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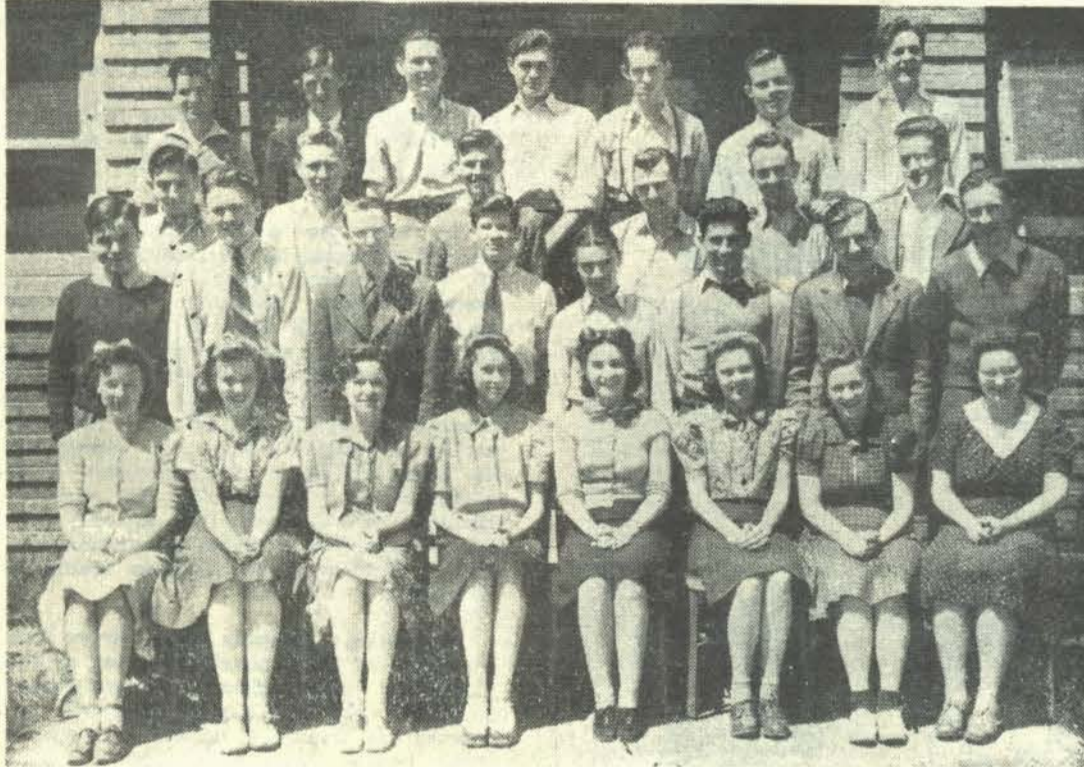
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GREENBELT, MARYLAND

FIVE CENTS

Graduating Class of 40 — Greenbelt High School



Greenbelt High School will graduate 29 from this year's Senior Class in June. Pictured above is the entire third year's graduating class.

Front row (left to right)—Mayfred Good, Phyllis Warner, Peggy Stewart, Theresa Hedges, Shirley Friedman, Frances Hardy, Grace Wiser, Eleanor Nichols.
Second row—Robert Prickett, Robert McClary, A-

lonzo Alexander, Bill Alexander, Elmer Taylor, Julius Andrus, Thomas Hill, Roy Bell.

Third row—Walter White, Robert Braun, Edward Keighn, Albert Carson, Larry Childress, Lawrence O'Dea.

Fourth row—Roland Wood, William Harris, Dale Jernberg, Karl Ahrens, William Stewart, Frank Loftus, Gerd Ahrens.

LOW SWIMMING POOL RATES SET BY COUNCIL

Suspending the rules in order to expedite matters the Town Council passed an ordinance providing for lower rates for the Swimming Pool than those proposed by Town Manager Roy S. Braden. Rates and rules for the tennis courts and boating on the lake were also decided.

The rates for the Swimming Pool were reduced from those published on page 3 of last week's Cooperator so that a family pass will cost \$6.00 a season; a season pass for an individual, \$3.50; a family monthly pass, \$2.50; an individual monthly pass, \$1.50; a strip of 10 adult tickets, \$2.00; and a strip of 10 children tickets, 75 cents.

Special "time" payments for the passes will be permitted; for the family pass, \$3.00 down, \$1.50 on or before July 2, and \$1.50 on or before August 2; for the individual pass, \$2.00 down and \$1.00 on or before July 2. Should a person pay the down payment but fail to make the supplementary payments on "the date specified as due date", he will forfeit the use of his pass and his down payment.

There was considerable discussion by Town Council members and citizens present on the fairness of a restricted pass, since a family of six might use and benefit from a pass quite a bit more than a family of two. It was concluded that this would be in line with accepted practices.

One of the citizens present pointed out that the Swimming Pool will probably be more popular this year because many more outsiders are aware of its existence; that the pool is a wonderful thing for residents of Greenbelt if the rates are "commensurate with the incomes."

The rates for the tennis courts and boating were passed as they were originally proposed, and subsequently published in the Cooperator.

Any person violating any section of the ordinance, for instance, failing to comply with boating regulations or swimming in the pool after hours, will be fined not less than \$2.00, nor more than \$25.00.

Out of 314 Registered Only One Third Voted

Out of a total of 217 registering this year, plus 117 from last year, only 104 Greenbelters cast votes in the recent nominations for the national Senate and House of Representatives. Present Senator George Radcliffe won the Democratic nomination for the Senate over Howard Bruce, while present Representative Lansdale G. Sasser was renominated over John W. Klemm, to represent Maryland districts 5 and 21 in the House.

The successful Republican nominees for the Senate and the House are ex-governor Harry W. Mice and Baltimore's ex-mayor, Will Broening, respectively. Republicans instructed their national convention delegates to nominate Dewey for president. The Democratic delegates remain uninstructed.

The final election will be in November, when several state and county elections will also fall due. Various judgeships, in the Orphans and Circuit Courts, will be filled, as well as the offices of state delegate and state Senator from this district, at present held by John White and Charles Marbury, respectively. The State Central Committee will submit its slate early in September, according to Judge Freeman. Anyone interested in securing the nomination for the various offices which will be open is required to submit 250 signatures to the Committee.

In 1942 the officers up for reelection will be the five county commissioners, the county clerk, the county treasurer, and the sheriff. Present clerk is Brice Bowie. Harry MacNamee is county treasurer, and Earl A. Gasch is sheriff.

The lines defining congressional districts are changed to conform with population shifts. At present Greenbelt is in the 21st district, while our neighbors Fritz Schrom and John Walker vote in the 5th district.

MEDICINE SHOW IS COMING

Greenbelt's Own Medicine Show, with a theme song from "Pins and Needles", will be the chief attraction of a program to be presented tomorrow night, May 17, at 8:15. The show is an original two-act skit, written by local citizens. Other features of the evening are a movie on cancer, exhibits of patent medicines, and a question and answer period.

The program, sponsored by the education committee of Greenbelt Consumer's Services and Greenbelt Health Association, has been arranged by a joint committee comprised of Mrs. Bertha Karyn, Mrs. Mary Short, and Messrs. Vernon Lamb, Eugene Henderson, Albert Ellerlin and Jackson Sherman.

Dr. Hugh S. Bone, president of the Health Association, will be chairman of the program, which has been planned with the idea of showing the dangers of self medication, and some of the dangerous ingredients used in patent drugs.

LAKE OPEN FOR FISHING THIS SUMMER

Fishermen will now have the convenience of fishing in the Greenbelt Lake, after an ordinance permitting fishing in the Lake, and setting forth regulations for fishing was passed by the Town Council last Monday night.

The ordinance provides for the number of any one kind of fish a person may take out in one day, and in one year, and the size of these fish.

A person wishing to fish will be required to purchase a permit which will allow him one day's fishing, a "day's fishing" having to do with the amount of fish he catches in one day. A charge of 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children under 16 years of age will be made for the issuance of each permit.

Fishing will be permitted only from boats and specified areas along the bank, and after fishing, a person will be required to fill out a form, giving his name, address, the date, number of hours fished, kind and number of fish taken, length by species, number of undersized fish released, and the bait used.

Not more than six citizens to act as game wardens will be chosen to enforce the provisions of the ordinance, and anyone convicted of a violation will be fined not less than \$2.00, nor more than \$25.00.

Co-op Sets All-time Record In Weekly Sales

An all-time-record week in total sales for both the Food Store and the entire organization was announced last week for Greenbelt Consumer Services.

For the week ending May 4, the cooperative's total sales were \$8,024.16. More than half, or \$4,648.42 worth of purchases, were made in the Food Store by 5,258 customers.

The previous record-high in the Food Store was during the Christmas rush when more than \$4,500 worth of goods were purchased in one week.

TEMPLE HILLS NEW MEMBER IN FEDERATION

The Temple Hills Citizens Association was accepted into membership in the Federation of Prince Georges County Citizens Associations at the regular meeting of the Federation, Thursday, May 2, 1940. This brings the total of citizen groups comprising the Federation to 26.

