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Greenbelt Hospital Closing January 31

G. C. A. Door Prize Is Ten Dollars For Next Meeting

Ten dollars will go to the lucky adult present whose address is determined in the drawing to be held at the close of the January meeting of the Citizens Association next Monday night in the auditorium. Last month's winner was not on hand to receive the first \$5 prize and this time the kitty has doubled. Arrangements have been made to include the residents of the new defense homes in this drawing, as they are by virtue of their residence, members of the G. C. A.

There are several interesting items on the agenda to be handled this coming Monday night before the magic closing hour of 10 p. m. arrives. Number one item is a brief report from Harry Hyman, chairman of the Association's special committee surveying the effect of the maximum income regulations. Mr. Hyman is expected to tell of the progress of his group's survey, and provide opportunity for members of the audience who have not as yet executed a questionnaire, to fill out blanks during the evening.

Public Relations Director Lyman Woodman will report on the steps which have been taken to date to construct and install at the junction of the Branchville and Edmonston Road the "booster" sign and street directory outline map authorized by the Association last month.

The meeting will then be opened to a general discussion of local defense problems. It is expected that the proposal of having scores of residents crowd into apartment basements for refuge, and the suggestion that children be herded into the school social room in the event of air raid during school hours, will be brought up for discussion. Several citizens have been heard to comment on the "trap" nature of the basements when put to this use.

A member of the G. C. A. executive committee has made several contacts recently in a special effort to obtain prominent Federal officials to act as speakers in future Association meetings to present interesting talks on various phases of the civilian defense program and the progress of the nation's war operations. It is hoped that an announcement will be forthcoming Monday night as to the name of the first speaker.

Mrs. J. Blair Buck, second vice-president of the General Federation of Women's Club of Richmond Va. will speak at the regular monthly meeting to be held Thursday, January 8 at the home of Mrs. H. T. Freeman. The topic will be "International Relations."

Panagoulis Lists A. R. P. Duties

An outline of Air Raid Precautions personnel and their duties has been prepared by Chief Air Raid Warden George Panagoulis.

A warden has been appointed for each of the seven blocks into which Greenbelt is normally divided. Assistant wardens help each block warden to patrol his area. Apartment buildings have wardens and assistants for each entrance. A warden has also been appointed for each shelter.

Duties include noticing and reporting incidents (planes, fires, etc.); making a directory of all residents in the block as to number of people in each unit who are disabled because of illness or age; instructing people in the block as to what precautions to take in an air-raid, whether in the home or in one of the shelters and patrolling streets and courts.

The police and fire auxiliary work in cooperation with the wardens. The police department is accepting applications for the police auxiliary. All applicants will be given physical examinations to determine fitness. Classes are planned for the immediate future, with the following courses: General and practical police subjects such as protection of life and property, law of arrest, searching and handling of prisoners, traffic directions, establishment of fire lines, erection of barricades in case of emergency, prevention and protection against looting during blackouts, handling crowds in event of explosion, knowledge of town ordinances in relation to duties; and technical subjects, such as first aid, incendiary and fragmentary bombs, auxiliary police and air-raid warden cooperation in time of air raid and blackout.

A 30-hour course is also to be given the fire auxiliary, a practical course in the use of equipment and knowledge of fundamental fire-fighting.

A detailed list of personnel will be published in the Cooperator as soon as it is completed.

G. H. A. Nominations Due January 8

Nominations for the Greenbelt Health Association board of directors may be turned in as late as Thursday, January 8, to Benjamin P. Goldfadden, chairman of the elections committee.

The signatures of two members are required on each nomination. Seven positions are to be filled at the elections at the next quarterly meeting. The date for the meeting has been postponed until January 18, and will be held in the Auditorium.

G. C. S. Board Asks Return Be Limited To Shareholders

Members of Greenbelt Consumer Services will take action upon several matters, including recommended changes in the cooperative's by-laws and an election of directors, at their annual meeting on February 4. Plans for the meeting are in the final stage of completion by the directors.

The board is prepared to recommend to the membership that the by-laws be amended, first, to require that a person purchase one share of stock before any patronage refund will be credited to him and, second, to reduce the requirement for a quorum from 25 to 15 per cent of the members.

