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## GCS Board Considers Personnel, Budget, PCI

By David Reznikoff

For a period of four and a half hours the directors of Greenbelt Consumer Services discussed, questioned, and voted their way through a lengthy agenda at their regular meeting last Friday in the Takoma Park Store.

Consideration of the GCS contribution to the Greenbelt Volunteer Rescue Squad resulted in a vote to continue their present donation of thirty dollars credit per month.

### Meat Department Unionized

General manager Sam Ashelman answered questions on his manager's report which was released to board members only, and therefore unavailable to this reporter. Ashelman announced a union agreement reached between management and all employees of the meat departments. The contract signed with the union is essentially the same as that of the grocery clerks and the meat clerks of the major dealers in this area. Ashelman disclosed efforts to bring together the management and labor of the Excelsior Dairy, from which the Co-op has been able to buy milk cheaper, a saving passed on to consumers. He spoke further of the advantages of purchasing cheaper products, even if non-union, in order to meet competition and sell at lower prices to our customers.

Among items discussed was the gas station next to the Takoma Park Co-op, scheduled to open in November, for which Ashelman has contacted Rupe of Southern States on the possibility of working with GCS. One thousand dollars was voted for ice-making equipment for store No. 3, after general board discussion.

### Pool Concession

In reference to the swimming pool concession, one board member suggested it be given to a local organization such as the Boys' Club. The loss of \$100 this operation sustained during August was explained as due to the weather. The board decided to retain it, however, "in order to maintain community standards."

A communication from a leading drug manufacturer, telling GCS that they were in violation of the Fair Trade Act, was also disclosed in the manager's report. GCS has to comply with this request even though it raises the price in order to keep the product on the shelf.

### Takoma Stock Purchases

In answer to a question by Morris Solomon, it was learned that less than \$50,000 capital stock has been sold to the people living in the area which is serviced by the Takoma Park store and that approximately \$250,000 has already been invested in the Takoma stores. At this point Bierwagen called on Greenbelt's three foreign guests, who individually and collectively thanked the board, the members of GCS, and the people of Greenbelt for their "wonderful stay."

After announcement of the proposed budget, to which this reporter did not have access, for the next three months, Solomon asked that the drug, tobacco, and luncheonette figures be given separately in order that each operation could be studied on its own. Ashelman complied with a breakdown; sales were running ahead of a year ago by \$5,000, during the last three weeks, although the gross margins were running lower.

The membership meeting Planning Committee reported itself willing to go so far as to give free monthly passes to the theater in order to get members to attend. This idea was returned to the committee for further consideration.

## What Goes On

Friday and Saturday, September 19 and 20 - Drop Inn opens.

Friday, September 19 - Jewish Holy Days begin.

Tuesday, September 23 - 8:30 p.m., Center PTA, social room. Introduction of new teachers; speech, music.

Wednesday, October 1 - Co-op Quarterly Meeting, Greenbelt theater.

## Beroza Isolates New Insecticides

According to this week's national press, Dr. Morton Beroza, 17-C Ridge, a chemist working for the Department of Agriculture at Beltsville, has reported his successful attempt to isolate four insect-killing substances of exceptional potency from the roots of a Chinese vine being grown experimentally in the United States.

In a paper delivered at the current American Chemical Society's 122nd national meeting at Atlantic City, Dr. Beroza described the new insecticides as stomach poisons to insects which feed on fruits and vegetables, and apparently harmless to man and other warmblooded animals. Furthermore, Beroza said, insects do not build up resistance to these poisons as they have been doing against DDT and other synthetic insecticides. The four distinct alkaloids, he stated, are extracted from the bark of the roots of the vine and their chemical structure is considered too complex for chemical duplication. The possibility is being considered, however, of growing the vines in this country for commercial production of their insect-killing substances.

Tripterygium wilfordii hook, the Chinese Thunder Vine, was first brought to this country in 1936, but Dr. Beroza's project did not start until nine years later. In tests so far conducted on American insects, he reported, the root extractions have proved effective against the larvae of the codling moth, which attacks apples; the European corn-borer; imported cabbage worms and others. The insects eating sprayed food soon sicken and spit up their meals, lose all further appetite, grow sicker and die.

The board is doing its utmost to get members to take an active part in GCS, and feels gravely the lack of membership support at the quarterly meetings.