The status of the Hatch Bill Amendment was discussed and the recent secret vote held by the Congressional Committee now considering it was generally condemned by the Federation.

Reports were heard on fireworks control and on the Inter-Federation conference of Citizens Associations.

12 Prince Georges Towns Charge Isolation

In day-long hearing before the Maryland Public Service Commission, on May 13, evidence was heard in favor of People's Plan No. 1, which would provide for Greenbelt through bus service into Washington via the Baltimore Pike and Bladensburg Road. Other fundamental features of the Plan are local zone passes and through service on Maryland Route 82 trolley line at all hours. The proposals are the work of the Prince George's County Joint Committee on Transportation.

Harvey L. Vincent, of the Administrative office, represented Greenbelt at the hearing, no member of the local Transportation Committee being able to be present. In all, twelve of the communities affected presented testimony.

Isolation of the various communities was charged, as resulting from the present service. Full utilization of the facilities of the Greenbelt High School, Recreational Center, also the University of Maryland and shopping and banking facilities in communities along the Pike is regarded as impossible at present.

Protests by counsel for Capital Transit Company at several points during the proceedings were overruled by Chairman Purcell, whose decision was that the Plan should be heard in its entirety. The hearing was continued on May 14, at which time opportunity was afforded the Company to present its views.

HOUSING QUESTIONS STUDIED BY COMMITTEE

Work of the special Citizens Association Committee on Housing gained impetus in a meeting held Sunday evening, May 12, in the home of Chairman Dayton Hull. Present at the meeting were Patrick Turner, of Boswell and Turner, building contractors of Hyattsville, who answered questions concerning many problems of building low cost houses, and David Humphrey, industrial designer of Washington, who has studied low cost housing problems with recent emphasis on rammed earth type of construction.

An inner executive committee of five members was chosen to work on special problems, one on financial arrangements, another on locations, and one on plans and specifications.

The committee has not as yet received answers to the questions drawn up at a previous meeting and sent to Farm Security Administration for study. An answer to these questions, expected soon, will speed the work of the committee, by laying a basic framework upon which to develop detailed plans for financing and building.

Gardeners Turn to the Soil



— Photos by Fosnight

All Greenbelt gardeners plunged into their work last week. The garden tracts had been cultivated, fertilized,—the weather was warm and the time was ripe. Onions, radishes, beets, sweet corn and lettuce were planted. Tomatoes, peppers, and strawberries were set out. Muscles strained under the pull of hoes and rakes. Backs bent and faces and arms burned in the hot sun. But the garden makers were happy.

Old timers with two years of experience gave free sage counsel to the greenhorns. Question of the day was how deep? Or how far apart? Adventurous souls figured they'd try a new way this year, some deep layed plot worked out last winter to bring their vegetables up faster and better.

The Cooperator staff photographer, looking for a human interest story picture, had a field day Sunday with some of the results pictured above.

BIERWAGEN STARTS CREDIT UNION FOR TRANSIT EMPLOYEES

Walter J. Bierwagen, Capital Transit employee, has organized a federal credit union among the workers of Division 689 which, at the end of two weeks, had 140 members. Both the Capital Transit officials and the union to which the men belong have given the project their full approval.

Mr. Bierwagen first conceived his idea a year ago, and interested the union members in it by speaking at regular union meetings. Outside speakers from the Credit Union Section of the Farm Credit Administration, which has jurisdiction over all federal credit unions, also attended these meetings. The distribution of pamphlets describing the aims and operation of credit unions was the third method employed during this period.

Maryland, Our Maryland

By A. Arundel

Greenbelt represents an historical step forward in the development of democratic America. No more appropriate setting could have been found for launching this experiment in housing, which means living, than in the State of Maryland. From early colonial days Maryland has been the scene of many historical struggles, some of which have been decisive in determining the direction in which our country has developed. How many of us who are part of this experiment in living in Greenbelt realize, even partially, the great historical traditions of our state.

We have no excuse for our ignorance, for the immediate countryside is filled with visible reminders of the people who lived here before us and of their deeds. A little reading, a short drive on a Sunday afternoon, a slight exertion of the imagination and by-gone America becomes alive for us. Only when colonial America, revolutionary America, the America racked by civil war in order to preserve the Union and free the black man, become reality to us, can we understand our own place in the pattern of American living today and hand those lessons on to our children.

In 1634 two small ships, the ARK and the DOVE, brought a company of English settlers into the waters of the Potomac. Under the personal leadership of Leonard Calvert, these men were the founders of the third successful English colony, Terra Mariae or Maryland. This enterprise was far different from that of either Massachusetts or Virginia which had preceded it. For although Lord Baltimore, who had obtained the grant of land from the King, wished primarily to provide a haven for persecuted Catholics, he based his plans of colonization on the principle of tolerance. Consequently the settlers on board the ARK and DOVE comprised not only Catholic laymen and priests but a larger proportion of Protestants. Thus in 1634 began the American tradition of freedom of worship.

Annapolis, a pleasant hour's drive from Greenbelt, has one of the richest histories of colonial days. Along her placid winding streets today, stand many beautiful old buildings, landmarks replete with romance and historical interest as well as architectural beauty. Annapolis can tell a story about a much more exciting tea party than the wellknown Boston affair. She can boast that three of the signers of the Declaration of Independence were her citizens. The fourth Maryland signer had studied law in Annapolis.

During the Revolution the Continental Congress often met in Annapolis. To this Congress in 1783, in session in the Old State Senate Chamber, General George Washington resigned his command of the Continental Army. After a banquet and ball in the old Assembly Hall he set out for Mount Vernon to end his days as a peaceful farmer, or so he planned. A year later in the Senate Chamber the Continental Congress adopted the famous treaty-plan which has been the basis of all neutrality traditions in United States relations ever since. Two years later a Convention was held in Annapolis to discuss trade difficulties between the thirteen new states. This Convention led directly to the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia the next year, and the adoption of our Constitution.

These events, picked at random from the store house of history, only indicate how the first residents of Maryland influenced our history. If you are interested we shall tell you more stories about these people, about the houses they lived in which you can visit so easily and about the legacy of Americanism which they bequeathed to us.

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Meditations

by
Robert Lee Kincheloe
Minister to the
Greenbelt Community Church

A few weeks ago I was privileged to attend the annual State Christian Youth Conference held in Frederick, Maryland, with two grand young people of our Church. The following is a report by one of those young people, expressing the thoughts of both:

"I thoroughly enjoyed the entire Conference from the time Phyllis Warner, Mr. Robert Kincheloe, and I arrived at a banquet on Friday night, to the closing minutes at Hood College when Mrs. Rose Welch, a Negro singer from Chicago, brought the occasion to a close with a beautiful song, "Lord I Want To Be A Christian."

"There was something doing every minute at this meeting where all races and creeds mingled together in a happy, understanding fellowship. It was really an unbelievably fine example of the very thing young people, black or white, like to do: that is, sit down and thrash out their troubles, and exchange their theories (all young people have lots of theories) and ideas.

"I think something was really accomplished, too. After the banquet on Friday night there were representatives from every county in Maryland and Delaware who told how the youth in their respective counties feel on such momentous questions as war, racial prejudice, their relationship to the church, unemployment among youth, and what young people do with their leisure time. On Saturday, besides hearing several speakers talk on some of these questions, the conference of about 400 was divided into panel groups where the high school and the college and out-of-school folk got together and discussed these matters. Two of these discussions took up four hours of a full day.

"Any racial prejudice that might have been present incidentally, would have wilted under the fine impression the negro youths made, who, by the way, have a lot of common-sense ideas about themselves and the white people. Mrs. Welch lent a heavenly atmosphere to that beautiful Lutheran Church, when she sang in a clear, thrilling voice from way back up behind the audience some of the old Negro Spirituals, and asked us to join in. I say heavenly atmosphere, when those 400 voices under her magic direction rolled out on "Gwine to Lay Down My Burden," you'd have thought you were listening to the Hall Johnson choir.

"There was another banquet Saturday night in one of Frederick's hotels, after which we went over to Hood College—a beautiful campus and school—and there saw two very fine religious plays.

"The Convention was a huge success and I will be proud and anxious to ask twenty of my friends to donate a dime which I'll put in a little folder and send away to Baltimore to help carry on this work of the Maryland Delaware Christian Youth Conference."

— Frank Loftus

There are 266 members of the credit union carrying current loans to the amount of \$4370.00.

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CATHOLIC CHURCH NEWS

His Excellency, Michael J. Curley, Archbishop of Baltimore, has requested that every Catholic recite the following prayer daily.

Give peace, O Lord, in our days; for there is none other that fighteth for us but only Thou, our God. Let there be peace in Thy strength, O Lord. And plenty in Thy strong places. Let us pray: O God, from whom proceed holy desires, right counsels, and just works; grant unto us, Thy servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be devoted to Thy service, and that, being delivered from the fear of our enemies, we may pass our time in peace under Thy protection. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

A combined business and social meeting of the Community Men's Class was held Thursday, May 9, in the social room of the Elementary School. The highlight of the evening was the recording of an electrical transcription by the WJSV Magic Carpet, which will be broadcast Tuesday morning, May 21, at 8:15.

