mission, in an amount not to exceed \$36.00, covering allowance for meals for employees of that department who worked overtime during the period from November 15, 1938 to January 31, 1939. This voucher to be charged to account 24-C, General Fund.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Breitmeyer, Dingeman, Ewald, Lodge, Smith, Sweeny, Van Antwerp, and the Presi-

Nays-None.

# Library Commission

March 13, 1939.

Common Honorable, the the To

Council:

Gentlemen—The Library Commission now rents quarters at Fenkell avenue and Burt, the building being a branch bank belonging to the Guardian Depositors Corporation. The annual rental is \$1,200.

The location is one of the best for our purposes; the community is one of modest homes, self respecting, friendly citizens heartily supporting

the book service we give.

The Commission has an opportunity to purchase this property, assessed value of which is at present approximately \$27,000, at price of \$15,000 with no payment down, monthly payments of \$100, and interest at the rate of 4 per cent per annum, with principal and interest fully paid within ten years fully paid within ten years.

The Commissioners heartily recommend that the property be acquired on the basis outlined above and that a contract entered into to that effect be approved by your Honorable Body.

Respectfully submitted, ADAM STROHM. Librarian.

Approved: J. N. DALEY, Controller.

By Councilman Breitmeyer:

Resolved, that the foregoing request of the Public Library Commission to acquire the branch bank building at Fenkell and Burt avenues on a rental-purchase basis be and the same is hereby denied.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Breitmeyer, ngeman, Ewald, Lodge, Smith, Dingeman, Ewald, Sweeny, Van Antwerp, and the President—8.

Nays-None.

Surplus Unexpended Balances Surplus Unexpended Balances 902, the sum of \$50.00 to Acct. 3-C, Federal and State Prisoners in order that We may be supported by the surplus of the support 3-C. Federal and State Prisonne Advances, in order that we may team of the reimbursement for may be a more than the reimbursement for more than the reimburseme Advances, in order that we may be ceive reimbursement for may receive expended during February of \$30.00 expended during month. expended during and \$20.00 expended during month

These amounts are reimbursed to the House of Correction Revenue by

State and the United State and the United States

Thanking you in anticipation of your early approval, I am

Yours respectfully, A. BLAKE GILLIES, Superintendent.

Approved:

J. N. DALEY. Controller.

By Councilman Van Antwerp:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to transfer the sum of \$50.00 from account 902, Surplus Unexpended Balances, in the House of Correction fund, to the credit of account No. 3-C, Federal and State Prisoners Advances, in the same fund.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Breitmeyer, Dingeman, Ewald, Lodge, Smith, Sweeny, Van Antwerp, and the President—8.

# Sale of Strip of Land

Honorable, the Common the Council:

Gentlemen-To your Committee of the Whole was referred the petition of Morris Kahn (3670), to purchase city-owned parcel of land at the southwest corner of State Fair and Bauman aves. for the sum of \$625.00. After investigation by the Corporation Counsel and Board of Assessors, and careful consideration of the request, your committee recommends that same be granted, and offers the following resolution.

Respectfully submitted, EUGENE I. VAN ANTWERP, Chairman.

By Councilman Van Antwerp:

Resolved, That upon payment to the City Treasurer of the sum of \$625.00, the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to execute to Morris Kahn a quit-claim deed covering "All that part of lot 36 of Thomas Bros. State Fair Sub-To the Honorable, the Common Gentlemen—Will you please direct the Controller to transfer from our

36 of Thomas Bros. State Fair Subdivision of lot 14 of Dixon's Subdivision of the E. ½ of S. W. ¼, sin 2, T. 1 S., R. 11 E., as recorded 12, T. 1 S., R. 11 E., as recorded 12, T. 1 S., R. 11 E., as recorded 12, T. 1 S., R. 11 E., as recorded 14 of Dixon's Subdivision of the E. ½ of S. W. ¼, sin 2, T. 1 S., R. 11 E., as recorded 12, T. 1 S., R. 11 E., as recorded 12, T. 1 S., R. 11 E., as recorded 12, T. 1 S., R. 11 E., as recorded 14 of Dixon's Subdivision of the E. ½ of S. W. ¼, sin 2, T. 1 S., R. 11 E., as recorded 12, T. 1 S., R. 11 E., a southwest corner of State Fair and Bauman Aves.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Breitmeyer, Dingeman, Ewald, Smith, Sweeny, and the President-6.

