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Mrs. Watson Has Neighbors Busy In Salvage Work

By KATHRYN UMPHREY
A growing pile of "scrap" in a vacant lot on Bird street is the cause of much current neighborhood pride. It all started when Mrs. Andrew Watson, of Bird street, was made salvage chairman for her district a week or so ago. She unearthed some metal electric fixtures, etc., started the pile next door, and then sat down to await developments. In a short time a crowd of young boys were there, clamoring to help by carrying the neighborhood "treasures" to their homes. They were on hand, could be seen going up and down the streets collecting salvage.

Proud to Help
It is not the children are proud to do something that might help win the war. Now practically every child, and his parents, in this district are constantly on the lookout for something, anything, that might be salvaged. Every afternoon after school and all day Saturday there is a continuous stream of children coming and going from that yard. They're bringing not only metal, but also paper, cardboard, and rubber. Each new addition calls for an enthusiastic comment by Mrs. Watson, and she really means it. Many things that had been brought in—roller skates, parts of bikes, a pair of leather plates, a tinning back to 1915, cooking utensils, even trunks, and even an old shoe that had turned just into the day because it had a rubber heel. Her volunteers are of all ages, the youngest yet being a little girl, just three, who came dragging a roll of paper bigger than herself. Then there were three little boys who stopped by the other night and asked could they "join the Salvation Army." They knew that children were working on salvage for the Army and just became confused.

Leaders
The ringleaders of the group are Dickie Kimmins, Don Jaus, Charles Powers, Fred Born, and Paul Phillips, all of whom proudly wear salvage arm bands and recruit other youngsters to help. "Children are so cooperative to work with," Mrs. Watson said, adding quickly that she is very fond of children, which probably is the basis of her success. She has three children of her own, Andy, Jr., who was graduated from the University of Michigan on Saturday, Glen who finished at Baldwin High School two years ago, and Ruth, who is a junior there now. Before her boys were old enough to be Scouts, she organized a neighborhood boys' club, chief activity of which was the collection of bugs! No wonder Mrs. Watson gets such a remarkable response from a little boy's heart would go out to a woman who didn't mind, yet encouraged his collecting bugs. For many years Mrs. Watson has been a matron in the Birmingham Girl Scouts, and at present she is on the Council.

The Watson family seems to be genuinely defense-minded. Not only do they have a pile of scrap metal and rubber in their side yard, a garage full of waste papers, but also Mr. Watson senior is an air raid warden for his zone. He has fitted up a room in their basement which they dub "the air raid post 10." So far it's been used as a meeting place for the district air raid wardens under Mr. Watson, and they expect to use it even more for that kind of thing.

Some one wants that unused furniture or equipment! Sell it through a classified ad. Phone 11.

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That was some blow while it lasted last Friday night!

There was a storm Friday night; another Saturday night; and on Sunday, probably because Jupiter Pluvius wanted to get home early for a change, the storm broke in the afternoon. Old Jap must be drawing double time for holiday and Sunday work.

That reminds this Wanderer of a draftsman we talked with the other evening. He's now getting \$2.40 an hour as a checker at a "job" shop in other words, an independent drafting shop which gets work wherever it can. The \$2.40 an hour is just a starter, however. As soon as 40 hours are up, he goes on time-and-a-half and for Sundays and holidays it jumps to \$4.80 an hour. And he can put in 20 hours a week as he can stand. Memorial Day, he worked 10 hours and netted a cool \$18. Sometimes he works 10 hours a day seven days a week and that brings in \$216 for help keep the wolf from the door. Now and then he can't stand the pace and he takes a couple days off, but never on a Sunday, because, when double time is paid, to anyone making more than \$10,000 a year, that doesn't seem like much dough, but to the average hourly worker, it's real coin. Meanwhile Congress haggles over whether to pay soldiers \$30 a month.

