



GCS Directors Discuss Possibility Of Theatre Price Increase Soon

At the GCS Board of Directors meeting held Friday evening November 10, the Executive Committee recommended that a special meeting be called in the city to discuss the raising of the theatre's admission prices. Carolyn Miller made a motion that December 1 be set aside as a date for the special meeting.

A price rise is felt warranted to assure a break-even operation. Another advantage would result in securing better pictures since motion picture companies get a percentage of box office receipts and give preference to those theatres where receipts would be higher.

The general manager has recommended that the fountain area of the drug store be remodeled within the framework that PHA will permit which means that cooked meals or booth service will be excluded. After a discussion for various types of fountain arrangements, Henry Walter moved that "management prepare a thorough study of the fountain and present it to the next meeting for consideration". Mrs. Miller felt that management should keep in mind the largest seating capacity possible since "there are many women at the center during the afternoon who would patronize the fountain, except that it's always crowded".

Dan Livingston, meat buyer, and Joe Jahsoerfer, butcher, were present at the meeting to aid the Board in their study of the meat department. Since it was agreed that the meat department is the most important department in the food store from the point of sales and consumer satisfaction, Ben Rosenzweig suggested that a Meat Department Advisory Committee be set up. Martin Bickford felt that the department should do more of a public relations job by use of informative signs and placards telling the public of the various services.

Bob Mitchell resigned as membership chairman. Ben Rosenzweig was elected unanimously to that office.

Mobile X-Ray Unit Here

The Prince Georges County Mobile X-Ray Unit visited Greenbelt High School Tuesday and gave chest x-rays to all students in grades 9 and 12 as well as to members of the faculty. Teachers from schools in the surrounding areas were also x-rayed.

Children will be dismissed at 12 noon Friday, November 17, to permit teachers to work on the school census. Teachers working on the project are hoping to complete the census on Friday.

Hearing tests will begin for students in the Center school some time next week. Parents will be notified by note when these tests will start.

Thanksgiving vacation for all school children will include only Thursday and Friday, November 23 and 24.

HOMEMAKERS CLUB

The Homemakers are planning a social get-together with members of Homemakers Clubs in Prince Georges County on Friday, November 17, at 2 p.m. in the Social room at the Center school. Home Demonstration Agent Ethel Regan will be a guest at this meeting, along with the Woman's Clubs of Greenbelt and Berwyn.

Mrs. Hester Beall Provenson, from the Department of Speech from Maryland University, will be the guest speaker. Piano selections will be given by Mrs. Gordon Finlay and vocal numbers by Miss Fay Friedman and Mrs. Lyman Woodman.

'Cheaper By Dozen' Is Last HS Senior Play

Greenbelt High School seniors are preparing for the last "senior" play to be given by the school. The play, *Cheaper by the Dozen*, will be presented on November 30 and December 1 at the Greenbelt elementary school auditorium. Since this is the last class to graduate, the seniors are all anxious for a big turnout.

Dorothea Dawson, the director of the play, Connie Bullock, the student director, and Mr. Chapman, the class sponsor, have been cooperating with the students to make this "last of the last" the "best of the best". *Cheaper by the Dozen* is a current play, recently shown at the Greenbelt Theater, and should hold the enthusiasm and interest of all the audience.

Members of the cast, selected by Mrs. Dawson, are as follows: The father, Jack Darling; the mother, Betty Jean Porter; the dozen children are Rusty Shoap, Sonja Behnke, Barbara Gates, Bobby Palmer, Osborn Davis, Doris Davis, Morris La Fever, Billy Chilcoat, and Paula Bibler. Helping characters are the maid, Bunny Baker; the school teacher, Pat Clower; the doctor, David Perkins; the cheer leader, Eugene Washburn; and the boy friend, Norman Briggs.

Annual Convention Maryland Congress of Parents, Teachers

The 35th annual convention of the Maryland Congress of Parents and Teachers was held in Baltimore at the Lord Baltimore Hotel November 9-10. 450 delegates from every county and Baltimore City attended. Six were Greenbelters: Mrs. Elizabeth Fugitt, Mrs. James Matheny and Miss Jean Carl from the Center School, and Mrs. Harry Weidberg, Miss Mary Parana, and Mrs. Wells Harrington from the North End School. Mrs. Harrington also attended meetings of the State Board of Managers.

