

The fellow who takes things too easily usually winds up having a hard time.

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BITS OF BIRMINGHAM

A postcard arrives in the mail, addressed to this column: "Wander down Washington boulevard and see the garbage, glass, rubbish strewn all over the street. Do our police boys ever catch anyone doing it? No, they are too busy riding one another to lunch or home. It's a disgrace and shame; one of two arrests might stop it. Go and look-see for yourself. A TAXPAYER."

The Wanderer suggests that the Taxpayer and his neighbors keep a lookout and report the license numbers of offenders. It's pretty hard for our policemen to be everywhere at once, for there is never more than one or two scouts patrolling the streets at any one time. People must help themselves.

Those who would like a pile of sand to keep handy in case of incendiary bombs may get one free from Hill School grounds, Torrey Field at the east end of Ruffner. Emmons avenue and Oxford drive at Kenesaw.

Running a newspaper is not as easy as it would seem. If one has a vigorous editorial policy, the people who don't agree with the editorials say the paper is always picking on somebody. If a paper never takes a stand on anything, people will say the paper is wishy-washy.

Birmingham is one of the cities which is to get a seven per cent cut in fire insurance rates as a result of recent action by the Michigan Insurance Rating Commission. It is estimated that the combined saving will be from \$500,000 to \$750,000 a year. Detroit, which has been leading the fight, asked a 15 per cent rate cut.

The Lions Club attended the Presbyterian church in a body last Sunday morning. The Exchange Club has been invited to attend April 12.

Mickey Rose, manager of the Bloomfield Theatre, asks us to announce that he has been very fortunate in booking the "biggest picture of the year," namely, "Sergeant York." It starts next Sunday and runs for 11 days. Everywhere it has been shown, this picture has broken records and has earned the Academy Award for Gary Cooper.

It is costing more to be a reckless driver in Bloomfield Hills. Justice H. Augustus O'Dell fined two men \$40 each and a third man, \$45, over the past weekend. Two were from Detroit; one from St. Clair Shores. In Birmingham, the average reckless driver pays \$25; drunk drivers, \$50.

Justice Hascall, last Saturday, assessed a fine of \$25 on Donald Eugene Lasky, of Pontiac, who drove 80 miles an hour and was not arrested until four officers were forced into the curb at Bloomfield Center.

Because of the scarcity of new cars, it is probable that courts will

become more critical of reckless drivers as time goes on.

Program of Birmingham Rotary Club Monday consisted of nominating a dozen candidates for the board of directors, to be voted on the 27th. Also conducted \$75 toward the purchase of a new set of public schools, and William M. Story, landscape architect. The club also conducted \$75 toward support of the Detroit Metropolitan area Boy Scout district.

Our dogs are getting more snappy; there were three bite cases during the past week.

James S. Tattie, 1234 Willow Lane, said his son, Barry J., 8 years old, had been bitten by a dog owned by Thomas Anderson, 684 Puritan; Raymond Nixon, 159 Balmow, was bitten last Thursday by a dog owned by Mrs. Clifford Ranfall; 750 Shirley. Mrs. Thomas Grimshaw, 718 Bonnaville, reported that her son, John, 4 years old, had been nipped by the dog of Mrs. Ralph McCrumb, 888 Bonnaville.

When are the Polks going to put out a new city directory? The 1940 volume gets more inadequate every day as the population shifts.

A brief note from Mr. and Mrs. Henry E. Edwards, of Aspen road, just north of Petoskey, Michigan, arrived this week when they enclosed the verse printed two weeks ago in this city directory.

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One Pierce street radio was so noisy Sunday that a complaint was made to police.

Clyde Reid, 44 Birmingham street, engineer, is to serve six months in jail for a fatal hit-and-run accident which occurred four years ago. Twice he has been convicted, twice he was acquitted. Finally, both sides agreed to six months in jail. Sentence has not yet been pronounced.