We note from a Port Huron newspaper that the former superintendent, Howard D. Crull, is not without trouble. A draft of \$7000 was made out of him by the school district is asking the county to keep the Junior College going and to supply \$25,000 more so that classes can run 10 months, and manual training, physical training, etc., can stay in the city. The financial crisis arose when it was discovered that salaries of principals and supervisors were not listed in the 1941-42 budget prepared by the former superintendent, Laurens Packard, who quit under fire.

Look for a red hot election here in June. The Adams area is providing the steam. Many of them are dissatisfied with the consolidated youngsters in high school; others are unhappy because the principal was not offered a contract next year. What makes it interesting is that both candidates, Mr. Seinhorn and Mr. Mullin, are residents of the Adams area.

There's not likely to be a black-out in the western sky is still illuminating the heavens, thanks to daylight saving time.

Did you notice the regular and auxiliary police marching in the parade Saturday? They stepped it off as smartly as one could wish, thanks to drilling at the hands of Patrolman Leo Stiers, who used to order 'em about in the First World War. The day we declared war, Dec. 8, 1941, policemen and firemen were called into the City Commission meeting to receive a special war message. Firemen filed in and out of the room in military style, but police, having been in the room in the interim, did not, and several of the Commissioners remarked about it. They were called in for the occasion for that criticism, as everyone at the parade could see.

Sgt. Bill Green is a father again! Larry William Green weighed 7 pounds 3 ounces when he made his appearance at St. Joseph's hospital last Friday.

Mary Reinhardt, 520 Townsend, reported last Friday the theft of a girl's red bike.

Greyhound bus drivers have been granted pay raises of 12 per cent, plus 12 days a year vacation.

The Police Department wants to start a new class for auxiliaries to train replacements for those who drop out (there have been many). Leave your name at headquarters.

Mrs. Beatrice Young has been granted a divorce decree from Gordon Young. Mrs. Young is to get custody of their two children and \$7.50 a week alimony for each child. Mrs. Augusta Merrill received a decree Monday from William Merrill.

Through an error in copying, the East side air raid zone wardens were not listed last week. They are Zone 2, Norman James, 887 Wimbledon drive; Zone 4, Amos F. Gregory, 1216 Dorchester; Zone 6, Oscar P. Peterson, 359 South Adams; Zone 8, George G. Thurman, 225 East Frank; Zone 10, Earl B. Brown, 67 Adams; Zone 12, Manley A. Tyson, 1459 East Ruffner; and Zone 14, Arthur D. Chandler, 2129 Yorkshire. West side zones are all odd numbered.

Adams P.T.A. recently honored the retiring principal, William R. Thomas, by presenting him with a floral basket, for which 250 contributed. W. A. Kinley made the presentation.

The R. S. Rankins (340 Woodland) has a dog which is quite a jumper. Continued to the City pound for observation, the dog arrived home last Thursday night, and since then he must have leaped the fence. He is tied now.

Chester McMillan, 3808 East Frank, is a wide-awake citizen who helped police catch two boys who have shot out the street lights at Frank and Pardy with their BB gun. McMillan chased the boys and notified the police. They were arrested and turned over to the Edison company which demands payment for the lights.

Fenton Westberry, the mail carrier, likes dogs, but on the dogs like Fenton? Every once in a while, the Westberry slings a subject to catch him. Last Thursday he was bitten by the Van Der Velder dog, 728 South Adams.

Our dog ordinance is a great thing. Having it on the books means that we have control of dogs. Not enforcing it satisfies those who don't care if dogs run loose or so-called have licenses. The Wanderer suggests a compromise. Why not arrest the owners of unlicensed dogs who bite people? Bring them into court. Apparently there's little use in trying to get every body who lets his dog run loose or fails to buy a license. That would be too tough. But let the unlicensed dog decide who gets into trouble; the docile animal which never bothers anybody who thus saves his master's grip. An occasional arrest would make it appear that the ordinance, as well as the dogs, has teeth.

