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| 129—I. W. Jayne, secy., cash..... | 20 35 |
| 130—Max Koch, treas., labor..... | 6 53 |
| 131—Max Koch, treas., labor | 77 49 |
| 132—J. H. Ling, mov. pianos..... | 36 00 |
| 133—Mfrs. Dist. Co., lawn mower.. | 196 00 |
| 134—Mich. Drug Co., sup..... | 78 42 |
| 135—A. G. Spalding & Bros., tennis nets | 3 92 |
| 136—Standart Bros., sup. | 42 53 |
| 137—Standart Bros., sup. | 30 24 |
| 138—Standart Bros., sup. | 33 19 |
| 139—United Fuel & Sup. Co., ce- ment | 22 89 |
| 140—Up-to-Date Shoe Rep. Co., rep. | 8 10 |
| 141—Banner Laund. Co., towels.... | 1 95 |
| 142—Det. Museum of Art, services | 3,000 00 |
| | \$ 5,445 39 |

REDEMPTION FUND

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| 29—F. E. Herbert, redemp. taxes \$ | 1,236 13 |
| 30—J. E. Lilly, redemp. taxes... | 1,166 50 |
| 31—W. Vail, redemp. taxes | 213 87 |
| | \$ 2,616 50 |

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| SPEC. ASSMT. SINK. & INT. FUND | |
| 5—Max Koch, treas., bonds & int. | \$130,807 22 |

GEO. ENGEL,
Controller.

Referred to Committee on Claims and Accounts.

From the Controller.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:
Gentlemen—In accordance with a resolution adopted by your Honorable Body at a session held July 26, 1916, Wm. J. H. Goetz has submitted a deed of the northerly 60 feet of the southerly 219.20 feet of that part of O. L. 7 lying north of the north line of Gordon street, to be used for the purpose of opening and extending Warren avenue.

After the approval of this deed by your Honorable Body, the sum of \$225.72 will be paid to the said Wm. J. H. Goetz, being refund of assessment for the paving of Cadillac avenue.

Respectfully submitted,
GEO. ENGEL,
Controller.

Accepted and referred to Committee on Ways and Means.

From the Corporation Counsel.

Honorable Richard Lindsay,
City Clerk,

Dear Sir—I am in receipt of your communication of Aug. 23, 1916, requesting an opinion as to the validity of the resolution offered by Alderman Barnett granting City employees who are members of the National Guard leave of absence for six months with pay. Replying thereto, beg to say, that this resolution is subject to the same legal objections as the one previously offered by Alderman Barnett on this subject and which were pointed out in detail in my letter of August 22, 1916. Therefore, I conclude that the plan contemplated by the resolution is illegal.

Very truly yours,
HARRY J. DINGEMAN,
Corporation Counsel.

Accepted and placed on file.

From the Corporation Counsel.

Mr. Richard Lindsay,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir—You ask in your letter of August 23, 1916, for an opinion as to the legality of an ordinance introduced at a recent date which purports to amend paragraphs 9, 10, 11, 13, 14 and 15 of Section 28 of the so called Equalization ordinance.

Prior to the beginning of the fiscal year the Common Council adopted an ordinance fixing the salaries and compensation to be paid various officers and employees in the service of the city. Section 30 of the ordinance reads as follows: "Where salary schedules are not included herein the compensation for the performance of duties of position shall be uniform for similar character and responsibility of work, and shall not be more than the salary rate or wage paid to persons engaged in similar work."

It will be seen by reading the proposed amendment that it is to apply to those employees engaged in linemen's work in various departments of the municipality. The original ordinance does not mention a fixed wage for men engaged in this occupation, excepting, however, that the language of Section 30, above quoted, fixes the annual compensation to be, that paid to those engaged in similar work. Investigation disclosed that the rate paid for men engaged in similar work was \$4.40 a day, and that is now being paid the various employees of the city departments doing linemen's duty. It is not legal to now alter their annual fixed compensation because of the language of a charter amendment which forbids the changing of compensation during the fiscal year.

The ordinance in question cannot be enforced.

Respectfully yours,
WILLIAM E. TARSNEY,
Assistant Corporation Counsel.
Accepted and placed on file.

From Department of Public Works.

To the Honorable, The Common Council:
Gentlemen—In order to carry on the work, this department would recommend the transfer of \$785.00 from the surplus in the 1915 General Road Fund to the credit of an account in the same fund, known as New Auto for Assistant Superintendent of Street Cleaning.

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE H. FENKELL,
Commissioner.

By Alderman Burton:

Resolved, That the Controller be, and is hereby authorized to make the proper entries on his books to effect the transfer of \$785 from the surplus in the 1915 General Road Fund to the credit of an account in the same fund known as "New Auto for Assistant Superintendent of Street Cleaning Department."

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Ashe, Bleil, Cranshaw, Dill, Ellis, Field, Guthard, Hindle, Jakel, Kocher, Kronk, Kunz, Littlefield, Nowc, Schultz, Starkey, Thompson, Vernor, Wartell, Wenzel, A. E. Wilson, W. J. Willson, Zink, and the President Pro Tem.—24.

Nays—None.

From Department of Public Works.

To The Honorable, The Common Council:
Gentlemen—The Department of Public Works, to whom was referred the petitions of:

6250—Frank J. Selewski, et al., for the paving of Boone street from East Grand Boulevard to Moran.

7853—Mrs. Hattie Currey, et al., for the paving of Linslade avenue from Grand River to Colfax.

7854—R. A. Strausser, et al., for the paving of Clairmount avenue from Wilson to 12th.

7992—Frank P. Davey, et al., for the