When the City acquired the 66 acres on the southwest for its new age disposal plant, it also got the home on the property, a big 14-room affair, hard to heat and not very new. After debating whether to tear it down or sell it, the City Fathers decided once more to try and rent it, and an ad was run in last week's Eccentric. A prospective tenant wants it for five years on lease. The City will offer a \$45 monthly rental with \$10 set aside monthly for repairs.

John M. Whittlesey, 4353 West Maple, became the father of twins last Saturday and his fellow workers at Yellow Truck put a sign on his bench, "No. 1 Draft Dodger."

The radio room for the new police equipment will be situated at the end of the second floor corridor until the time comes when the City can afford to fix space in the attic. A temporary partition will block off the end of the corridor. The vacuum tubes and other devices must be as near the antenna as possible for best results. Officials here feel complimented by the fact that the State Police have asked Birmingham to tie in with the new State Police frequency modulation (FM) coverage which is being established. Birmingham would relay radio messages to the Troopers.

A central control room is being established in a confidential location to be used in coordinating civilian defense in time of air raids.

The Earl G. Potter, 1688 Northlawn, had an odorous visitor this week, to wit, a skunk, which was dispatched this life by our municipal dog warden, Calvin Snell.

Donald Flynn, 18 years old, of 352 North Woodward avenue, came into the police station Monday evening, and during the course of discussion, became abusive and was "booked" up by Sgt. Earl L. Moody. He had been drinking, Moody said.

Several local men are officers of the Detroit Rubber and Plastic Group. W. B. Hoey, of Franklin, is vice chairman of the group. E. J. Kott, of the 208 Larchlea, of the Baldwin Rubber Company, Pontiac, is secretary-treasurer; and F. W. Whener, 1018 Kenesaw, of the Minnesota Mining & Manufacturing Co., and W. M. Phillips, of General Motors Research Corp., are directors.

Business seems to be picking up. Now that the shock caused by automobile shut-downs is over, the expansion in other lines of business is making up for the end of the week car manufacturing.

No one knows how the shortage of tires will affect Birmingham motorists. The difficulty of getting into Detroit should result in more local buying. On the other hand, car insulation may decrease because of people's aversion to living in the suburbs.

When people's tires become thinner, it seems to this Wanderer that the car industry is over some opportunity and provide more transportation. They say, now, but no more rubber and steel are available. Even a baggage car could be fitted up with benches, if need be, to handle the crowd.

If memory serves rightly, no tires have been stolen from a locked garage. Is yours locked?

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A reader of this column phoned the editor last week and asked that we insert a word about the collection of waste paper, the proceeds from which are going into the Recreation Commission fund. According to our friend, a Salvation Army collector said that only the dirtiest waste paper is being used for national defense, implying that the Recreation Commission is wasting the proceeds. No matter who gets the profit, the material goes into commercial channels and helps relieve the shortage.

Bloomfield Hills police have had success in tracking down youthful offenders. Two boys from Hazel Park, one 15 years old, the other 14, got into the Stoncroft golf club house, broke into vending machines and also took a gun. Another youth took a \$20 bill at the Bloomfield Barbecue. All three are in the County Juvenile Home.

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Election Notice

To the Qualified Electors of the City of Birmingham, County of Oakland

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the City of Birmingham, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, on

MONDAY, APRIL 6, 1942

from seven o'clock in the forenoon until eight o'clock in the afternoon, Eastern War Time, for the purpose of electing the following officers:

THREE (3) CITY COMMISSIONERS
TWO (2) MEMBERS OF THE LIBRARY BOARD
ONE (1) CONSTABLE

IRENE E. HANLEY,
City Clerk

March 26, 1942.

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Election Notice

CITY OF BLOOMFIELD HILLS

Notice is hereby given that the ANNUAL CITY ELECTION will be held in the City Office Building, East Long Lake Road, City of Bloomfield Hills, County of Oakland and State of Michigan on

MONDAY, APRIL 6, 1942

For the purpose of electing the following officers:

CITY
Two Commissioners
One Constable

Polls will be open from 7:00 A. M. to 8:00 P. M. War Time

GEORGE C. BOOTH,
City Clerk

MAY, 1942

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