A matter of policy to be acted upon, which does not require an amendment to the by-laws, concerns a proposed limitation upon share withdrawals. The board feels that, if a member continues to reside in Greenbelt and has invested an amount less than \$30 either in cash or through patronage refund credits, he should not be permitted to withdraw his shares.

Any amount above \$30 would be subject to withdrawal if the member desires, according to tentative details of the proposal. Upon leaving the community, however, a member would be given the full amount of his investment as soon as the board has had an opportunity to act upon his request for repurchase of his shares.

Increased Investment Needed

Because of war-time conditions, board members feel that a minimum investment per family of about \$30 is essential in order for G. C. S. to operate successfully. Their position on this matter will be thoroughly explained to the members, after which the board will be guided by the membership's action upon it.

The amount of the refund due a patron who has not purchased a voting share will be reflected on the books of the cooperative and will be available for distribution to that patron upon the purchase of a share, according to one of the proposed amendments to be recommended by the board.

Proposed Reduced Quorum

It is proposed to amend Section 2 of Article 10 to read as follows: "A quorum competent to transact business shall consist of fifteen per cent of the members." The only change suggested is to strike out the words "twenty-five" which now appear in the by-laws and substitute the word "fifteen" for the percentage required for a quorum at membership meetings.

The terms of office of five directors expire with the February meeting. Forms on which to submit nominations of candidates for these positions will be supplied by the cooperative. All nominations must be in by 6 p. m. on Wednesday, January 28.

Notice of the meeting, the proposed agenda, details of the recommended changes in the by-laws, copies of the minutes of the November membership meeting, and nomination blanks will be completed and mailed to members of the cooperative this weekend, according to present plans.

Drivers Are Needed To Lift Ride Shortage

A number of causes have combined to create one of the most serious shortages of transportation in the history of Greenbelt. Recent restrictions on automotive equipment and supplies, job transfers, changes in working hours, and an increasing reluctance on the part of drivers to use their cars are making it extremely difficult for Sol Shub, Chairman of G. C. A.'s Transportation Committee, to arrange rides.

Mr. Shub urgently requests that
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F. S. A. Turns Down \$23,000 Town Budget Item for 1942

Greenbelt's hospital, the only one in the county, will close its doors January 31 because of Farm Security Administration's refusal to sanction further support of the institution in the Town Council budget. An enacting resolution for the closing was adopted by the Council at a special meeting Wednesday night, December 31.

Improved Transit Service Looms For Greenbelt

Application has been filed by the Capitol Transit Company with the Maryland Public Service Commission for permission to put into effect the proposed improvement of Greenbelt transportation. Notification of the filing of the application was received by the Administrative Office last Saturday, it was announced by Assistant Administrative Director, Arthur L. Rysticken.

Unless opposition to the plan is voiced, there will be no necessity for a public hearing, according to Mr. Rysticken. "We should know before the end of the month whether or not such opposition has been raised," said Mr. Rysticken. "If not, plans should be put into operation very shortly."

According to Sol Shub, chairman of the Transportation Committee, "This plan is the first direct step in what we hope will be the real solution to our transportation problem from Greenbelt. We do not anticipate any opposition to the proposed plan. The Transportation Committee will continue to cooperate with everyone concerned, as in the past."

It was indicated from reliable sources that automotive equipment restrictions will increase the necessity for the above plan, in as much as it has become difficult to procure parts and supplies necessary to operate individually owned automobiles.

The new plan calls for direct service to Mt. Rainier, with no increase in fare. Schedules will be changed, the longest time between buses to be 20 minutes, and at rush hour 10 minutes.

Patronage Slips Due Within 2 Weeks

Greenbelt Consumer Services has announced that 1941 patronage slips are being received at the office of the cooperative now, and will be accepted up to the deadline, two weeks and a day hence.

In order to participate in last year's patronage return, if one is declared by the membership at its annual meeting early next month, members and applicants for membership must have submitted their slips by 6 p. m. on Saturday, January 17.

The form on which to tabulate the amounts represented by the bundles of slips were distributed by G. C. S. last week. Patrons who failed to receive copies may obtain them at the food store.

Directions are to submit the slips in bundles of 25, securely fastened. Only the first of "A" bundle may contain less than 25 slips. The identifying letter, amount of patronage represented, and the name of the patron should be indicated on each bundle.