### Personnel Survey

On the recommendation of the general manager, the board three months ago authorized a personnel survey. Mrs. Hildee, who proposed the survey, was present to explain and answer questions on what is to be gained by an active personnel program. Solomon, Zubkoff, Schwimmer and Arntz felt that the survey was not specific enough and after much discussion the board voted to hire Mrs. Hildee on a part-time basis.

Frank Lewis, new board member from Takoma Park, was elected to both the executive and personnel committees.

Solomon, Bierwagen, Davidsen, Ashelman and Schwimmer were elected delegates to the Potomac Cooperative, Inc. meeting to be held in the Center school auditorium at 11 a.m., September 28. PCI is the centralized buying organization of which GCS is the major stock holder.

## Announcement

The Greenbelt Theatre management requests that all patrol-squad picture passes show a photo of the bearer and the signatures of his or her school principal.



Kitzi Cauley, 2-C Eastway, who won first prize in the beautiful baby contest held at the Greenbelt Theatre.

## Co-op Agenda Starts Membership Interests

"What are the dangers of losing membership interest in the co-op?" and "What are the ways of building up membership interest?" These are the two subjects to be given specific attention at the coming Co-op quarterly meeting to be held on October 1 at 8 p.m. in the Greenbelt theatre.

Following a brief business report and the election of a new director and audit committee, the meeting will be broken into discussion groups to tackle the subjects listed above. Each group will have its own discussion leader and secretary to record the ideas of participating members. To kick off the discussion, two members will analyze briefly the topic under consideration, thereby providing everyone present with the ideas to be threshed out on the floor.

## Jewish Holy Days Start Tomorrow Eve

The Jewish Community will observe the beginning of Rosh Hashonah with services in the Center school auditorium, tomorrow evening at 8:30.

Rosh Hashonah is the Jewish New Year and ushers in ten days of prayer and penitence, climaxed with Yom Kippur, Day of Atonement. The services will be conducted by Rabbi C. H. Waldman, and will be enhanced by the singing of the JCC choir.

Yom Kippur will begin with the lovely and traditional Kol Nidre service on Sunday evening, September 28, in the Community Church basement, and will inaugurate a 24-hour period of prayers and fasting.

The Jewish Community Center of Greenbelt wishes to take this opportunity to wish their friends and neighbors a Happy New Year.

The schedule of services is as follows:

Fri. evening - 8:30 p.m., Sermon, Introduction

Sat. morning - 9 a.m., Sermon - Back to Tradition

Sun. morning - 9 a.m., Sermon - Act For the Sake of Our Children

## Mrs. Brady Will Plan Dance

Mrs. Mary O'Neill, prefect of St. Hugh's Sodality, has appointed Mrs. Catherine Brady general chairman for the Annual Halloween Program Dance, which is being sponsored by St. Hugh's Sodality for the Building Fund. A date late in October will be announced later. Howard Devron's orchestra has been selected to supply the music.

## Decorated By Members, Drop-Inn Opens Friday With Brand New Rules

By Aimee Slye

The Drop-Inn will open its doors for the coming season this week, Friday and Saturday nights, September 19 and 20. The building has been newly-decorated by members of the Youth Center under the capable leadership of their director, Mrs. Lucy Wolfe. Valuable assistance was also rendered by Donald Wolfe, recreation director, and other friends of the Center who made the new curtains, sanded the floor and waxed it, installed new equipment and made necessary repairs. The Drop-Inn has been decorated in two shades of green, for the walls, with a very pale green for the ceiling; the new draperies have a green background with a formalized design in stripes of deep red, grey and touches of yellow.

## New Voters Registration

New Maryland voters must register this month before they can vote, according to information from Alberta C. Tompkins, voters service chairman of the local League of Women Voters.

Qualified local citizens may register to vote on Friday, September 19; Tuesday, September 23; and Tuesday, September 30, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. at the Greenbelt fire house.

Would-registrants must have lived in Maryland one (1) year and in the congressional district six (6) months before election day, November 4.

## All Tastes Suited At Lake Barbecue

Plans for a wide variety of events designed to entertain young and old, highbrow and lowbrow, active and sedentary have been developed by the Program Committee for the Co-op Barbecue, headed by Jean Putnam. The barbecue, sponsored by the Potomac Cooperative Federation for all area cooperators and their families, will be held Sunday, September 28, at 1:30 p.m. at Greenbelt Lake.

