



MASS PROTEST MEETING TOMORROW

The Great Awakening

Greenbelters have finally been aroused from their guilty—but false—belief that their rents were being partially paid by their tax-paying brothers.

They realize that no tax money is necessary to run their town, since Public Housing Administration's admission that present rents cover operating expenses.

They also realize that they have a right to complain about the poor maintenance they have enjoyed for many years, and to protest vigorously the attempt by PHA to foist on them a jacked-up rent schedule.

That right will be exercised by the entire town tomorrow night when its citizens turn out en masse at the protest rally inaugurated by the Cooperator for that purpose, and sponsored by leaders of most of Greenbelt's organizations.

The baseball field is an appropriate site for the meeting: maybe Greenbelters will at long last get to first base.

Radio Talent Show Goes On Air Saturday Night

Greenbelt's own "Going Native Revue" will be aired Saturday night. The Greenbelt Radio Talent Show, sponsored by the Community Band, has had its final rehearsal and, according to Talent Committeeman Merryman, is "all set to live up to expectations."

Broadcast Starts at 7 p.m.

Radio Station WBUZ-FM will broadcast the show from the Center school Saturday, September 11, at 7 p.m. Merryman urged all Greenbelters to attend the show and see as well as hear the approximately 20 local dancing and singing participants. Tickets, he said, may be purchased from any band member or majorette, or Saturday at the center, at a stand to be provided for that purpose.

Community Chorus Start Fall Meetings Monday

Next Monday the Greenbelt Community Chorus celebrates its first birthday in business-like fashion, at its first meeting of the year in the Center school. This fledgling organization has grown up fast, having come of age at less than four months with its first formal concert last January 19.

This was followed with a second concert in May, and several performances at local gatherings. The Chorus's public appearances have been met with considerable local enthusiasm, which seems to prove the community need for such an organization.

Meetings are held every Monday evening at 8:30 in the Center school. Membership is open to all men and women sixteen years of age and over who are residents of Prince Georges County. The majority of the chorus members are Greenbelters.

Dues are \$1.00 a month, with a \$1.00 registration fee. Music is furnished by the Chorus and remains the property of the Chorus.

A constitution was adopted last spring, and officers elected for the coming year. Fred Pfeiffer was elected president; Mrs. Vilma Cormack, vice-president; Ray Hennessey, treasurer; Mrs. Elsie Morin, secretary; Mrs. Alice Smith, librarian; and Mrs. Doti Fairchild, historian. Heads of committees are: music, Mrs. Sigurger Leifur; membership, Mrs. June Lane; hospitality, Mrs. Hester Neff; publicity, Mrs. June Robertson.

New members are welcome, as the Chorus hopes to continue bettering its past accomplishments under the direction of Dr. Harlan Randall, conductor. Men are particularly welcome, for balance of voices, and altos. It's helpful to be able to read music, but not absolutely necessary, if you can memorize musical phrases.

Cormack Plans Letters To Tenants On Increase

Greenbelt residents in considerable numbers have been telephoning the town's PHA offices in an endeavor to establish their individual situations in the recently announced revised rental scales, according to PHA Manager Charles M. Cormack.

In an effort to clarify the matter, Mr. Cormack stated on Tuesday that the administration office plans to notify all Greenbelt families, by letter, of the maximum legal rent on the dwellings they occupy, and of the income that they would have to earn in order to pay the maximum rent. He added that the rent cannot be computed for an individual without a knowledge of the family income.

The Community Manager emphatically reaffirmed: First, that no family would be required to leave Greenbelt because it cannot pay its rent; and second, no family will be required to pay a disproportionate amount of its income for rent. He commented that unless the new rent schedules are studied quite fully, an incorrect impression may be received due to lack of an understanding of their technicalities.

Mr. Cormack further stated that the administration has completed its income reexamination in old Greenbelt.

Annual Fashion Show Coming Sept. 24

The annual fashion show and dance for the benefit of St. Hugh's parish building fund will be held on Friday, September 24, in the auditorium of the Center school. Mrs. Fred Hahn, general chairman, announced on Tuesday that Mike Hunnicutt, of Station WOL, will be Master of Ceremonies. Bill Baxter's orchestra will play for dancing.

The fashion show will begin at 8:30 p.m., followed by dancing from 9:30 until 12:30 a.m. Refreshments will be served.

Mrs. Hahn is being assisted by Mrs. Richard White, Mrs. Robert Brady, Mrs. Edward Castaldi and Mrs. Joseph Compton. Mrs. Frank Lastner is in charge of programs, Mrs. Joseph Macchio of tickets, assisted by Mrs. Roy Colburn and Mrs. George Holland. Entertainment is in charge of Mrs. Walter Bierwagen. Refreshments are being arranged by Mrs. William R. Baxter, and decorations will be planned by Mrs. Rocco Mazzoccoli and Mrs. Raymond Hennessy. Publicity is being handled by Mrs. C. R. Winegarden.

Anyone wishing to donate a cake may call Mrs. Baxter at Greenbelt 2967.

GMHOC President States His Views

Claiming that Public Housing Administration's "only possible" purpose in increasing rents is to attract investment purchase of Greenbelt, Mike Salzman this week issued a formal statement of protest on behalf of the members of the Greenbelt Mutual Home Ownership Corporation.

GMHOC's endeavors to buy the community from PHA during the past two years, at appraised value, was cited by Salzman. PHA, he said, "has never seriously considered" such offers. Instead, he claimed, that portion of the budget message relating to PHA disposition operations mentions "negotiations" with insurance companies and other investment groups. He further claimed that such groups have been given information which has been denied to GMHOC.

Cites Poor Maintenance

Poor maintenance of the project was cited by Salzman as justification for appeal for lowered rents by the tenants, rather than increases.

Graded rents, included in the proposed rent schedules, are not "valid," Salzman claimed, since PHA expects to dispose of the community in the near future. No investment company is likely, he said, to continue any graded rent system, based on income.

GMHOC support of Greenbelt protest to the increase was pledged by Salzman, to the extent of all its resources.

New Northenders Register Friday

Children of families who have recently moved into the North End of Greenbelt should register in the Kindergarten room of the North End school on Friday, September 10, from 10 to 11 a.m., and from 1 to 2 p.m., according to North End school principal Thelma Smith. Registrants should bring with them birth certificates and immunization records for diphtheria and smallpox vaccination.

GCS Board, Employees Picnic At Camp Letts

On Sunday, September 12, the employees and directors of Greenbelt Consumer Services will hold their annual outing at Camp Letts. A picnic lunch will be served, and there will be swimming, bowling, and other sports for the entire family. In the afternoon, there will be a meeting of the employees.

Scottish Cooperators Visit Our Town Today

Four members of the Scottish Cooperative Wholesale Society of Glasgow, Scotland will visit Greenbelt today. They are Mr. Steel and Mr. Aitchison, directors, and two store managers.

These men are interested in observing the operation of GCS, and will contribute any advice and assistance they can to GCS.

Public Health Clinic Closed Till Oct. 5

The Public Health Clinic will be closed until October 5, during the absence of Dr. William Eisner, public health officer.

The pre-natal classes under the direction of Mrs. Frances P. Stauffer, public health nurse, are held every Tuesday afternoon at 2:30. There is no charge for this class.

Committee Calls Citizens To Fight Increase In Rents

Rally To Be Held On Braden Field Rain or Shine; Starts at 7:30 p.m.

An impromptu committee which met for the first time Sunday, September 5, to protest Public Housing Administration's proposed new rent schedule for Greenbelt, attacked the proposal from four standpoints:

Inflation of the sales price, to the detriment of the majority of local citizens, who are interested in purchasing the homes for themselves; the general inflationary tendency of the increase in itself, by a branch of the federal administration which is on record as opposed to any inflationary measure; the incomparable nature of the housing to which Greenbelt was purportedly compared in order to arrive at the new rentals; and the fact that present rents already pay all of the town's operating expenses.

Committee Members

Present at the meeting were Michael Salzman, president of the Greenbelt Mutual Home Ownership Corporation; Mayor Thomas C. Canning; Paul Borsky, GMHOC vice-president; Irving Rothchild; and Sally Meredith, editor of the Cooperator.