All the slips, accompanied by the form and enclosed in a strong paper bag, may be turned in at the office. The name and address of the patron should be plainly stated on the paper bag.

Buy Defense Bonds—Its your country, its your War, Win it.

Unless other sources of revenue become immediately available the local community will be without facilities for hospitalization after this month. Several suggestions are being offered to finance the medical center. One proposal, offered by former councilman Edward Walther was the method of direct taxation of local residents.

Councilman Tom Ricker, when questioned as to the approximate amount per family of possible taxation, said that about \$12 per family per year would be required to continue operation of the hospital. This amount, he added, applies to the new "defense" residents as well as the older Greenbelters. An alternative measure, also offered by M. Walther, was that Farm Security Administration be petitioned to allow higher income families to remain in Greenbelt and pay a higher rent. This would produce increase revenue which could be applied to the hospital fund, he explained.

Dr. Joseph Silagy, medical director of the Health Association, when asked for a statement, said "It is very unfortunate that Farm Security Administration did not see fit to permit the Town Council to continue supporting the hospital. Always a necessity, it is even more so now, in view of the number of additional residents expected here shortly, as well as the fact that Washington hospitals are turning away patients. Our hospital is the only one in Prince George's County, and has been scheduled to play a large part in civilian defense efforts as a base hospital for emergencies of a war nature."

Mr. Ricker said that FSA's refusal to accept the \$23,000 item asked for in the budget submitted to them was "a great surprise to us." He added that the Council had personally discussed the budget with FSA, and had expected it to be accepted. The Bankhead-Black Act, according to Mr. Ricker, provides that FSA "may pay sums in lieu of taxes for services received," but does not state that they must do so. In the past they have acceded to requests made by Council. FSA officials, in notifying Council members that the request had been refused, said that it was up to Greenbelt to finance its own hospital.

A questionnaire issued some month ago indicated that the majority of Greenbelters would prefer seeing some other part of the budget sacrificed in favor of the hospital rather than to pay a direct tax. However, no part of the budget can be sacrificed, said Mr. Ricker, as all requests were cut as much as possible before submitting it to FSA.

60 New Homes Rented

Approximately 60 of the new defense homes have been rented, about 25 of which are actually occupied, it was announced Tuesday by Miss Harriette Tanner, in charge of tenant selection for the new homes. The balance will be occupied as soon as arrangements have been completed for supplying heat. Also pending completion of heating arrangements is the transfer of the Defense Homes Tenant Selection Office from the Administration Building to one of the new homes. The staff, composed of Miss Tanner, Charles Drummond, and a local resident, Miss Ann Compton, hopes to obtain a house on Southway, as that location will be more accessible than others.

Letters have been sent to prospective tenants, in order of application, as each section has been made ready for occupancy.

Air Raid Practice a Success; Warden Cautions on 'Real Thing'

Greenbelt's practice black-out on Tuesday was a distinct success, according to Chief Air-Raid Warden George Panagoulis. Instructions were followed almost to the letter, achieving a complete black-out. Many lights went out even before the official signal was given, because of the radio programs broadcasting the metropolitan signal in Washington.

A few lapses were noted by the wardens, which would entail personal danger in the event of an actual raid. Mr. Panagoulis urged that in the future no cigarettes be lighted or smoked near the windows, as they can be seen from outside. "In fact," he added, "no one should even stand near the windows, even in practice black-outs, as the actions we follow now will be easy to remember when the real thing comes." He also

stated that radio dials should be covered to keep light from reflecting; that lighted refrigerators not be opened; that it is not necessary to tape windows, as heavy blankets will keep lights from the interior from escaping.

In the future, all advance warnings of practice air-raids will be given through the newspapers or other public sources. No personal warnings will be issued.

Notices will be sent to all residents, advising them as to which shelters they are assigned. These shelters have already been selected, and are to be made blast-proof with sand-bags and other barricades.

Mr. Panagoulis said that he would like to give special thanks to all air-raid wardens, their assistants and all others concerned for their cooperation.

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1941 Passes In Review

The year 1941 saw many things happen to Greenbelt and Greenbelters. We bring you a headline review of many of these items as they were published in the Cooperator.