E. J. Swailes made a report for the delegates who attended the convention of men's bible classes of Maryland held in Hyattsville, May 4 and 5. Other delegates who attended the meeting were Messrs. R. A. Sauls, J. G. Kramer, I. M. Proctor, H. M. Gibson, A. C. Lehman, H. Hall, Sr., L. W. Schulz and Rev. R. L. Kincheloe of the Community Church.

Mr. Hall provided entertainment by playing the accordion at the banquet held the evening of May 4.

The Greenbelt Community Church is making plans for a novel progressive dinner, to be known as "A Trip Around the World", which will be given on May 31. Mrs. George Warner is chairwoman of the committee on arrangements. Tickets are now on sale at 35 cents for adults and 20 cents for children.

HEBREW CONGREGATION NEWS

Hebrew Congregation services tomorrow night will be conducted by Ed Weitzman. Bernard Feig will deliver a sermon on "Creation".

Plans are being formulated for a membership social.

The Women's Auxiliary held its regular monthly meeting Tuesday, May 7, at the home of Mrs. A. Chinitz. Nominations were made for officers, the election of which will take place at the next monthly meeting on June 4. The installation of officers will take place at an inaugural dinner to be held on June 8 at Bamboo Gardens in Washington.

LATTER DAY SAINTS NEWS

Elders Joel M. Bowne and Orrice L. Murdock, representing the Capital District Council of Washington, D. C., will be the speakers at Sunday evening services on May 19. "Divine Authority and the Restoration of the Priesthood" will be the topic of the sermon.

The Ladies Relief Society meeting will be held at 8:15 P. M., Wednesday, May 23, at the home of Mrs. Vera VanLeuven, 11-H Ridge Road.

PARENTS DISCUSS CHILD BEHAVIOR PROBLEMS

Parents residing at 45 Ridge Road met last Friday night for an informal discussion of child behavior problems, under the leadership of Dr. Katherine A. Norris, Washington psychiatrist. The counsel of Miss Norris was obtained through the help of Mrs. Elmer Brown, of Parkbelt, and who was also present. With the doctor's help the neighbors faced together common child training problems, and worked toward an intelligent understanding of them.

The meeting, held at the home of Dorothy and Howard Custer, was also attended by Virginia Branch, Jean Murray, Clarisse Patterson, Grace Donahue, Mabel Bessemer, Grace Lyman, Frances Johnson, Grace Deibert and Lexy Craigin.

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EIGHT CHILDREN RECEIVE FIRST COMMUNION

By Guy Moore

Eight Greenbelt children will receive their First Holy Communion Sunday, at the 7:30 Mass at Holy Redeemer Church in Berwyn. For several months the Sisters of Providence have been giving them instructions for this event and explaining the great privilege they are about to enjoy.

Having reached the age of reason, which is considered by the Catholic Church to be seven years, and having sufficiently mastered the Catechism to understand the principal articles of Faith, they have been allowed to receive the Blessed Lord in the Holy Eucharist for the first time Sunday. From that time on through their lives they will be obliged to hear Mass on Sundays and Holy days and to obey the laws of the Church for all Her children.

To these children, as well as to their parents, Sunday will be just about the most important day in their lives. They will go to Confession for the first time Saturday morning and will go home to spend the rest of the day and night in anxious waiting for the glorious day which is to follow. The actual mechanics have been rehearsed over and over, and every one knows just what to do and when to do it, but the climax has not yet been reached. Shortly after 7:00 A.M. on Sunday the entire First Communion Class will assemble in the school, and at the proper time will march across the street to the Church—with their hands clasped and pointing to Heaven and with their little heads bowed in devotion. There they will take the front seats, the boys on one side and the girls on the other. When they are properly seated the Sacrifice of the Mass will begin with Rev. Leo J. Fealy as the celebrant. During Mass the children will recite together the Act of Faith, the Act of Humility, Contrition, Adoration, and the Act of Desire. It can be seen that they realize the climax is almost at hand when they sing a beautiful children's hymn, "Oh, Jesus, Thou art coming...to my little heart". Then the moment of moments soon arrives when they file up to the altar rail and for the first time receive on their tongue the Blessed Sacrament, the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ. Such, in brief, is part of the drama in which these children will participate: Nancy Hennesy, Jeanne Ann Kasko, Angela May Lastner, Mary Louise Moore, William Donahue, Martin Loftus, Robert Plackett and Edward Thren.

Because parents, families and friends of all the children will fill the church to overflowing at this particular Mass it is suggested that others make an effort to attend a later Mass on that day.

Band Members Now Being Selected

Instruments for the Greenbelt Band have been secured from Army and Navy surplus stock, and are at present being repaired at the Charles R. Miller Company in Washington. Missing and broken parts will be taken care of, and each instrument tuned and checked before it is loaned out to a band member.

Owing to the huge turn-out of 150 would-be players, the selection committee is making a very careful study of qualifications before assigning instruments, because it is not practicable that the band contain 70 members at the very most.

On Saturday, May 18, from 4:30 P.M. to 6 P.M., The Bookshop, 916 Seventeenth St. N.W., will sponsor a reception, in cooperation with the Washington Youth Council and the Association Press, for Dr. Bruce L. Melvin, author of the new book, "Youth—Millions Too Many?" Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, who wrote the introduction to Dr. Melvin's book, will attend.

Because of the limited capacity of The Bookshop, admission cards have been prepared which can be secured free of charge by members at The Bookshop.

Admission to the reception will be by card only. All those who plan to attend must be sure, therefore, to secure an admission card in advance.

In addition to The Bookshop membership, invitations are being sent to youth leaders and government officials interested in youth problems.

Robert McClary and Shirley Friedman, both Greenbelt High School seniors, plan to take the competitive examinations for four-year scholarships to Western Maryland College. The tests are to be held at the Marlboro High School May 17 at 9:30 A.M., and the high-scoring girl and boy will be awarded free tuition and board for a four year course at Western Maryland College. The competition is open to all secondary school seniors in the state.

The rustle of settling of thick purple night
Sent green silk and lavender evening to flight.
The cool incandescence of sharp horned moon
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— B. Woodman

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The Curtain Falls

We hope that the apparent disintegration of the Greenbelt Players is but the curtain of the first act in a long play which will go on to a happy ending. An amateur dramatics group fills a definite need for Greenbelt, and we are sorry to see the Players go on vacation after giving our town so many fine productions.

There are a dozen organizations in Greenbelt which would disband with less loss to the community than the Players. We shall be watching for the curtain to rise again.

Our State

In this issue you will find an article entitled, "Maryland, My Maryland" which is the first of a new series written by a Greenbelt contributor especially for the Cooperator. The "Our Town" series which Anne Hull has been writing during the last several months has brought a response which indicates that all of us want to know more about our adopted community.

The new interest in the Town of Greenbelt leads to a desire for information about the State of Maryland. Slightly dismayed by the lack of issues and interest in last week's primary elections, perhaps we can find in the background and history of this area some pointers which may be of help in adjusting ourselves to a puzzling environment. If we as citizens of the State of Maryland are to face the problems of poor roads, inadequate educational systems, unemployment, exhausted soil, bad health conditions, and worse housing, we need to have some background. This we hope to present in the series of articles by A. Arundel, starting with this issue of the paper.

Union Housecleaning

Arrest of George Scalise on charges of extortion, and indictments of nearly 200 other labor leaders on various counts ranging from petty theft to terrorism is being viewed fearfully by some as the start of a drive against unions. Most of us, however, including members of unions, can view the recent moves as a spring housecleaning in the labor organizations. The exposure of the seamy side of the labor movement can not but act as a stimulus to the unions to rid themselves of racketeers and undesirables who have attached themselves to the labor groups as parasites.

The general public, in wondering why corrupt practices in unions have not been wiped out before this, has failed to realize that the job is not so easy as it looks. While labor is organized along the same democratic lines as the larger political world, it suffers from the same faults as democracy in other fields. Until the public can rid itself of political bosses and graft it will be handicapped in helping labor clean up its own faulty self-government.

Even though imperfect in application the democratic processes of labor unions have contributed much to the political education of working men, and have buttressed the democracy of our country immeasurably.

Poppy Day

Poppy Day will be observed in Greenbelt and throughout the nation on May 25, the Saturday before Memorial Day, and on that day all Americans will be asked to wear memorial poppies in tribute to the World War dead and to aid the living victims of the war.

The little red memorial flowers will be distributed here by women of the Greenbelt Unit of the American Legion and under the direction of Mrs. Gladys Freeman, chairman of the Poppy Day committee. All contributions received for the poppies will go to Legion and Auxiliary welfare work for the disabled veterans, their families and the families of the dead.

Renewed warfare in Europe gives an increased meaning to Poppy Day this year.

New "Rights of Man"

A twentieth century conception of the "Rights of Man" in the form of an 11-point charter has just appeared as the expression of a representative cross section of British opinion.