Community leaders have been approached by members of the committee to enlist their support of the protest effort. Such support was pledged by all members of the town council; Frank Lastner, president of the board of directors of Greenbelt Consumer Services; Alpheus E. Tavenner, commander of Greenbelt American Legion Post 136; Sam Ringel, president of the local American Veterans Committee; Eric T. Braund, pastor of the Greenbelt Community Church.

Ask Endorsement

A standing vote to endorse a resolution embodying the four points cited by the committee will be asked of all Greenbelt citizens present at tomorrow night's protest rally at Braden Field. The meeting will begin, rain or shine, at 8:30 p.m.

Members of the committee emphasized that the number of people present at the rally will greatly influence the effect of the resolution.

Text of the resolution is as follows:

WHEREAS, rents now paid by Greenbelt residents more than pay for all operating expenses of the town, according to Public Housing Administration officials;

AND, WHEREAS, these same officials propose to increase Greenbelt rents, ostensibly to make such rents equal to those prevailing in comparable housing in the area; and since the Government is on record to sell the entire project in the immediate future, it

Great Books Group Continues This Fall

Plans are again under way to continue the Great Books discussion group formed in Greenbelt last spring, according to Town Adult Education Director Mary Jane Kinzer.

The group, similar to others which have sprung up throughout the country, is based on the "great books" program of Chicago University, and sponsored by libraries and adult education groups. Mrs. Kinzer added that the local group is led by Mr. and Mrs. Bassett Ferguson. Definite arrangements as to time and place for meetings will be made after the group is re-formed. Further information may be obtained by calling Mrs. Kinzer at Greenbelt 2031.

would scarcely profit from the rentals;

WE, THEREFORE, protest the proposed new rent schedule for the following reasons:

Inflationary!

1. The higher rentals will inflate the sales price of the project and make it more difficult for the tenants to purchase it.

2. The present federal administration, and especially the President of the United States, is on record as opposed to any inflationary measures. The 80th Congress has been bitterly attacked by the President and others in his administration for failure to pass anti-inflationary legislation. This totally unnecessary increase in rents, if approved, would be not only inflationary in itself, but would tend to give sanction by example to other landlords, to increase rentals whether or not they are justified. Such lack of support of the President's anti-inflationary stand by an arm of his administration is reprehensible.

No Comparison

3. The proposed new schedule is purportedly based on "comparable" housing in the area. Housing chosen for such comparison is, in fact, entirely incomparable. Location, transportation costs, type of construction, condition of premises, date of construction (reflected in rental ceilings), and extent of landlord services are completely different in Greenbelt from those in housing cited by PHA as "comparable."

4. The federal landlord claims that Greenbelt residents should "start paying" for community facilities and advantages which they enjoy. Since the operation of such facilities has always been paid for out of rental income, and since a surplus has been returned to the federal treasury annually, Greenbelt residents are paying for community facilities.

THEREFORE, be it resolved that we shall use every legal means at our disposal to prevent approval of the proposed rental increase.

Wiksells Leave Greenbelt

Milton J. Wiksell, who recently received his Ph.D. at Louisiana State University, and who taught adult education classes in Greenbelt, besides teaching at the University of Maryland, has left Greenbelt for Shepherdstown, W. Va. There he has a new position as Head of the Division of Language and Literature, with rank of Professor of Speech, in Shepherd State College.

Mrs. Wiksell was well-known for her work as a teacher at the Greenbelt high school, and organist for the Community Church. The Wiksells formerly resided at 5-E Ridge Road.

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Comparisons are Odious

If Naylor Gardens is to be compared to Greenbelt for the purpose of setting a rent schedule, let's do it properly.

Before anything else, deduct differences in transportation cost. Round-trip fare, Greenbelt to downtown Washington, is 70 cents; from Naylor Gardens, 20 cents; or a difference of 50 cents. Fifty cents per day for 22 days per month is \$11.

One-bedroom apartments in Naylor Gardens rent for \$64.25. Deducting \$11, we get \$53.25. That's the figure to start with, before we compare the housing involved.

Public Housing Administration was pretty detailed about the advantages we pay for—end houses, attics, basements, and so forth. Let's do the same. What are we bid for a bathroom tiled halfway up the wall, with a shower and tub? Would you say \$3 a month? Brings us down to \$50.25, doesn't it? Consider the kitchen at Naylor Gardens: no screened-off end-of-the-living-room here. No, indeed. A regular wall, with a door, shuts off this kitchen from the dinette. The dinette, by the way, is not part of the living-room, either. It is an alcove, with an archway to the living-room, large enough for a table, chairs, and a few other pieces of furniture to fit comfortably. Rather than exaggerate, we'll risk understatement and say \$3 for kitchen, \$2 for dinette, so far as their advantages are concerned.

That \$5 brings us down to \$45.25. Next on our list of comparable items is rather delicate. Relative value depends upon your degree of sensitivity. How much would daily, rather than semi-weekly, garbage collections, appeal to you? Of course, you might be prejudiced right now during the summer months, so to be fair about this, remember the winter months, when you can hardly smell a bit of that disagreeable odor permeating the halls. Shall we say an average of \$1.25 a month? Brings us down to \$44, doesn't it?

Not so tangible, perhaps, but just as important, are certain other advantages enjoyed by Naylor Gardens residents. Who could put a price on the luxury of an extra hour's sleep in the morning? We can't deduct a million bucks from our rent, but coupled with an extra hour's rest at the end of the day, who can deny that that hour's sleep is worth \$5 a month? Now we have a figure of \$39. Let's lump frequent painting of the interior, and prompt answering of repair and maintenance calls, together: three dollars a month? Gives us \$36 as the rent that should be set for a one-bedroom apartment in Greenbelt, compared to \$64.25 at Naylor Gardens. Instead of \$59 we should start with \$36 before adjusting to income, and before adding amounts for location, porches, and other advantages.

Using the same process on a two-bedroom house, we take the Naylor Gardens figure of \$74. Transit costs of \$11 bring it down to \$63. All Naylor Gardens units are on one floor, thus eliminating the stairway. Ask the housewife how much it would be worth to her not to have to run up and down the stairs all day. Divide her estimate by 10. No, your answer's still more than the entire rent. Let's settle for \$5 a month, netting \$58.

Since Greenbelt's schedule uses basementless houses for its base, we'll do the same, and subtract \$2 for the basement in all Naylor Gardens homes, with huge locker space for each tenant, bringing the rent down to \$56. What's a washing machine and dryer worth? \$5 a month? Net, \$51.

We sort of have to double up, here. Not only would you have an extra hour each evening: You also would be able to relax and enjoy it, without getting out the hose, clippers and lawn mower. You don't even have to own such equipment. The management takes care of all that. Also, they keep paper, and other litter, cleared away. Let's evaluate lawn maintenance at \$3 a month. Now we have \$48 as monthly rent. Subtract \$3 for that tiled, showered and tubbed bath and you have \$45. Garbage collection daily, rather than semi-weekly, we've already appraised at \$1.25, leaving \$43.75. Painting and prompt repair and maintenance responses, \$3, leaves \$40.75. That, of course, could be adjusted downward for hardship cases.

To arrive at a comparable figure for a three-bedroom house, we deduct the same \$33.75 we did for the two-bedroom units, since advantages are the same. Naylor Gardens rents a three-bedroom unit for \$84.75. In Greenbelt it should be \$51.

To The Editor:

CITES FACILITIES

To The Editor:

I am enclosing a true and exact copy of a letter mailed this date to Mr. Charles Cormack, Community Manager of Greenbelt. This letter was prompted by the column in this week's *Cooperator* which indicates that Mr. Cormack believes the excellent community facilities and services justify the increase in rents.

You may use the text of subject letter to Mr. Cormack in the *Cooperator* if you so desire.

Dear Mr. Cormack:

In reference to a recent article in the *Greenbelt Cooperator* on the new rent scales for Greenbelt homes it is alleged you informed the PHA that dozens of Greenbelters owned two cars and further, that present community services and facilities justified a rent increase. You did not, however, mention those instances where two Greenbelters own one car. In connection with those much lauded, community services and facilities, you are invited to visit my residence at 32-E Ridge Road.

