

## Spotlight on Women

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I run into all sorts of problems trying to be a good kid, ecologically speaking.

After the enthusiasms of Earth Day, I have resolved to do my part to save this polluted planet. But it's difficult.

I already had the weed killer in the trunk of the car, for instance. Well, just this once, I'd put it out and see if I couldn't lick those impudent little yellow dandelions.

"You CAN'T do that," the girls wailed accusingly. "EVERYBODY has to help."

I guess I can be talked out of the work spreading that weed killer, to say nothing of the expense. But don't think I won't hold my crew to a promise to dig the dandelions out of the lawn.

I probably was the last die-hard to settle for disposable bottles for soft drinks, and I'm still searching for a store that will sell me the old variety.

Also, I'm willing to take my own paper bags to the grocery store to save bringing home new ones, but I balk a bit at the thought of carrying a bucket to the store for milk.

And one more thing: Last weekend I passed some yard workers who were illegally burning their leaves and thought that polluted air smelled absolutely delicious.

Reluctantly I may give up that enjoyable activity. But please, O ecology movement, don't take away my fireplace fires!

-- Margaret Miller

## 48 Senior Scouts Complete Program

A total of 48 girls from the Wide Horizon and the Redford Districts of the Girl Scouts will graduate from scouting with the rank of senior scouts in ceremonies April 29.

The graduation and capping ceremony for the Cadettes, becoming senior scouts will begin at 7 p.m. in the Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church, 9601 Hubbard, Livonia.

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### With Bonnet And Song

## This Army Invades Gently

An army is invading Plymouth this week, and the youth and children of the community are its prime target.

This army travels by bus and bottles by means of cores and brass instruments. Its members are seven attractive women.

The invaders are, of course, members of the Salvation Army.

SIX WOMEN CADETS and their leader, Captain Mary Ladd, arrived from the Salvation Army training school in Chicago Sunday to put in nine days of "field training" to go with their school study.

All first-year students, they are spending the week in the Plymouth Salvation Army headquarters, at Fairgrounds and Maple, talking to teens in downtown Plymouth, carrying hymns to the subdivisions by means of voice and brass and conducting nightly prayer meetings in the headquarters.

It is part of two years of training the Salvation Army offers its members to fit them for service in communities across the country, in such spots as hospitals for unwell mothers and for foreign service.

Capt. Ladd, the genial leader of the group, explained she's on a brigade office assignment.

A native of Burlington, Iowa, "but that was a long time ago," Capt. Ladd now is second vice officer for women in the Training College. She was a public school music teacher before joining the Army, and now she teaches Bible and music at the college.

HER STUDENTS include two married women and four single girls, all in training with the Salvation Army since last September. One member of the class had to cancel plans to come here for a week because of a family emergency.

Cadet Mrs. Nilda Meno de

scribed her self without reticence as the oldest of the group. She and her husband Ted are in training together, she said, and their two daughters, Jan, 13 and Tami, 10, are in public school in Chicago and living with their parents at the college.

Ted Meno was a cement worker in Alpena, she said, when "we felt a calling from God and applied for training."

"The students pay a small training fee," she said. Parents must pay for the children's support. "You have to save to take the training," Cadet Meno added.

THE OTHER MOTHER in the group is Cadet Mrs. Iva Norrall, who comes from Belvidere, Ill. Her husband, Lester, had gone into a Salvation Army home.

"We considered joining the Army when we were mar-

ried," she said, "but the years slipped by. Finally we decided to get back to the Lord's work."

They have four youngsters: Joe, 10, Mark, 9, Donna, 7, and Jimmy, 5.

Several of the others had parents who are Salvation Army officers.

CADET JUNE STREET of Pensacola, Fla., has a mother and father who have been in Army work 31 years and have attained the rank of major.

June was attending the University of West Florida when she met Mark Anick, already in training with the Army. She decided to transfer to Army training, and when she's through she and Mark will be married and hope to go to South America to teach in a Salvation Army School.

June joined Capt. Ladd and Cadet Lois Ellsworth of Bismark, N.D., and Cadet Pam Burton of Evansville, Ind., in the four-piece band that plays for appearances in Plymouth.

Lois and Pam both were brought up in the Army.

"I was a youth camp instructor and saw the need to help children who are poor," Pam said. Lois joined the Army because she realized at a youth rally that "this is what God wanted."

It was Bible school work in 1966 that led Cadet Carol Sagers of Grand Rapids into the Army.

When the two years of training are over, all will be prepared to work wherever the Salvation Army sends them.

"That's part of our calling," Capt. Ladd said.

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# Northwest YWCA Expansion Doubles Space; Cost Near Million

The Northwest YWCA today announced plans for an addition that will cost nearly a million dollars and come close to doubling present space.

The new portion will contain a swimming pool, women's and men's locker rooms, a craft room, new office space, several general-use rooms and an area to double as a second nursery and a teen room.