The original draft proposed by the famous novelist and historian H. G. Wells has been adjusted and revised from thousands of letters and proposals sent in by the man in the street and by some of the country's ablest thinkers. Suggestions and criticisms were examined and considered by a committee which included, in addition to Mr. Wells, Sir Norman Angell, Nobel Peace Prize winner, Miss Margaret Bondfield, first woman to become a British cabinet minister; Sir Richard Gregory, president of the British Association for the Advancement of Science; and Viscount Sankey, lord chancellor from 1929 to 1935.

In summary the new "Bill of Rights" claims for all men:

1. The right to live.
2. The protection of minors.
3. Duty to the community.
4. The right to knowledge.
5. Freedom of thought and worship.
6. The right to work.
7. The right of impersonal property.
8. Freedom of movement.
9. Personal liberties.
10. Freedom from violence.
11. The right of lawmaking.

The first and most important clause defines every man as "a joint inheritor of all natural resources and of powers, inventions, and possibilities accumulated by our forerunners. Notwithstanding various and unequal qualities of individuals, all men shall be deemed absolutely equal by the law and equally entitled to respect of their fellowmen."

Clause 3 is something of an innovation in pointing out the responsibility of each individual to his neighbors in the protection of their rights and in the common advancement of society as a whole.

In an inspiring introduction to the charter the committee says, "There has been so gigantic an increase of mechanical power, such a release of human energy, that men's ability either to co-operate with or to injure and oppress one another, and to consume, develop, or waste the bounty of nature, has been exaggerated beyond all comparison with former times. It becomes imperative to adjust man's life and institutions to the increasing dangers and opportunities of these new circumstances."

An age of limitless plenty, the introduction goes on to point out, seems likely to be lost, and therefore it is clear that a unified political, economic, and social order can alone put an end to the present power of dictatorial groups and individuals over religious organizations, education, the press, and literary or scientific work. The inevitability of world reconstruction along collectivist lines is recognized in the introduction; the plea made is to use the new social trends to benefit mankind rather than to destroy it.

Emerging during World War II this significant document is an amazing expression of hope and confidence in the future. If a people at war can thus concentrate on peace and progress, how much more we can do, surrounded by peace, order, and a wealth of opportunity.

Swimming

Swimming Pool rates adopted by the Town Council Monday night are a distinct improvement over the rates proposed originally. It is doubtful whether more than a very small percentage of Greenbelt families could have purchased a season pass at the \$10 per family originally proposed. Even the installment scheme suggested would have made the Pool a prohibitive luxury for most of us, particularly those of us with very large families and limited budgets, the very people who should be given most opportunity to use the Pool.

Time alone will tell whether the rate finally decided upon, \$6.00 for a family pass (the other rate schedules appear elsewhere in this issue of the Cooperator) will prove to be sound from the business standpoint, but it seems good sense to assume that a rate which will enable more people to use a service will in the end bring more return than one which excludes all but a few. In the last analysis, the Swimming Pool should not be considered as a money-making proposition anyway. It should pay for itself, but in paying for itself, the rates set should always be the minimum possible ones, so that all of our residents can enjoy a swim when they feel like it.

Our Town Council is to be congratulated on placing human considerations above financial ones. It is now up to the people to prove by their support that the Council was right.

MUMPS QUARANTINE EXPLAINED

In answer to numerous queries about quarantining mumps, Dr. S. Berenberg, director of the Department of Public Health, stated that in accordance with the laws of Maryland, patients are quarantined from the onset of swelling of the infected glands until the swelling subsides completely. Individuals exposed to mumps who have had the disease previously, are not excluded from school. Individuals who have never had the disease and have been exposed should be examined daily for 21 days after known exposure. In Greenbelt, children who are known to have been exposed to mumps receive daily examination at the school for the required 21 days. At the first symptoms, such children are excluded at once from school. Parents should bear in mind that this infection can be spread only by direct contact with a sick person or with articles freshly contaminated with mouth and nasal discharges of a patient with mumps.

GREENBELT IS HAVEN FOR GRASS WALKERS

There was a time when Washington newspapers poked fun at the "numerous restrictions" which beset Greenbelt residents, but now the shoe seems to be on the other foot. When the Cooperator recently asked local townspeople to keep off the grass during the early spring growing period there were some who feared that Greenbelt would once more be subjected to sympathetic ridicule from the District, but there need be no further fear of this.

Last week a Greenbelter was arrested in Washington for walking on the grass—not someone's private lawn, but in a public park!

Weighed down by Greenbelt's repressive "restrictions" our neighbor just walked right out across the grass on the Ellipse with complete abandon—until the policeman spotted him and put him under arrest. Short cuts are against the law in Washington.

There is a moral to this incident.

Better to live in "repression and restriction" in Greenbelt where you can walk on your grass with no worse consequence than a scolding from the editor of the Cooperator than to live in the freedom of Washington where a walk on your grass brings a fine or jail sentence.

Confucius would have said, "better to walk on Greenbelt grass and get bawled out by editor than to walk on Washington grass and get bailed out by editor."

D. C. League May Join Greenbelt Co-op Institute

Three members of the District of Columbia Cooperative League met here with representatives of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., Saturday evening for the purpose of beginning consideration of preliminary plans for a co-op recreation program at the Greenbelt Co-op Institute to be held probably in October.

It was the sense of the discussion that co-op recreation not only should be stressed but made the central theme at the institute and that the program should be made a regional affair, including representatives from Maryland, Washington and Virginia as far south as Richmond.

The conferees agreed to take up with their respective boards of directors a proposal that this fall's institute be sponsored jointly by Greenbelt Consumer Services and the D. C. Cooperative League, that it be held on October 5 and 6, and that cooperatives in the District, Maryland and Virginia be invited to attend and participate.

The three Washington representatives here on Saturday were Charles T. and Viola Gibbs, accompanied by their daughter Betty, and Miss Margaret Gerber.

Greenbelt participants at the conference, which was sponsored by the educational committee of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, were the following officers of the G.C.S.: Mrs. Bertha Maryn, a director and chairman of the educational committee and at whose home the conference was held; President Walter R. Volckhausen; Director Howard C. Custer; and the following educational committee members: Mrs. Evelyn Cooper; Miss Thelma Blauw; and Bernice and Henry Brautigam.

BETSY WOODMAN HEADS HOSPITAL AUXILIARY

Betsy Woodman was elected president of the Greenbelt Hospital Auxiliary at the election meeting of that group May 10. Other officers elected for the coming year are Mrs. Julia Myers, vice president; Mrs. Jane Hodsdon, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Margaret Vincent, recording secretary; and Miss Claire Still, treasurer.

Mrs. Gladys Freeman, retiring president, was given an expression of appreciation by the group for her work during the organizational period.

Fifty-three paid members are shown in the annual report of the treasurer. The treasury now contains more than \$100 of which \$83.16 was collected from the spring benefit dance. Funds to the extent of \$10 have already been expended by the Hospital superintendent for hospital linens, and \$25 has been voted for the purchase of bed trays.

A social meeting is planned for the June 14 get-together of the Auxiliary.

The classes in adult education closed last week for the spring term. A larger number of persons was enrolled this term than last.

Poison Ivy Club

This week's candidate: That neighbor who finishes the morning papers with the remark, "Well, I guess we will be in the war before the summer is over."

Personal Advertisements

WANTED—Riders. Vicinity of Commerce Department or along Constitution Avenue. 8:30-4:00. Leave Greenbelt 7:45, Leave Washington 4:05. 5-E Parkway Road.

FOR SALE—Baby crib; reasonable price. Apply, 16-V Ridge Road, phone 4682.

WANTED—Passengers vicinity 10th & H St. N.W. Hours 8:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. Roshon, 56-D Crescent Road.



LIBRARY SCHEDULE

Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon
 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.
 7:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.
 Tuesday, Thursday - 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon
 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.
 Saturday - 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon
 2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

"AN OLD CAPTIVITY"
 by
 Nevil Shute

This is the story of a young Scottish aviator who pilots a seaplane to Greenland where his passengers, an English archeologist and his daughter, study ancient ruins. The second part of the book describes the pilot's vivid dream of olden days, when he and a young girl, resembling his feminine passenger, took part in Leif Ericson's explorations.

With such a strangely ordered tale to hold the interest one keeps pegging away, unwilling to put the book down. The account of the expedition is fine and the author lets us see how many things can go wrong on such a trip. Mr. Shute is an airplane designer and builder by profession so you can feel confidence in the accumulation of data and the details through which the story moves.

LESLIE ATKINS WILL REVIEW HUXLEY BOOK

Leslie Atkins will review "After Many Summers Dies the Swar" by Aldous Huxley at the next meeting of the Book Club. The meeting will be held May 22 at 8 P.M. in Room 200.

THE POET'S CORNER

Spring is here, alas, alas!
 I've got to resume cutting the grass.
 How can I keep it looking neat
 When overnight it grows six feet?
 Pushing a lawn-mower isn't much fun,
 When the smallest of them weighs a ton
 To a guy to whom that little word "brawn"
 Represents something that's been long gone.
 And, ere my ire loses its edge,
 Let us not forget the hedge—
 That Jack-and-the-beanstalk type of growth
 Which always produces my very best oath.
 I trim and I cut, and I cut and I trim,
 And I desperately try to retain my vim,
 Muttering low amidst my labors
 So as not to shock the neighbors—
 If Greenbelt were built as I had planned
 They'd have omitted grass and just used sand.
 —Chaz

Chief Wallace F.abee announces the establishment of a dog pound in this supposedly dogless town, and nominations are in order for a dogcatcher. At the beginning of the week the pound had four occupants, which will be turned over to the Animal Rescue League unless their owners show up.

