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No State School Aid This Year

According to State Senator Harold Sothoron, state school aid for counties will not be placed on the agenda for the special session of the Maryland Assembly, scheduled for May 25.

Reasons for this delay are: lack of time for debate and inability to compile the necessary data in time.

According to Mrs. Fanny Epstein, representative of the League of Women Voters for Prince Georges County, the Legislative Committee was favorably impressed with the need for state school aid and will probably pass such a bill when the Assembly meets in January, 1949.

Senator Sothoron suggested that the counties interested in state school aid compile all the available material for presentation at the January, 1949 session.

Thieves Acquire Booty From High School, Center

Greenbelt High school was broken into and burglarized last Friday night to the extent of fifty dollars' worth of miscellaneous articles. Desks were ransacked of a class ring, a camera and field glasses. Cash was taken from a pay telephone and from the library desk. Candy and a dozen records were also reported stolen, according to the local police.

The theft of two dozen tomato plants also was reported to the Greenbelt police by Waldo Mott, manager of the GCS variety store. He said the plants were stolen from the platform behind the store sometime Friday.

Shaffer To Head High School PTA

The Greenbelt High School Parent-Teachers Association held its last regular monthly meeting of the year on Wednesday, May 12, to hear the annual reports from the various committee chairmen, and to elect officers for the ensuing year 1948-1949.

The following officers were elected to serve for one year beginning with the school year commencing in September: Albert J. Schaffer, president; Freeland Ramsdell, vice-president; Mrs. Mary Ehrhardt, secretary; Alfred Sansone, treasurer.

Membership of the High School PTA, according to Mr. Schaffer, has grown over the years from six members to over 225 members at present, and has shown a considerable healthy growth by an increased interest among the parents in school activities. The incoming officers have pledged themselves to work towards greater achievements, and to make a concerted drive for a larger membership and participation of all parents who have children in the junior and senior high school grades. The recommendation of the outgoing executive committee to purchase and install a microphone and loud-speaker system throughout all the rooms in the High School will be given top priority for adding to the school's efficiency as a project for next year.

During the past year funds were raised by sponsoring the Greenbelt Stunt Night and running the concession at All-Greenbelt Night held in the Ritchie Coliseum. It was possible for the membership at its last meeting to vote and donate to the high school cafeteria a sum of \$200 to help underwrite the deficit incurred by that operation when funds from the Federal Government were curtailed.

Bake Sale Saturday

A bake sale, sponsored by the ladies of St. Hugh's Parish, will be held on Saturday morning, May 22, from 9 to 12 noon in the lobby of the theater. Mrs. Margaret Baldwin is serving as chairman for the sale.

Those who wish to donate cakes, pies, or pastries, but who do not have facilities to transport them, have them picked up by calling Greenbelt 2799 before 9 p.m., Friday, May 21.

North End Parents Organize Own PTA

A meeting held at the North End school last Tuesday night to organize a North End PTA was attended by approximately fifty people. Mrs. Lyman Woodman, president of the present combined elementary school PTA, acted as chairman.

A committee to nominate the slate of officers for the coming school year was elected, with Mrs. Wade Gindelsperger as chairman, Miss Mary Parana, a North End school teacher, and Mrs. Hayward Hunt as members. This year's executive committee will prepare by-laws to be presented at the next meeting, the first week of June.

Large Crowd Hears Community Chorus In Second Concert

By Eleanor Ritchie

The Greenbelt Community Chorus appeared for the second and final time this season in a spring concert Monday night, before the large crowd in the Center School auditorium which has become the usual thing at local cultural occasions. A heavy advance sale of tickets indicated continuing community interest in the work of the group, and Dr. Harlan Randall, conductor, thanked the audience and chorus in a farewell speech promising more and better offerings next season.

Several selections on the second program were repeated from the first, "Dear Land of Home," "Thanks Be to God," and "Rose Marie." Also included were operetta tunes, "June is Busting Out All Over," "Great Day," and "Old Man River," with Dr. Randall as soloist in the latter. In a group of Scotch airs, Ethel Gerring sang the solo part in "Loch Lomond." Best chorus work came in the Bortniansky anthem, "Lo, a Voice to Heaven Sounding," and in a modernistic spiritual "Listen to the Lambs," in which Virginia Hughes was soloist.

Featured soloists on the program were the Maryland University Male Quartet, and Fay Friedman, Greenbelt soprano. Fay, who has sung for many local groups, has a winsome way with her audience not entirely due to her voice, which was heard to good advantage in the "Habenera" from Carmen, "Yours is My Heart Alone," and "Lilac Tree." Also well received were the selections by the quartet, including "Sleep, Kentucky Babe," and a rendition of "Coney Island Babe" with some unexpected hot-licks which called for an encore.

Membership in the chorus has increased somewhat, and the larger group seemed to be better balanced than in its first performance. Some additional work needs to be done on enunciation, which was sacrificed at several points for tempo and phrasing. The group has done a good job in a short time, however, and its programs should add much to town enjoyment in the future.



JAS. T. GOBBEL

Text of Gobbel Letter

Following is the text of Town Manager James T. Gobbel's letter of resignation, presented to the Town Council last Monday:

For almost thirteen years I have been associated with the planned community of Greenbelt, first in Washington during the construction and management of the community and for the last four and a half years here in Greenbelt. I believe that my continuous official connection with this community has been longer than that of any other individual, and it has offered an opportunity for service for which any one could well be proud. The men and women who planned and built Greenbelt had great visions of the future of this planned community. Not all of these visions have come true but we all know what this community has meant to the thousands of families who have lived here, and many of us know of the effect that Greenbelt has had on housing developments throughout the entire country—and, yes, even in other countries.