Ground will be broken for the new facility May 10. Mother's Day. Construction bids are out now, and it is hoped the addition can be completed by next spring.

THE 39,000 square feet of building will be added to the north side of the current structure at 25940 Grand River, Redford Township. More parking space will be provided too.

The need for more space had become evident well in advance of the YWCA's long-range plans projected when the present building was dedicated in 1959.

At that time the Northwest YW, serving Redford Township, Livonia, Farmington, Southfield and northwest Detroit, had 1,500 members.

Now there are 7,500, and during 1969 the branch served 120,000 people through its various programs.

A TWO-YEAR building fund campaign, conducted by a committee headed by Judge James N. Canham of Redford Township, made possible the addition designed and supervised by O'Dell, Hewlett and

Luckenbach, Inc., architectural firm.

Mrs. William Lindbom, 37655 Margaret, Livonia, was one of those who served as chairman of the Northwest YW board of management during the campaign.

Outstanding among campaign activities were benefit dances held by the Redford Jaycees, a bazaar by the Rosedale Park Women's Club to equip the teen room, and baseball and water bucket games at the branch.

THE ORIGINAL Yamasaki-designed building was constructed entirely under a half-million dollar grant from the Metropolitan Detroit Building Fund.

This time, a third of the cost was raised by the building fund committee, and the balance came from the United Foundational capital funds division, successor to the MBBF.

The new addition will have its entrance off the expanded parking lot because, said Donald Smith of the architectural firm, "about 99% of the people using the building arrive by car."

There will be "somewhat less glass" than in the original building, he said, but a second court is planned.

"The courts, in addition to adding light and beauty, give us much greater control over activities here," said Ruth Duesy, executive director of the Northwest Branch.

"When someone comes in the front door, we can see where that person goes."

MISS DUESY said the Northwest YW swimming program, conducted up to now in high schools on a limited time basis, can be greatly expanded

with addition of the 75 by 30 foot pool.

"Family type programs also will be expanded," she said. YW officers working with the actual construction phase will be Mrs. A.D. Matheson, current chairman of the branch board, and Mrs. F.A. Dillon, Northwest branch building committee chairman, both of Detroit.

AT A PRESS conference in the Westland Center Thursday, April 30, through Saturday, May 2,

Proceeds from the group's 16th annual sale will go to the national AAUW Fellowship Fund, which awards grants for doctoral and post-doctoral study among outstanding American and foreign women scholars.

Included in the sale, which will be open throughout center hours the three days, is a selection of first editions by such authors as Walpole, Bismarck, Gary, Kathleen Norris, Quentin Reynolds and Margaret Sanger.

RARE BOOKS, signed and limited editions, out-of-print classics and collectors' items dating from 1824 will be displayed on special tables and sold to persons submitting the highest written bids.

Among the sets of books is a 25-volume set of the complete works of Charles Dickens.

Children's books, always popular in AAUW sales, will include selections from the Tom Swift, Nancy Drew and Hardy Boys series, and there also will be illustrated Junior Library editions and Landmark books.

The young buyers also may pick out back issues of the magazine "Highlights for Children," which is available only by subscription.

IN 1969 the branch contributed \$2,700 to the Fellowship Fund and the women hope to top the figure this year. Applications to the national AAUW for the fellowship grants have increased 37% over the past year.

In addition to their national contribution, the Plymouth branch sponsors full-tuition scholarships for area women at Scholastic Community College.

There have been seven recipients of these grants to date. They are Coral Zilva Adas of Plymouth, Mary Dube of Westland, Linda Czarny Petrait of Livonia, Kay Gatte Westfall of Northville, Carolyn Monahan of Livonia, Patricia McNulty of Garden City and Sharon Melcher of Plymouth.

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BUILDING FOR THE FUTURE - The artist's drawing shows the capacity doubling addition to be made to the Northwest YWCA, 25940 Grand River, Redford Township. Looking it over in anticipation are Ruth Duesy,

branch executive director, Mrs. F.A. Dillon, chairman of the northwest branch building committee, and Mrs. A.D. Matheson, president of the northwest board of management. (Observer photo by Jerry Gozda)

announcing the new plans. Mrs. Matheson pointed out one dramatic example of the need for more space.

"When this building was new," she said, "you could call up and arrange a committee meeting nearly any time you wanted. Now if you want a committee meeting, you have to have it in the corridor."

Mrs. Dillon recalled the first Northwest YWCA program, started in a store building in the Grand River-Labour area.

"We had a sewing class in the front window and a nursery in the back and all sorts of other things going on," she said. "It seems impossible now to realize how many activities we managed in that little space."

"Then when we moved here it was so spacious it seemed it would be adequate forever. But we're now well past the membership and program mark we had figured for 20 years from 1959."

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ENCOUNTER - One of the teens who paused for a talk with Cadet Mrs. Iva Norrall on the first day of her Salvation Army training tour in Plymouth was Steve Overmyer. That's Suzette joining the conversation. (Observer photo by Vince Witke)