The Convention adopted a Program for Legislation which calls for "continued emphasis on school building needs, especially in the poorer counties and counties heavily populated; for the extension of the public school systems downward through kindergartens, and upward through Community (junior) Colleges; for the establishment and improvement of public libraries so that every citizen in every county may have free access to good reading and information and guidance in its use; for driver training courses in all high schools; for an adequate school health program in all schools, secondary and elementary; for the employment of school psychologists and psychiatrists; for the promotion of community Mental Hygiene Clinics; for increased dental services to children; and for a statewide Conference on Youth Problems", using the findings of the Maryland Youth Commission and the Mid Century White House Conference.

As 1st vice president of the Maryland Congress of Parents and Teachers, Mrs. Harrington serves as chairman of the Program Committee on Legislation.

BOARD MEETING OF CHILD CARE CENTER

A membership meeting was held yesterday at the Child Care Center and the following Board members were elected for the coming year: Marvin Jones, chairman; Armon Sharp, Mrs. Joseph C. Loveless, Mrs. Irene Spector and Mrs. Jane Powers.

It was decided by this Board to lower the minimum age of enrollment to 2 years.

Council Requests \$217,377.49 For Operations In Next Year

The public hearing on the proposed 1951 budget was highlighted by a five-page report to the city council by City-Manager Charles T. McDonald. The report recommended a tax rate of \$3.06997 per \$100 assessed valuation; requested \$217,377.49 for the operation of the city next year; and emphasized the reduction of \$10,412.79 from the appropriation needed to operate the city this year.

The reduction was made possible in spite of rising costs, according to McDonald, by the keen interest in efficient government displayed by the council, reflected down the ranks from the manager, department heads and individual employees.

Largest department budget item was the \$52,280 for the recreation department. Other requests were \$31,487 for general government; \$34,434 for public safety; \$29,355, highways; \$37,551, waste collection and disposal; \$15,541, schools; \$5,327, health department; \$2,500 for

the newly activated welfare department; and \$9,000 miscellaneous (pensions, compensation, etc.).

Disagreement

Most serious disagreement with the proposed budget was concerned with the failure to provide for an additional employee in the recreation department in order to provide a complete physical education program for students in the elementary schools. This service was discontinued this year after the council decided it was a proper function of the county board of education.

Under present conditions, the school provides a limited physical education program which necessitates the use of a regular class teacher. The city-manager indicated that the county superintendent of schools would not look with favor on any interference with the present school schedule. A motion was passed instructing the manager to consult with the school superintendent on the advisability of including in the budget sums to allow the city to provide a physical education instructor for school children from September, 1951, to the end of the year.

Since the problem affects the budget, the council decided to postpone passage of the proposed budget until the next regular meeting on Monday.

Rescue Squad Needs Funds

Concern over the council's failure to recognize the needs of the local rescue squad was expressed by rescue squad president Marshall Zoellner. He stated that the squad was in dire straits financially and needed \$1200 in order to continue operation. Stressing the services provided to the community in the past year, Zoellner requested assistance from the council. The city-manager declared that the rescue squad was a duplication of services already provided by the city and county. He emphasized that PHA might demand a return of its share of any funds used for the rescue squad since it had not authorized such use.

The council instructed McDonald to prepare a resolution to transfer \$1200 from the reserve fund in order to pay the rescue squad for services rendered to the city for the past year.

Greenbelt Assessment Reduced

Disclosed at the meeting, for the first time, was PHA's recent request to reduce the assessed valuation of Greenbelt by \$77,421. This amount represents the assessed valuation of the various pieces of property which PHA has sold or disposed of, such as the church sites, the high school, the North End elementary school, the American Legion and the National Guard property, as well as the property transferred to the Department of Interior and Public Works Administration for the new Baltimore-Washington parkway and park land. This does not greatly affect the amount that PHA will have to pay in lieu of taxes, because it increased the tax rate to account for the loss by the reduction in the assessed valuation. (None of the property mentioned is taxable by the city.)