The people who have lived in Greenbelt—the people who have turned houses into homes—who have made this a living community—have shared in something very important. The people of Greenbelt have faced many problems, economic, social, and other war-created problems, and they still face many problems in the immediate months and years ahead. However, when the final evaluation of the success or failure of this experiment in planned communities is made it will not be judged on a dollars and cents basis but rather on the sole basis of what the community has meant to the men, women and children who have lived here. I do not know what the final answer will be but I believe that the benefits to the people and to the nation will far outweigh any shortcomings.

I have believed in Greenbelt and I still believe in Greenbelt but I have decided that after 13 years the time has come to sever my relations with Greenbelt and move on to other fields. Therefore, I hereby submit my resignation as Town Manager of the Town of Greenbelt, Maryland, effective as of the close of business on July 19, 1948.

In spite of the many problems which have confronted us over these past years it has been a real pleasure to work with and for the people of Greenbelt and the members of Greenbelt and the members always remember my years at Greenbelt, and I wish all of you the very best of luck and the success to which you are entitled in the years to come.

POPPY SALE

The American Legion Auxiliary is conducting the annual poppy sale today and tomorrow for the benefit of veterans of World Wars I and II, according to Miss Marie Krouse, chairman of the poppy sale committee. Poppy vendors will be stationed in the Center.

Gobbel Resigns Effective July 19: Council Approves Building Sites

After 13 years of association with Greenbelt, Town Manager James T. Gobbel resigned from his position as administrative head of the town government at last Monday night's Town Council meeting.

Gobbel, mentioning several outside offers of positions, said he had planned to leave his position in the immediate future, but in view of the pressure of town work agreed to stay on the job until July 19, in a session with town councilmen. His resignation was presented at the regular meeting of the Town Council.

Charter Needs Change To Define Boundaries Of Town, Says Cormack

This week's action of Public Housing Administration officials in submitting a recommendation to the Town Council asking that an amendment to the Town Charter be revised has caused varying opinions among Greenbelters.

The amendment provides in effect that the Town of Greenbelt and its municipal corporation shall have no jurisdiction over any territory within its boundaries which is not owned by the Federal government.

PHA Manager Charles M. Cormack commented that this move is merely a legal adjustment, over which there is no dispute. Cormack said that the present boundaries of the Greenbelt project do not coincide with the charter of the town, as certain pieces of property have been added to the project which were not originally in the town, and other sections have been included in the town which are not the Federal government's property. Therefore, Mr. Cormack commented, it is a step necessary to the eventual disposition of Greenbelt to correct the differences in these boundaries.

Town Manager James T. Gobbel, however, felt that the council was justified in not concurring with the recommendation, since it had been given a very short time in which to study the new proposals. PHA officials wanted to present the revised amendments to the State Legislature at a special session next Tuesday. Gobbel commented, "It is something too important to do blindly."

Concrete Poured For Walls Of New GCS Supermarket

Foundation walls for the new Greenbelt consumer-owned supermarket were poured May 14, which means that the next step is to frame up and pour the floor slab. This will be accomplished in approximately two weeks. A special effort was made to get the foundation walls poured by Friday, the end of the working week, according to Bassett Ferguson, GCS assistant manager.

No figures are available as to the percentage of building completed, but construction is proceeding on schedule. Reinforcing steel was received May 17. All structural steel is on hand and being fabricated to bring on the job as soon as the floor slab is completed.

Favorable laboratory reports have been received on the bricks intended for use in the building, which solves another material supply problem.



Introducing . . .

Roy Hanson, who will be the Master of Ceremonies at the De Molay dance.

(See story on inside page.)

Prior to his appointment as town manager, Gobbel had served as community manager for the Federal Public Housing Authority, the town's landlord, and before that on the Washington administrative staff of the old Resettlement and Farm Security Administrations in the planning and administering of the Greenbelt project on the national level. Members of the council expressed regret at his leaving his present position.

PHA Proposal Tabled

The council acted upon a number of matters of civic interest at its meeting, including the approval of sites for the local churches and National Guard armory, impending holiday celebrations, and the recreation program.

Perhaps the most significant proposal of the evening, however, was one on which the council voted not to act. This was a request from the Public Housing Administration, present Greenbelt landlord, asking the council to ratify for submission to the special session of the State Legislature this month a revision of the town boundaries. Action would have had to be in the form of a request to the legislature for approval of a town charter amendment. In previous discussions with council members, PHA officials had agreed that such action is essential to the completion of plans for the sale of Greenbelt, but thought that action by the January, 1949, regular session of the state body would be satisfactory. However, late on Monday afternoon PHA representatives asked that the charter amendment be approved by the council that night so that it could be submitted to state officials yesterday. This sudden move left the council with no opportunity to review the amendment nor to check the description of the new boundaries. At the time of the request the description of the new boundaries had not been completed and the council had not even been given that much information to review.

In view of the unusual nature of the request, the council decided to wait for further information and, if necessary, to oppose any legislative action on the measure by the special session, at least until the councilmen can assure themselves that the proposed amendment is in the best interests of the town. Significance of the sudden request by PHA was not clear to the council members, but councilmen speculated in the meeting on whether it is related to any change in plans looking toward the immediate sale of the town.

Church, Armory Sites Approved

On the motion of Councilwoman Elizabeth Harrington, supported by Frank Lastner, the council voted to notify PHA that it approved the sites selected by the local church groups for their church buildings as being in line with the land use program for the town and with the proposed city zoning plan. Councilman Allen D. Morrison opposed the motion, on the grounds that the price being asked for the land by PHA is too high and that the action would not facilitate the purchase of the property. Other council members and the town manager agreed that the action would not speed up church negotiations with PHA, which has no authority to donate the land to the town.