For the youngsters of the family, pony rides will be the drawing card of the day, although other entertainment will also be provided for the small fry. The area to the left of the pavilion will be set aside for these facilities. To the right of the pavilion softball and horse-shoes will be played. Plans are to have these activities underway by 3 p.m. A television set will be on hand for those who prefer to take their sports passively and watch the football game. To the far left of the pavilion "away from the madding crowd," the classic music lovers will find a quiet retreat in "Symphony Hall," where they may spend as much time as they wish between 3 and 6 p.m. listening to records. Those more disposed to strenuous activity will have an opportunity to compete for prizes in potato races, sack races, egg races, etc. in the area directly in front of the pavilion on the lake side. Boating will be another feature.

At 4:30, a barbershop quartet will entertain at the lake shore for approximately half an hour, after which the quartet will expand into a community sing under the direction of Charlie Planck. Square dancing from 6 until 9 p.m. under the leadership of Eben Jenkins, Ellen Linson, and Charlotta Schubert completes the program.

The Program Committee requests that, if possible, you bring folding chairs as well as your family. Tickets are available through your local co-op or from the Potomac Cooperative Federation, 726 Jackson Pl., N.W., Washington 6, D. C.

Tickets are available in Greenbelt at any of the GCS stores at the Center (including the barber shop, beauty parlor and valet shop) as well as from Ruth Taylor, in the GCS office above the drugstore.

The Drop-Inn's membership is open to any teen-ager residing in Greenbelt at a fee of \$1; teen agers residing in the area may become members for a fee of \$2. Admittance will be by membership only with a 10c fee provided for those who forget their cards but who identify themselves as members. Greenbelt members may bring one guest for a fee of 10c; area members may have guests after consulting the director. These simple rules have been formulated to give the management of the Youth Center some idea of how many people to plan for; to protect the members from the nuisance of transients who have no real interest in the Drop-Inn, and to promote a greater interest on the part of the members of the Youth Center in protecting their investment of time, energy and money in the Drop-Inn.

The Advisory Board of the Youth Center announces that a new member has been appointed by City Council to the Board, Ralph Webster, to take the place vacated by Irvin Dietzel who moved from the community. Other members are, Mrs. H. James Kennedy, Beverly Fonda, Mrs. O. M. Slye and Mrs. Henry Walter. The Advisory Board would like to repeat that the services of parents of members are always welcome, and needed, in the operation of the Youth Center. Parents should acquaint themselves with the operation of the Center and those wishing to volunteer their services may do so by contacting the Director, or any member of the Advisory Board, or of the Recreation Department.

For the present the Drop-Inn will be open on Friday and Saturday night from 7:30 to 11 p.m. Admittance for this week will be by 10c at the door, and until new membership cards can be prepared. An open house for parents and friends of the Drop-Inn will be held on Sunday, September 28. Further announcement concerning the open house will be presented next week.

## Greenbelt Promised Entrance To Fairway

There will be an entrance to the new Baltimore Freeway from Greenbelt, it was disclosed by an official of the Public Roads Administration this week. Contrary to city council opinion expressed last week and reported in the Cooperator, a "diamond" entranceway will be provided for Greenbelt motorists wishing to use the new Freeway.

In fact, the official disclosed, entrances (or interchanges) will be built about every mile on the road. The "diamond" patterns being built are designed to permit the construction of "cloverleaves" if the need arises, he stated.

At present, work is proceeding on an overpass of the Glenn Dale road at the Schrom airport. The entrance will be built near there. Other access points are at Landover road, Defense highway, Riverdale; none at Beltsville.



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## Message To Greenbelt From E. Africa

By Gikonyo wa Kiano

The five weeks that I have spent in Greenbelt can hardly be described as typical. When I came to Greenbelt, at the recommendation of the Department of Agriculture, I had one purpose in mind: to see a successful U. S. Consumer Cooperative in operation and to find out what makes it tick. During the five weeks I have been here I have found myself devoting my mental energy not only to the affairs of GCS but also the aspects of community government, people's voluntary organizations for their own enjoyment and welfare, children's safety measures, and even housekeeping problems! My constant sigh has become: "so much to learn, so little time to learn it in".

