

avoid damage to surrounding property. The city is now being sued for \$10,000 damage on account of the location of one comfort station. Aside from the question of location of this comfort station, it would have been quite possible to reduce the height of the kiosks as was done in the case of the Spadina Avenue station. A structure rising ten to fifteen feet above the sidewalk is certainly an encumbrance, besides being unsightly and damaging to adjacent property.

During the course of the investigation, most of the public lavatories were inspected. Without exception they were found in a cleanly, sanitary condition.

City Has Well Equipped Public Baths.

The city is to be congratulated upon the well equipped public baths which it maintains. The Harrison Baths, opened in 1909, and the new baths, opened during the last month, October, are certainly carrying out well the purpose for which they were erected. The attendance records show very frequent use and the baths themselves are kept in a cleanly and attractive condition.

Present Garage Overcrowded.

About twenty-five automobiles and twenty motorcycles are now housed in a garage which was originally designed for half that number. The employees are working under conditions which make efficient service difficult. The present structure is really nothing more than a fire-proof barn set in the middle of the old market building. There is no office where proper accounts could be kept, no store-room, and very inadequate facilities for washing and cleaning the various machines. If best results are to be obtained from the operation of a central garage, adequate quarters, preferably in a separate building, must be provided. The economies already effected by the organization of a central garage well warrant the expenditure necessary to provide adequate quarters.

Cattle Market.

There is now practically nothing to inquire into at the cattle market except row after row of unoccupied pens. It is the expectation of city officials that much of the trade which left the city cattle market and went to the Union Stock Yards will return after the completion of the city abattoir. Whether or not these expectations will be realized is a problem for the future. It must be admitted, however, that the present run-down condition of the pens and general