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Cooperatives Become a Necessity In Building New Nation of Israel

"New Jewish State Formed." "Arabs Bomb Tel Aviv." These are the headlines about Palestine that have recently appeared.

Before this, the type spelled out hundred of words of destruction and death and terror about that land. And such words will probably appear often until the new nation of Israel has become firmly established. The American public may never learn that the Jews of Palestine are building a nation based primarily on cooperatives.

But this is a fact. The co-op is a basic economic organization in Palestine, and the cooperative wholesale is the largest trading organization in Palestine.

Agriculture, retailing, manufacture, bus transportation, medical care—no branch of economic life among the Jews of Palestine remains untouched by cooperation.

'Had To Be'

"It had to be that way," D. Kahane, director of the Palestine cooperative wholesale, told Richard Giles of the U. S. Cooperative News Service recently. Mr. Kahane, who has been here in the States for several months, shopping for farm machinery and other products, said that it had to be that way because Palestine has had to be made over, inch by inch, to accommodate its new population.

Palestine today covers 10,429 square miles, less than Belgium or Holland. The partitioning has given the Jewish nation 5,500 square miles to live in—about the size of Connecticut. The population includes 700,000 Jews and 400,000 Arabs, with an increase of 1 million Jews expected now.

Sheer Necessity

Cooperation does not come naturally to this struggling nation. It exists in Palestine by sheer necessity. Rocks have to be broken; land has to be tilled. This demands cooperation. There isn't room for waste or mistakes.

The cooperative wholesale, organized in 1916 at a time of food shortages, is today the biggest business trading in Palestine. Among its members are 200 consumer cooperatives, 156 collective farms, 170 schools, institutions, experimental stations, and so on.

There are farm marketing cooperatives, housing cooperatives, a credit union federation, an insurance cooperative, and a cooperative health organization. The cooperative health set-up has 200,000 members. Whenever 25 families set up a new farm village, cooperative medical care is there ahead of them, opening a clinic under a registered nurse.

Ninety percent of the transportation in Palestine is cooperative, most of it being bus transportation.

Invites Arabs

The Palestinian co-ops, says Mr. Kahane, have invited Arabs to join, but without much luck. Especially, they have offered the Arabs medical care in the co-ops, but the Arabs have not responded.

As far as the partitioning, Mr. Kahane says, it seemed the only possible solution in practice. He is returning to Israel to work in the new nation with a film on co-op milking machines in his suitcase.

Co. Symphony Boosts Local Interest In Music

The strident sound of instruments being tuned stops abruptly in the auditorium of the Greenbelt Center School. Conductor David Burchuk says quietly, "All right," lifts his arms, and another rehearsal of the Prince Georges County Symphony Orchestra is under way.

The orchestra, which made a successful professional debut with a program of light classical music in April, had its first rehearsal on February 15. The original 15 members have grown to 35, who meet regularly every Sunday from 5 to 7 in the auditorium.

Any resident of Prince Georges County over the age of 16 and interested in playing a musical instrument is eligible for membership in the symphony, which is sponsored by the County adult-education program. Actual ages of the musicians range from 16 to 60, with a few youngsters not old enough to be full-fledged members who put up the music stands, distribute the music, and in general, "make themselves useful." Their reward—freedom to attend all rehearsals and an occasional tap on the triangle or tambourine.

Instruments Needed

Members of the group own their instruments, and until their first concert on April 25, which netted them \$135, contributed 25 cents weekly toward janitorial expenses and the rental of the piano. Now dues have stopped, and according to Mrs. Helen Oring, Greenbelt housewife who is president of the orchestra, the proceeds of the concert will be used to purchase new music and instruments. Their especial needs are a set of tympani and a double-bass.

Although a number of the players were music majors at college and hoped to play professionally, the orchestra is strictly amateur. There are a few married couples among the players, and a wide variety of professions is represented. Ross Martin, announcer at radio station WTOP, and his wife, Muriel, play the violin, while Paul and Ruth Marsh of Berwyn play the clarinet and violin, respectively.

Women Outnumbered

There are more men than women in the orchestra, although the women members, who are divided fairly equally between housewives and students, are much more regular in their attendance. Mrs. Marian Moore, who plays the piano, has four children, one of whom is generally watching her mother proudly at rehearsal time.

The cellist is Mrs. Eric Braund, wife of the pastor of the Greenbelt Community Church, who admits that her cello had been a household nuisance until the orchestra was formed. One of the best of the amateur musicians is the Concert Master, Stuart Haywood, a graduate student and mathematics instructor at the University of Maryland.

"The primary purpose of the orchestra," Conductor Burchuk says, "is to provide players a chance to play, and also to develop musical interest in the community." Since the orchestra lacks several instruments, Mr. Burchuk, who is music teacher at Central High School in Washington, has offered to teach anyone who owns a double bass, piccolo or trombone. The conductor is leader of Central High's band and orchestra, and is also associate conductor of the Washington Civic Orchestra.

Mr. Burchuk studied music at the University of Michigan and received his master's degree in Education from the University of Pennsylvania. He is a native of Philadelphia who has lived in the Washington area for about 4 years. Last summer he studied at the Berkshire Music Center at Tanglewood under Stanley Chapell. He has studied conducting under Guy Frazer Harrison, conductor of the Rochester Symphony, and Vladimir Bakaleinikoff, assistant director of the Pittsburgh Symphony.

Mr. Burchuk, who has played in orchestras under the baton of Morton Gould, Fabien Sevitsky, Frederick Stock and other famous mu-

sicians, brings a wealth of musical knowledge to the County Symphony Orchestra.