My interests in the diverse activities of Greenbelt are accounted for by the realization that human problems and propensities world over are basically similar. The problems of our African communities differ from those of Greenbelt in magnitude, not in kind. Those who have been made to believe that the chief characteristics of Africa are jungles, intense heat, wild animals, and "primitive tribalism", let me put them straight. Modern Africa is characterized by a burning desire for more and more education, maximum utilization of our resources and manpower which we have in plenty, modernization of our social fabric without losing the sense of unity and community spirit that have been the chief features of our "tribal" societies, and a yearning for freedom from our currently colonial status.

### Education

Education designed to meet our problems is one of our chief concern. I am pleasantly awed by the presence of numerous high schools and colleges and vocational as well as professional institutions in American cities and states. In East Africa we have only one college (student body about 300) to meet the higher education needs for Kenya, Uganda, Tanganyika, Zanzibar, and Nyasaland! There still are not any free elementary or secondary schools. Tuition is low, statistically speaking, but many a family finds it much of a financial burden. To make matters still harder, there are hardly no African financial "angels" to endow the African institutions of learning that are beginning to mushroom all over the country. However, the spirit of self-help is gradually surmounting all these educational obstacles through community work, voluntary labor for African cooperative projects, and mass support for students desirous of studying abroad for future leadership. I am one of those who have severally received community support when my education proved too much of a financial burden to my family.

### Economics

In the field of economics we are faced with the following problems: (i) Lack of trained personnel to man our business enterprises, and the absence of economically feasi-

ble means of training an adequate number of such personnel. (ii) Lack of adequate information that would give hints regarding improvements in labor efficiency, marketing, labor-saving devices, and so forth. (iii) Low productivity of our farmers because of their economic inability to purchase machinery. (iv) Overpopulation caused by the alienation of portions of lands belonging to the Africans for the exclusive use by Europeans only. Kenya is the chief victim of his land alienation problem. (v) Lack of contact with world markets and consequently being at the mercy of foreign middlemen and their exploitative practices. (vi) Lack of sources for credit to finance our economic self-help project. (vii) Political domination by a foreign people who do not understand our feelings and our problems the way we do and who tend to believe, as many other people do even in the United States, that a Negro person, and the African in particular, regardless of his educational standard, is not capable of assuming responsible roles in matters of government and economics—evidences to the contrary notwithstanding!

### Solutions

I, with many others like me in Africa, am planning to meet these problems with all the sagacity, will-power, and cooperative efforts that we can mobilize. At Greenbelt I have had the privilege of observing how the community has built itself a successful consumer-owned business. And it is to the credit of you, the people of Greenbelt, that you have accomplished this, and NOT through the incentive of profit-making! Congratulations. I do not intend to reproduce in Africa everything I have learned in Greenbelt. This would not be wise or feasible. I intend to use the knowledge I have gained here by teaching and organizing African credit unions, farmers' and consumer cooperatives, as well as cooperative marketing agencies. The business "know-how" that I hope I have absorbed from the GCS will be of great use in this task.

Some weeks ago, a couple from Ohio on their way to Ethiopia where the husband has gotten a teaching job came to see me here in Greenbelt. Not knowing exactly where the apartment I lived in was, they asked someone whether she knew where "the African student visiting Greenbelt stayed". The Greenbelt helperfully answered "No, he would not be living here. This is a segregated community!" When I was told of this incident, it dawned on me that my staying in a Greenbelt apartment, being of the Negro race, was an exception not the rule! Am I to believe that an appreciable segment of Greenbelt population is yet to be convinced that people of the Negro race are like anybody else? That the color of their skin has nothing to do with their personal abilities, behavior patterns or responsible citizenship? I hope only a few people in Greenbelt are still in that stage. But no matter how few they are, one direct or indirect act of discrimination on account of race or religion is one act too many

## PERSONALS

Juarez, Mexico - Lt. Paul E. Rynnion, 2-Q Gardenway Road, Greenbelt, Md., was a guest recently in Juarez at the Lobby Cafe, the borders dining and entertainment rendezvous for international society, where he is reported to have "enjoyed Mexico very much."

Ronald Hamm has completed his basic training at the Bainbridge Naval Training Center and is now home for 2 weeks visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Hamm at 8-L Plateau Place. Ronald will report back to Bainbridge for a new assignment.

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for any civilized community such as Greenbelt.