Take a stroll across my back yard which is about 25 feet wide and 9 feet deep. Not much of a trip, was it? Easy to cut the grass though, a dubious advantage. Try opening the rear screen door. You say the latch is broken and the knob about to fall off. Let me help you. You think it should be repaired. Boy, your telling me. We have been trying to get Maintenance to replace that offending latch since the summer of 1944.

Take a chair here in the living room. Pretty warm in here, isn't it? Why don't I open the windows? Well, you see the screens are bad and Maintenance just hasn't been around to repair them. Yes, they have been requested to repair them several times. I'll open the windows anyway, here is a flyswatter for protection. What is that musty smell? You soon get accustomed to that, it's caused by the three or four inches of water under the house left over from the last rain. Yes, we have venetian blinds, couldn't get the regular blinds replaced when they went bad.

Would you like to see the front lawn? It is a little larger than the rear lawn, all of 2 feet wide and 30 feet deep. Note that it is 2 feet lower in the center than it is at either end. Yes, it makes a nice place for the kiddies to sail boats after a rain. Of course, it drains off that poison ivy you see out there so they may have a little rash around their ankles in a day or two. We have a nice flower bed here at the edge of the lawn. That is pretty good soil there. In 1943 they dug trenches around all these lawns and filled them with good top soil. Probably spent several thousand dollars on this work. Going to put in hedges and shrubbery. Had the money to do it too, only would have to wait until necessary labor could be secured to finish the project. Yes, labor is available now, don't know what became of the money.

34 Court of Ridge Road is over that way about 150 feet. No, you can't see it from here due to this almost impenetrable barrier of scrub oak intertwined with wild honey-suckle and poison ivy. Let's take a good look into this obnoxious tangle. Easy for the kiddies to get into isn't it, no hedges or fences. Don't let that climbing poison ivy brush against your face, it's pretty bad if it gets in your eyes. No cause for alarm, it's only a black snake, they won't hurt you. Now if it was a copperhead like the one I killed last summer. . . . Yes, I agree that this deplorable mess should be cleaned out, and have been trying to get some action on it since we moved here in 1942.

It has been a pleasure showing you around, Mr. Community Manager. I hope you are impressed by the evidence (or lack of it) of all this excellent community service

We've given PHA the benefit of any doubt by neglecting to mention the relative ages of the projects, and the difference in types of construction. We've ignored the telephones installed at strategic points throughout Naylor Gardens. We therefore suggest that the Rent Control Board set rents in old Greenbelt at \$36 for one-bedroom apartments (one-room apartments a few dollars less, of course); \$40.75 for two-bedroom homes; and \$51 for three bedrooms; instead of \$59, \$70 and \$81.

Naturally, the war homes would be a lot cheaper.

ARE WE NASTY

To The Editor:

This letter is submitted in the hope that there is enough fairness on your staff to print this letter without cuffing it to pieces or twisting it around.

I can not understand why, when any person gets into a position to state or formulate policies for your paper, that they lose sight of their original goal, to benefit the town and bring facts before the people and seem only able to write columns of non-helpful criticism and distorted truths.

How could Mr. Long and your paper print statements which he and you know are not true and with which all of you are familiar.

Mr. Long, in his column in the *Cooperator* August 26, 1948 stated "George Bauer our former mayor and originator of double leave pay."

I invite you, Mr. Long and anyone else to refer to the Town Council minutes of June 10, 1946 where you will find the originator was your present councilman, Allan D. Morrison, who, I am sorry to say is like myself, from Missouri.

For Mr. Long's benefit and some other statements made by him the mayor is only 1 of 5 elected councilmen and minutes are adopted and approved by the vote of the council as a whole, and not because the mayor signs his name to the minutes.

While at it Mr. Long do you suppose I would have voted to pay the double rate without taking it to court and getting a really legal decision, as was suggested to this council?

GEORGE F. BAUER

P.S. Mr. Cooper has now left your staff, in my opinion Mr. Long has shown he can qualify to fill Cooper's shoes.

LETTER OF THANKS

To The Editor:

We wish to thank our friends and neighbors for their willingness to assist in every respect necessary, and to Dr. L. H. Moody and Wm. Donahue for their donations of blood; also Mrs. McCollum for her efforts in locating blood donors needed by Mary Todd for a recent major operation. Mrs. Todd is now recuperating at her home.

Sincerely yours,

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph N. Todd

THANKS FRIENDS

To The Editor:

We wish to thank our many friends, neighbors, American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary, the employees of Naval Ord. Plant and the military authorities for honoring our son, Harry L. Bell, jr., and brother by attending the services at Arlington Cemetery during the past week. The services were very impressive and the many, many flowers were very beautiful, and appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Bell
Mrs. Frank Good

6-R Ridge Road

you speak of so freely. If you wish to pay me a further visit you will find me at home weekdays from 7:00 p.m. to 5:45 a.m. You see, I work in The Pentagon and if I ride the bus it requires two hours travel time each way. Only costs me 90c round trip too. So let's set a graded rent scale on Greenbelt homes, based on family income. Why not go a little farther. For instance, lets charge the \$2,000 man 40c a pound for butter and the \$4,000 man 80c a pound. You say that sounds un-American. Brother, you said a mouthful, but the principle is the same as your rent scale.

Sincerely yours,

MERLE F. FRADY

P. S. I failed to mention that the roof of the back porch has sagged and prevents the screen door from opening more than 18 inches. You have to step through first and pull the bag of groceries in after you. Of course, if you limit your purchase to a \$10 bag of groceries you can make it in the conventional way.

Attention!

To Chief Panagoulis: Your police officers are quite right in requesting motorists to dim their lights, no matter what tone of voice they use, but we suggest that the police cars dim their lights when other cars approach also. Especially when growling at the offending motorist to dim his!

People who wonder where we get a copy of the rent schedule: Don't let it worry you. You can take either of these as our method: We stole into the PHA office in the District, stole the schedules and stole out; or we read Cormack's mind while he was formulating it; or we made the whole thing up. Anyway, we did it and we're glad. Everyone who's glad to pay the rent increase: Stay away from the big meeting at Braden Field tomorrow night. And tell your neighbors who feel the same way that they'll find it very annoying to hear the rest of us tell how much we don't want to pay it, and what we plan to do about it.

Everybody else: C'mon down. There's plenty of room for you.

Slightly Literary

By Fergus MacTavish

One sign of advancing age is a growing conviction that civilization is going to the dogs, and that though the process has been going on for some time it is now going faster than ever before.

But it is reasonable that wherever we are going we should now be going faster, for this is an age of speed. Moreover, this is a streamlined age, in which even our furniture is designed as if it were to be propelled through the air at a speed of four hundred miles per hour.

The clock watchers and the whistle listeners drop their tools when the magical moment arrives, dash out and jump into their cars and race homeward at risk of life and limb.

What use is made of the precious minutes gained? Perhaps it is to acquire additional culture before dinner. Here again there is streamlined fare. We have the comics and the picture magazines for those who have forgotten how to read, and the digest magazines for the rest of us who are willing to read, but not too much.

This activity may be accompanied by a radio serial or two, and our homage to physical vigor, listening to sports summaries broadcasts. Or we may have invested in that mechanical marvel—a television set—a first-rate engineering achievement which enables us to sit at home and see a third rate show.

It's natural enough that our tastes in humor should have been streamlined, too. The Paul Bunyan tradition is interesting mainly as an archaic curio and the writings of Artemus Ward seem very dull today.

We don't have time for the drawn-out story of traditional American humor, the spoken anecdote with its exaggerated build-ups, its pauses for effect, and its dry denouements. Folkin's Treasury of American Folklore (Crown) creates a feeling of nostalgia mixed with boredom, but the Saga of Little Ab Yancey is worth excerpting:

"Ab was purty cagey in his young days, and had a name for tom-cattin' round atter th' married women. One time Ab had snuck in t' visit one o' th' neighbor women an' while he was in thar they heerd somebody open th' gate.