"must" in the orchestra's plans.

This summer the players will continue working in small groups. A lending library of music is being set up, and the musicians will work with Mr. Burchuk on duets, trios, quartets and other combinations.

Children's Concerts a "Must"

The orchestra, which held a very successful Children's Concert in Greenbelt on May 9, plans to give concerts next fall in neighboring communities. Conductor Burchuk also hopes to bring the orchestra membership up to at least 50. The enthusiastic response with which both the children and their parents received the May 9 concert has made future Children's Concerts a

According to a Twentieth Century Fund report, about 15 per cent of all elementary school pupils in the United States are still taught in one-room, one-teacher schools in the open country.



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Rep. Blatnik Asks House Probe Of A & P, Safeway, Kroger

Washington (CNS)—Destructive monopoly practices of big chain grocery companies will be aired if House Resolution 578, introduced by Congressman John Blatnik of Minnesota, is passed. Blatnik has asked the House of Representatives to direct its Small Business Committee to investigate and determine what should be done to protect independent grocers against the chains, in the course of which the Justice Department would be called upon to testify.

In a case against the A & P the Department of Justice presented evidence to show that A & P had revenues in an account called "stock account"—which the government charges embraced short weight and short change frauds—sometimes equal to total revenue from all other retail operations. Similar charges against Safeway Stores and Kroger would be made public if Blatnik's resolution were approved.

Short Weight Artists

"The charges of the Department, and the evidence presented to the Federal court in on case, indicate that these chain grocery organizations did two things, at least, which are absolutely reprehensible," said Blatnik. "They would pick out a city, or an area, and put on a high-pressure sales campaign and operate at a loss to kill off their competitors. Of course they took profits off high prices in other cities to pay for those losses. Then, the charges and evidence seem to prove that they got large profits out of short weighting and short changing the consumer. It is difficult to believe that that is true, but it is our Department of Justice which made the charges."

Divide and Rule

Asked about "cooperatives," Blatnik said, "Consumer cooperatives are independent business organizations. They are small business in every way. Propagandists

for the trusts, with large sums of money, have sometimes succeeded in getting small business to attack other small business such as co-operatives. That is the old game of monopoly—divide the opposition and then conquer. That is what has been going on, and unfortunately the monopolists succeed all too often.

"Incidentally," Blatnik continued, "I want to help the House Small Business Committee do a real job. The Committee was created to help small business. Perhaps the Committee can justify in accomplishments the expenditures it has made. But I doubt there is a member of the House who can tell anything that that Committee has actually done for small business. I know here have been charges that the present Committee has actually labored to help the enemies of small business. I want this House to give this Committee a specific job to do in the interest of small business, and put the Committee to the test. Here is the specific job, to investigate the chain store operations."

"I am trying to do here what any competent economic or business organization would do," Blatnik said. "Here we have a government agency, the Department of Justice, which has spent large sums of public money to investigate these chain stores. These government men must have become expert in this work. They must know much that the Congress should know if we are really sincere in our effort to protect the independent merchant against monopoly. Unless we have the Congress investigate and get facts and recommendations, all of this information and expert advice will be buried in the files of the Department of Justice. That is all that I want to do, get the facts and then act to prevent further persecution of small business by monopoly organizations."

Edith Nicholas Heads Local NCJW Section

Mrs. Edith Nicholas was elected chairman of the Greenbelt Section of the National Council of Jewish Women for the coming year, at the last meeting of the Section on May 12.

Other officers elected are; Mrs. Fan Schein, vice-chairman; Mrs. Rose Haber, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Barbara Rolnick, recording secretary; and Mrs. Ruth Tenenbaum, treasurer.

The newly-elected officers and members of the executive board who are to be appointed shortly will be installed at a luncheon at the Cape Cod Inn, Bethesda, on Saturday, June 19.

Plans for the installation luncheon are now being completed by a committee headed by Mrs. Estelle Dolgoff, and including Mrs. Helen Chasanow, Mrs. Myra Hertz, Mrs. Edith Nicholas, Mrs. Kay Ehrlich and Mrs. Ida Tannenbaum.

Mrs. Adelaide Weidberg announced that National Council has initiated a new project to provide a \$35,000 grant for educational work at the Hebrew University in Israel.

Happy Home Discussed At Parents Institute

The Prince Georges County Council of PTA's second annual Parents' Institute was held last Thursday at the University of Maryland. Theme of the one-day program was "Mental Health and the Happy Family."

Mrs. Wells Harrington of Greenbelt introduced the keynote speaker, Dr. Mabel Ross, director of the Prince Georges Mental Health Clinic. Dr. Ross explained how the American family as a social force is bound to survive because it is necessary to the mental welfare of the people. The family set-up is as important to mental stability, she stated, as food is to physical stability.

Following Dr. Ross' address, three discussion groups were formed, dealing with the pre-school

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churches and is faced with legal obstacles in working out the transfer of title, but thought that the motion would put the council on record in terms of the appropriateness of the sites. The action was taken after what Mrs. Harrington termed 'a careful review' of town building and zoning plans by council members.

Approval also was voted by the council for the site selected for the new National Guard armory, after the council had specified that its endorsement is based upon plans to use the armory for a variety of civic activities in addition to those carried on by the Guard. Council approval clears the way for PHA to dedicate the land to the State of Maryland and the National Guard, a power which PHA already has and which is not blocked by present law, as is the power to dedicate land to semipublic bodies such as churches.

The armory will be situated on Southway Road opposite the airport and will include 10 acres with about 1000 feet of frontage on Southway.