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Community Health

By S. R. Berenberg, M. D.
 Director, Department of Public Health

The red and white carnations have wilted. The ribbons and gay wrappings of Mother's Day gifts have been tossed away. Mother's Day is over for this year. But, before we forget it completely, let us give a few minutes of serious thought to the subject of "Motherhood".

A year ago this spring, the Interdepartmental Committee to Coordinate Health and Welfare Activities made the following statement before a Senate Committee:

"Maternity, infancy and childhood are very inadequately protected, especially in rural areas. Between one-half and two-thirds of the maternal deaths, nearly one-half of the stillbirths and between one-third and one-half of the deaths among new-born infants are preventable. Here is an opportunity to save more than 70,000 lives a year".

Seventy thousand lives could be saved in one year!

Let us review conditions in our own state. Let us study the statement submitted to the same committee by Dr. Martha M. Eliot, assistant chief of the U. S. Children's Bureau.

"Specific needs for additions to the staff of the State (Maryland) Department of Health amount to \$20,300. There are approximately 86 nurses attempting a generalized service in a population, largely rural, of 915,000. An equal number of additional nurses is required to meet the minimum requirements of one nurse to 5,000 population, set by experts.

"Unfortunately, no funds are available to pay physicians or midwives for the delivery of indigent cases. Comparatively few of the rural Hospitals accept uncomplicated free cases and the county commissioners defray the expenses of only a few of these women of the low income groups.

"One thousand one hundred and six infants died in their first year in these counties, a rate of 67.1 per 1000 live births.

"Many of these deaths were from causes which are largely preventable; the 155 deaths in the counties from diarrhea and enteritis can surely be reduced. Only 63 deaths from this cause occurred during the year in Baltimore. The counties are at a disadvantage and in many cases the lack of an adequate supply of pure milk, a much greater prevalence of flies, infrequent nursing visits, and the small number attending child hygiene conferences are factors in the unfavorable results".

Another factor which undoubtedly aids in keeping the maternal death rate high is revealed in a chart that accompanies the report. At least 55% of the babies born in Maryland are born at home.

As individuals we may honor our Mothers on the second Sunday of each May. As citizens of the United States, it is our duty to honor "Motherhood" by passing adequate legislation such as the Wagner Health Act, to prevent the shameful waste of maternal deaths. Let our motto be not only "Wear a carnation on Mother's Day" but also let us say, "Save the Mothers of America by providing adequate medical care."

Greenbelt's lusty young radio club achieved its first step toward maturity when four of its leading members tried for the Class B amateur operator's license on Thursday, May 2 and came off bearing the laurels of victory.

The doughty warriors whom the Federal Communication Commission in Washington, D.C. has licensed to operate radio transmitters in accordance with amateur regulations are:

John K. Murray, president of the Greenbelt Radio Club; John C. Petersen, vice-president; Dan Childs, secretary-treasurer; and Carl Johnston, property custodian.

Calendar Of Events

<u>Thursday, May 16</u>		
Legion Post	8:00 P.M.	Legion House
Catholic Choir	8:00 P.M.	Music Room
P.T.A.	8:00 P.M.	Social Room
Catholic Ladies Club	8:00 P.M.	Home Economics
<u>Friday, May 17</u>		
Coop. Meeting	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium
Hebrew Congregation	9:00 P.M.	Music Room
<u>Saturday, May 18</u>		
Gun Club	2:30-5:30 P.M.	Range
Shoe Craft	7:00-9:00 P.M.	10 Parkway Bsmt.
Confession	7:30 P.M.	27A Ridge
Square Dance	9:30 P.M.	Jr. Rec. Hall
<u>Sunday, May 19</u>		
Catholic Sunday School	8:30 A.M.	Theater
Mass	9:00 A.M.	Theater
L.D.S. Men's Study Class	8:30 A.M.	Music Room
Community Church School	9:30 A.M.	Auditorium
Community Church Choir	10:00 A.M.	Home Economics
Community Church	11:00 A.M.	Auditorium
Hebrew Sunday School	11:00 A.M.	Music Room
L.D.S. Sunday School	11:00 A.M.	Social Room
Gun Club	1:00-4:00 P.M.	Range
Young People Society	6:45 P.M.	Community Bldg
L.D.S.	8:00 P.M.	Music Room
<u>Monday, May 20</u>		
Girl Scouts #17	3:30 P.M.	Social Room
Girl Scouts #26	6:45 P.M.	Hobby Room
Shoe Craft	7:00-9:00 P.M.	10 Parkway Bsmt.
Cub Den	7:00-8:00 P.M.	Social Room
<u>Tuesday, May 21</u>		
Girl Scouts #18	7:30 P.M.	Social Room
Cub Den	8:00 P.M.	Hobby Room
Sunday School Orchestra	8:00 P.M.	Music Room
Camera Club	8:00 P.M.	Room 222
<u>Wednesday, May 22</u>		
Sunday School Class	7:00 P.M.	Music Room
Shoe Craft	7:00-9:00 P.M.	10 Prkwy Bsmt.
Men's Choir	8:00 P.M.	Music Room
Book Club	8:00 P.M.	Room 200



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The Third Annual Salon of the Greenbelt Camera Club, held on April 26, deserved a good deal more attention from its community than it got. The 27 pictures, hung during the one night show in our Social Room, were all a credit to the reputation of the Club and the Town. Some of them, it seemed to me, might be ranked with the best.

The show might well have lasted several nights, instead of only one, and certainly it and its winning exhibitors merited some sort of review in the following week's Cooperator.

I am not qualified to judge the pictures; I can only say I enjoyed them. On the basis of what general experience with art I have had I would say that we have at least two or three bonafide photographic artists in town, and a whole Club full of capable photographers. Each picture in the show was worth the trouble of going to the show, though some seemed to be more effective sentimentally than artistically.

But I won't belabor you with my untrained judgments. K. Leighton, D. F. Carraway, and Sven Quist, the judges, seemed to know what to look for in pictures, and they took their job seriously. It is true that their findings only agreed fifty per cent with the findings I had previously made, but it was easy afterwards to see justification for their choices.

The Judges' choices, divided between portraits and pictorial scenes, were as follows:

For first prizes: "The Director", by A. B. Hill, and "Woodland Scene", by W. Earl Thomas; for second prizes; "Wistful", by A. B. Hill, and "Rained Out", by L. L. Pittman; for honorable mention: "Melvin", by Francis C. Fosnight, and "In Days Gone By", by W. Earl Thomas. Other contributions were made by Eugene Walksky, E. M. Kolonsky, Lawrence C. Margell, E. Ralph Cross, and Wayne A. Roberts.

The Salon committee was composed of E. Ralph Cross, chairman, W. Earl Thomas, and Francis C. Fosnight.

The Camera Club has set for itself very high standards, its work has been consistently good and constantly improving in quality, it has avoided going "arty" and has looked for and found much that is beautiful in our own community. We should certainly be proud of it, and encourage its work.

The Town Library is to be commended for its policy of showing each month examples of the Club's best work, which do, indeed, truly adorn the Library.

I hope that next year arrangements can be made for the pictures to hang several days even if the room can only be available to the Club's Salon for one day. Members of other clubs might enjoy the pictures before and after their meetings and many who would not otherwise see these local masterworks might thereby be shown how good they are.

BROADCAST WILL REPEAT
 LEGION AUXILIARY MEETING

WJSV's Magic Carpet will broadcast on May 20, at 8:15 A.M. the meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary which was held in the Legion Home May 9.

It was reported last week that an escalator is being given to the Harriet Lane Memorial Clinic in Baltimore by the Maryland American Legion Auxiliary.

Announcement of a card party in the Legion Home May 18, has been made by the Auxiliary. Another announcement urged all Greenbelt residents to buy poppies locally rather than in Washington. Poppy Day will be May 25 in Greenbelt.

THOSE BIG OAK TREES

From little acorns.....Because a limousine embellished with the seal of the President of the United States appeared in Greenbelt last Friday, all manner of exciting stories went the rounds of the town. One reported that Mrs. Roosevelt was dressed thus and so. Another, that she had a conversation with a popular brown-eyed member of the youngest set. And yet another, that the first lady democratically procured her lunch at the Drug Store.

The truth of the matter was that the car was being used by White House visitor, Helen Gahagen wife of movie actor Melvyn Douglas and her party, which included the wives of Congressmen Voorhis and Ford, and also, Dr. Hogan, director of the Michel John School of Education in Los Angeles.

Greendale, Wisconsin, celebrated its second birthday May 4, with a dance and public installation of village officers.

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BUYERS IN WONDERLAND OR LOOKING THRU PILLS



---Photo by Fosnight

Suggest Albert Eller who explained some of pharmacy's magic to Better Buyers last week.

