

Investigation

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edge of revenue stamps affixed to the deeds, or from "hearsay and conversation among others on the sale price." Upon this information he would fix their values.
In two cases evidence was introduced by Allee to prove that his knowledge and the actual facts disagreed: One of them, the northwest corner of West Maple and Bates, was sold for \$38,000, while Haack understood it had sold for \$45,000.

Haack began Wednesday's meeting with the statement that "as city assessor, I have put in all my time in making up the 1930 assessment roll, and the present Board of Review has also spent much time in going over it. I believe that my tax roll represents a true picture of values and improved assessment values in Birmingham. Of course, there may be an error on one or more pieces. Very few taxpayers have come to me with complaints and asked that their individual property be reviewed."
He later said that he plans, during the next year, to make adjustments on other property, approximating three per cent of the total tax roll.

Business Rentals
Part of Wednesday's discussion related to statistics concerning the rentals that retail businesses can pay and remain in business. This testimony was given by Gage, who spent almost an hour discussing the many factors that go into the subject.
As this is being written Wednesday afternoon, it is impossible to predict the outcome of the hearing. The Board of Review may or may not agree to lower the high base rate of \$1,000 per foot, thus affecting other business properties.
In the event they do not, it is not known whether some taxpayers affected, as an individual, may not petition the State Tax Commission to come in and review the whole situation.
As Wednesday's meeting progressed, however, more amity was in evidence between the Board and the business group. This may have been possible by the appearance of Mariz as guide and counsel for the Board of Review and Haack.

Bid Accepted for Franklin Addition

Should a customary check of references prove satisfactory, the contract for the construction of the 7-room addition to Franklin school will be awarded to the Thomas-Wilson Co. of Detroit at a low bid price of \$101,314. Dr. Dwight B. Ireland, school superintendent, said yesterday.

The board of education met Tuesday evening and awarded the contract subject to this condition. Ireland said the contractor would start immediately, and according to a statement in the bid, would be finished in 120 days.
Tomorrow the board will ask for bids on the construction of the district's new \$2,700,000 high school at Cranbrook and Lincoln roads. Bids must be returned by April 27, Ireland said.

It is estimated that American forests from the early days of settlement in the United States provided most of the materials for the construction of over 50,000,000 houses, 12,000,000 farm buildings, 2,000,000 schools and libraries, 650,000 churches, and 400,000 factories and commercial buildings.

Obituary Notices

Services for Arthur D. Wright, 64, of 1380 Smith street were held last Saturday morning from the J. W. Maney funeral home in Detroit. Mr. Wright died in Harper hospital last Tuesday, after a short illness.
He was born in Romulus on Sept. 29, 1885, and in 1913 became associated with Western Union as a telegrapher. Prior to this he had been employed by a railroad. At the time of his death Mr. Wright was Western Union manager for the Detroit News.
Before telegrams became standard equipment for city newspapers,

Mr. Wright handled many of the major news stories as an operator for Detroit papers. He is credited with once using a wire fence to tap out the story of an area cut off from other means of communication by a hard storm and flood.
A resident of Birmingham for the past nine years, Mr. Wright is survived by his widow, Frances; four sons, Donovan A., Elsworth, Lowell and Redrick, all of Detroit; two sisters, Mrs. Mabel Bryant and Mrs. Estelle Hamby of Ypsilanti.

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