

# ROCHESTER BEST GOVERNED CITY

Here are a few of the compliments paid the city of Rochester by the experts of the New York Bureau of Municipal Research, who conducted a comprehensive survey of the various departments and bureaus:

**BEST ORGANIZED AND BEST MANAGED.**  
"Rochester's government is better organized and better managed than any which has come to the bureau's notice."

**CONSCIENTIOUS OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES.**  
"Throughout the departments is shown a spirit of loyalty and co-operation, a sense of responsibility and responsibility of public demand, that is full of encouragement for a future development in the management of city affairs."

**FINANCES IN SAFE HANDS.**  
"The work of the officials charged with the responsibility for the city's financial affairs—the Assessors, Comptroller, Treasurer and members of the Board of Estimate—evinces a sincere effort to keep down the cost of government."

**COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE PROGRESSIVE.**  
"As in the other city offices during the survey, there was apparent a keen desire to improve the organization, methods, and procedure at every point where there might be need thereof. The tone of the entire office was above the average of such offices."

**GOOD ORGANIZATION IN TREASURER'S OFFICE.**  
"The City Treasurer is not only the custodian and disbursing officer of city money, but he is also the collecting officer of taxes, water rates and certain miscellaneous revenues. This is good organization."

**ABLE ASSESSORS.**  
"Rochester has an able Board of Assessors and a competent office force in the department of Assessment and Taxation. The Assessors are familiar with the principles underlying their work and they are generally informed as to the methods employed in the cities which are regarded as leaders in the matter of property assessment."

**EXCELLENT HEALTH BUREAU.**  
"The excellence of Rochester's Health Department under its present Commissioner is well known."

**EFFICIENT POLICE FORCE.**  
"Rochester's police force is organized in accordance with the most approved modern plan and is efficiently managed."

**POLICEMEN PROGRESSIVE AND ACTIVE.**  
"The activities of the officers evince a progressiveness which was reflected throughout the force."

**POLICE CHIEF IS UP TO DATE.**  
"The chief possesses knowledge of approved police procedure, and his conceptions of the functions of the police in carrying out the policies of the administration in the suppression of vice and in the performance of social service, is in accordance with the most advanced and accepted ideas."

**FIRE DEPARTMENT IS EFFICIENT.**  
"The Bureau of Fire is properly organized and efficiently managed."

**BREMEN UNDERSTAND THEIR WORK.**  
"The Bremen appear to understand their work generally and the methods used in fire extinguishment are modern and progressive."

**HIGH STANDARD IN PARKS.**  
"There is every reason to believe that the former high standards in park development will be observed."

**FINE STREETS AND BUILDINGS.**  
"The fact is obvious to anyone going about the city, as did those engaged on this survey, that the city's streets, public buildings and other public works rank well in comparison with those of other cities."

These facts were reported by the efficiency experts of the New York Bureau of Municipal Research to the Rochester Bureau of Municipal Research, Inc. The trustees of the Rochester Bureau are as follows: George Eastman, Edward Beach, James G. Cutler, Jerome G. Hickey, Walter S. Howell, Alvan J. Katz, Henry W. Morgan, Frank Reese, George W. Todd, Andrew J. Townson, James S. Watson.

The high praise accorded Rochester's city government was made possible by the excellent administration of Mayor Hiram H. Edgerton. Vice Mayor Edgerton on November 2 that Rochester may continue to be the best governed city.

## CITY TAX ROLLS SHOW THAT MOSHER OWNS NO REAL ESTATE ON WHICH HE PAYS TAXES HERE

Professor Howard T. Mosher, Democratic-Progressive candidate for Mayor, is not a taxpayer in the city of Rochester. The man whose name appears on the principal feature of the present municipal campaign, is not assessed on the tax rolls of the city as an owner of property, nor is he according to which records are maintained in the office of the city tax collector.

Professor Mosher's name appears on the city directory and in business cards, lived at 215 Alexander Street. The house at 215 Alexander Street is assessed against Mayor Mosher. No where on the tax rolls is there any mention of Mayor Mosher as a taxpayer.

Mayor Mosher, professor of law at the University of Rochester, is not assessed on the tax rolls of the city as an owner of property, nor is he according to which records are maintained in the office of the city tax collector.

## COMPTROLLER ASSERTS CITY'S CREDIT IS STRONGEST IN STATE

Rochester's credit is the strongest in the state, Rochester's finances are the most sound in the nation among big cities of the state, and Rochester taxpayers money is being spent as efficiently, according to Comptroller Edward S. Geboras, the city's chief fiscal officer.

"I want to say just a word to you about the credit of the city of Rochester," he said before going to the city hall to attend a meeting of the administration of the city of Rochester, headed by Mayor Edgerton, who stands today as the business manager of this great corporation.

"The city of Rochester has grown more in the past eight years than in the past eight years, it has grown more numerically and financially, it has grown more in size and beauty. We have today better lighted streets, better paved streets, more green parks, more schools, more homes, more business."



MAYOR HIRAM H. EDGERTON, Who Has Made Rochester the Best Governed City. Vote for Mayor Edgerton on November 2 That Rochester May Continue to Lead.

## MANY OF RESEARCH EXPERTS' SUGGESTIONS WOULD INCREASE EFFICIENCY, SAYS MAYOR EDGERTON

Seeks Another Term to Place Them in Operation, He Says in Statement. Rochester's Government Now Enjoys Reputation for Being Best in Country, But Mayor Sees How He Could Make It Better.

While the research experts of the Municipal Research Bureau have made many suggestions for increasing the efficiency of the city government, Mayor Hiram H. Edgerton is not only willing to place them in operation, but he is also seeking another term to do so.

"I have always been my policy and will continue to be my policy so long as I am at the head of the city government to increase the efficiency of our government and to create a standard by which such efficiency may be maintained in the future. It has been my constant aim to secure the maximum of efficiency and economy in the conduct of the municipal government."

"Research and investigation in municipal methods and management of

## MOSHER'S CHEAP POLITICAL STUNTS DISGUST AN INTELLIGENT PUBLIC

In an effort to make political capital out of the Victoria Theater case, Howard T. Mosher, the Dem-Progressive candidate for Mayor, has written a letter to Mayor Hiram H. Edgerton in which the Professor discusses the details of the performance at the theater and which he makes the point that if the questions he has asked about the theater case are not answered he will publish the letter. The letter is not regarded as such that it ought to be printed in any newspaper.

The Mayor says that police officials have no objection to the performance of the Victoria Theater. The Mayor says that the performance was not as good as it has been in the past. He says that the police have no objection to the performance of the Victoria Theater. The Mayor says that the performance was not as good as it has been in the past. He says that the police have no objection to the performance of the Victoria Theater.

## ELECTRICAL WORKERS' UNION GIVES EDGERTON STRONG ENDORSEMENT

Resolutions were adopted at a meeting of Local 44 of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, expressing the strongest support of Mayor Hiram H. Edgerton and pledging their unqualified support at the coming election. The resolutions expressed the satisfaction of the union with the Mayor's record and the approval of the Municipal Research Bureau.

## IRONWORKERS' UNION GIVES MAYOR EDGERTON STRONG ENDORSEMENT

At a meeting of Bridgman and Structures Ironworkers' Union Local 33, resolutions endorsing the policies and administration of Mayor Hiram H. Edgerton were adopted. The members of the union voted unanimously in favor of the resolutions.