By Bertha Maryn

With the help of Albert Eller, several Better Buyers, like the well known Alice, entered into the magic land of chemistry and pharmacy, and what they learned was even more wonderful than the adventures which befell Alice.

First came the simple little aspirin and to their amazement the Better Buyers learned all aspirin, advertising notwithstanding, was made of a white powder known in pharmaceutical jargon as acetylsalicylic acid plus water and a bit of starch.

Then came another white powder, magnesium hydroxide, which when mixed with just the right amount of water became milk of magnesia, the same product whose virtues are extolled daily thru ads and radio but whose use, science tells us, should be under a physician's advice. Better Buyers learned that all milk of magnesia contains exactly the same ingredients in exactly the same proportions.

The average liquid non-perspirant turned out to be a solution of another white powder, aluminum chloride, and water.

Nujol, that miracle performing commodity masquerading about in a cloak of mystery for years turned out to be ordinary mineral oil. In fact since the new food and drug act went into effect the Nujol label says mineral oil.

Last and perhaps most important the better buyers learned that drug labels now carry information regarding ingredients contained in the drug. Read your labels, folks!

BETTER BUYERS TO ELECT

The annual election of the executive board of the Better Buyers will take place next Monday night at 8:00 in the auditorium. Offices to be filled are president, vice-president, secretary-treasurer, and four board members. Those now holding those positions are, respectively; Mesdames Evelyn Cooper, Bernice Broutigam, Freda Bierwagen, Helen Heine, Beatrice Jernberg, Doris Seybold and Janet Yeatts. Besides a slate to be presented by the nominating committee, nominations can be made from the floor. All women to Greenbelt are eligible to vote in the election and are invited to the meeting.

The rest of the program will include a slate by some of the members and a talk on "Labels" by Robert A. Martino of the National Bureau of Standards and the University of Maryland.

A style show last Friday afternoon at the Elementary School in which grades one, two, and three participated, was the culmination of an intensive study of clothing made by the group.

St. Louis' traffic lines, painted by machine in three narrow white stripes, instead of a wide stripe, are reported to give better visibility and save 25 per cent in paint.

Better Buyers Briefs

Mrs. Madge Thurber's group met May 7, at Mrs. Ann Eady's home, 15-D Ridge Road.

Mrs. Virginia Culver gave a report on low cost meat dishes and Mrs. Annabella Schoad discussed poultry. In addition to her report on lamb and pork, Mrs. Carrie Hall gave several recipes for preparing lamb.

Luncheon was served following the discussion. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Myrtle Maughan, 2-N Gardenway, May 14.

Mrs. Ethel Whaley was hostess to 16 members of the Nifty Shoppers Club at her home, 5-C Ridge Road, May 8.

A report on deodorants was given by Mrs. Maxine Melton and comparisons of several samples were made by the members.

Officers were elected for the coming year. Mrs. Doris Seybold was re-elected leader with Mrs. Agnes Warner as secretary and Mrs. Helen Heine as treasurer.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Melton, 18-F Crescent Road, May 22.

The group headed by Mrs. Rae Peterson met Friday, May 3, at the home of Mrs. Lyla Marti with Helen O'Melia acting as chairman for the evening.

Nominations for executive officers of the group for the coming year were discussed. A tasting party was then held comparing Heinz, Co-op, and Campbell's canned soups. In the cream soup group Co-op was preferred to Heinz, and in the condensed group Campbell's was preferred by the majority.

The next meeting will be held at Mrs. Rae Peterson's at 14-B Crescent Road, this being the last meeting for the summer season. Plans for an outdoor picnic will be discussed and elections of officers for the fall season will be held.

Greenbelt's New Babies

Mr. and Mrs. T.C. Cone, 26-B Crescent Road, announce the birth of a son, Terrell Carter Cone, Jr. Born April 30, in Washington, D.C. Terrell Carter weighed 8 pounds and 10 ounces at birth.

MILK PRICES CAN BE KEPT LOW

At the Citizens Association meeting last Monday Carrie Harper, head of the Association's Milk Price Adjustment Committee, referred in her report to the experience of the Walnut Hill Dairy in loss of bottles and cost of repeat calls in making bill collections.

Helping to reduce the general overhead expenses of any and all dairies should be a concern of all consumers, as obviously, when the firm realizes added expenses, it must pass the cost back to the consumer in order that the firm may continue to receive a reasonable margin of profit.

Members of the Milk Buying Club, as such, have a double obligation in this respect. First, as consumers in general, it is expected that they, along with all other consumers, will help keep their dairy's expenses down so that the milk price can be maintained at its present reasonable level. Secondly, as club members, they should cooperate to the fullest extent in this matter so as to return the fair treatment given by the Walnut Hill Dairy with a recognition of the dairyman's problems.

The above named dairy reports an unreasonable loss in milk bottle shortages. Some bottles have simply not turned up and others have been retrieved from the waste loads. The answer is for all buyers to keep track of their bottles and see that they are made available for pick-up and return to the distributor.

The other principal difficulty reported by Mr. Rogers is the bill collection problem. He realizes, of course, that his customers cannot be expected to remain at home awaiting the collector, but he would appreciate it if his customers could help him cut collection costs by arranging to have next door neighbors hold the milk bill money for the driver when the customer expects to be out on collection day.

Greenbelt people, through their milk buying club activity, are doing something of tremendous importance. It is attracting attention throughout the country. A larger membership in the club will assure continued success in its work.

If you have not already joined, sign the pledge blank furnished below and turn it in at the checkers' desks at the Food Store.

We the undersigned, as members of the Milk Buying Club, promise to buy milk from the dairy recommended by the Maryland Milk Committee, at a price not exceeding eleven cents per quart and shall continue to buy milk under the buying plan, until such time as the Buying Club through the said Committee shall advise a change.

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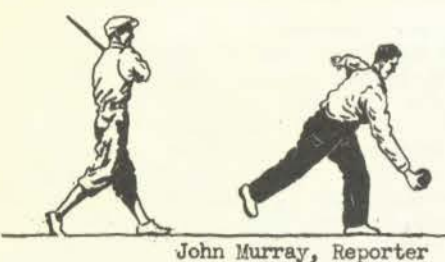
But cooperatives will succeed in restoring buying power and releasing the machinery that brings prosperity only when they do the merchandising and management job better than private industry. This challenge calls for constant education in business management — with the goal of higher living standards always in mind.

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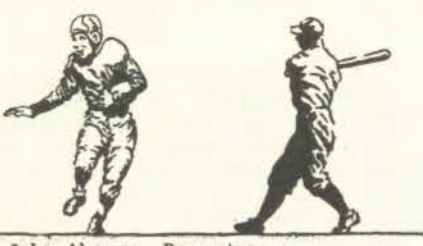
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John Murray, Reporter

SPORTS

JOHN MAFFAY-EDITOR
Frank Loftus, Assistant.



John Ahaesy, Reporter.

WITH THE REPS

By John P. Murray

Time marches on and the Reps keep pace. Last Saturday afternoon they took the field against a supposedly strong team playing under the banner of Dr. Pepper, and tossed them for a loss 12 to 4. After the first stanza, in which the "Peppers" scored 2 runs, chiefly through sloppy fielding by the hometowners, it was more a matter of form than a contest. The Reps batted completely around in the third inning for a total of 8 runs on 7 hits and an error, and continued their attack with at least one run in every inning except the fifth. Rain halted the contest for a short period, but the outcome was already assured because 5 complete frames had been completed. Taylor supplied a big 3 for 3 to pace the offensive attack, while for the opposition Weimer went him one better with two doubles included in his 3 for three.

Next week the leagues' two undefeated teams will face each other in the years best scrap. The far famed I. B. M. (International Business Machines) aggregation will be on deck to try the Reps. Considered by some as successor to Abe Rosenfeld as Washington's top hurler, Jack Smith will be on the slab facing Curt Barker, and the results should be sizzling. The I.B. M.'s were last years runners-up to the District of Columbia champions, and are considered the class of the Metro Loop. The Reps, hard headed about such things, are anxious to be convinced, but are a bit skeptical about the whole thing. Somehow the boys like the idea of that Chicago trip, and it will take another Rosenfeld to stop them.

That curtailed battle with the Maritime Commission has been deliberated upon by the league big-wigs and the ruling handed down requires that the two teams resume hostilities from the point at which the game was called, the last half of the fifth. The date has not been set but will be as soon as a free day for both teams can be arranged. Then it will be 2 to 1 in the fifth frame in favor of Maritime, with them at bat. Barker will be in the box with Messner catching, with the tail end of the batting order coming up. In the sixth for the Reps it will be Beale, batting .222 and the teams leading scorer, followed by McDonald with a .375, then Taylor hitting .615, and Goldfaden with .416, the Reps leader in runs batted in. It looks like a cinch, but it would help some if Hal Steffes should break an arm or lose his way to the game, or somethin'.