I want to thank all the Greenbelt people for the kindnesses I have receive here as your guest. I am very sincere when I say that I will never forget this city and its people. I want to thank especially the managers and the staff of GCS for helping us achieve the objectives that brought us to Greenbelt; the families that lent us furniture for our apartment, and those who have given us wonderful evenings at their homes. My address in Africa is P. O. Kahuti, Fort Hall, Kenya, if anyone of you happens to be there anytime in the future I am sorry to have to leave so soon but Stanford University, California, where I am going for graduate studies, is about to open.

Sincerely

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Friday, September 19 - 8 p.m., The first lecture in a series on Christian doctrine. These lectures are given weekly, and are designed to help those who wish to examine Christian teachings as they are revealed in the pages of the Holy Bible. The public is invited to attend. Saturday, September 20 - 11 a.m., Jr. Choir in the Church. Sunday, September 21 - 9:45 a.m., Sunday School and Adult Bible Class. Classes held for all ages. Raymond Carriere, superintendent. 11 a.m. Divine Worship. Sermon by the Vicar on Matthew 6, 31-33, "Who Cares?" Monday, September 22 - 4:30 p.m., Jr. Confirmation Class meets at the Church. These classes will be held at this time on Mon., Tues. and Wednesday in the Church. Thursday, September 25 - 8 p.m., Adult Choir at the Church.

**ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**

Saturday: Confessions 3 to 5:30 p.m. for children, 7 to 9:30 p.m. for adults. Sunday: Masses 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. Nursery care for pre-school children during the 11 o'clock Mass. This Sunday is Holy Communion Sunday for all children of the Parish. Baptisms: 1 p.m. Anyone wishing to have a baby baptized should notify Father Dowgiallo beforehand. Wednesday: Novena Services followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament at 8 p.m.

**Rec. Dept. Reports Successful Season**

In his monthly report to the city on the Recreation Department, James "Donnie" Wolfe expressed pride in the fact that "we went through the season with a casualty." Over 1700 children attended classes in the summer recreation program, including 285 in arts and crafts. The Model Club, currently working on planes as well as trains, will continue to meet daily after school. Among the enthusiasts at the fishing classes, taught by the Isaak Walton League each week, is "a lady 83 years young." Young diamond players "brought down the curtain" on the Little League's "most successful season," with Taylor's team winning the play-off and becoming the champs of Greenbelt. Plans for the future include added teams.

**COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
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Saturday, August 30 - Landscape Sunday, Sept. 21 - Church School meets as follows: 9 a.m. Primary and Nursery; 10 a.m. Juniors through Adults; 11 a.m. Kindergarten, Beginners, and Nursery. 9 and 11 - Church Worship; Cloister Choir at 9 and Adult Choir at 11. At both services a special report will be given to the congregation on a building proposal set forth by the Church Council, presented by a special committee consisting of Lloyd Moore, Frank Kriby, and Harold Hufendick. The pastor will be Moderator of the meeting. If time permits, Mr. Braund will preach the second of a series of sermons on the subject "The Bible Speaks on: 'God's Justice and Mercy'". Wednesday, Sept. 24 - Senior Choir Rehearsal, 8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25 - Cloister Choir (7th, 8th, and 9th grade girls) 7 to 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 26 - Church School Teachers Pot Luck Supper at 6:30, followed by the regular Quarterly Teachers Con-

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**Dollars and Sense**

By Morris J. Solomon  
**How You Can Protect Yourself Against Lemons**

In general the larger company is in a better position to test new designs and where defects in engineering do slip through, to stand the cost of making good. This does not mean that a large company will necessarily stand behind its product. If you have a just complaint, and persist even to the point of bringing it to the attention of the president of the company you have a much better chance of getting satisfaction.

Consumers Union often warns its readers to steer clear of a new engineering feature that has not stood the test of time. Quite often by consulting a Consumers Union rating, you can avoid getting stuck. Unfortunately Consumers Union has a very limited capacity for spotting manufacturing lemons and sometimes even passes up engineering lemons.

The danger of getting a lemon makes it necessary to consider things in addition to price. They are

1. What guarantee does the manufacturer give? An example of this is the Sears Kenmore automatic washing machine and the Whirlpool machine. The two are the same and are sold at about the same price (if you get a 25 percent discount on the Whirlpool). The Whirlpool transmission mechanism is guaranteed for five years, the Sears for one year. Clearly the Whirlpool is a better buy.

2. Who is the manufacturer? A relatively unknown outfit that is small is a bad risk. In any case, if you do get stuck, assuming you have not misused the product, carry your case as far up the line as necessary.