Agrees with COOPERATOR

A report by the police department on complaints concerning children playing baseball in the parking courts prompted Mayor Thomas Canning to ask the town manager to look into the possibility of developing regular play areas for children, primarily for such games as baseball and basketball. Gobbel reported that action is already under way, and that such areas are being developed as rapidly as suitable sites can be found. Lastner suggested that the tennis courts be banked in so that they can be made available for winter ice skating, relieving the town of danger from the use of the lake for this purpose and extending the ice skating period for some weeks each winter.

Pool Opens May 29

To take advantage of possible warm weather, the swimming pool will be opened to the public on May 29, one day ahead of the regular schedule, Gobbel announced. This will make it possible for Greenbelters to use the pool all three days of the Memorial Day weekend if weather permits.

On Lastner's motion, the council voted to give the Youth Center advisory board authority to control the spending of all funds taken in by center activities, an action taken to clarify the responsibility of the board.

Lastner also announced the receipt of \$5,887 from the state government, Greenbelt's share of taxes on horse-racing in the state, and sponsored a motion to match these funds with town funds for use on various public works. The town funds involved already had been appropriated in the town budget for this year.

Charter Suggestions Wanted

Mrs. Harrington suggested that citizens be requested to submit suggestions on amendments to the town charter, with the idea that public hearings on all proposed amendments would be held in the future. Action on this was withheld until a later meeting of the council.

Public hearings on the proposed zoning plan for the county will be held in Hyattsville on June 8, according to an announcement by Councilman David Granahan, and the county commissioners will act on the plan later in June. Action by the town council on the local plan, tying it in with the approved county ordinance, should be taken shortly thereafter.

The council voted to set aside not more than \$500 for the Fourth of July celebration, from funds already available in the town budget. It was pointed out by several councilmen that most of this expenditure probably will be repaid by income to the town from food and other concessions operated at the celebration.

child, the child from 6 to 12, and the adolescent.

Leader of the pre-school child discussion group was Mrs. Elizabeth Whitney, who is in charge of the College Park Nursery, and a member of the University Faculty. Mrs. Herbert Hertz reported the findings of this group at the afternoon meeting of the discussion group.

Ten Years Ago In Greenbelt

The following items were taken from the May 18, 1938 issue of THE COOPERATOR.

The Government engineers finished their work in Greenbelt. Workmen were removing the temporary sheds and buildings which housed construction materials during the past three years.

Approximately thirty men engaged in landscaping and playground work were to continue on the Greenbelt payroll another two weeks.

An editorial entitled "Utopia, Ltd." appeared in the Washington Star of May 16. It described in detail a bulletin issued in Greenbelt on March 26, containing regulations and suggestions for the guidance of citizens of Greenbelt.

The population of Greenbelt was 604 families.

The appointment of Yale B. Huffman on May 12 doubled the police force.

The first of a series of articles was begun by Greenbelt's first police officer, George Panagoulis, in an effort to acquaint townspeople with the Police Department and police regulations.

Dr. James W. McCarl was introduced in an article describing his educational and business experience.

It Goes On and On

Irresponsible children were blamed for a crime wave involving the theft of automobile valve caps.

It was Ed Thornhill, an employe of the Farm Security Administration, who informed the Consumer Distribution Corporation of the "splendid opportunity which existed for the setting up of consumer Co-ops in Greenbelt."

Girl Scout Camp Offers Care For Helpers' Kids

The nursery for children of mothers helping with the Green-Girl Scout day camp is so unusual that it rated an article in a recent issue of the official Girl Scout magazine. The nursery is outstanding in that it is the only one in this area offering such complete care for these small children.

During the four-day session of the day camp held last year, from seven to eleven children were served, with ages ranging from three to eight years. The activities of this unit included fingerpainting, cut-outs, nature walks, a circus, scrap-books, needlework, clay work and a story hour. Activities were changed approximately every forty minutes, and all the children participated in the same activity at the same time. The children ate lunch together, and were completely independent of their mothers from the time they arrived in the morning until closing time. There were rest periods after lunch.

The nursery this year will be in the charge of Mrs. Earl Thomas, with Pat Griggs and Mary Allen as assistants.

The camp will be held at Camp Conestoga and bus transportation will be provided. Girl Scouts planning to attend the camp may obtain registration forms from their leaders.

Nature counsellor will be Mrs. John Willoughby. Registrar is Mrs. Claude Sarratt.

A registered nurse is needed for the four-day session. Persons interested in assisting in this position or other ways should contact Mrs. John Elder, director, at Greenbelt 8033.

Needle Talk

Album fare. Decca ends spy-hunting. Needle Talk. Queen of pickups.

It isn't a hot-off-the-pressing, but Concerto (Mendelssohn) in E Minor for Violin (Milstein) and Orchestra (Philharmonic - Symphony of New York), deserves and receives the approval of critics. Grand old man of music, Bruno Walter, pilots. You won't sit off your hands either when you hear the second and third movements of this classic.

Robeson Recital of Popular Favorites is that! Columbia engineers are consistently good in this album. The singer has his feet on the ground and his voice about shoe-top level. "Ol' Man River," "I Still Suits Me," and "Wagon Wheels," plus five almost as good selections, should please.

There are still some who haven't heard or bought the "Magic Record" for children yet. Stop in the Co-op record nook the next time you're down to the center and do. It is plastic, it is Decca, and it bears repetition!

Decca comes up with an idea I'd like to see standardized with all records. Their children's platters have a yellow label for the first side, a blue label for second. It eliminates the spy hunt to find identifying tell-tale numbers, often very small, often in out-of-the-way corners. Should all companies adopt this idea of using one color for all odd-number sides, another for even-number sides, you could tell at a glance if your stack of records were in sequence or out.