BOX SCORE

REPS	POS	AB	R	H	DR. PEPPER	POS	AB	R	H
Blanchard	2b	4	1	1	Tiffany	CF	4	0	0
Beale	1b	4	2	1	Zink	RF	3	1	1
Taylor	SS	3	2	3	Cogar	1b	2	1	0
Goldfaden	3b	4	1	2	Weimer	3b	3	1	3
Bauer	RF	3	1	1	Baurontti	2b	3	0	0
Marack	CF	3	1	1	Keller	SS	3	0	1
Barker	P	4	0	0	Druzak	SF	2	0	0
Messner	C	3	0	0	Mitchel	C	2	0	1
Chapman	RF	3	1	1	Amstead	P	3	0	0
East	SF	2	2	1	Alford	LF	3	1	1
Sanchez	SS	1	1	1					
Trumbule	RF	1	0	1					
Lastner	CF	1	0	0					
Totals		36	12	13	Totals		28	4	7

Two base hits - Weimer 2, Zink, Blanchard, Taylor and Marack.
Strike outs - By Barker 6.

Grizzlies Win First, 6-5

The "third time's the charm" was the song the Grizzlies sang as they invaded Laurel last week to face the Laurel High School baseball nine. This was the Grizzlies third game of the season, and they won it by the close score of 6 to 5 in eight innings. After losing the first game to Hyattsville, and the second to Maryland Park, a winning score looked very good. The game was a scheduled seven inning affair, but as the score was tied, an additional frame had to be played to break that 4 to 4 tie. F.L.

BOX SCORE

GREENBELT	POS	AB	R	H	LAUREL	POS	AB	R	H
Alexander, M	C	5	0	2	Flemming	CF	2	1	0
Clark	LF	0	0	0	Ashly	CF	2	0	0
Alexander, B	P	4	2	0	Stansfield	RF	3	0	1
Andrus	1b	4	1	2	Lucas	C	2	2	0
Underwood, B	2b	3	0	1	Hildreth	2b	3	1	0
Porter	SS	4	0	1	Murphy	SS	3	0	1
Underwood, W	CF	3	2	2	Robison	LF	3	0	1
Estes	RF	4	0	2	Chapman	P	2	0	0
Kaign	3b	2	1	1	Wright	1b	3	1	1
Totals		29	6	11	Totals		23	5	4

ARCHERY CLUB NEWS

On Friday, May 10, an Archery Club was formed for the women of Greenbelt. Officers were elected, and a time and place for arching was arranged. It was voted to charge one dollar dues to join the club. The dues is for the purpose of supplying each member with arrows. Practice sessions will begin on Monday, June 3, while the tournaments will begin on June 17. All women interested should contact Mr. Vincent Holochwest of the Greenbelt Recreation Department.

Reps Trounce Mt. Ranier In League Opener

The Reps invaded the confines of Magruder Park in Hyattsville Sunday afternoon to do battle with Mt. Ranier in the opening session of the Prince Georges County Softball League, and smothered them by the one sided score of 10 to 1.

For five innings it was a ball game and pitching duel between Eddie Trumbule of the Reps and Crump for the Mountaineers. However, the boys went to work in earnest starting the sixth, and amassed 10 runs on 8 hits to put the game on ice. Mt. Ranier's lone tally was scored in the early innings.

East was passed to start the sixth, Blanchard pushed him around with a sacrifice, and Beale, Goldfaden, and Bauer hit safely to total three markers. In the seventh, five hits, two walks, and two errors accounted for seven more runs, and the Reps were away to a fast start in defence of their Prince Georges County title.

Bowman and Cockill broke into the hit column for the first time as Reps, and accounted for 3 runs driven in. Beale and Goldfaden hung up 2 for 4, while Taylor bettered that .615 average of his with 2 for 3. Trumbule gets credit for his second win, and the boys have yet to taste defeat.

This Saturday evening, at the local stadium, Coopers Bakery will try again in the second game of the P. G. C. League race. Their previous visit was a mere warm-up for future battles, and this time they promise to play for keeps. J.P.M.

Straw Ride Is Ready

Have you made plans to attend the novelty straw-ride of the Greenbelt Athletic Club? Better hurry, for only a limited number of tickets are available.

In this machine age it sure will be a rare and unique sight to see horse-drawn farm wagons filled with would-be farmers and farmeretts leaving the center, Saturday night, May 25, 1940. The first section will leave at 8:00 P.M., and the second at 8:30. The Barn Dance will be held at the Apriani Farm on the Glendale road. Hill-billy, as well as modern music will be furnished, and there will be hot dogs and sandwiches and soft drinks for all. So get out your old clothes and let's put this over with a bang.

Tickets are 50 cents each and include the ride, dance, and refreshments.

Legion Prove Boast in Special Match

Who said bowling was all over? Last Saturday at the College Park alleys, the Cee Men, who finished fourth with the Greenbelt League, attempted to stage a "blitzkrieg" at the expense of the American Legion Team, who finished tenth in the same league. The Legion had always maintained that the Cee Men were lucky to finish in fourth place and backed up their assertions by challenging them to roll three games for a keg of beer.

The Legion were so hot the first game that the manager of the alleys came over and asked McGoldrick to please cool off for the next game, so he wouldn't have to purchase new pins. Ever obliging Mac held his charges in check, and allowed the Cee Men to even up the games. Winning this second game the Cee Men really got cocky, and the usually quiet Bill Neblett

aided and abetted by Meddle Lyons and Ribber Green, started to roast the Legion boys, and stated class will always show. McGoldrick called a council of war and decided the Legion would do their talking with strikes and spares. Result: a 535 game. Green and Lyons did a blackout when "Red" Stewart began to bomb them with facts and taunts.

The boys hurried to Greenbelt to pick up their wives and gather over at the lake site, where a fire was started and everyone gathered around to drink and be merry. Community singing was lead by Mrs. MacGoldrick and Mrs. Williams.

The Cee Men Team was comprised of Bradley, Williams, Green, Thomas, Neblett, Lyons and MacWilliams. The Legion sharpshooters were Messrs. McGoldrick, Stewart, Timmons, Gray and Estes. J.A.

GREENBELT NINE MEET QUANTICO SATURDAY

The Men's Baseball team, after a strenuous work-out last Sunday, will journey to Washington this Saturday afternoon to take on the Quantico Marines for their initial start of the season. Coach Holochwest is very confident, and is counting on the boys for an opening victory.

How about some of you ardent baseball fans, who have cars and plan to go see this game, stopping by the center about 1:00 or 1:30 P.M. and giving a lift to some fan who has no transportation. Game starts at 3:00 P.M.

Latest reports indicate that the new athletic field will be ready for use on or before Memorial Day, May 30, 1940.

The Greenbelt Athletic Club held its regular monthly meeting in the Auditorium Wednesday, May 8, and after extended debate on the merits of two leagues versus one league, it was decided by majority vote to play one trial round under the two-league system.

The American League will be composed of one strong team from each block, and players not on the American League teams will play in the National League. At least three of the larger blocks will have individual entries in the National League, and by combining forces in the other blocks, it appears that five or six teams may be expected in the Nationals.

In order to provide additional competitive incentive, Bill Neblett, Greenbelt A.C. president, has announced that trophies will be awarded the winning teams in each league at the end of the trial period of two-league play. These trophies are individually sponsored, and have no connection with the regular cups presented at the end of the season.

Due to a system provided whereby some of the weaker block teams in the American League may "draft" good material from other blocks, it is expected that strong competitive teams will result in both leagues, and the number of teams entered insures that all men who like to play softball will have ample opportunity to do so.

With the purchase of flooring and other lumber for an initial start, work on the clubhouse got under way on Saturday, May 4th. While a number of willing hands are available for the work involved, it appears that some of the club's most talented artisans are from Block B, and we find on the building committee; Schulz, master carpenter; Timmons, electrical wizard; and Trumbule, plumbing expert, lending their time and labor to this enterprise. How about some of you fellows with strong backs lending a hand?



Thumbnail Sketches of the Grizzlies

By Frank Loftus

(Editor's Note: This is the fourth in a series of biographical sketches about the players on the high school baseball team)

James Sommers - Age: 17; Height: 5'9"; Weight: 130; Position: Outfield.

Oldest member of a brother combination in the Grizzlies ranks, James is a husky right-hander who gained his brief experience in Alexandria, Virginia, and on the Times-Herald team.

In a way, he's sort of quiet, but has a good head on his shoulders, and usually says something when he does talk. He played on the Boys Club baseball team last year, and enters high school baseball for the first time this year.

James is a junior and will probably be a valuable asset to the team next year if intra-mural sports are engaged in by Greenbelt High School.

Bill Sommers - Age: 16; Height: 5'9"; Weight: 125; Position: Catcher.

Born in Reading, Pennsylvania, Bill later moved with the other Sommers boys (and parents) to Virginia where he also played on the Times-Herald team. Baseball, incidently, is his favorite sport, and he is becoming more interested in basketball.

In Greenbelt he played on the Boys Club baseball team last year and like James, is tasting his first high school brand this season. Bill has a sense of humor delux, and gets a kick out of school. He is just a sophomore, but by the time he graduates he should be one of the prides of the Grizzlies.

Robert Sommers - Age: 15; Height: 5'2"; Weight: Not very much; Position: Keeper of the bats.

Wherever the Grizzlies go you find Bob Sommers. In basketball season, he dashes in and out of the dressing rooms, chases all over with the score book, and serves as general messenger and pepper-upper.

