

EFFECTIVE CITIZEN CO-OPERATION

WHAT IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS SHOULD
BE EACH BODY'S BUSINESS

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Write to your Alderman

BEFORE

**you drop this into your basket
or place it in your files.**

In your own business
when you want to get action
what do you do?

*The city's business is
your business.*

The following is a letter from a citizen re Bulletin No. 38 which pointed out the necessity of adequate quarters and sufficient help for the City Auditor:

Bureau of Municipal Research,
813-820 Traders Bank Building, Toronto.

Dear Sirs:—

"Your bulletin No. 38 has just been received and read with interest.

I sometimes think it is a mistake that you are satisfied to merely print and deliver these interesting little pieces of reading matter without asking for some action of some kind on the part of the reader. It generally happens that one reads these Bulletins, with interest, turns them around quite a few times and—drops them in the basket.

If the readers were asked to sign a petition or to fill out and address a reply card to a Ward Alderman, or to the Mayor, or to a Controller, giving the citizen's opinion on this, that or the other subject, then the influence of your suggestions might be felt more promptly and effectively than must be the case at the present time. In other words, you often create a feeling of subdued indignation but you offer no outlet for it."

Very truly yours,

H. M. TEDMAN,
67 Farnham Avenue.

Final action has not yet been taken by the Council on the report of the City Treasurer, City Auditor and Commissioner of Works outlining accounting reform for the city.

The officials who made the report are not in entire accord as to some details. Naturally the City Auditor awaits the Council's decision.

Even if the Council did decide, the report could not be acted upon as there are insufficient facilities for handling the present work without taking on new.

These conditions grow worse instead of better as the city's business increases.