JANUARY—The State President of Federated Women's Clubs Speaks Here . . . CHASANOW ELECTED CITIZENS GROUP HEAD . . . G. C. S. Board Holds Formal Opening of the Variety Store . . . F. S. A. Submits Lease to Home-Owners Coop. . . Drug Store Gets Home Bake Shop . . . TINY MEEKER and His Musical Notes Play the Birthday Ball To Huge Success . . . The Athletic Club Dinner Features G. U. Coach.

FEBRUARY—FULMER RESIGNS FOR DEFENSE JOB . . . Governor Reviews Scouts . . . 18 New Scarlet Fever Cases . . . GREENBELT GETS DEFENSE WORKERS HOMES . . . Milk Club Launches Membership Drive . . . Mayor Warner Resigns in Job Transfer

MARCH—HOME OWNERS PROGRESS, LEASE FINALLY GRANTED . . . High School "Queen" Crowned . . . BLOOD INDEX URGES ALL CITIZENS TO BE TYPED . . . Engineers Begin Work on New Houses . . . A. M. A. on Trial as Trust For Co-op Discrimination . . .

APRIL—AMERICA UNPREPARED, OPEN FORUM AGREES . . . TOM SAWYER RETURNS, In School Play . . . Dr. Still Resigns From Health Post.

MAY—Greenbelt Gets New Police Car . . . Mabee Leaves Greenbelt.

JUNE—Dr. Berenberg Leaves For Pribilof Islands . . . 23 Receive Diplomas At High School Graduation . . . COOPERATOR STAFF PICNIC.

JULY—DELAYED PICNIC A HUGE SUCCESS; 2000 ATTEND FIREWORKS . . . NEW ZEALAND MINISTER VISITS OUR "TOWN OF TOMORROW" . . . Town Fair Committee Allots Space.

AUGUST—Health Ass'n Appoints Two New Doctors . . . Vincent To Resign . . . COOPERATOR BREAKS INTO PRINT ON EVE OF GREENBELT'S GROWTH . . . THIRD ANNUAL TOWN FAIR OPENS.

SEPTEMBER—NURSERY SCHOOL OPENS . . . COOPERATOR INCORPORATES; LOCAL JOURNALISTS ORGANIZE AS PRODUCERS COOPERATIVE . . . Health Group Ousts Board, Dr. Silagy Stays . . .

OCTOBER—Morrison Elected Mayor . . . Defense Council Issues Appeal For Volunteer Emergency Workers.

NOVEMBER—March 31, 1942, Is Effective Date For Ouster Of High Income Families . . . New Defense Homes Ready For December Tenancy; Eligibles Listed . . . First All Greenbelt Wedding, the Couple Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Ashley.

DECEMBER—DEFENSE COUNCIL ON WAR FOOTING.

These were some of the headlines and highlights of the past year. We are, indeed, sorry that space will not permit us to cover more completely and in detail the kind of a review you might expect, but we promise that with your help the printing of stories in 1942 shall be more complete and accurate than before.

A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL.

—The Staff

Now It's Up to Us

We have seen the hospital closing coming for several months, yet the actual announcement of its termination as a local institution at the end of January catches us all by surprise.

More than a single factor undoubtedly entered into the decision by Farm Security Administration to strike the \$23,000 allocation from the 1942 budget. These reasons are probably not of as much importance to us just now, however, as the final decision on whether or not we still want a hospital in Greenbelt. The Cooperator urged the starting of the hospital long ago and has always argued for its continuance and improvement. However, there has

arisen over a long period of time criticism of the local medical center as an expensive luxury. The Town Council has repeatedly brought the hospital's financial plight to the attention of residents. Results of the elections in September failed to indicate any strong support for the hospital among those voting. A questionnaire on the hospital's fate submitted to Greenbelters a month ago again failed to demonstrate the enthusiastic support which had at one time been found throughout the town.

Now the hospital problem is squarely in our own laps. F. S. A. has said the hospital must be supported by the townspeople here if we want it. No more Federal funds are available. We can keep it going by cutting \$23,000 out of some other part of the 1942 budget for operating the town, or by paying approximately \$12 a year per family in direct taxation. Whatever is to be done must be done immediately since the Town Council has already directed the closing, with no more patients to be admitted after January 15.

The Skunk

At a book show somewhere in the east, a bookbinder entered a volume of Hitler's "Mein Kampf." It was bound in skunk.