3. Check with neighbors or friend who has bought the product. Ask the man who owns one, is pretty good advice.

4. Who is the seller? In general, department stores go to great lengths to satisfy their customers. (Usually appliances can be obtained cheaper at discount houses.) In the case of cars, it is well to consider the reputation of the dealer. Avoid the spectacular cut-rate sales of appliances by "sharp operators." They are often cut-rate because they are unsatisfactory models.

Remember a lemon, even if fresh from a packing case, is a sour buy at any price.

**Letters To The Editor**

**ON LOYALTY CLAUSE**  
(Ed. note - Despite its length we have accepted the following letter as a sincere statement on a subject too little aired in this way.)

I sincerely hope that the Public Housing Administration will reconsider its requirement that GVHC insert a "loyalty" provision into its by-laws. The loyalty program is a sinister invasion of the freedom of thought for which our Nation has been noted; its victims are far more often those of independent judgment than those of malicious intent. It makes neighbor suspicious of neighbor, and it hampers intelligent consideration of vital local, national and world problems. Rather than combating totalitarian communism, it invokes the fears - of loss of position, of reputation, of home - which are characteristic of existence under totalitarian rule.

ference, Saturday, Sept 27 - Plant and Perennial Sale at the Center from 10 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 28 - Promotion and Rally Day - all church school classes will meet at 10 o'clock. At 11, Recognition and Installation of teachers of church school.

The insertion of the "loyalty" provision in the GVHC by-laws would mean that a misguided neighbor could jeopardize a person's home. In colonial days a dozen people, including her own children, testified that Martha Carrier was a witch, and that they, now repenting, had attended witch meetings and corted with the devil with her. People like those who hanged her live today, and we are fools if we give them power over us.

Since GVHC has no way of knowing whether a person is or is not loyal, or to what, it proposes to require a statement or oath by members or prospective members - in other words, it will depend on self-incrimination. There are a number of aspects of this procedure which should receive our careful consideration.

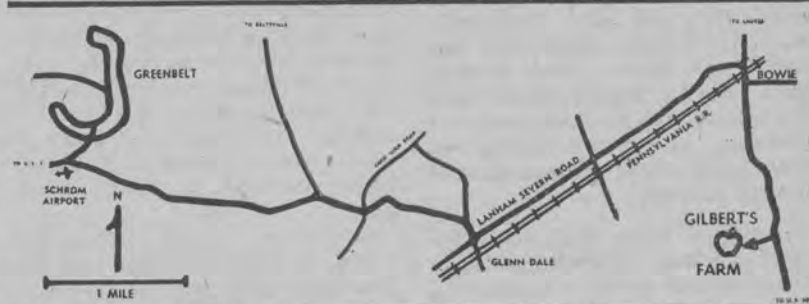
1. Taking a loyalty oath is no proof of loyalty. A person who sinks to disloyalty will certainly not be above dishonesty. Communists, in particular, believing that "the end justifies the means," would surely have no hesitancy in signing such a statement.

2. Refusal to take a loyalty oath is no proof of disloyalty. Since communists will not hesitate to take a loyalty oath, the only persons who will be ferreted out are those who consider the loyalty program a threat to traditional American freedoms. For them it may well be subversion to sign such an oath, if they believe that in so doing they are participating in subverting the basic freedoms that have distinguished the United States from totalitarian nations. Should they be penalized for seeking to preserve freedom?

3. Acceptance of the attorney general's list denies the American principle that persons are deemed innocent until proved guilty. The accused organizations were listed by the attorney general without having an opportunity to answer the charge made against them, or even to know who made the charge and on what basis. Thus the organizations, and the individuals belonging to them, have been adjudged guilty without the opportunity for a court trial or even a hearing before the accusing agency. It has not been proved in open court that the organizations on the list are subversive.

