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Bits of Birmingham

We trust that last weekend's snow is the final such visitation of the season.

While taking in the local cinema operated by Mr. Howard Holah we noted the audience reaction to a new record of Army Day parades. Six months ago, there was little enthusiasm; this week, there came applause from the audience as the boys went marching along. People are becoming more proud of the armed forces as time goes on; reason: who hasn't a relative or friend in one of the units?

Patrolman Robert Emmett appears to know his law and ordinances, and takes a genuine pride in trying to enforce them. During the past week he stopped one driver for having improper plates and another for defective brakes.

Who will get the Chevrolet franchise?

Robert Shannon, 394 Bryn Mawr, went to the theatre Saturday and parked his bicycle out in front. He forgot a \$2.50 watch which he had affixed to the handle bars; and when he came out, the watch was gone.

Another watch loss: Jerry Stevens reports the loss of a yellow gold lady's time piece.

Our printers have been notified that after May 1—they must use no more metallic inks.

A resident with a piano offered the use of it to someone for the privilege of storage. He got more than 25 replies from a little classified ad.

Two electric wires fell early Friday during the heavy snow. One was at West Maple and Baldwin; the other was on Bannville, one block west of Woodward.

Plenty of folks got out with their cameras last week to take pictures of the snow. Did you hear the fire and air raid siren Monday noon? The new one and the old one now operate on the same circuit, giving a two-toned effect. The sirens are operated every Monday noon as a test.

Charles Keppel, 932 Forest, went out to his garage last Thursday and found his car rather muddy, but otherwise unharmed. Detective Bill Green went into a garage and discovered that a 14-year-old boy had entered the house, taken the car keys and then had gone on a pleasure jaunt with several friends. Later, the car was returned and the keys replaced. The boys were lectured.

A woman living at 11-Mile road and North Eastern reported to police that her nephew, 15 years old, had on a uniform of some sort and had run away, seeking to join the Army. Yes, boys have been doing that for a long, long time.

A moving van company reports that several families have moved clear of Detroit because of this threat, however, just as many people are moving out here because they are afraid of bombs. It is true that the center of a city, for example, London, suffers most.

Nina Zoe Kitts, now teaching at Portland, Oregon, sends a change of address and writes: "I enjoy the paper so much I hope to have even the delay of it being forwarded to me."

Also, Mrs. M. B. Whittlesey, 1208 Southfield road, is back from Orlando, Fla., and asks us to send the paper to her home. "We enjoyed our home paper down here very much," she writes.

Yes, the home town paper is just like our friends and relatives. When at home we take them for granted, but once we are away, they mean so much more.

J. J. Murphy, 205 Daines street, reported to police last week that a stray doberman pinscher jumped against his wife and knocked her down; however, the dog did not bite her. A Royal Oak man owns the dog.

The boys in the back room are kidding Gordon Long, one of our composers. After that heavy rain we went out to clean it from the windows of his car (it

On Full-Time Anti-Jap Duty



At night Feng Yuen Dong, 25, works as a special duty sheriff at a small airport near Cleveland, O. During the day he adds to his 150 hours of solo flying. An expert mechanic, Feng is anxious to fight the Japs. His wife and son are in a Jap-occupied area of China.

was 4 a.m.) and when he got through, he discovered it was Charley Jarvis' machine.

Many children made snowmen last week. Particularly well done was one made by the daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond H. Smith, 608 Vinewood.

Remember, readers, you are always welcome to send in items for this department of The Eccentric.

A boy, 10, living on West Lincoln, told police that another lad, 14, shot him in the leg with a BB gun.

The use of house trailers in Birmingham is tabu for periods longer than two weeks. Monday, police went out to tell trailer residents on Humphrey and on Chapin that they must desert.

Arthur F. Ritter has been granted a divorce from Muriel W. Ritter.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Shain are vacationing in the South.

Perry Vaughan, Bloomfield Township supervisor, is sitting pretty as regards transportation. He has a horse.

The Sideline Quarterbacks, that group which aims at helping high school seniors, have elected officers. Hester P. Gahn is president; S. M. Hopkins, vice-president; Dr. E. W. Dear, secretary; and Charles S. Johnson, treasurer.