"Th' heifer she says, 'Oh Gawd, that's my ol' man, shor!' an' Ab he run quick an' hid in th' scaldin'-bar'l. Purty soon hyar come a feller in, but it warn't her husband nohow. Hit was big Jim Applegate, and he run up t' th' woman an' begin a-huggin' an' a-kissin' an' a-lallygaggin' an' all like that.

"Ab he jest set thar still as a mouse. He couldn't see nothin', but he shore heerd a plenty. Purty soon th' gate slammed ag'in, an' See MacTAVISH, page 3

Be There

TOMORROW NIGHT
BRADEN FIELD
8:30 p.m.

THE LONG VIEW

By A. C. Long

(Editor's Note: Some time ago we published a letter from Mr. Long to the President of the United States. Below is a reply, and Mr. Long's further answer.)

Dear Mr. Long:

Your two communications of July 19, to the President of the United States relative to the disposition of Greenbelt, Maryland, have been referred to this office for reply. I regret there has not been sufficient time to comply with your request for an answer to accompany the letter to the President, which you indicate is to be released in the "Cooperator" July 29, 1948.

Greenbelt, like its two sister towns, Greenhills and Greendale, was built during 1936-37 as part of the Government relief program and as an experiment in model community planning to house families of modest income. It was believed by those who originally conceived these relief projects that such model communities might be created on a sound economic basis, after allowing for a grant covering the additional costs occasioned by relief labor; in other words, towns that would have a sufficiently wide tax base not only to meet operation and maintenance expense but also the normal debt service on the invested capital.

These three towns have developed into attractive places to live and have become well-known demonstrations of model housing communities. Since completion and occupancy, they have been nurtured under the administrative care of the Federal Government and, while operating expenses have been met by revenue, the income has not been sufficient, however, to cover in addition normal reserves and debt service even on a long-term basis. It should be said in this connection that no subsidy was planned or considered necessary for these projects, since they were built to house families earning a modest income and not those of the lowest income group. The tenants at Greenbelt therefore, are enjoying a special privilege at the partial expense of the Government, which is not available to all taxpayers.

The Congress now, in no mistaken terms, requires that the Federal ownership terminate as soon as feasible, and in complying with this mandate, it is planned to dispose of Greenbelt along with the other two Greentowns as required by Federal Statutes, advertising them for sale. In so doing, the proposal from any responsible bidder will be entertained and given consideration in determining the award.

I can assure you that the Public Housing Administration has no preference whatever, as you intimate, in disposing of the property to private speculators. Further, it is my understanding that the necessary operating costs data will be made available when such figures are assembled for incorporation in the sales prospectus now being prepared. The rate of increase in the operation and maintenance costs of the project have made it necessary to study the question of revenue and again I assure you if it is found necessary to increase rents, which has not yet been determined, such action will not be for the purpose of helping the sale of the town to a private real estate speculator.

You indicate that some preference should be given in disposing of the town to those now residing there. However, in the absence of specific legislation instructing us to negotiate the purchase of this property with the tenants, we are precluded from so doing. In the meantime everything is being done to expedite the various actions required before an offering of this property can be made.

Sincerely yours,
RAYMOND M. FOLEY
Administrator.

Mr. Raymond N. Foley
Administrator
Housing & Home Finance Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Foley:

Your letter of August 27 in answer to my letter of July 19 to the President of the United States relative to the disposition of Greenbelt,

Ten Years Ago In Greenbelt

The following items were taken from the September 7, 1938 issue of the **Greenbelt Cooperator**.

The regular monthly open meeting of the Cooperative Organizing Committee was held August 30.

The Cliff Dwellers won the third and final game of the Little World Series on Labor Day, by the score of 7-4, before a crowd of 500 loyal softball fans.

Out of a total number of 600 registered voters, eighteen were aspirant for the jobs of Town Councilmen. In view of the great interest shown in the coming election, it was expected that a much larger percentage of the eligible voters would register.

Greenbelt's first Labor Day, under the administration of the Junior Citizens, rounded out a year of pleasant holidays. The administration of the Junior Citizens was benevolent and full of diversions.

The Life Saving Course which has been in session for some weeks, was completed on Sunday. Five members of the class piled up an average of 93% which compares favorably with the best classes in the experience of the instructor, George Fair.

This issue of the **Cooperator** is the first attempt to service our readers with a "printed newspaper." Lack of a stable personnel and financial weakness have been principal drawbacks to a printed newspaper before this time.

Maryland, is sincerely appreciated. Several statements in your letter however, preceded as they were by an announcement in the **Cooperator** of July 26 of a substantial rent boost for all Greenbelt, deserve further discussion. With your kind permission I should like to bring them to your attention at this time.

There is full agreement with your thought that the town should "have a sufficiently wide tax base, not only to meet operation and maintenance expense, but also the normal debt service on the invested capital." The present narrow tax base is due in great part to the policies of the Public Housing Administration in granting a monopolistic lease to Greenbelt Consumer Services Incorporated, thus preventing other commercial taxpayers from entering the town. The development of any part of Greenbelt for light industrial uses is also discouraged.

We are curious to learn just what is the "invested capital" which the Federal Government may be carrying on their books debited to Greenbelt. The original town was built as a work relief project and all such spendings were written off during the current fiscal year as relief expenditures. This was true not only of Greenbelt, but hundreds of other projects including swimming pools, community buildings, parks, pavilions and other more extensive WPA or PWA sponsored public works. Thus, in this same connection it is interesting, if a little confusing, to learn that one of the reasons Community Manager Charles M. Cormack gives in justification of the substantial rent increase is "that the extensive community services locally available warrant the increase." He cannot be referring to the dirty, littered, rat ridden center; the uncut, weedy, public lawns; the neglected play areas and the lack of sidewalks and street lights; the eighty cent three round trip ride to work; the poorly constructed substandard war housing; or the neglected condition of the original units, the war housing units and the town in general—so he must have in mind the work relief projects such as the swimming pool and the ball fields. Do you know Mr. Foley, of any other town in the country where WPA expenditures are still being used as a basis for rent increases? Would it be possible to inform us now concerning the actual amount of the "invested capital" for which a debt service

See LONG, page 7

North End P.T.A. Maps Years Plans

The Executive Board of the North End School P.T.A. met on September 1 at the home of the President, Mrs. Donald Romer, to make plans for the school year. The following committee chairmen reported on their activities:

Ways and Means, Mrs. William N. Brooks; Membership, Mrs. L. T. Roach; Health, Mrs. Herbert Hertz; Legislative, Mrs. Lyman Woodman; Publicity, Mrs. Mack Barlow; Hospitality, Mrs. Ray Mahan; Program and Parent Education, Mrs. Fred Petersen.

Miss Mary Parana will be the Chairman of the Committee of Room Representatives.

Everyone present congratulated Miss Thelma Smith on being made Principal of the school.

The first membership meeting of the P.T.A. will be a reception for the teachers on Tuesday, September 14, at 8:15 p.m. in the North End School Auditorium. All parents are invited to come.

September 9, 1948

GREENBELT COOPERATOR

Three

MacTAVISH—from page 2

this time it was her ol' man shore 'nough. Big Jim he put on his hat an' coat mighty quick, an' when th' feller walked in he says, 'Howdy, neighbor! I jest come over t' borry your scaldin'-bar'l—we-uns is aimin' t' butcher t'morrer.'

"Th' feller didn't like the looks of things none too good, but he jest says, 'Wal' Jim, thar it is, over thar in th' corner.'

"When Big Jim picked th' dang thing up he tuck note it was all-fired heavy, but he figgered this hyar warn't no time t' argufy 'bout th' heft of a scaldin'-bar'l, nohow. So he jest hustled off down the road with it, an' he never did stop till he was plumb out o' sight.

"'My Gawd,' says he, when he finally got whar he could set her down an' rest hissef a minute, 'I shore did git out o' that mess mighty slick!' 'Bout that time Leetle Ab he pushed th' led off'n th' bar'l an' crope out. 'You shore did, Jim,' says he, 'an' I didn't do so turrible bad mysef!' . . . For

High School Lists Six New Teachers

Twenty-nine teachers are conducting classes at the high school during the coming term. New teachers and their subjects are: Mrs. Lohse, Latin; Mrs. Kalb, home economics; Mrs. Harmon, Jr. High physical education; Mrs. Kabot, Core; Miss Benson, Senior High girls' physical education; Mr. Beveridge, social studies. The cafeteria will be managed by Mr. Marshall. A driving course will again be offered to older students.