4. Use of the list involves the pernicious doctrine of guilt by association. Membership in an association is no proof that one accepts all the views of the association; and membership in a "subversive" organization is no proof of subversion. Few Democrats or Republicans accept the entire platform of their respective parties; even those elected on the basis of those platforms have notoriously failed to support major planks of the platforms - witness FEPC, national health insurance, the eternal promise to reduce taxes. A member of an organization advocating overthrow of the Government by force (which apparently is what the word "subversion" has come to mean in recent years) does not necessarily support that particular and clearly futile objective of the organization. He may feel that many of the other aims of the organization are constructive, and that in time and with changes in

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leadership the unsound objective profit economy. Perhaps it is a belief - in my opinion, a mistaken one - that communism will bring a better world. In either case, I can't see why his views would make him an unsuitable neighbor. Furthermore, we can't fight communism by burying our heads in the sands. It is only by hearing the reasons why communists are communists that we can decide intelligently why we shouldn't be. If the Government must go into making determinations on the basis of political views, therefore, it would seem to me more sensible if it insisted that we should have at least a few communists in Greenbelt. It is interesting to note in this connection that in negotiating the lease for the Greenbelt stores, the Government inserted a clause that GCS in hiring employees could not discriminate on the basis of political affiliation. That, it seems to me, was a much healthier attitude.

6. What about murderers, etc. If we are going to require residents to sign a statement that they aren't communists, shouldn't we also ask him to state that they are not murderers, rapists, wife-beaters, drunkards, arsonists, or practitioners of other disturbances of the peace. Some of these activities might be of at least as much concern to their neighbors as their advocacy of forced overthrow of the Government. Even convicted criminals, it might also be noted, do not have their homes taken away from them.

7. What is loyalty? If people may lose their jobs and their homes because of "disloyalty," one wonders how far the definition of the term may eventually be extended. Is the Government employee who accepts a gift from a contractor disloyal? Or the business man who makes the gift? Or the Government employee who reads the newspaper or chit-chats on Government time? Or the administrator who hires a friend or a protege of a Congressman in preference to a better qualified candidate?

The loyalty program is a futile and negative attempt to meet a problem which this country has faced more bravely and more effectively than can be eliminated.

5. Why not have communist neighbors? If a person becomes a

communist, presumably he has some reason for it. Perhaps it is a hope of ultimate personal profit, a motive which can hardly be frowned on by advocates of our private property for many generations - the problem of whether to curtail freedom of speech for those who would use it to destroy our freedoms. The answer was given eloquently and conclusively by Thomas Jefferson when he said in his first inaugural address: "If there be any among us who would wish to dissolve this Union or to change its republican form, let them stand undisturbed as monuments of the safety with which error of opinion may be tolerated when reason is left free to combat it."

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## My Daze

On the verge of becoming a biped, baby still prefers to crawl instead, happily ignoring vain parents' pleas to stand alone up off his knees. As though in all his laughing chatter, he chides and asks, "What does it matter if I start walking early or late, you know I develop at my OWN rate."

Throwing in the towel and accepting the inevitable, we're planning to buy a television set. Ostensibly to keep the children from pestering kind neighbors so much, it is mainly in the "we might as well" spirit that we do this. The hope is that we can learn to live sensibly with this fearful intruder.

Our anxiety on this score may be unwarranted. When I was a small girl years ago my folks bought our first radio, and I immediately devoted myself to the "Little Orphan Annie" serial sponsored by Ovaltine. My mother was never persuaded to buy the product (she didn't think I needed it), but she was worried by my addiction to that type of program. Later came the soap operas, then mystery stories like the G. Washington coffee Sherlock Holmes series, also horror stories like The Witch's Tale (the witch's cackle "Douse the fire and gaze into embers . . ." was very awesome, more effective than the creaking door of today's Inner Sanctum, or am I imagining it?), weekly dramas as the First Nighter and True Story, in an endless succession of unselected listening fare. The extent of my mother and father's forbearance is only now apparent to me. In view of what I inflicted on my parents, I'm prepared to accept Howdy Doodie, Captain Video and the like without a murmur.

Guppies are supposed to be easy to raise, but unfortunately these tropical fish aren't nearly as hardy as the snails. Snails are what we've really got.

## Forget-Me-Not Week Starts DAV Fund Drive

September 20 through September 27 is FORGET-ME-NOT Week. Members of the Disabled American Veterans and the Majorettes of Greenbelt, as volunteer workers representing the Hyattsville Memorial Chapter No. 23, covering the area from Hyattsville to Laurel, will sell blue flowers of remembrance in behalf of the war-time handicapped. With the slogan "Now is the Time When Gratitude Means Something" the workers will raise funds to be used during the coming year on behalf of disabled veterans and their dependents, many of whom live in Greenbelt. "Every cent contributed in the campaign will be used right in welfare work in this area," said Commander John W. Gilliam. The

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DAV maintains a free service to all veterans in their efforts to obtain adequate compensation and pension. It assists in the proper presentation of claims for government benefits and aids in job and hospital problems.