That's good for a laugh. But just why pick on the skunk? Why should he be a synonym for all that is vile in human beings—and plenty is?

The skunk is a harmless creature. His worst offense is an occasional raid on the chicken yard, and if the chickens are properly cooped he can't do much damage there. The skunk was never known to hurt anybody. Far from attacking unawares, as Hitler and the Japs customarily do, he doesn't attack at all. And if you attack him—well, you get let off much easier than aggressors deserve. On the credit side he provides one of the most plentiful and valuable of furs.

Oh yes, the smell. Well? What about the smell?

A people that puts up with the stench of stockyards, paper mills, flophouses, and human carrion on the battlefields ought not to turn up its nose at good, sweet, natural skunk. It's not half bad, as a matter of fact, especially if taken fairly strong so that you get the advantage of all the overtones and undertones of odor, so to speak.

I caught a skunk in a trap one time, and a colt that was pasturing near saw the animal struggling and, being young enough to be curious, came near to see what was up. He found out. Working that colt during the next day or so was an experience.

I still say the skunk is a harmless and inoffensive creature which only makes use of such gifts as God has given him to get on in the world. Why insult the skunk by comparing him with Hitler?—The Cooperative Builder

Classified Ads

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One Year Ago

(From the Cooperator of
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Sulo Laasko, former G. C. S. manager, joined C. D. C. and will assist Mr. Herbert Evans in opening cooperative stores—Mrs. Samuel Berenberg was elected a member of the Maryland Historical Society—Twenty-nine employees of Greenbelt Consumer Services received their yearly bonus. The sum of \$731.72 was distributed among them—Dorothea Ford, Health Association nurse, and Sidney Henes, one of the instructors of the High School, were married at the First Methodist Church, Forestville, Maryland—The Citizens Association faced a new election to end the impasse resulting from the resignation of Rolfe Sauls last month—The Greenbelt Folk Dancers held a Christmas party in the basement of 48 Crescent Road.

CIRCULATION NOTICE

Carrier boys for the Cooperator have been instructed to insert the paper through the mail slots of houses and under the doors of apartments in making their deliveries. The Cooperator should be delivered to your home each Friday before 7:30.

Anyone failing to receive this service should notify Orville Wendland, circulation manager, at 4132 or 3131.

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Because of the demand for qualified eligibles, applications will be accepted continuously until further notice at the Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Persons whose application cards are received in the future will continue to be examined promptly in groups at periodic intervals. Applicants whose application cards are received during such successive intervals, and who attain eligible ratings, will have their names placed on the eligible register. Persons whose application cards are accepted will be notified when to appear for the assembled examination.

No subsequent application card will be accepted from a person who has previously been rated eligible in these examinations. A subsequent application card will be accepted from a person who has previously been rated ineligible in either of these examinations, only after a lapse of 30 days from the date of filing of the previous application card. A person who attains eligibility as a typist, but not as a stenographer, may compete in the examination again after a lapse of 30 days from the date of filing of the previous application card for the purpose of attaining eligibility as a stenographer.

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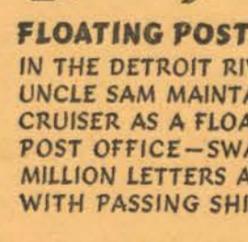
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OUR NEIGHBORS

By SALLY MEREDITH

Hello, Greenbelt: Here's hoping you're back to normal after the last two weeks, and have time again to be interested in the activities of our neighbors.

Two of our neighbors—Mrs. Henry M. Warner, 17-D Ridge Road, and Mrs. T. E. Maki, of Laurel, Maryland—were fortunate enough to get the main ingredients for their Christmas dinners at the cost of 10 cents each. They're the lucky winners of the turkey raffle sponsored by the Nursery School. Their names were drawn on Monday, December 22. Proceeds, which amounted to almost \$35, were used to pay back part of the loan granted the Nursery School by the Town Council. Mrs. Dwaine Walther was in charge of the raffle.

Attention New Greenbelters: May I welcome you to Greenbelt on behalf of our neighbors? We hope you'll like Greenbelt as much as we do. One of the things I know you'll appreciate here is the Nursery School mentioned in the preceding paragraph. If you have pre-school children, why not find out from Mrs. Walther at Greenbelt 3222 the splendid advantages offered? The new terms begins Monday, January 5.

