

IT TOOK AWHILE TO DISCOVER the location of a heavy riveter Tuesday morning near the school bus garage on Eton road. The big surprise for J. Miller, who was working in the garage, was to find that the almost continual chattering was not the work of a hardy laborer in the city's Department of Public Works yard, but that of a small woodpecker that spent the better part of the morning working of the bus garage's tin roof.

HAVE YOU NOTICED how much colder the city water seems to be this winter, as you draw it from the tap? Wondered why? Best information we can get is that, lacking the usual warm blanket of snow over the earth, the water mains, not too far down, are receiving the cold blasts of winter more directly. In other words, the snow that may appear to be so cold is, in reality, an insulation between zero temperature and the earth itself.

ONE OF OUR WELL-KNOWN citizens spent about five hours Saturday trying to increase the height of the fence that encloses the dog run in his side yard. Reason is that the family's newest dog, as yet less than nine months old, has developed astounding jumping abilities. So the man of the house figured out an easy way to keep the dog under control. The idea proved splendid. . . . Until the dog was placed within the enclosure. He yelped and whined and then he jumped about within; looked as though the owner's labor was O.K. The pup increased his evidence of affection toward his master . . . and then he made like a Michigan white-tailed deer and up and over the fence he went. Three times more he did the same stunt. So, instead of a four-foot conventional wire fence, plus the extra foot of improvised horizontally placed wire above it, the pup's defeated owner plans to remove the old fence and replace it with one something less than 20 feet high. "Some dogs are really smarter than their owners," admitted the outwitted chap to this Wanderer this week.

CATHERINE KASON, 24915 13 Mile road, will be among the hundreds of high school musicians who will present a concert at 2 p. m. April 4, at the Rockham Building in Detroit. This Southern Michigan Youth Symphony will be under the direction of Orion Dalley, music director for the University of Michigan broadcasting service.

AMONG THE 28 University of Michigan senior law students who have been named to the Order of the Coif is George D. Miller, Jr., of 948 Fairfax. Selected for the Order, an outstanding honor in the legal profession for hundreds of years, are chosen on a basis of scholastic records during their three years at law school. The 1953 group will be honored on April 27 at a luncheon given by law school faculty members.

ONE RECENT SATURDAY AFTERNOON Arthur Blakeslee, local manager for Consumers Power, spent an uncomfortable 45 minutes in the city's dump on E. Maple. It wasn't his fault—he had been lopped inside. "Some minutes before the dump was to close at 4:30, I entered to dump a trailer load of junk," Blakeslee related. "The man at the entrance told me to hurry, because it was about closing time. I got back as fast as I could—only to find the gate locked and no one around. Ed had had to spend the weekend there, perhaps, except that a city fireman came by to dump some rubbish, too. He said the fire department had a key, and he went and got it and set me out. But during those 45 anxious minutes, I tried to decide whether to spend the weekend there in my car, or leave it and come back for it Monday morning."

MEMBERS OF THE Jennie Keyes guild of the First Presbyterian church have "adopted" the pre-school youngsters at the Delray Christian Neighborhood House in Detroit and have been busy planning Easter surprises for them. A party is scheduled for April 2, when the guild will supply about 30 Easter baskets filled with candy and colored eggs. Green and yellow cellophane ribbons have been made up to take to the home at the same time. Delivery of the gifts will be made by Mrs. Ralph W. Moxley and Mrs. Eugene E. Hess.

FREE NOON-DAY LECTURE

Entitled
**"CHRISTIAN SCIENCE:
THE SCIENCE OF
CHRISTIANITY"**

By
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Member of the Board of Lecturers of The Mather Church,
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POLICE STUDENTS learn the technique of lifting latent fingerprints from objects found at the scene of a crime. Shown in class (left to right) are Patrolmen Richard Chambers, Lyle Serr, Anthony Stiel, Robert Gilchrist and Richard Thomason. The class, which will end this month, is being taught by Det. Sgt. Merin L. Holmquist of the Birmingham police department, a graduate of the police training course of the FBI in Washington. (Police Dept. Photo.)

PEOPLE'S COLUMN

**An Owner Relates
A Tale of a Pup**

To The Editor:
Spring has come, and with it the annual flood of complaints from non-dog owners. This results in lots of action, and therein hangs a slight tale, a canine tale of course.

By some miraculous stroke of pure genius, we have an excellent looking lawn and yard every summer, modestly I may even say the best on the street. We accomplish this phenomenon in spite of having two dogs and a 12 year old boy.

I have been fortunate, they walk on the grass and run on it. Everything derives, all of which is an ill concealed blow at the opposition, but anyway the point is, I had my 12 months old pup on my back porch yesterday. I missed him and decided he'd devolved out when the milkman arrived.

I LOOKED through the slatted fence, and sure enough, there sat my dejected pup amidst a group of equally dejected looking mongrels and a handsome Irish setter. I looked about for some one that I could pay my fine to and get my pup released.

I GATHERED that the man I was in search of was named Riley, and the password ultimately became, "has anybody here seen Riley?" They advised me to go home and call the police. I did. A lady who answered told me that usually Riley was at the pound at these hours, but he'd gone to work early that morning and had already come home for the day.

NO ONE had seen Riley, but I was told to return to the pound at 8:30 a.m. I did wait. Another DPW gentleman approached my car and said that I should return at 10:30. They had asked the police what time Riley would be in and had been advised thusly.

AS I LEFT the pound following my fifth round trip, I spied the dog catcher's truck. I approached it and asked Riley when he might be

at the pound. He was on his way to court, but he promised to be there at 12:50.

I silently vowed that if I didn't find him then that I'd scale the wall, get my dog, and face the wrath of the militia. I did the negotiation here that the dog catcher's trick has a small wire enclosure on one side that is better fitted to house small squirrels who have had a lean winter than any dog inadequate is scarcely the word.

After my sixth trip I got my dog. Riley turned out to be a personable fellow who is only doing his job. His hours had been changed by the police department in an attempt to outfox dog owners who were letting their charges run loose early in the morning and after dark.

It cost me two dollars to get my dog; plus my gasoline, plus a surge in my blood pressure. I'm not really annoyed, just tired.

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interested in keeping our taxes from rising. I would like to see them lowered. A vote for Charter Amendment No. 2 is a vote for lower taxes. Just that. If we wish to cut our vote against higher taxes, we should vote "Yes" for Charter Amendment No. 2 on April 6.

ROBERT F. WATT,
1255 Yorkshire.

Homesick Subscriber Enjoys The Eccentric

To the Editor:
My home is in Birmingham. I am a lover of Birmingham, but have been sojourning for the past three months in Florida.

We have received The Birmingham Eccentric regularly and have enjoyed it. It has been one of the happy ties between us and home.

A homesick subscriber,
MRS. W. C. BARDALL,
576 Shirley Drive.

Student Body's Letter Brings Further Comment

To the Editor:
Interesting strategy to put the high school children into the front line of defense against the accusations of extravagance. Their unanimity in speaking and their broad and intimate knowledge of the schools affairs, costs and relative values impressive.

Woe to the ones who dare to criticize the mighty school morals.

H. G. BOLDWIN
Cambridge Court

To the Editor:
The reply of the school body to Miss Benedict's letter is perfectly ridiculous. It makes it clear to any thinking person that her criticisms were well justified.

A READER

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