The Greenbelt Majorettes will be featured at the College Park Shopping Center, while Band members will collect here in the community.

## Navy Wives Club News

The first fall meeting of the Truman Riddle Navy Wives Club was held Tuesday evening, Sept. 16, at the home of Mrs. Shirley Luber, 22-C Crescent at 8:30 p.m.

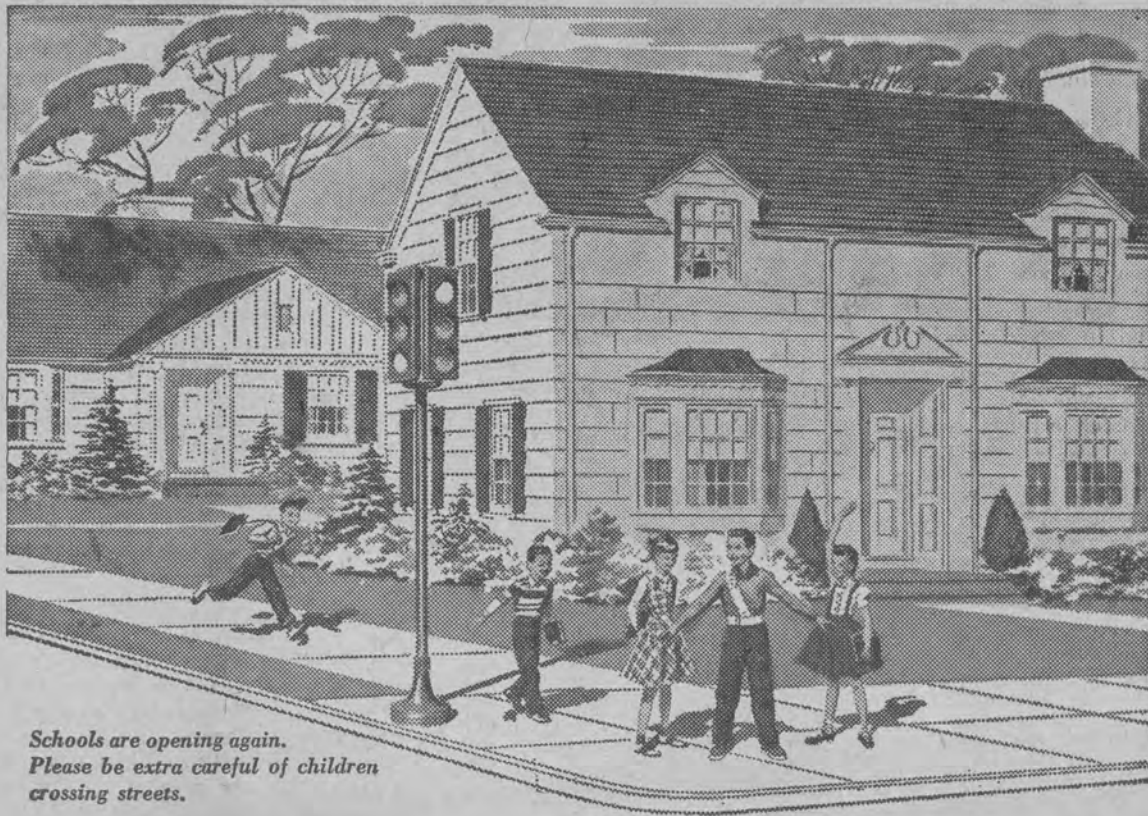
Mrs. Teresa Davis, president, presided with Mrs. Kay O'Neill as acting secretary. The fall season is

expected to be a full one with several interesting projects planned by the members.

All Navy Wives are welcome. Interested eligibles may call Mrs. Davis, 5361, for further information

## Center School PTA To Meet

The first meeting of the Center School PTA for the new school year will take place September 23 at 8:30 p.m. in the Social Room, it was announced this week. Miss Hannah Long, principal, will introduce the faculty to PTA members. County Council PTA president Louis Hildebrand will speak on "Know your PTA." Co-program chairmen Ann Braund and Janet Parker promise a musical program and refreshments.



Schools are opening again. Please be extra careful of children crossing streets.

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