The Community Church Guild will meet at 1:30 P. M. next Wednesday, January 7, at the home of Mrs. Anna Lewis, 39-M Ridge Road. Devotions will be read by Mrs. John Kramer.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bickford, of 39-H Ridge Road, will return this weekend from Nattick, Massachusetts, where they spent the holidays. . . . January 6 will mark the return of Mr. and Mrs. J. Louis Plocek and son, Raymond, of 32-F Crescent Road, who have been in Milwaukee over Christmas and New Year's. . . . Also in Milwaukee since Christmas are Mrs. George Morse and daughter Mary Beth. They'll be back in another week. The Frank Leach family spent Saturday and Sunday in New York City. . . . The Phil Wexlers were at Fort Meade over the weekend. . . . Mrs. Mary Jane Kinzer spent Christmas Day at her home in Virginia.

Our editor, Francis Fosnight, was visited for a few days by his sisters, the Misses Gretchen and Jane Klein, of Delaware, Ohio. They left Wednesday, planning a visit to New York before returning home. . . . Jack Schaeffer's brother, Harry and two sisters, Ray and Lillian, visited him through Christmas, over last weekend.

Six-weeks old Albert Arthur Wendland the Second, son of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Wendland, was baptized Sunday at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Mt. Rainier. Acting as proxies for the Godparents who couldn't attend the ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dahnke. By the way, Mr. Wendland—don't break that boy's electric train before he's old enough to appreciate it!

That's all, 'till next week.

Missionary College Gives Free Lecture

"The Coming World Government," a prophetic Bible lecture by Carlyle B. Haynes, secretary of the Commission on National Service and Medical Cadet Training, and author of 26 books on Bible prophecy translated into 22 languages, will give a lecture, which shows how God in the Bible has foretold the history of this world, explaining the present world conflict and the ultimate outcome, in the Greenbelt Auditorium, Sunday evening, January 4, at 7:30.

Mr. Haynes, in addition to being one of the world's foremost religious writers is one of the best public speakers.

This lecture is being sponsored by the Men's Missionary Society of Takoma Park, Seventh-Day Adventists who have been distributing literature here for several months. The Washington Missionary College music department will render several numbers of special music. Admittance is free.

Drivers Are Needed

(Continued from Page 1) local drivers with passenger room contact him. By taking additional riders, states Mr. Shub, drivers will not only reduce the cost of transportation to themselves, but make a substantial contribution to national defense by sharing a vital commodity. Cars are needed for all hours and all locations.

Balancing the Budget

By BERTHA MARYN

In the past, Greenbelt's Better Buyers, Greenbelt Consumer Services and the Greenbelt Cooperator have stressed the importance of consumer organization and consumer education. In fact, Greenbelt as a whole pioneered in the consumer movement in Prince Georges County long before consumer protection became a national problem.

In the spring of 1940, President Roosevelt, foreseeing the present situation, created a "Consumer Division" whose function was to protect consumers against deleterious effects bound to arise during a period of national defense. This division was created long before we became actual participants in the present conflict, in order to protect the health and welfare of the American people while the nation's resources were diverted towards defense supplies.

If consumer protection was important at the outset of our National Defense Program in the spring of 1940, today, at the outset of our participation in the world conflict, it is imperative.

Those of us who remember the last war may recall that there were wheatless, meatless, lightless days; days when sugar could be bought only with a \$2.50 grocery order, if at all; days when butter and eggs were luxuries; days of conservation and substitution. Those sacrifices were necessary to keep the war machinery going.

Today we are faced with the same problem, the problem of keeping the war machinery going and of keeping those at home prop-

High School Chatter

By JOAN McNAMARA.

Now that I've made my New Year's resolutions—which are to behave in World History class and make at least 80% in my General Math exam—(fat chance)—I'll make an attempt to some sort of a chatter column for this week.

Did you have a nice Christmas? You must have if Daddy, alias Santa Claus was as good to you as he was to me. And who said that men in uniform didn't get leave for the holidays? (It seems that at least eight of the G. H. S. femmes thought so but were entirely wrong, as they found out.)

A lot of the boys, girls, and teachers went away for the holidays—let's hope they don't forget to come back for Monday.