Approximately half of last year's graduating class of 110 are attending college and universities throughout the country. Average for the state of graduates going to institutions of higher learning is 16%.

modern contrast a recent Saturday Review asks how many magazines it takes to fill a baby carriage. The answer: A Country Gentleman, a Mademoiselle, a Holiday, and Time.

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We Do Too Have A Seamy Side

An hour's trip around Greenbelt on Labor Day netted the above samples of the privileges we enjoy and should start paying for.

Top, left, is evidence of the excellent condition in which Public Housing Administration has maintained its premises. The house pictured belongs to Chief of Police George Panagoulis, but hundreds just like it can be seen anywhere in original Greenbelt.

Top, right, is a delightful garden of brambles, scrub oak and poison ivy. The maintenance department told the tenants of 32 Ridge, whose front yards (10 feet deep, that is) face this vista, that they would clean it out for them, leaving just the trees. The months and years roll by, though, and the brambles, scrub oak and poison ivy are still there.

Center, left, is the approach to Greenbelt on Southway. Pretty, isn't it?

Center, right, Mayor Tom Canning is pointing with pride (or something) to the furnace house adjoining his home. For the privilege of having this charming little dwelling next door instead of another house, he'll pay a few bucks extra under PHA's proposed rent increase.

Bottom, left, shows a wooded dell a few feet from the front door of a Hillside court. Tenants asked permission to clear the debris out themselves, some time ago, in order to make it a safe place for the children to play. Permission was refused.

Bottom, right: Here's Mike Salzman, GMHOC president, caught in the act of painting his wall. A faulty radiator upstairs leaked, causing huge water marks on the downstairs paint job. PHA fixed the radiator, but did not repair the paint damage. As a matter of fact, it was not PHA who even did the paint job in the first place. As usual, painting was done by the tenant.

The number of pictures of this nature which we could print was limited only by the size of the Cooperator picture budget. But as any Greenbelter knows, a glance out the front or back door will yield at least one such picture to each resident.



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LOST: ARMY BLANKET at Greenbelt Lake last Thursday. 59-K Ridge Road. Phone: 7731.

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Taken from 23-C Ridge recently—Girl's red two wheel sidewalk bike—probably repainted—please call 5086 if whereabouts known.

FOX TALES Shamrocks Win 17-7 Over The Old Boys

By Sam Fox

Ice Skating Rink: We are beginning to clear the ground down on Braden field next to the basketball courts to try to complete an Ice Skating Rink for this winter. A system where it freezes over if the weather permits.

Ceramics: All adults interested in joining this winter's Ceramic classes, please get in touch with Recreation department so we can get the class organized as fast as possible. Please leave name and address when calling Greenbelt 6966.

Boxing: All boys between the ages of 10 and 15 who are interested in learning the fundamentals of boxing. Please give your name to the recreation department so we will be able to set up classes after school at North End and Center schools. This will be included in our fall program. **LET'S DRIVE CAREFULLY... AS YOU KNOW, A ROLLING BALL IS FOLLOWED BY A CHILD...**

Softball: The President of the Softball Association of the District of Columbia wishes to thank all the Greenbelt people for supporting them in the City Series. The President says, thanks a million.

Football Pictures: Any organization that would like to borrow football pictures for their meetings or entertainment, call the Recreation Department and we will be glad to let you use them. They are very good for a social evening at home. You must have available a 16mm movie projector. The films here are for your pleasure.

Town Manager Charles T. McDonald opened up the game Saturday with both teams on the base line to receive his first pitch. It was a mighty heave, out to the pitcher's box. Vince Holochwost caught it and had Mr. McDonald autograph it for him.

The Oldtimers were not up to their old playing days as they were way behind from the start. The Shamrocks got three runs the first time they looked at fireball Holochwost. Bobby Sommers, who used to be bat boy for the oldtimers, opened up with a long triple off his past manager and former pitcher of the Shamrocks. The oldtimers might have slowed up but their batting eye was about the same. Leo Mullen had one for two and Holochwost the same. Ernie Boggs came in to relieve Holochwost, and a few hits plus a few misplays by his team mates produced more runs. All in all it was a lot of fun for both the Shamrocks and the Old Timers. The score at the end saw the Shamrocks on top 17 to 7.

Co-op Bowls Along

Bowling season began for the five GCS teams on Tuesday, September 7 at the College Park bowling alleys.

Captain of the Food Store team is Homer Jordan; of the North End food store team, Don Frenner; of the Service Station team, Ed Burgoon; of the Drug-Lunch team, Jack deKowzan; and of the Emeralds, Jim Griggs.

Shirts are given all the team members by the Co-op. The teams will meet every Tuesday night.

Handy Gal Hints . . .

Nail won't stay in plaster? Buy steel wool at the hardware store. Stuff it tightly into the hole, then drive the nail in again.

Are your steel knives rusting? Get a lump of fresh burnt lime from the hardware store. Put it in the drawer with the steel things.

Has the man of the house failed to silence that rattling door? Then it's time for the lady to use ingenuity, says the Handy Gal, heard over WTOP, weekdays at 3:55 p.m.

Take a skein of course woolen knitting yarn. Braid it just as you would a child's pigtail. About seven or eight inches will do, long enough to reach from doorknob to doorknob. Fasten one end of the braid to the outside knob of the rattling door, bring the braid

around and fasten the other end to the inside knob. The braid will keep the door closed firmly.

Don't throw the pot lid away when you lose the knob. Bolt a wooden spool to the lid, pushing the bolt through the hole from the underside of the lid. This knob won't get hot when the lid does, the "Handy Gal" of WTOP says.

Golf Tourney Opens Monday

According to Jack Swisher, chairman of the Greenbelt Athletic Club, the golf tournament starts Monday, September 13 at the Prince Georges Country Club.

Members wishing transportation should meet at the drug store at 8 a.m.

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Ride Wanted—Vicinity of 17th and Pennsylvania Ave. N.W. Working Hours—7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Greenbelt 3298.

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Ride wanted to 19th and Const. Ave. N. W. Working hours 8:15 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Phone 5722.

Ride wanted to GAO, 12th and Pennsylvania N W, or vicinity. 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Phone 2282.

Ride Wanted—Dept. of Agriculture. Working hours 9 to 5:30. Phone 6636.

Riders—to Commerce Dept. 8:30 to 5. Phone 2596.

Rider Wanted. Working hours: 8:45 to 5:30, 14th and Penna. Ave. NW. Phone 4361.

Riders Wanted—Vicinity of 13th and K, N.W., one or both ways. Leave Greenbelt 7 a.m., Washington about 4 p.m. Call Greenbelt 3071.

Riders Wanted: Vicinity of 7th and Constitution, N. W. Hours 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Greenbelt 7201.

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GREENBELT CHURCHES

Community Church Protestant

Rev. Eric T. Braund, Minister
 Sunday, September 12—
 9:30 a.m.—Sunday School at Center and North End schools.
 10 a.m.—Men's Bible class, Center school.
 10:50 a.m.—Church nursery for preschool children whose parents are in church.
 11 a.m.—Church worship. The minister, Rev. Eric T. Braund, will preach at the morning service.
 Monday, September 13—
 8 p.m.—Church Board meeting at 8 Parkway.
 Wednesday, September 15—
 Choir rehearsal, room 221 of Center school, 8 p.m.
 Friday, September 17—
 Church women's discussion group meets at Mrs. Sherrod East's home on Greenbelt Road.

St. Hugh's Catholic Church

Pastor: Father Victor J. Dowgiallo
 Confessions: Saturday afternoon from 4-5 p.m. for children and in the evening from 7:30-9:30 p.m., for adults.
 Sunday Masses: 7:30 and 9:30 a.m. in the Greenbelt theater.
 7:30 a.m. Mass: Montly Communion Sunday for men of the Holy Name Society, both senior and junior members.
 1 p.m.: Baptisms.
 Wednesday, September 15: Miraculous Medal Novena in the Chapel at 7:45 p.m.
 Wednesday, 8:30 p.m.: Monthly meeting of the Holy Name Society will be held in the social room of the Center school.

