

Hunter Blvd. Beautification Depends On Local Support, Says Van Wagoner

860 Watkins street, Birmingham, Mich., July 15, 1940. Mr. George R. Averill, The Birmingham Eccentric, Birmingham, Michigan. Dear Mr. Averill: A week or so ago I was asked to sign a petition addressed to Mr. Van Wagoner, urging him to keep undesirable business and unsightly developments from Hunter boulevard. I am in sympathy with any movement that will help to develop Hunter boulevard into a boulevard in the best sense of that word, with attractively planted parkways and bordered by sightly buildings. Is there any one in Birmingham who does not want to see such a development? Nevertheless I did not sign the petition.

The construction of the highway undoubtedly has created many problems for the owners of adjoining property. Much of this property was originally purchased for use by business, requiring railroad sidings and was built up accordingly. In the center of the boulevard and Woodward avenue converge the new highway exposes the generally unsightly backs of buildings which put their best front toward Woodward Avenue. It seemed to me no great gain simply to try to deny a few of the adjacent property owners garage access to the boulevard or to bar a few possibly undesirable business developments unless something constructive is done in determining what use can be made of the property along the boulevard and what can be done regarding the existing unsightliness. However, having been given the opportunity to state my views for a beautiful Hunter boulevard, I felt that, if I wanted to reserve the privilege of growing about future developments, I must in some way express myself now as opposed to signing the petition. I am writing a letter to Mr. Van Wagoner.

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Gardeners' Corner

This column is conducted for the Eccentric's readers by Mrs. Marc T. Patten, Box 146, Bloomfield Hills. Questions on gardening matters may be addressed to Mrs. Patten and they will be answered in the Gardeners' Corner or directly by mail. Gladioli The middle of July is the last call for planting gladioli corms. Rock Gardens Summer is apt to be a rather barren time in many rock gardens that specialize in early spring flowering plants. Don't neglect the sprinkling of the garden though. The growth of the plants this summer will be evident in next spring's blooms. Several plants are in full bloom, however. The thymes, Nepeta

superior sex A 101-year-old man attributes his longevity to plenty of sleep and three square meals a day, while a 107-year-old woman says she always gets plenty of exercise. Let's be a 101-year-old man—Ottawa, Canada.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland. I, J. H. Wright, Clerk of the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in and for said County, do hereby certify that on the 12th day of July, 1940, Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate, in the Matter of the Estate of Sarah H. Atkins, Dec'd, ordered that said estate being filed in said Court his Final Account and petition for an examination and allowance thereof, determined by the Court on the 12th day of the forenoon, at said Probate Office, he and he is appointed executor and petitioner. Further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication in some newspaper of general circulation in said County, at least once a week for three consecutive weeks, to-wit: on the 14th, 15th and 16th days of July, 1940. Attest: ARTHUR E. MOORE, Judge of Probate, Pontiac, Michigan. MAURICE E. HENNEGAN, County Probate Registrar. Report of condition of The Birmingham National Bank

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keep the roots in place. Some of the rock plants are such aggressive souls they are next best to weeds and should never be allowed near a small rock garden. If they are permitted a place they will be watched constantly, I have one Sedum that turns up in every bed in the garden, and it will grow right over a low evergreen. Pull up and cut out before it's too late. Mrs. Wilder names several in a chapter "The Meek that inherit the earth" in her book, The Rock Garden.

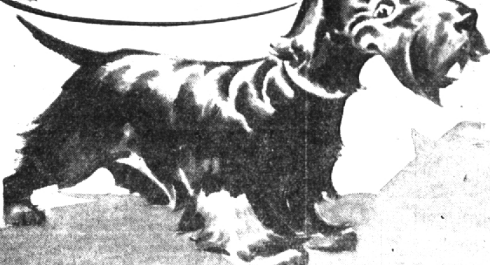
Enough Trouble. It is claimed that with a new streamlined golf club a ball can be driven 15 yards farther. We're not interested. We have enough trouble finding our ball in the rough as it is. -St. Louis Star Times.

Edison Will Cut Tree; Lines Endangered A dead cottonwood or Carolina poplar tree at the rear of St. James' Church will be removed, the City Commission decided Monday night. The Detroit Edison Co. has offered to remove the tree because of danger to its lines. Mrs. Florence Evans, 239 Townsend, has petitioned for the removal of a large tree in front of her property at 635 Oak street. A hearing was set for next Monday night.

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