By this time I guess you have made your resolutions for the New Year—I wonder if they'll all be kept faithfully. It isn't so hard forgetting if you keep remembering the first few weeks or days—hey! Does that sound to you like it does to me? Until next week—relax kids!!

erly clothed, fed and housed.

The Consumer Division of Office of Price Administration, and the Consumers Council of the Bureau of Home Economics have been stressing nutrition as the keynote of Home Defense. Proper diets, balanced meals and vitamins are necessary to make the nation strong.

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Love Thy Neighbor

Sharing your household equipment with your neighbors who can't buy it new is a way to help in the war effort. Because war needs come first, your household things must be made to last as long as they can and give double service. Listen to CONSUMER TIME, Saturday, December 27, at 12:15 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, to learn how you can help by sharing.

A regular weekly broadcast of information useful to consumers, CONSUMER TIME is produced by the Consumers' Council Division of the U. S. Department of Agriculture and presented in cooperation with Defense and non-Defense agencies of the United States Government working for the consumer. It's on the air every Saturday at 12:15 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, over the Red Network of the National Broadcasting Company.

Night School Schedule Gets Up Steam Jan. 12

Resumption of Adult Education courses, scheduled for Monday, January 5, has been postponed to Monday, January 12. Those now taking the courses may continue in the new term without registering again. New classes will be started in any course attaining an enrollment of 15 or more students.

A search has been made by Mrs. Mary Jane Kinzer for a pottery instructor for those interested in this study, but to date the search has proved fruitless. If an instructor's services can be obtained, this course will be offered, as the required enrollment has been reached.

Mrs. Kinzer asked that any group wishing instruction in courses not now offered get in touch with her immediately in order that she may get instructors in time for the new term.

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GRAPEFRUIT JUICE	46 oz. 19c	2 for 35c
ORANGE JUICE	46 oz. 27c	2 for 53c
ORANGE AND GRAPEFRUIT BLENDED	46 oz. 25c	2 for 47c
VEGETABLE COCKTAIL	46 oz. 29c	2 for 55c
PINEAPPLE JUICE	46 oz. 31c	2 for 59c

6 WAYS BETTER is good enough for me!

OF COURSE I think I do a pretty good job of washing and ironing at home but any laundry that proves it can do it 6 ways better and still save me money is entitled to a trial! 1—The laundry uses many water changes to minimize bacterial count. 2—Their water is rain-soft; harsh soaps are not necessary to get creamy suds. 3—White and fast-colored clothes are made practically sterile. 4—Tests prove that tensile strength is stronger in laundry-washed clothes; garments last longer. 5—Clothes are washed whiter. 6—The laundry saves me time, safeguards my health for very little cost.

Thrifty Our Sunshine Laundry

*15 lb. Flatwork 90¢
Finished

* 5 lbs. Wearing Apparel damp
10 lbs. Flat Work finished
Shirts finished 11 cents lb. extra

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GREENBELT CONSUMER SERVICES, Inc.



1941 a Banner Year for Co-ops; New Sales Records Reached

Nineteen forty-one was a record year in all respects for consumer cooperatives, the Cooperative League reported this week. Hundreds of stores and service stations throughout the country were streamlined. New stores and headquarters buildings, warehouses and productive units were built. New sales records were established in retailing, wholesaling and production.

The most dramatic steps were in production where the cooperatives purchased a \$750,000 refinery and inventory at Scottsbluff, Nebraska. This supplements the co-op refineries at Phillipsburg, Kansas and Mt. Vernon, Indiana and Regina, Saskatchewan. All of these production units showed phenomenal earnings. One of the refineries saved consumers its entire cost during the course of the year.

Other productive units built or in the process of construction include feed mills at Superior, Wisconsin and Reading, Ohio; fertilizer factories in Ohio and Indiana; additions to the co-op paint and grease factories in Kansas City; compounding plant at Amarillo; a \$1,000,000 addition to the Farmers Union Central Exchange, St. Paul; two new warehouses for Pacific Supply Cooperative at Walla Walla, Washington; and new headquarters for Saskatchewan Co-op Wholesale, Saskatchewan.

Eight co-op oil wells in Kansas are feeding the co-op refinery there. The first co-op oil well in Indiana "came in" late in November.

The process of streamlining grocery stores and gasoline stations got under way in 1940.