Lutheran Church

Pastor: Edwin E. Pieplow
 Telephone: WA 0942 or HY 0383
 Parish Worker: Miss O. Roettger
 Telephone Greenbelt 8976
 11:30 a.m., Sunday School in the Home Economics room of the Center School.
 12:30 p.m., Church Service in the Home Economics room of the Center school.
 Don't forget National Sunday School Week from September 19 to September 26. Send your children to Sunday School.

Latter Day Saints

Sunday School, 10:30 a.m., Social Room.
 Priesthood Meeting, 11:45 a.m., Social Room.

Community Chest Budget Includes Funds for USO

An appeal for \$53,850 for USO services will be included in the 1949 Red Feather Campaign for this area, it was announced on August 25 by Daniel A. Bell, president of the Community Chest Federation.
 Chauncey G. Parker, general chairman of the campaign committee, who is himself a colonel in the Marine Corps Reserve, stated, "I know that everyone whose son will register for the peacetime draft, will be glad to know that USO is being reactivated for 1949. When a man is in uniform away from home, a USO club or center takes the edge from his loneliness, and offers him new friends and wholesome fun."

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Veterans Administration List Rules For Getting Into Their Hospitals

Three simple rules govern admission of patients to Veterans Administration Hospitals, the VA pointed out recently.

Emergency cases, regardless of the cause of injury, get top priority admission to a VA hospital. Next on the priority list are veterans with service-connected ailments, VA said. That's where the injury is aggravated by war service.

The third rule concerns veterans with non-service-connected disabilities. Those veterans may be hospitalized if beds are available and they affirm they cannot afford to pay for treatment elsewhere, VA explained.

On the-Job Farmers

Institutional on-farm training is limited to farms and other agricultural establishments operated for the purpose of raising crops or breeding poultry, or both, according to the Veterans Administration.

VA said establishments engaged exclusively in either processing, distribution or sales—such as hatcheries—are not included in the program. It was added, however, that on-the-job training may be available at such establishments if a suitable training program is set up and the training establishment is approved by the State Approving Agency.

Can Work Part-time

Most veterans attending colleges and universities full-time under the G. I. Bill this fall will be able to work part-time without having their subsistence allowances reduced, according to the Veterans Administration.

No reduction in subsistence will be made as long as income from productive labor and subsistence allowance do not exceed the monthly "ceilings" established last spring, VA said. These ceilings are: \$210 for a veteran without dependents, \$270 for a veteran with one dependent, or \$290 for a veteran with more than one dependent.

Veteran-students in these three categories draw monthly subsistence allowances of \$75, \$105, and \$120 respectively.

G. I. Loans Go For Homes

More than 1,400,000 World War II veterans obtained G. I. loans for homes, farms and businesses by August 1, the Veterans Administration said.

Ninety percent, or 1,266,000, bought and built homes; 47,000 purchased farms and farm equipment, and 97,000 went into business.

Pension Roles Decline

The number of living veterans on Veterans Administration disability compensation and pension rolls has decreased steadily during the past year, according to the Veterans Administration.

The total dropped from a peak of 2,328,000 in May, 1947, to 2,289,000 on June 1 1948.

Q. If I apply for hospitalization, how long will I have to wait before I am admitted to a VA hospital?

A. If you have a service-connected disability you do not have to wait to receive hospitalization.

NCJW To Open Fall Season With Party

Kosher wieners and marshmallows will be featured with dancing in the pavilion, games, an other entertainment at the wiener roast with which the Greenbelt section of the National Council of Jewish Women will open the fall season on Saturday, September 11, at 8:30. Everyone is invited to attend.

In charge of this entertainment is way and means committee chairman, Mrs. Dorothy Terkeltaub, and her committee, Mrs. Vivian Pines, Mrs. Ethel Fisher, Mrs. Ida Tannenbaum, and Mrs. Fan Schein.

Mrs. Terkeltaub also announced a bake sale to be held at the center on September 17.

If your disability is nonservice-connected but is an emergency, you are admitted immediately. Nonservice connected ailments that do not require emergency treatment have to wait until a bed is available, and the time varies at each hospital. Nonservice - connected veterans also must sign statements that they cannot afford treatment elsewhere.

Q. May I go to my own doctor for treatment of my disability and have Veterans Administration pay the bill?

A. Only if you receive prior VA approval for such treatment or care. Approval is based on the following conditions: (1) you must have a service connected disability; (2) VA must not be able to provide the treatment in its own hospitals or clinics; (3) travel to a VA station would work a hardship on you. In emergency cases, a veteran may apply to the nearest physician and have the physician notify the VA regional office having jurisdiction over the area.

Q. Are Veterans eligible for medical treatment while going to school under the GI bill?

A. The GI Bill makes no special provision for medical treatment except the payment of customary fees in a school which, in some cases, include certain medical services for all students.

Q. May I complete grade school under the GI Bill?

A. Yes.
 Q. Can a disabled veteran who was injured in the service take GI farm training?

A. Yes he can, Farm training is provided for disabled veterans under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act. He can find out about the program from his nearest VA office.

Q.—Does VA attempt to improve types of prosthetic aids available to veterans?

A.—Yes, Veterans Administration conducts extensive research projects in attempting to discover new and better prosthetic devices.

Q.—Is a disabled veteran in on-the job training permitted to receive wages and if so, how much can he receive?

A.—A disabled veteran in on-the-job training may receive wages while training, but if the wages plus his subsistence allowance exceeds the journeyman rate for a trained worker in that occupation, the subsistence allowance will be reduced by VA proportionately. However, other payments that he receives from VA because of his disability will not be affected.

Q.—Will Veterans Administration pay for medical care of my dependents?

A.—No. Under existing laws, only eligible veterans are entitled to VA medical care.

Association Advises Pre-School Checks

Released by The Maryland

Tuberculosis Association

This month thousands of little children all over the country are starting an entirely unfamiliar routine of daily life. They are entering school for the first time, faced with a number of adjustments to be made in this change in their day's schedule.

On the surface, most of them seem well-prepared for the adventure. They have new dresses and suits, pencil boxes and pads and even fruit and crackers for recess. But, unfortunately, many of them may not have the sound health so important to a good start in school.

Physical Exams Suggested

Those children whose parents took them to a doctor for a thorough medical check-up before the opening of school and followed any suggestions the doctor might have made actually are the best prepared. Certainly every child should have a routine physical examination at least once a year but it is especially important as part of his preparation for school.

Many doctors believe that the time of life when the child is entering school is among the most neglected periods of his life. They point out that infants and small babies are as a rule well cared for with careful supervision of diet, protection from disease and accidents and the prescribed periodic visits to the baby doctor or clinic. The older child, on the other hand, "speaks up" when he is not feeling up to par.

Needs Help

Usually, it is the child of the preschool and kindergarten age whose health is most apt to be neglected. He has advanced beyond the "baby stage," with its careful supervision, and yet is not old enough to help take care of himself.

A child's physical well-being should be of special concern to his parents at this time. First of all, many defects or imperfections that might otherwise handicap him in later life, or even shorten his life, can be detected and taken care of at this early age. Secondly, the check-up might insure a happier school life for the child, cutting down on the time lost from school because of illness and enabling him to study and learn to full capacity with the minimum of trouble as far as his health is concerned.

Pre-School Checks

For example, children should have certain protections against diseases before they enter school. Every child should be vaccinated before he enters school; most schools require it. Doctors advise, as a matter of fact, that measures be taken to protect every baby against diphtheria, whooping cough and smallpox before the end of his first year.

The "preschool" check-up often means that impaired hearing or vision, diseased tonsils and adenoids, decayed teeth, malnutrition and spinal curvature are detected at a time when they are most easily corrected.

Never wait until a child is seriously ill before you take him to a doctor. And don't send him off to his "big adventure" of school life with "three strikes" of imperfect health or correctible defects against him.

