

work of installing services may be continued.

Respectfully submitted,  
GEO. H. FENKELL,  
General Manager.

By Councilman Ewald:

Resolved, That the City Controller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to transfer the sum of \$225,000 from Revenue Account in the Water Board Fund to account No. 508 Service Connection Extension.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Broderick, Castator, Dingeman, Ewald, Nagel, Stevenson and the President—8.

Nays—None.

#### From the Arts Commission.

February 4, 1925.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—It is my pleasure to inform you that at the meeting of the Arts Commission held Monday, February 2nd, the Detroit Museum of Art Founders Society asked the privilege of donating in their name the beautiful Greek marble torso of the Fourth Century B. C., which we purchased last summer for the sum of nineteen thousand dollars, (\$19,000), and they have offered to pay into our purchase fund, No. 503, the sum of nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000), for this purpose. The Arts Commission recommend the acceptance of this gift from the Founders Society as it will enable us to make further important purchases for the Institute.

Respectfully yours,  
Clyde H. Burroughs,  
Secretary.

By Councilman Broderick:

Resolved, That the Arts Commission be and is hereby authorized to accept from the Detroit Museum of Art Founders Society the gift of the Greek marble torso of the Fourth Century B. C.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Broderick, Castator, Dingeman, Ewald, Nagel, Stevenson and the President—8.

Nays—None.

#### From the Arts Commission.

February 4, 1925.

To the Honorable, the Common Council:

Gentlemen—At the meeting of the Arts Commission held Monday, February 2nd, the purchase of a painting by Petrus Christus from Paul Bottenweiser was authorized for the sum of eighteen thousand dollars, (\$18,000). This is one of the rarest and most exquisite examples of the Flemish School of the Fifteenth Century that has come to America

only two other examples of this artist in American collections. They also authorized the purchase from Mr. Arthur Upham Pope of a decorated Persian bowl, Rhages, of the Thirteenth Century for the sum of one thousand fifty dollars, (\$1,050).

We recommend that these purchases be ratified by your Honorable Body and payment authorized from our purchase fund, No. 503.

Respectfully yours,  
Clyde H. Burroughs,  
Secretary.

By Councilman Ewald:

Resolved, That the City Controller is hereby authorized and directed to pay the following bills when presented by the Detroit Institute of Art, charging them against account 503 in the Art Fund:

Paul Bottenweiser for painting by Petrus Christus, \$18,000.00.  
Arthur Upham Pope for Decorated Persian Bowl, \$1,050.00.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Broderick, Castator, Dingeman, Ewald, Nagel, Stevenson and the President—8.

Nays—None.

#### From the City Plan Commission

February 10, 1925.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen:—We are returning, herewith, the petition of Maurice Barr et al (3775) requesting that the name of Albert Street be changed to Olive Branch Street and the petition of the Grand Riviera Theatre Co. et al (4335) requesting that the name of Albert Street be changed to Riviera Avenue, both of which were referred to us by your Honorable Body.

We find that the same parcels of property are represented on both petitions, Maurice Barr, 9263 Albert Street, having signed one petition and Mrs. Maurice Barr, same address, having signed the other. Five of the six parcels represented on petition 3775 are also represented on petition 4335.

Inasmuch as we are unable to tell from these petitions what street name is desired and as no good reason is given for the change of the name of Albert Street, we recommend that the petitions be denied.

Respectfully submitted,  
WALTER H. BLUCHER,  
Secretary.

General order for Monday, Feb. 16.

#### From the City Plan Commission

February 10, 1925.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen:—As requested by

your Honorable Body, the City Plan Commission has considered the communication of the Department of Public Works in which they suggest that the alley in the block bounded by Brooklyn, Hobart, and Stanley Avenues and the Railroad be widened in order that it may be paved.

We have prepared a plan showing how the alley, which varies from 8 to 18 feet, should be widened and have communicated with all of the parties who signed the paving petition asking for their opinion as to the desirability of widening the alley, and advising that they would be assessed for this improvement.

The majority of those who answered our communication advised that although they favored having the alley widened, they did not want to bear the cost of condemning the land and buildings of the Sun Oil Company. A few of those who came into the office were not in favor of the widening at all.

Inasmuch as the property owners affected refuse to bear the cost of the widening, and as they are the parties to be directly benefitted by such an improvement, the City Plan Commission makes no recommendation for the widening of the alley.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER H. BLUCHER,

Secretary.

General order for Monday, Feb. 16.

#### From the Civil Service Commission

February 10, 1925.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen:—Pursuant to instructions contained in resolution adopted this day, we hand you herewith contract executed in triplicate by this Commission with Griffenhagen & Associates, Ltd., a foreign corporation for services to be rendered in re standardization report and ask your approval thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

FRED W. SMITH,

Secretary.

Accepted and recommendation concurred in as follows:  
Yeas—Councilmen Bradley, Broderick, Castator, Dingeman, Ewald, Nagel, Stevenson and the President—8.

Nays—None.

#### From the Department of Public Welfare.

February 10, 1925.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—An emergency appropriation of \$115,000.00 was allowed the Department of Public Welfare

by your Honorable Body to meet the disbursements which were made in behalf of the unemployed during the month of January.

The continuance of unemployment throughout the month increasing the number of applicants for relief beyond our expectations has caused a deficit of \$19,000.00 in the general relief, house rent and care of the sick in private hospitals funds.

Our figures for the month give some indication of the extent of the problem.

General city relief disbursements for the month show a total of 2,702 families receiving relief at a cost of \$91,285.11, as compared with 1,980 families for the month of December at a cost of \$69,110.52, and 919 at a cost of \$25,972.30 for the month of January 1924.

There is relatively little change in the employment situation. The weekly report of February 5th of the Employers' Association shows a small decrease in the number employed from the previous week, and a decrease of 32,131 from one year ago. Prosperity reports have been bringing men to Detroit faster than our industries can absorb them, and as a result the streets of Detroit have a larger number of unemployed men than for sometime past.

As the present indications do not warrant much immediate hope for improvement of labor conditions, the Department of Public Welfare would respectfully request that your Honorable Body grant an emergency appropriation amounting to \$119,000.00 to cover our deficit for January and carry the above funds until March 1st.

Respectfully submitted,

T. E. DOLAN,

General Superintendent.

General order for Tuesday, Feb. 17th.

#### From the Public Lighting Commission.

February 6, 1925.

To the Honorable the Common Council:

Gentlemen—In conformity with the resolution adopted by your Honorable Body at the session of January 13th, 1925, beg to advise that contract has been executed by this Commission with Corrick Brothers for the erection of four Railway Substation Buildings.

Yours respectfully,

John S. Foley,

Secretary.

Accepted and placed on file.