How to improve that machine? Let's look at the needle. If it is a sapphire it may chip when side-swiped or dropped. The chip may not be obvious to the eye or ear at first, and may be detected too late when you notice it gathering little samples of your favorites with each playing. If it is a diamond tip, divide the number of 'plays' advertised by two or three and discard it at that count; if a precious metal tip, divide by four. If it is a cactus, divide your time between re-pointing and listening. Webster nylon needle with its jewel tip takes changer gymnastics and record wear better than anything I've found.

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GAC To Sponsor Softball League

The Greenbelt Athletic Club will again this year sponsor a softball league. For the purpose of organization Greenbelt will be divided into eight areas, each being designated as Block A, B, C, etc.

Team trophies will be awarded, as well as individual trophies to not more than 20 players of the winning team who have participated in a minimum of six games in the regular league. All residents are invited to join the club and participate in the league.

A softball committee will consist of a representative from each block as noted below with the GAC Vice President as Chairman:

- "A," Vernon T. Fox, 7C Crescent, 5823; "B," Dewey Reed, 14-D Crescent, 8376; "C," Louis Tierney, 7-L Southway, No phone; "D," George Bauer, 1-J Gardenway, 4931; "E," Frank Galvin, 6-L Hillside, 4957; "F," Jack Burt, 2-P Laurel Hill, 3347; "G," Loyd Clay, 54 Ridge, 8153; "H," Huey Rowell, 71-C Ridge, No phone.

Schedule of games for May is as follows: (First game scheduled for 7 p.m.; second game at 8:45 p.m. First team listed is home team in each game)

Date	Teams
May 21 Friday	AD—BG
May 24 Monday	EF—GH
May 26 Wednesday	BC—DE
May 28 Friday	FG—HA
May 30 Dec. Day	

Two Visitors Study Housing and Planning

During the past week Greenbelt at one time recreational director of tending the National Conference on Family Life which was held in Washington.

Miss Louise Blackham, who was one time recreational director of the Nathan Strauss housing development, Hillside Homes, in New York City; has since lectured at Columbia, New York and Syracuse Universities, and has written articles on recreation, community life and its social aspects. She has most recently returned from Vienna, Austria, and Italy where she worked with UNRRA, is very much interested in planned cities and towns, and in this connection is making a study of Greenbelt.

The other visitor was Miss Sigrun Zulow-Hube of Stockholm, Sweden, an architect by profession, who is very much interested in research done in housing, particularly low-cost housing. Miss Bulow-Hube came to this country on an American-Scandinavian Foundation Scholarship for a year's study of housing. She is also studying the technical end of mass production in furniture for the Cooperative Union of Sweden.

Both women commented on the physical appearance of Greenbelt and each questioned residents of the town with regard to their especial interests, Miss Bulow-Hube on low-cost housing, and Miss Blackham from the social point of view.



L to R—Standing: Dean Manifold, coach; R. Lewis, J. Mowitt, B. Hammond, T. Ropko, G. Bauer, J. Mantone, Harry Randolph, R. Hause, B. Goodall. Kneeling: F. Schrom, mgr.; H. Snead, J. Springmann, B. Roberts, B. Watkins, R. Bierwagen, A. Morin, J. Long. Freddy Sansone, bat boy.

GHS HOST TO MOUNTIES; P. G. CO. SOFTBALL PLAYS THREE GAMES

Greenbelt High school's baseball team played the part of a very obliging host last Tuesday afternoon when it was defeated by Mt. Rainier, 5-3.

The Mounts wasted little time in pouncing on starter Ronnie Bierwagen for two runs in the first inning. Hits by Fish and Watts and two Grizzly errors accounted for the tallies. GHS came back with one run in its half of the second when Hammond walked and scored on hits by Watkins, Snead and Bierwagen. Each team scored a run in the fifth, on one hit each.

The Mounties added two runs on four hits in their half of the sixth to make the count 5-2. Our lads tried valiantly to pull the game out but their rallies were nipped in the sixth and seventh innings. The best they could do was one run in the seventh.

BOX SCORE			
	AB	R	H
Greenbelt	2	0	0
Davis 3b	1	0	0
Roberts ss	3	0	1
Attick c	3	0	0
Goodall lf	2	0	0
Randolph 2b	2	0	0
Hammond 1b	3	1	1
Watkins cf	3	0	1
Snead rf	3	0	1
Bierwagen p	3	0	1
Totals	22	3	6
Mt. Rainier	4	2	3
Fish cf	3	1	2
Watts 2b	2	0	0
Ratke ss	3	0	0
Stahl 3b	2	0	0
Haynes lf	2	0	0
Ridgeway 1b	2	0	0
Chapman rf	3	0	2
Richards c	3	1	1
Johnson p	3	1	0
Totals	25	5	8
Mt. Rainier	20	0	12
Greenbelt	0	1	0

The Prince George's County Softball league, which plays all its games in Greenbelt on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday nights, has been providing Greenbelters with excellent softball entertainment.

Last Saturday night IBM won its second straight game by defeating Annadale and Co., 5-0. It was also the second win for Pitcher Santell, who allowed only 2 hits.

In the second game on Saturday a highly touted Thrifty Liquors team lost to Mt. Rainier, 2-1. Each team got 2 hits. Dohyns was the winning pitcher and Harrell the loser.

Tuesday night, Winchester Packard upset Mt. Rainier, 3-0. Sullivan allowed the Mounties only one hit. Phillips was the loser.

Greenbelt was supposed to be no match for IBM in the second game of the twin bill. However, young Hugh Rowell held IBM to one run until the ninth when he was hit for three hits and 4 runs and the ball game. Greenbelt lost, 5-1.