Besides being mascot to the men's baseball team, he is also sort of a mascot to the Grizzlies, particularly Julius Andrus, who the boys say has made a man out of him.

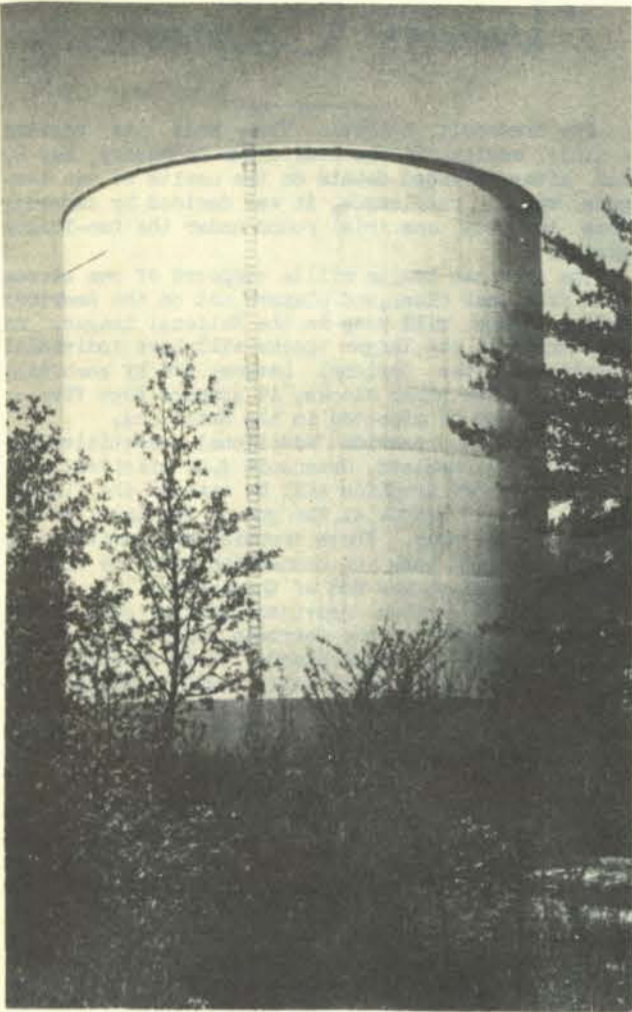
He's a wee-bit short this year, but he hopes to make the baseball team next year. If he ever does, he's liable to be an umpire's headache because he'll wrangle and wrangle and wrangle, just to hear himself talk.

When you walk into the Sommers home and hear 4 boys (Dick Sommers is the youngest) talk about baseball, you'd think you were in Orlando.

DAMERON WINS PLANE CONTEST

At a recent model airplane contest held at Greenbelt High School by the Hobby Club, J. L. Dameron won first place with his rubber-powered plane. This contest was the second contest sponsored by the club, the first being a glider contest. As soon as calmer weather arrives, the members of the club expect to study and fly other types of model airplanes. Billy Spitzer and Elmo Enzer won second and third prizes of model airplane kits. The club is directed by Mr. Paul S. Brengle, member of the faculty.

Our Town: Water Supply



Greenbelt's Water Tower on Hurley Hill.

—Photo by Fosnight

By Anne Hull

Greenbelt's water comes from a 50,000,000 gallon reservoir at Burnt Mills, northeast of Silver Springs. Originally, it was planned to have the town supply its own water, from wells, but it was found that the local underground supply would not provide a sufficiently steady flow.

The lake, dam, and purification equipment at Burnt Mills is maintained by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, which serves all the towns in Prince Georges and Montgomery counties which lie in the Metropolitan Area, that is, the territory between Glen Echo and Cabin John south to Oxon Hill. The Commission, a public corporation set up by the state legislature in 1918, charges for the water a maximum base rate of twenty cents per thousand gallons. The total water bill for Greenbelt tenants is divided proportionately among them, according to the size of their dwelling space.

Greenbelt annually uses about 65 million gallons of water for all purposes. The average person uses 50 gallons daily, but the town provides 100 gallons per person daily to take care of abnormal demands, possible pipe stoppages, and so forth.

At Burnt Mills, the water is continually tested for impurities, and test samples are frequently taken from points along the line. The water at Greenbelt is tested several times weekly. Chlorine is the principal chemical used to purify water, as it has a natural affinity for impurities and bacteria, uniting with, and neutralizing them. The presence of chlorine cannot be detected until more than enough to overcome pollution has been added. Our drinking water contains two or three parts per million, have you noticed?

The water in the swimming pool is kept as pure as the drinking supply, and extra chemicals are added because of the increased danger of impurities to which an unprotected and frequently used body of water is subject. The pool water did not once require changing last summer, as the efficient purifying system kept it constantly free of pollution.

There are ten miles of pipe in town, ranging from the fourteen inch cast iron mains to the three-quarter inch copper service pipes going into the houses. The lines are laid four feet underground to prevent freezing. And, although the gardeners may swear at the clay soil, it seems it's ideal when it comes to digging trenches for pipe. Clay ditches hold their shapes and don't cave in.

The laying of the pipes began in May, 1936, along Crescent Road, near the head of the lake. The mains were in place a year later, and the smaller pipes and house connections completed in another year. This work engaged as many as 150 men at a time, off and on, and four trenching machines. After the sections of pipe had been fitted together, the joints were made tight with oakum, asbestos, and melted lead. The pipelines were then sterilized with a mixture containing liquid chlorine.

Our carefully planned water system is the key reason for Greenbelt's having the lowest fire insurance rate in North America, according to Harvey Vincent, the town engineer. Contributing reasons are the practically fire-proof construction of our houses, the spacing of our fifty fire hydrants, and so on.

The water tower on Hurley Hill which dominates our northern horizon holds two million gallons, enough to cover the town's needs for ten days. It is placed high enough to create a pressure of forty to fifty pounds per square inch, but it needs to be kept full in order to maintain this. Should the water level in the tower fall, service to the second stories on a block would suffer first, reports Mr. Vincent. Suggested motto for the Engineering Department: Keep it up.

Senior Class Sets Prom Date

Since the High School Senior Class numbers three boys to one girl, the Senior Prom committee has decided not to limit invitations to class members. The prom will take place June 14, from 9 to 12, in the Elementary School auditorium, orchestrated by the Royal Blues.

The Prom committee includes Frank Loftus, chairman, Larry Childress, Bob McClary, Nella Berkalew, Betty Andrus, and Shirley Friedman.

RADIO CLUB MEMBERS VISIT W3EXI

Six members of the Greenbelt Radio Club recently visited Station W3EXI, at the home of J.W. Scrivener in Arlington, Virginia. Mr. Scrivener is well known in amateur radio circles, having worked with other amateurs on other continents.

Interesting contacts were made with stations in the Southwest, and one in Havana, Cuba. Several of those present went on the air to say a few words to W5BDB and W5GIB.

Members of the club were invited to W3EXI by C.O. Wilson, W3IR, a radio engineer for the Federal Communications Commission.

PRAISE FOR GREENBELT HEALTH ASSOCIATION

Greenbelt Health Association is described by Dr. Kingsley Roberts as one type of group health system providing adequate and increasing services for its members, in an article on "Group Health Plans" published in Consumers' Union Reports for May, 1940.

Group Health Association in Washington, D. C., and the Ross-Loos Clinic in Los Angeles were described as two other types of successful group plans.

The article emphasized the fact that the local Association practices preventive medicine more fully than most other groups now in operation. The publication containing the article may be read at the Greenbelt Library.

P. T. A. GIVES PARTY INVITATION

You are invited to attend the old-fashioned box supper given by the Parent-Teacher Association on the lawn behind the Greenbelt Elementary School Building tonight at 7 P.M. An especially good time is being planned for all. The committee in charge suggests that the children be left at home, giving Mother and Dad an evening free from responsibility.

Mother is to bring her prettiest box lunch packed for two with her name inside, and Dad no more than 50 cents — the highest bid to be permitted. Mother eats with the gentlemen who buys her box, and Dad with the lady whose box he buys.

The Recreation Department is planning an interesting evening of music and games and all adults are invited, as well as the High School and singles groups.

GREENBELT AND DISTRICT CO-OP STORE EMPLOYEES MEET

A group of 10 employees of the Rochdale Stores in Washington came to Greenbelt Monday evening to meet with employees and officials of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., and hear Allan Holzweiss of Eastern Cooperative Wholesale discuss the problems of merchandising Co-op brands.

Accompanying the D. C. group was William M. Blaisdell, president of Rochdale Stores and one of the directors of E.C.W. for the Washington area.

Mr. Holzweiss explained that E.C.W.'s major problem, a consequence of rapid increase in sales, is inadequate capital to provide the large stocks of merchandise required to meet the constantly increasing orders.

He told the Wholesale's efforts to supply general information to the stores about Co-op products and suggestions for displays. The group entered into the discussion, many of them pointing out particular problems in merchandising Co-op products and making suggestions for improvements.

Are you coming to the P. T. A. box social tonight?



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 Boy's Polo Shirts—Novelty weaves, stripes—25¢, 49¢