All residents of the Birmingham Estates subdivision section of Birmingham are invited to attend a special meeting at Adams School, Monday evening, April 20, at 7:30 p.m. Get acquainted with your neighbors, become familiar with the civilian defense program for your community, announced H. J. Leaf, president.

Boys in the armed forces who hail from the religious influence of the Birmingham St. James Episcopal church are, these days, getting considerable information "from home." It is being done in an excellent little micrographed sheet edited jointly by Walter L. Forsythe, rector, and Robert F. G. Copeland, parishioner. It is called "Good News from Home" and contains various items of a personal nature that interest the boys. Copies are sent to every boy who can be reached in the camps; the boys are thus kept in touch with parish activities, as well as the many other intimate items that such a sheet can develop. Congratulations, Messrs. Forsythe and Copeland!

Howard R. Ester, chairman of the Birmingham Rotary Club's Easter Seal sale campaign committee, this week reported that nearly \$450 worth of the Seal have been sold, proceeds of which are used to aid crippled children in Oakland County and Michigan. He expressed the club's appreciation of the support of local citizens given in the campaign.

Four names were not included in the list given us of those who went on the Washington trip. They were Janice DuLee, Rosemary DeBaubien, Dorothy Essey and Sally Farquhar.

It is a wonder if the rigors of war will permit the trip next year.

After reading the paragraph in this column last week pertaining to a proper sendoff for men leaving for the service, Mrs. Norman Lyle phoned and asked if we knew anything about an organization called Mothers of Men in Service. She believes that the mothers of boys who have already gone to war would be glad to join in organizing a sendoff program. Do any of our readers know of this organization? Of course, Mrs. Lyle and this Wanderer agree that a local committee needs no state or national affiliation to take care of the job. Incidentally, the latest word is that there will be no further draft quota until May 7.

Raid Certificates Going to 600 in Southfield Twp.

More than 600 people of Southfield Township will receive air raid warden certificates at 8 o'clock Thursday night, April 16, at Baldwin High School, when graduation exercises will be held for those civilian defense registrants who have completed the 10 hour course of study prescribed by the Southfield Township Civilian Defense Council, and given by Mrs. Ewald E. Schadt, 18261 Devonshire, air raid warden instructor.

Capt. Donald S. Leonard, commander of Michigan Air Defense Corps, will be the main speaker of the evening. Special motion pictures on civilian defense will be shown. Special music has been arranged for the occasion. Lee B. Durham, chairman of the Defense Council, will have charge of the meeting.

The Defense Council has extended its appreciation to Mrs. Schadt for the splendid work she has done in offering this air raid warden course eight hours per week for the past five weeks. Besides this work, Mrs. Schadt has offered a special 10 hour course for people in the defense program and also plans to give special make-up classes for those people who have missed part of the course, according to Mrs. W. Levey, Director of Public Relations.

Membership Scope Of VFW Extended

Membership eligibility to the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States is extended to thousands of World War veterans previously considered ineligible, under the provisions of Public Law No. 322.

Members of the Army of Occupation at one time were considered eligible to the V. F. W., whose membership rolls are open only to those war veterans who have served "on foreign soil prior in hostile waters" during an American war and whose service has been recognized by the United States government. Later, an interpretation of the V.F.W. charter granted by Congress in 1936, declared such veterans ineligible because such service was not granted a campaign medal. The new law, specifically authorizing medals to Army of Occupation veterans, accords them official recognition as "overseas" veterans.

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Odd Fellows Mark 123rd Anniversary

The Odd Fellow and Rebekah Lodges of Greater Detroit area will celebrate the one hundred and twenty third anniversary of the founding of the American Order Saturday and Sunday, April 25 and 26.

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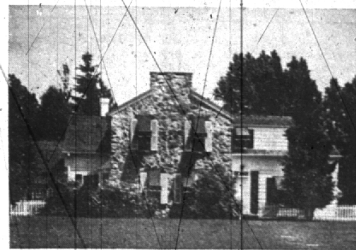
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Lee White Addresses Engineering Society

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