or may not know, Rev. Harris was called to the local church without ever having appeared before the congregation, and this was the first opportunity the towns folks had to see him and hear him preach. Well, he faced the music and did a swell job of "selling himself" to the his congregation. We were pulling for him, and think that every last soul in that packed church was also trying to give him a lift. When he said that he hoped that those who had called him to the local church (the pastoral committee and the members of the church at large) would feel that they had not made a mistake, our eyes seemed to bother us and we were forced to blink for a number of seconds. We laid it to the bright sunshine coming through the stained glass windows . . . but we did notice that a lot of other folks seated near us were doing a bit of blinking themselves. It took a lot of courage to preach that first sermon . . . and the reverend sure has got it. We hope you folks will all soon get to meet Mr. Harris. He is "easy" to get acquainted with and makes you feel that he really is glad to meet you.

▲ Speaking of preachers . . . We have heard that a number of local men have in their possession a letter recently received from an interesting "preacher-lecturer" located in Lansing, Michigan. It seems that the letter was sent out in the hope that a local man might be interested in joining up with the Lansing preacher on a tour of the country. We have not heard to date whether or not the letter has accomplished its purpose. We believe Walter Raychel, over at the Merchants Bureau, has one of the letters, and if any of our readers should be interested, we think Mr. Raychel would be glad to give you all the details. "Poor Herman"!

▲ Must run along now and get some rest preparatory to the coming "Spring Spading." Here's hoping you all have nice gardens and that you really can "take it" when doing your stuff with those garden tools. Spring Is Here!