The youthful bike riders must enjoy their ride with the police over the matter of bicycle licenses. Maybe it's a point of rivalry, but they can get along without the 25-cent tag the longest, for repeated seizures of unlicensed bikes has still failed to bring about complete licensing. Last week's round-up yielded two bikes at Pierce, two at Barnum, three at Adams, one at Baldwin, one at Quarton and one at Holy Name.

Neighbors reported Sunday at 1:18 p. m. that a dog on West Frank street had been barking since 2 a. m. Police got one of the neighbors to "take care of the dog." Whether that meant the dog was fed or conked on the head was not explained.

Clarification of the City's \$25 initial merchant license policy is expected at an early meeting of the Commission.

Well-drillers, already thwarted at four locations, are pessimistic about a fifth hole near the old Frank tank. Down 130 feet, drillers have not yet found a favorable gravel formation. The new 500-foot hole is in operation and permits the City to stop and start pumps less frequently, resulting in a saving.

The Commission made its annual appropriation of \$300 to the summer recreation fund and agreed to donate the water for the Barnum pool.

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Mrs. Julia Hawes has received her divorce from John Hawes.

Dr. J. B. Hassberger parked his car in the rear of the Wabek building Monday evening. At 3:50 a. m. Tuesday, it was recovered in Detroit, minus only a flashlight.

Remember the appeal in this column for a gas stove for a Pontiac woman. The local resident who handled the plea told us Monday: "I got a lovely stove and about 15 telephone calls. I never dreamed I would get such a response." She got some other things, too, for the woman's house.

Has anyone a filing cabinet which he would be willing to lend or give the Recreation Commission for the summer? If so, get in touch with Malcolm Tindall, recreation director, phone 3871.

A handsome new red, white and blue sign with the words "Salvage Depot" is now on the Hunter Boulevard side of the salvage building on Hunter south of East Woodward. The sign was made by Malcolm Tindall, summer recreation director, with the assistance of Adams students.

That unique organization, the Cat Bureau, sends us this flash: "The cats at Cat Bureau could almost qualify for the Navy after their experiences last Friday, Saturday and Sunday evening. The cages of the Cat Bureau are situated at the bottom of the hill on Woodward where drains much of the water that lands in Birmingham. For a short period each night the drains flooded at this point to the extent that cats were stalled in the middle of the water. The water rose around the cages and soon over five inches of water covered the ground; the cats looked apprehensive in their houses. However, the cat houses are built on stilts and the cats stayed high and dry. "Do-gooders" cats are available at the Cat Bureau. All cats and kittens are healthy, ragged, outdoor pets; phone 2955."

Police have received two complaints about motor scooters speeding on sidewalks.

George Gagner sank a hole-in-one at the Cat Bureau in Hills Country Club last weekend.

Mrs. Alvin Downer, of Franklin, presented our office with several lovely bouquets Tuesday morning. Her neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hester, are talking away, like many others, trying to restore their gravel driveway, washed out in the torrential rains.

Clenton Bohlen, 23, of Big Beaver, visited last week of negligent homicide was placed on two years' probation and ordered to pay the funeral expenses of George Bohlen, 16, of Troy Township. Bohlen's car, found to have defective brakes and lights, ran down the boy on a bicycle Oct. 20, 1940.

Mrs. Maxine Lucombe is the new clerk at the Selective Service office in charge of occupational questionnaires. She replaces Mrs. Paul Robertson, who went to Philadelphia when her husband joined the Naval service there.

The Cranbrook Cranes track team placed third in the 15th annual Interstate League meet held at Cleveland Saturday. Robert Carr, of Cranbrook, took first in the half-mile run and was nominated for first in the pole vault. All Crane teams have traveled extensively to meet other private schools, and coaches and students are wondering what they will be able to do in the fall. However, they usually travel by common carrier—train or regular bus—so if there's no regular bus on this form of travel, the Cranes should be able to meet their schedules. The public high teams may be harder hit, for they are accustomed to chartered buses for the football squads.

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