Nays—Councilmen Lodge and Van Antwerp-2.

# TUESDAY, MARCH 14

Breitmeyer Chairman submitted the following report of Committee of the Whole for above date, and recommended its adoption:

## Taxes

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—To your Committee of the Whole were referred petitions of various persons or firms for cancellation, reduction or refund of personal taxes. Said petitions having been referred to the Board of Assessors for investigation, and said board having recommended certain adjustments, which have been approved by the Corporation Counsel, your committee concurs therein, and offers the following resolution.

> Respectfully submitted, PHILIP BREITMEYER,

Chairman.

By Councilman Breitmeyer:

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cancel the personal taxes levied against the following named persons for the years mentioned:

Antonio Miniti (5075), 1937—val. \$200, amt. \$4.94 (w. 7, item 412).

Chester A. Paull (4924), 1936—val. \$1,000, amt. \$23.92 (w. 14, item 1135). 1937—val. \$1,000, amt. \$24.68 (w. 14, item 1110). 1938—val. \$1,000, amt. \$26.75 (W. 14, item 1096), and further

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to accept the following named persons or firms the amounts shown, with interest aded from due date to date of payment, in full settlement of personal taxes for the years mentioned, and cancel balance due, provided said taxes are paid within 30 days from the date of the adoption of this resolution:

Uhlemann Optical Co. (4440), 1938, val. \$41,520, amt. \$1,110.70 (w. 2, item 7024).

Federal Carpet Co. (3213), 1938, val.

\$300, amt. \$8.03 (w. 8, item 544) Steel Products, Inc. (4784), 1938, val. \$58,340, amt. \$1,560.65 (w. 22,

item 1518), and further

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to honor vouchers when presented by the City Treasurer in favor of any prsons or firm to whom re-fund is due on the basis of the

amount of tax payable subsequent to said reductions or cancellation being less than the amount paid on the original assessment, and further

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and directed to have stricken from the rolls the amount of the reductions and cancellations as shown above, and that proper journal entries be prepared by the City Controller.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Breitmeyer, Dingeman, Ewald, Lodge, Smith, Sweeny, Van Antwerp, and the Presi-

Nays-None.

### ORDINANCES

By Councilman Sweeny:

ORDINANCE to amend Section 8 of Chapter 84 of the Compiled Ordinances of the City of Detroit for the year 1936.

IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE CITY OF DETROIT.

Section 1. That Section 8 of 2 Chapter 84 of the Compiled Ordi-3 nances of the City of Detroit for the year 1936 be and the same is 5 hereby amended to read as fol-6 lows:

Sec. 8. The rates to be charged 8 and collected for service by taxi-9 cabs shall be the following: for 10 the first two-thirds of a mile or 11 fraction thereof, twenty-five cents, 12 and for each additional one-third 13 mile or fraction thereof, five cents. 14 The Common Council may in-15 crease or decrease the rates here-16 in established and no charge shall 17 be made except as established by 18 the Common Council. No charge 19 shall be made for extra passengers. 20 For each three minutes of waiting 21 time or fraction thereof a charge 22 may be made of five cents. Wait-23 ing time shall include the time 24 when the taxicab is not in mo-25 tion, beginning with the arrival 26 at the place to which it has been 27 called, or the time consumed while 28 standing at the direction of the 29 passenger, but ro charge shall be 30 made for time lost for inefficiency 31 of the taxicab or its operator, or 32 time consumed by premature re-33 sponse to a call or for traffic de-34 lays. There shall be posted in a 35 conspicuous place on the inside 36 of the taxicab a card on which 37 shall be printed in plain, legible 38 type the rates of fare provided 39 for in this ordinance, the meter 40 rate of the taxicab, aid reference 41 to this ordinance by number.

Sec. 2. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith 3 are hereby repealed.