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Our Neighbors

By DOROTHY MCGEE PHONE 5677

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bienia, 13-C Laurel Hill Road and their two children have returned from two weeks of visiting relatives in Cleveland and Chicago.

Visiting at the home of the Grego family at 71-E Ridge is Donald Smith of Nebraska.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Kennedy, 13-D Laurel Hill announce the birth of their third child and second daughter, Margaret Alice on August 18 at Prince Georges Hospital.

Stanley Hodziewich, 5-J Eastway has been in Oxford, Mass. where he will remain for two weeks on Post Office business. He is in charge of the First Day Sale of the Clara Barton stamp which went on sale for the first time on September 7.

Mrs. Henry C. Hart, 13-B Laurel Hill had as her house guests for two weeks, her sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary McCaw with her son, Bobby of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Lyman and Betsy Woodman and their three youngsters visited Betsy's parents in Kalamazoo, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Chandler, son Albert and Mrs. Chandler's mother stopped, enroute to Philadelphia, for an afternoon's visit at the Vernon Backstrom home. The Chandlers come from Manhattan, Kansas, Gerry's home town, and along with having a grand visit they brought six dozen fresh eggs and as many home-made cookies from Gerry's mother, Mrs. Wm. J. Dempsey, who has a ranch at Manhattan.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Thomas, 3-C Gardenway had as their recent house guests, Mr. and Mrs. John Norvel of Atlanta, Ga., who, two years ago were residents on Ridge Road. Mrs. Norvel is Mr. Howard's sister.

Kay Roach, who has returned from Weizlar, Germany, was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Roach, 13-U Hillside before going to Minneapolis to attend the University of Minnesota.

Leslie Roach was nine years old August 11. She celebrated the event by taking her birthday guests Gerry Smith and Joanne Roach on an excursion to Marshall Hall.

The Joe Longs of Gardenway spent a week's vacation in the northern part of Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Peeler, residents of Greenbelt for eleven years have moved from 31-F Ridge to their new home in Vienna, Va.

Leslie Ann Thomas of 60-E Crescent celebrated her fifth birthday on Sunday, September 5 with a party for nine of her little friends.

New Babies

Their first child, 9½ lb. Ronald David, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Daniels, 46-B Crescent on August 20 at Providence Hospital. Mrs. Brainard Daniels has been here since August 2, ready to welcome her first grandchild. The proud grandfather motored here later from Granite City, Ill. with his sister-in-law, Miss Mary Weikent.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester H. Tucker, 13-P Ridge announce the birth of a 6 lb. 12 oz. son, Robert Harold on August 27 at Leland Memorial Hospital. They have a 5 year old daughter, Charlotte Jean. The baby's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Tucker of Sedalia, Missouri

were here to greet their first grand-son.

Mrs. Gladys Nielsen, 2-K Gardenway enjoyed a visit recently from her son, Captain Revere Nielsen, who has been in Texas for more than a year. Captain Nielsen's new assignment is in Fort Sill, Oklahoma where he is practicing dentistry, his chosen profession.

Visiting Greenbelt over the long Labor Day weekend was Miss Verna Disney of Washington, guest of Mrs. Beatrice Hesse of 21-A Parkway. Miss Disney and Mrs. Hesse, with Mrs. Hesse's son, Philip, joined the Ralph Duters, the Ed Merediths and the Thomas Ritchies in a Labor Day picnic at Greenbelt Lake.

Former Greenbelters Marian and Walter Shine proudly announce the birth of a brother for Carolyn on Saturday, September 4. Douglas Mark arrived at Doctor's Hospital at 8 a.m., weighing 6½ pounds. The Shines now live at 6504 Rosewood Avenue, Chevy Chase, Md.

While the Sam Ringels were in Chicago, they visited the Sam Maryns, former Greenbelters, and spent an enjoyable evening talking about Greenbelt. David Maryn, a student at Greenbelt High, was recently graduated, fourth highest in his class in Chicago and is now attending the University of Illinois.

Harry and Marie Palmer are the proud parents of a boy, Henry David, born at Leland Memorial Hospital in Riverdale on September 2. He weighed in at 7 pounds, 1½ ounces. The Palmers are living in Daniels Park, near Berwyn.

Dan Livingston, 33-V Ridge Rd., returned last week from a six-weeks' trip to Scotland, where he visited his relatives and friends. Mr. Livingston is meat manager at the center food store. The Cooperator hopes to get a report soon on the Scottish cooperatives he visited while there.

Tom and Ellie Ritchie, 37-J Ridge Road, celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary last weekend, accompanied by Dee and Doti Fairchild of 6-H Ridge. The two couples dined out together and attended the last performance of the summer season at the Olney Theater.

Mrs. Bruce Bowman's brother, Lt. Com. John Skinner of Washington Navy Chapel on Saturday, September 4 to Miss Angie Sturgeon of Minneapolis. Bruce Bowman was best man for his brother-in-law. Among the wedding guests were Mr. and Mrs. George Nihart, 14-W Laurel Hill Road and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph G. Miller, 9-J Ridge.

For several days, the home of the Sherrod Easts was the scene of a long anticipated reunion of friends who attended Oberlin College in Ohio. It was the first time in fifteen years that the entire group had been together. In the house party were Miss Marion Terrel of Lakewood, Ohio, Miss Carolyn Newell of Topeka, Kansas, Mrs. Dorothy Kraus and her son of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Parker Scripture and their three children of Rome, N. Y. and Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Hamilton of Washington, D. C.

Dutch Suppers Are Fun

By Elizabeth Ferguson

A smart easy way to entertain friends or give the family a meal that's different? A Dutch Supper is the answer. A Dutch Supper is a cross between an old-fashioned buffet supper and a Swedish smorgasbord, with any variations or additions that you care to make. All the ingredients are laid out on the table and the guests proceed to make up sandwiches to suit their individual tastes and generally help themselves.

A hot casserole makes a very acceptable piece de resistance for a Dutch Supper. Cold cuts or sliced cheese may provide the protein part of the meal in the absence of the casserole concoction. In this case, a salad may be used as the central attraction.

One or more of each of the following groups might be included in your next Dutch Supper:

- Frankfurter and Potato Casserole (Potatoes sliced, franks cut in about half inch lengths)
- Scalloped Potato and Cheese Casserole
- Hamburg, Eggplant and Tomato Casserole
- Cold cuts and sliced cheese

Tossed Garden Salad with Fr. Dressing
 Fresh Fruit Salad
 Chopped Cabbage, Crushed Pineapple and Raisin Salad
 Sliced Tomatoes
 Lettuce Leaves

White and Wheat Bread
 Arnold's and Co-op Brwn. Bread
 Pumpernickel, sliced thin

Mixed sweet or sour Pickles
 Olives, green or ripe
 Relish
 Jam or Jelly
 Peanut Butter
 Mustard and Catsup

Potato Chips, Pop Corn, Fritos, Peanuts

Peaches, Cantaloup or Watermelon
 Cookies, Cake or Pie
 Pecan Ring or Strudel

Pepsi-Cola or Gingerale
 Iced or hot Tea or Coffee
 Milk or Chocolate Milk

In short, a Dutch Supper is a picnic with no sand in the sandwiches and no ants on the antimacassar.

Herbert - Dudrow

Mr. and Mrs. James Herbert, 2-K Northway, announce the engagement of their daughter, Dorothy, to James Gilbert Dudrow, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Dudrow of Hyattsville.

The wedding will take place in St. John's Episcopal Church in Mt. Rainier on October 30 at 4:30 p.m.



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should be budgeted? For over ten years this item has apparently been neglected or forgotten by the PHA and other agencies but now that the sale of the town is imminent it suddenly becomes important even if not firmly based on any known legitimate capital investment figure. I intend no impertinence by these questions but you can realize their importance to a group planning and hoping to purchase and then improve their own community, rather than have it disposed of to private real estate speculators.

