

Wm. P. Rutledge,
Supt. of Police,
Detroit, Mich.

Dear Mr. Rutledge:

Fred M. I wish to call your attention to the fact that his Honor ^{the} Mayor of the City of Toledo, Ohio, ~~the~~ Wm. T. Jackson, Director of Public Service and Arthur D. Hill, Director of Public Safety, contemplate a visit to your city ^{Monday} the latter part of this week, probably tomorrow, ~~Thursday~~, for the purpose of inspecting your municipal garage with the end in view of repairing, gassing and oiling all city owned cars. *in a triumph of force in Toledo*

The Police Department ^{of Toledo} here at the present time maintains its own repair shop, but it is the desire of Service Director Jackson that same be discontinued, it being his belief that it would be more economical for all city cars, including ~~all~~ police cars, to be housed under one roof. Of course, we take exception to his theory, and have requested that our own shop be ~~maintained~~ retained for efficiency as well as the desire to have control of our own maintenance.

I do not know how you feel about a consolidated garage, although I understand you are at the present time trying out this method. If ~~it has proven itself~~ this sort of an arrangement has worked out satisfactorily for your Department, of course you would be for it, but if not, kindly see that all the bad features are shown to the Toledo investigators.