

### Disabled Persons Earn a Living Thru Repair of Articles Given to Goodwill

By Helen Bishop

It is probable that every Birminghamite has visited repair shops from time to time and in passing watched the shoe repair man, the furniture repair man, or the woman renovating clothes, but how many of them have ever visited a complete six-floor building, given over to nothing but repairing any worn-out or broken article of furniture or clothing that could be mentioned?

The Goodwill Industries of Detroit, who collect some of their articles to mend in Birmingham, is such a place. To make it even more remarkable, this six-floor building given over only to repairing, is manned entirely by disabled persons, unable to compete with able-bodied men in ordinary jobs, but certainly able to learn a craft of some sort. Going through the "plant" floor-by-floor is a novel and en-

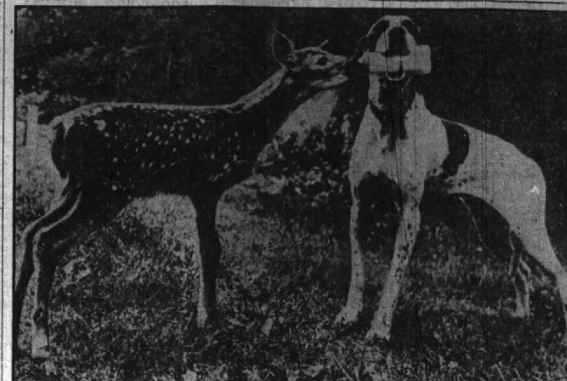
lightening experience, particularly if you are conducted through by one of the workers.

**Tour of Plant**

Evelyn Herrala, whose regular occupation is assisting the training director, took us through, Evelyn, who can do everything that a normal person can, was born without hands and with legs impossible to walk on. Today she walks with out a limp, and uses her arms for writing, ironing, sewing, washing, dressing, and any other occupation, and has now undertaken the knitting of an Afghan.

Starting from the top floor, a tour of the plant as explained by Evelyn, would take you through the jewelry repair department where costume jewelry of all kinds is repaired; the reweaving department where holes in woolens are re-woven; and through

### Feeding Time



"Spot," pointer owned by Lloyd Clark of Calais, Me., is a great help in bringing up a 10-week-old motherless fawn—he holds the bottle for the little orphan.

### 3,000,000 Gallons of Gasoline!



A cauldron of boiling flames is all that shows of the tanker Markov, burning with 3,000,000 gallons of gasoline at Wilmington, Calif. The background of fire silhouettes the fire truck at left.

### Urgency of UMT Program Cited by President of BVO

"Universal military training is as much needed by the United States as its constitution," declared George R. Frye, Jr., president of the Birmingham Veterans' Organization, at its July meeting Tuesday night at the Kingsley Inn.

"If our national constitution is to last," Frye continued, "universal military training is the only means yet proposed that will save it."

### DREAM PIPES



CHICAGO, ILL. — Admiring a \$100,000 pipe exhibit, Jan Stirling, stage star, fingers dream pipes worth \$10,000 each, carved by Sculptors Jo Davidson and Cecil Howard. These two pipes, costliest in existence, read an imposing world premiere showing of pipes at the Fair Store, including one six feet long.

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### Southfield Building Permits Up 33%

Building permits issued by Southfield Township for June show an increase of \$283,240 over the same month last year, but the total for April, May and June compared with the same period last year only shows an increase of \$191,741, it was announced this week.

This month there were 55 residence permits issued for a total of \$560,275 compared with 40 permits issued June 1946 with the total costs \$294,860.

Total permits issued this month were 91 compared with 62 permits of last June with totals of \$668,286 and \$325,045 respectively.

For April, May and June of this year there have been 236 permits issued for \$1,438,785 while last year it was \$1,246,999 and 221 permits.

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### Music All Day

A blind person with full use of his arms and hands, we try them out on a rug-weaving loom. Miss Herra explained, "While they may not be placed definitely in that department, it gives us some gauge as to what type of work they can do, before sending them to a department which they are not fitted to work in. This saves them disappointments in failing to meet job requirements when they are not actually physically fit to do the work."

Throughout the plant there is an attitude of good will toward others, and almost every person wears a welcoming smile as the visitor enters. Music is piped through the plant all day long to every different department.

Going through the clothes remodeling and renovating department, we watched the bags of old clothes come in, be sorted, washed, cleaned, checked, sent to sewing machines or to the weaving department, or the re-knitting department; through the many different stages until final completion.

### Earn Their Living

"It takes approximately 600 incoming bags a day of old clothes to keep these people busy," Miss Herra informed us, and because this is not charity for them, but a chance to earn a living, they work hard and diligently, probably with more sincerity than many able-bodied people."

Through the furniture finishing department, as we went past—and discovered that many of the men working there had learned the trade "the old country way" years ago, but had been refused work because of incapacity. Now they are every day turning old dining room sets into lovely new ones—removing paint from old pieces to discover fine wood beneath—and sometimes the paint, hides a valuable antique.

### Happy in Work

On every floor we visited we found the same story—cripples working happily and turning out or helping turn out pieces they could be proud of—all from the cast-off articles of families.

"If people were to know just what our workers can do with those cast-off articles, and were to know that by giving to the Goodwill, they supply these people with gainful employment, perhaps they would be more eager to help out," Miss Herra said.

"The plant is operated strictly by the profits it gained through

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### Ben J. Anibal Retires from Pontiac Motor

Retirement of Ben H. Anibal, of Lone Pine road, who has directed the engineering development of the Pontiac car since its inception, will be effective July 1, has been announced by H. J. Klingler, general manager of Pontiac Motor Division.

Recognized as the dean of automotive engineers, Anibal has been with General Motors 24 years and has been announced by H. J. Klingler, general manager of Pontiac Motor Division.

### D&C Liners Are Now Equipped with Radar

Birmingham cruise lovers will be interested to note that two ships of the Detroit and Cleveland Navigation company have just been equipped with the miracle weapon of World War II, radar, it was reported.

Radar provides the ships' pilots with a unique pair of eyes which will pierce through fog, smoke and night in all directions and provides another safety measure in navigation, and keep vessels more on schedule.

Tests run previously with the radar sets on the Great Lakes showed gas buoys observable at average ranges of four to five miles; ships observed from 20 to 35 miles; and rainstorms approximately 10 to 30 miles in area were observed and plotted. No targets were lost due to heavy rain. Approaching and entering the Detroit River channel, buoys, piers, small craft, including row boats, at limited range, were observed.

Residue left by the weed killer 4-D in spraying equipment will kill desirable plants unless the equipment is thoroughly cleaned.

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