

## Scrap Spectacle

uring World War II, the Court House lawn was also made into a spectacle. At that time it was virtually turned into a junk yard in support of the war effort abroad.

Scrap drives of this sort helped build patriotism and brought the war closer to the people at home. In this manner almost every individual could participate by scrounging in their attics, cellars and barns to Bethinking of Olde Orleans

find junk metal to donate.
Along with the scrap
there was also propaganda to catch the eye of
everyone who passed by. A
thermometer attached to a
nearby tree stated: "Help

Heat Hitler" this had a goal of 250 tons for our local residents to reach. Nearby, another large sign was lettered with "Help It Grow - Scrap Will Win the War - Add Yours".

Perhaps the most bizarre part of the whole display was an effigy of Hitler placed in a casket propped up against a tree. Above the effigy, another sign was placed which stated "Reserved For Hitler".