Troop 35 Honored In Weekend Camp

Fly-ups of last year's Brownie Troop No. 35; their former leaders, Mrs. Seymour Levine and Mrs. John C. Maffay; their present intermediate leader, Mrs. Norman Granims; committee member, Mrs. Edward Sefcik; and Sandra Granims, junior assistant, spent this past weekend at Camp Rockwood, the national Girl Scout camp at Bethesda, Maryland.

Saturday evening Mrs. Ernest Onstott, camp director, and Miss Marion C. Verzett, formerly associated with the national Girl Scout office in New York, were honored guests at the candlelight investiture ceremony. As the girls were gathered around the campfire, Mrs. Levine and Mrs. Maffay presented Girl Scout pins to Mrs. Granims and the following intermediate scouts: Evelyn Andretta, Melanie Gillette, Carole Granims, Norma Mousley, Phyllis Palmerton, Beverly Parker, Barbara Ratzkin, Yvonne Sefcik, Betty Seigal, Lucinda Trudeau, and Elsie Tucker. After the program, toasted marshmallows, apples, chocolates, and popcorn were served.

Sunday afternoon the Greenbelt troop hiked from Bethesda. Both groups entertained each other with songs and dances.

Community Church Guest Speakers

Community Church brings two outstanding preachers to its pulpit this Sunday at 8:45 a.m. and 11 a.m. services. The public is cordially invited to attend either or both of these services. Speaking at 8:45 a.m., will be the Rev. Roy J. McCorkle of Geneva, Switzerland, and the CARE feeding program of Europe. Mr. McCorkle is well known to Community Church for his previous work with the American Friends Service Committee. He is in this country for two weeks only and then returns to Switzerland. He is a keen observer and reporter and a most forceful speaker.

At the 11 a.m. service, speaking under the auspices of the American Board of Missions of the Congregational Churches, will be Pastor Jesse Chipenda of Angola, West Africa. Mr. Chipenda has been speaking at a number of Washington churches across the country in this tour. He is the first clergyman of Angola, West Africa, to visit America. He speaks the Portugese language only (from the pulpit and platform). His interpreter will be Miss Harriett Summerville, an American teacher of Donbi, Africa. Students of world affairs will know that Africa, and Angola in particular is one of the potential "hot spots". Missionary work there is of great significance.

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Bowling Headlines

By Stan Huff

The Credit Union team captained by George Bauer still holds the limelight as the top team of the league. However, they suffered their first defeat of the season at the hands of J. Paul Williams' "Rescue Squad" team who managed to cop two wins from the ranking team. Geo. Dickey's "8-

November 16, 1950 GREENBELT COOPERATOR Three

Ballers" nabbed second place in the league standing, winning two games which incidentally held second place the previous week. Alex Knott's "Lucky-5" team moved into third place after gaining two winning games from Cliff Young's "Comets". Tom Shipp's "Northenders" still hold tail position this week, after sweating out a hard-fought 2-win game from Joe

Thompson's "Cliffdwellers". Individual leaders for the past week were: H-Average - Alexander 117.5; H-Spares - Joe Thompson 22; H-Strikes - Morgan 10; H-Set - Bass 365; H-Game - Alexander and F. Bauer each with 137. Now that standard averages have been established and each team has had the opportunity to size each other up, it looks like it is going to be tough going from here on out.

Cranberry Co-op Is Thanksgiving Story

"Thanksgiving Cooperative", the story of the co-op growing and marketing of cranberries, will take the air at 7:45 Monday night on station WCFM, with Bob Broadbent of GCS among the members of the cast.

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Fox Tales

By Sam Fox

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Thanksgiving Sport Program: Don't forget the football contest for boys of all ages, which will be held on Braden Field starting at 10 a.m. The girls' basketball tournament will be held in the Center school gym at 10 a.m. Let's come out and watch the boys and girls. Prizes will be given to all winners in the football contest and the winning girls' basketball team.

Softball and Baseball: All members who have not returned the softball and baseball uniforms to the Recreation Department are asked to do so, since we wish to have them cleaned and repaired.

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