You will, I hope, pardon a faint smile of amusement over the thought expressed in the third paragraph of your letter. Considering the ten or more years of Greenbelt's existence, most of us strongly believe that it has developed into "an attractive place to live" and "a model housing community" despite the fact that it has "been nurtured under the administrative care of the Federal Government." People working, playing, planning, living and dreaming together make a community. Many of us have had too many examples of this "administrative care" to consider it "nurturing"; instead it has many times been an inefficient, expensive, bureaucratic and even tyrannical treatment which mostly hampered the natural development of the community. Better management and less bureaucratic overhead might have made available some income to cover normal reserves and a fair debt service on a long term basis. To cite one example of such expense, the blunder of building the defense homes without any thought or plans for drainage or landscaping necessitated an additional exorbitant expenditure to vide most inefficiently some drainage facilities several years after the houses have been erected. In the meanwhile, rivers of muddy water actually flowed through some of the homes after heavy rains, and even today dampness and stagnant water deteriorates the value of many of the units and causes additional costly upkeep.

In times past it took all the qualities of a "One-Eyed" Connally plus those of a Houdini to get to the proper officials with a legitimate complaint. Then often with dubious results. One tenant with a refrigerator not operating for lack of a belt and loaded with a weekend supply of perishable goods, finally got hold of the Community Manager at midnight. Even though admitting a plentiful sup-

ply of belts in the warehouse and a simple five minute job of installing one, he suggested with Solomon-like wisdom and bureaucratic complacency that the food be distributed among the neighbors over the weekend to prevent spoilage and cause him no inconvenience. Comparing many, many instances of this kind of "administrative care" with the successful volunteer sponsored affairs such as the Greenbelt Fair, the church fashion shows and other events, the American Legio Home, the Mutual Home Ownership membership drive, the cooperative nursery school and many others have strengthened our belief that Greenbelters have made Greenbelt, not PHA.

We do believe that in disposing of the town preference should be given to those now residing here and we further believe that this can and should be done even in the absence of specific legislation instructing you to do so. Your Public Regulation No. 1, PHA's manual of Policies and Procedures and practically every Congressional bill dealing with the disposition of war housing (Greenbelt is predominantly a war project by one thousand to 885 units) sets up a preference for residents—and the same preference can easily be read into the program which conceived old Greenbelt.

If the increased rentals are not for the purpose of helping the sale of the town to a private real estate speculator, then we do not understand why they should be raised at this time. The Federal Government is publicly and firmly committed to a program curbing inflation on every front and especially to hold rents in check. The town is not in the red and there is no firm debt service on any known capital investment to be met. The Washington Post of September 1 carried a story in which Community Manager Charles M. Cormack emphasized that the Government was not suffering "hardship" as the result of present rent levels. It would seem therefore that the only real reason for such an increase is the tight housing market which places the families of Greenbelt at the mercy of a manager who intends to exploit this shortage for all its worth.

I sincerely hope, Mr. Foley, that you will give serious thought and study both to the proper disposition of Greenbelt and the proposed rent increases.

Sincerely yours,
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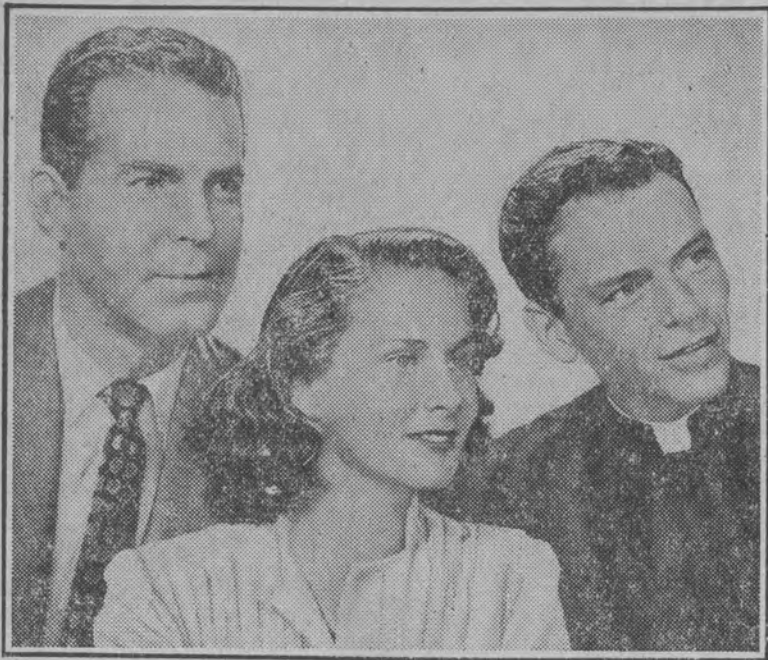
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Needle Talk

By Dee Fairchild

This issue of SRL reveals the LP pickup as produced by Philco does not keep the same company as the superior Columbia records. Now that Long Playing records with ranges up to 10,000, without objectionable surface noise or distortion, are available, the most common, plentiful and best-advertised player at the time, Philco, stops short at the 6,000 mark, not for economic nor technical reasons but just plain policy of giving what they think the public will take.



Reminds me of the story of Mr. Dee Fairchild Ford and his oh so numerous black model T's, "The public can have any color they want so long as it is black," so spake Hank. General Motors and the public answered he could keep on making black cars but he would have to substitute red ink for black in the book-keeping department. P.S. Seen any black Fords go by lately?

Oh yes, if you want to get alal the micro-groove music, take heart... Pickering, and a couple of other companies promise a not so-expensive cartridge in the near future. Even Columbia promises to enter the field.

Discovery of the Week: WFBR-FM, located at 101.9, beaming good music, and to our information the only local or Baltimore station able to or willing to send 15,000 cycles out for your reception. Greenbelt's Eric Kirkham will be at the controls most of the time. He says the equipment is the best, the records new and the ambitions unlimited. Good listening, even while they are still testing equipment.

The Little Man That Wasn't "Lieutenant Kije," Prokofieff, Opus 60 has been on my want list since VJ day. If you like modern Russian music, give this three record album a hearing. It has been reprinted and shouldn't be too hard to find. Serge Koussevitsky conducts the Boston Symphony Orchestra. Sixth side is filled nicely with "The Love For Three Oranges Suite," March and Scherzo. The first side starts out with surfaces competing with music the first few whirls and you wish for plastics but the volume increases and you get lost in the music.

Children size records at children's prices, twenty five cents, seven inches measured East to West, North to South and PLASTIC, by Columbia, spinning nursery rhymes are on sale at ye local record corner. For mom and pop in this same size and quality will be mailable Christmas Greetings. Next a record for the busy college student who doesn't have time to write home for money.

What Price Presence
After attending a concert at Con-

stitution Hall, practically in the shadow of Menuhin's violin, I felt that the music sailed right over my head and spread itself along the \$1.80 section. Next time I sat way back, put more people and more people's chatter between me and the performer. The music was better but I wasn't sure whether it was a personal appearance of the artist or a puppet show. There must be some very valid reasons for attending a live concert in Constitution Hall but for my money, had I the chance to spend it again, would go for shellacs instead of seats.

The high-fidelity fan strives for "presence" at any price and as he approaches it his equipment prices soar like a V2 bomb. By "Presence" he means reproducing music in the privacy of his home with such realism that a blindfolded man wouldn't know whether he was listening to a live program or recorded program. He realizes there are degrees of realism even in the concert hall. Lily Pons may be singing solo for one part of the hall but another will be receiving Pons plus Pons' echo or echoes. Some halls mute a performance like over worked phonograph needles on worn gritty surfaces. Another realistic bit of concert hall color generally absent from recorded music is the program juggler, weight shifter, sneezer, wheezer, cougher, the back of palm conver-


sations, the whispered apologies of late arrivals picking their way from corn to corn to a seat in the middle of the row.

To make record, tape or wire sound like the artist or symphony is in your own Greenbelt living room is an ideal yardstick to meas-

ure the performance of musicians and sound equipment. The perfect product would be recorded from the best seat in an acoustic perfect hall surrounded by a quiet and appreciative audience listening to an inspires conductor and orchestra, recorded on best materials with the

best equipment and trained engineers supervising.

This gem of waxing would then have to be played back on the best equipment in an acoustic perfect living room, etc., etc. . . . Somebody please put a nickel in the juke box?



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