JCC Handball Tourney

The handball tournament sponsored by the JCC will be played Saturday and Sunday, May 22 and 23. The games will start at 10 a.m. and the following teams will compete:

- Schinderman and S. Levine vs. Tillem and Steinman.
- Goldberg and Tredwell vs. Bukzin and Wexler.
- D'Esposito and Warren vs. Avagliano and L. Levine.
- Spector and Grable vs. Harris and Tennenbaum.
- Pines and Barnett—draw by.
- Berkofsky and Fink vs. Rosen and Nusinov.
- Weiss and Sanders vs. Herman and Schwimmer.
- Trattler and Gelberg vs. Stutz and Brown.
- Terkeltaub and Fitzig vs. White and Rubin.

Sophomore Prom Turns Out 'Smooth'

By John W. Likens

So it was called the "Sophomore Prom" this year instead of the "Junior Prom." A very accurate name, indeed, for this time, in lieu of a junior class, the sophomores assumed full responsibility for the popular spring event. The individual and group abilities shown were unexpected, since they designed the decorations, arranged for the orchestra, and worked with interest toward the success that pleased everyone so thoroughly.

How they arranged for the perfect weather, no one knows, but at 9:30 on May 14, out of the comfortable night came the multi-colored gowns and stiff collars. Then into the auditorium they went—the auditorium trimmed in blue and white, with careful reproductions of the class pin fastened to the walls, each marked with a senior's name. There were enough silver stars pinned to the stage curtains to assure every couple a souvenir. The huge gold ring, as a center piece, accommodated one couple at a time during the grand march.

The grand march, together with the refreshments, divided the evening. The women of the Parent-Teacher association had provided such an unusual amount of delicious food that even the anti-social stags who came no closer than the kitchen could not deplete the supply. The formality was lightened occasionally by Walter Hubbel's orchestra recognizing a birthday with the conventional song, and by couples who endeavored to dance to the eight novel little notes that followed each dance.

As the dancers left for a late dinner about one o'clock, everyone was well satisfied that the students and alumni of Greenbelt High school had enjoyed another "smooth event."

CINEMATTERS—From 8

ing Mrs. John Kenestruck at 8258. The Guild receives no credit from tickets purchased at the box office.

And now, with an appropriate foot on my recorder, we come to "Carnegie Hall" (Thursday and Friday). In recent years I've been quite impressed by the movies' endeavor to insinuate itself into the province of the concert hall. At times a fraudulent biography of a famous musician has been used to excuse a burst of familiar music from the screen. In some instances well-known artists turn actor for the chance to demonstrate their talent. Now Hollywood has collected en-masse such artists as Bruno Walter, Arthur Rubinstein, Gregor Piatigorsky, Rise Stevens, Jascha Heifitz, Jan Peerce, Lily Pons, Ezio Pinza, and Ad Infinitum (guitar player in Vaughn Monroe's band).

I suppose this pot-pourri will delight the dilettante and the bargain-hunter. My advice is, don't take a seat too near the screen; the crescendos are terrific.

The cost of housing and household utilities is the second largest item in the consumer's budget, says a Twentieth Century Fund report. Only less important than food, it accounts for almost a fifth of total consumption expenditures in the United States.

The American people, says a Twentieth Century Fund report, consumed almost \$22 billion worth of food, liquor and tobacco in 1940. Alcoholic beverages accounted for \$3.6 billion of this total and \$1.9 billion was spent for tobacco.

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Community Church Protestant

Sunday, May 23
 9:30 a.m., Church School.
 10:50 a.m., Church Nursery.
 11: a.m., Church Worship. The minister will review a new book by one of the country's outstanding psychologists, entitled "My Dear Ego."
 8:30 Couple's Club meets at the Braund's, 2-A Crescent Road.
 Tuesday, Wednesday, May 25-26
 Guild-sponsored movie at the local theater, "Stairway to Heaven."
 Wednesday, May 26
 8:30 p.m., Choir Rehearsal.
 Thursday, May 27
 8:15 p.m., Sunday School Board meeting at the Ed Halley's, 62-B Crescent.

Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church

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Sunday—
 9:45 a.m.: Sunday School.
 11 a.m.: Morning Worship.
 Thursday—May 27, 1948
 8:00 p.m., The Sunday School Board will meet in the church. "You are cordially invited to worship with us."

Lutheran Church

Pastor, Edwin E. Pieplow
 Hyattsville 0383, Warfield 0942
 Service—12:30 p.m. in the home economics room of the Center School.
 Sunday School—11:30 a.m.
Calendar for the Week
 Wednesday—Adult Bible Class in Greenbelt, room 223 of the Center School at 8:00 p.m.
 Thursday—Choir rehearsals at 6-Z-2 Plateau Place, 8 p.m.
 Friday, May 21—Family movie night at the Hyattsville School, 8 p.m., featuring "Pot of Gold."
 Saturday—Junior Confirmation Class meets at 2 p.m. at 43-D Ridge Road.

JCC Sunday School Plans Lake Picnic

The Sunday school of the Jewish Community Center will hold its last session of the season at 11 a.m. next Sunday. A program will be presented by the children and prizes will be awarded.
 There will be a picnic at the lake that afternoon from 3:30 to 5:30 for the Sunday school children and their parents, at which there will be games and ice cream will be served. In case of rain the picnic will be postponed.
 At a meeting of the Sunday school PTA last Tuesday, Mrs. Ruth Tretter was elected president; Mrs. Lil Schwimmer, recording secretary; and Mrs. Sally Brandon, corresponding secretary and treasurer.

HolyNameSocietyMeets

At the May meeting of the Holy Name Society, held Wednesday, May 13, Fr. Dowgiallo talked on the life of Therese Newmann, noted stigmatist of Kosnersreuth, Germany. Men of the Society were asked to participate in a spiritual bouquet to invoke the canonization of Pope Pius X.
 A detailed report of the annual Holy Name Convention which was held in Washington on April 25, was given by Joseph Loftus. Mr. Loftus told the men that Lawrence J. McDonnell, of St. Gabriel's Parish in Washington, was re-elected by acclamation to serve as president of the Holy Name Union for the coming year.
 The Holy Name Society will hold an election in June. Bill Donahue was appointed chairman of the nominations committee, to be assisted by LeRoy Day and Walsh Barcus. Refreshments were served by the social committee under the direction of Guy Moore.

St. Hugh's Catholic Church

Confessions: Saturday, 4 to 5 p.m. for children; 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. for adults.
 Sunday Masses: 7:30 and 9:30 a.m. in the theater. This is Family Communion Sunday.
 8:30 to 9:15 a.m.: Catechism classes in the theater.
 1 p.m.: Baptisms.
 Wednesday, May 26: Miraculous Medal Novena with Benediction and Meditation in the Chapel, 7:45 p.m.
 Thursday, May 27: A Novena in honor of the Sacred Heart begins today, the Feast of Corpus Christi, and will end on First Friday, June 4, The Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Latter Day Saints

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
 Sunday—
 Sunday School Prayer Meeting, 10:15 a.m., Social Room.
 Sunday School, 10:30 a.m., Social Room.
 Priesthood Meeting, 11:45 a.m., Social Room.
 Sacrament Service, 6:30 p.m., Social Room.
 Monday—
 Children's Primary, 4 p.m., Room 120, Elementary School.
 Thursday—
 Women's Relief Society, Room 201, Elementary School.

JCC Services

Rabbi Morris A. Sanlhaus
 4-H Crescent Road, Telephone 3593
 Regular services will be held in the social room of the Center School at 8:30 p.m.
 This will be followed by the Discussion Group's subject for tonight, which will be "Current Philosophies of Jewish Life." Speaker of the evening will be Rabbi Morris A. Sandhaus.

Co-op Nursery Plans Fair On June 5

Committees have been appointed to make final preparations for the fair for the benefit of the Cooperative Nursery School, which will be held in the social room of the Center School on Saturday, June 5, from 3 to 9 p.m.
 Admission will be free, with a bake sale in the theater lobby in the morning preceding the fair. Features of the fair are a rummage sale, a fish pond, a raffle, refreshments, dancing, portraits, a book stall, an animal exhibit, and a fortune-telling booth.

Elizabeth Collins is in charge of the bake sale, assisted by Marge Bloom, Millie Mesner, Gwen Solomon, Nora Levisky and Ruth Baker. The rummage sale committee includes Betsy Stevens, Margaret Markfield, Mrs. Samuel Mintz, Rosemary Bridge, Mrs. Daniel Lyons, Ethel Rosenzweig and Ruth Bowman. Marie Thomas is in charge of the fish pond, assisted by Winifred Bealor and Mrs. Chas. Wexler. Refreshments will be served by Rosalyn Borsky, Peg Winegarden, Miriam Johnson, Millie Kern, Jean Zeldin, Evelyn Perlman and Ray William. Myra Hertz and Beulah Buzkin are in charge of the raffle. Charlotte Walsh is in charge of decorations; Dorothy Broadbent of dancing, Dorothy McGee of portraits, Ralph Miller of the book stall, Alvis Melton of the animal exhibit, Johnny McGee of the auction which will follow the fair, and Peg Winegarden of publicity.

Natural Color Pictures

Natural color motion pictures of Greenbelt school children, taken May 10, will be shown for the children at the theater in addition to the feature film, "Make a Wish," on Tuesday, May 25 at 9:30 a.m. The same films will be shown to all parents at 8:30 p.m. at the North End School on May 25.
 Proceeds will be used to pay for the film and the photographer, the balance going to the Center School.

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CINEMATTERS

By I. J. Parker

This coming week promises much for the inveterate movie-goer in Greenbelt. Three big productions are scheduled: "Cass Timberlane," "Stairway to Heaven," and "Carnegie Hall."
Playing Sunday and Monday, "Cass Timberlane" is an adaptation of Sinclair Lewis' novel of the same name. Spencer Tracy portrays a sober staid judge who weds Lana Turner, beautiful hoyden much accustomed to this sort of venture in real as well as reel life. In rather adult terms is presented the boredom Lana endures in her marriage and in the community. An athletic lass, she is tempted by Zachary Scott towards misbehavior,

but good old Spencer and the Johnson office save the day.

"Stairway to Heaven" (Tuesday and Wednesday), is partly sponsored by the Evening Guild of the Community Church. This Technicolor picture, produced in England, was voted one of the ten best pictures of 1947. David Niven, Raymond Massey and Kim Hunter star in this film with a plot familiar to movie-goers. A British aviator survives a crash into the Channel through some confusion among the Heavenly Couriers. A love story ensues, and a happy ending is resolved. The spectacular scenes in J. Arthur Rank's Heaven, and the simple authentic-looking shots of English village life, are sequences well worth your attention. Tickets to the movie may be acquired from Evening Guild members or by call-

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Before Pearl Harbor, says a Twentieth Century Fund report, the ratio of dentists to population was one for every 1,875 persons living in the United States. By the end of 1944, the ratio had dropped to about one for 2,600 persons.

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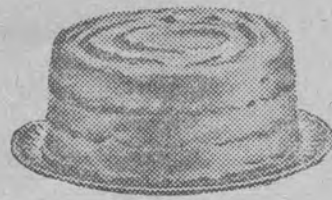
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