The results achieved were so effective that scores of co-op stores and service stations from Massachusetts to California followed suit during 1941. Co-op supermarkets have been built in Maynard, Mass., Waukegan, and North Chicago, Ill., Winfield, Kansas and Berkeley, California. And a national committee on cooperative architecture and design has created uniform color schemes and designs for new co-op stores.

Grocery co-ops, which pioneered with government grade labeling for two years before the major chains followed suit, added a system of 1, 2, 3 grading for those items not covered by government grading. A new economy CO-OP Green Label was introduced to cut costs for lower income families. In co-op stores from coast to coast the red CO-OP label stands for the highest quality, with blue designating second and green label third grade.

\$58,821,000 DISTRIBUTED

Fifteen regional cooperative wholesales affiliated with National Cooperatives distributed \$58,821,000 worth of commodities during 1940. Sales during 1941 indicate a substantial increase over that figure. The Consumers Cooperative Association in North Kansas City, Missouri, for example, increased its volume from \$6,200,000 to \$7,200,000 during the fiscal year. Ohio Farm Bureau Cooperatives boosted sales from \$7,300,000 to nearly \$9,500,000. The Farmers Union Central Exchange, St. Paul, Minn., sales jumped from \$5,250,000 to \$7,000,000. Midland Cooperative Wholesale, Minneapolis, reported its biggest year with sales of well over \$5,000,000 as against \$4,400,000 in 1940. Eastern Cooperative Wholesale, New York, has had sales estimated at \$2,250,000 as against \$1,500,000 in 1940. Central Cooperative Wholesale, Superior, Wisconsin, passed the \$4,000,000. Indiana Farm Bureau Cooperative Ass'n exceeded \$7,000,000, with Pennsylvania Farm Bureau Cooperatives expected to pass the \$3,000,000 mark this year. Consumers Cooperatives Associated, Armillo, Texas, expects sales of \$1,000,000—five times the 1940 volume. The other regional cooperatives affiliated with The Cooperative League of the USA, national education, federation, expected to have similar business increases, though complete reports are not yet in.

Farm Bureau Cooperative Insurance Services in the first 11 months of 1941 reported increases of 40.4 per cent in auto insurance, 65.8 per cent in life insurance, 129 per cent in general liability and 49.3 per cent in fire insurance coverages.

The Cooperative League completed its first quarter century of operation March 18 when Dr. James P. Warbasse, president of The Cooperative League for 25

years, retired from office, being succeeded by Murray D. Lincoln, manager of the Ohio Farm Bureau Cooperative Association. In October the League launched its first Nationwide Co-op Drive "to strengthen and develop existing consumer cooperatives and to awaken America to the advantages of consumer cooperation." As parts of this drive, two motion pictures have been completed and are available for distribution and a campaign has been launched to raise funds for the first nationally sponsored series of radio programs.

"The sad thing about the optimist is his state of mind concerning himself."—Elbert Hubbard's Scrap Book.

Community Church

"The Great American Sin" will be the theme of the Rev. Wilmer P. Johnston's sermon to be preached in the Community building next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock.

The Church School will meet at 9:30 for the opening exercises. Classes are provided for all grades. Two classes for adults have been organized.

The Woman's Bible Class is taught by Mr. Linden S. Dodson. The Men's Class has as its teacher Roy S. Braden, the Town Manager. A contest is being conducted at present by three teams in the Men's Bible Class.

At seven o'clock in the evening three groups of young people meet: The seventh and eighth grade of the Elementary School, The first three classes of High School, and The Senior class of High School and College groups.

Mr. Johnston announced Sunday as a part of his New Year's

Band and Feeder Band

The Greenbelt Community Band, under Instructor Paul Garret, will have a practice meeting tonight in the Elementary School auditorium.

The regular weekly meeting of the Feeder Band under the direction of Kenton Terry will be held in the auditorium at 6:15 p. m.

plan to have a class of 100 new members to unite with the Church this Easter. He and Mrs. Johnston are to unite with the Church and he is very desirous of having 98 others to unite at this time.

Phones have been established in the Church office at 8 B Parkway and in Mr. Johnston's residence at Edmonston Road and French Avenue. The office phone is Greenbelt 3251 and the phone at the residence is Berwyn 340-M

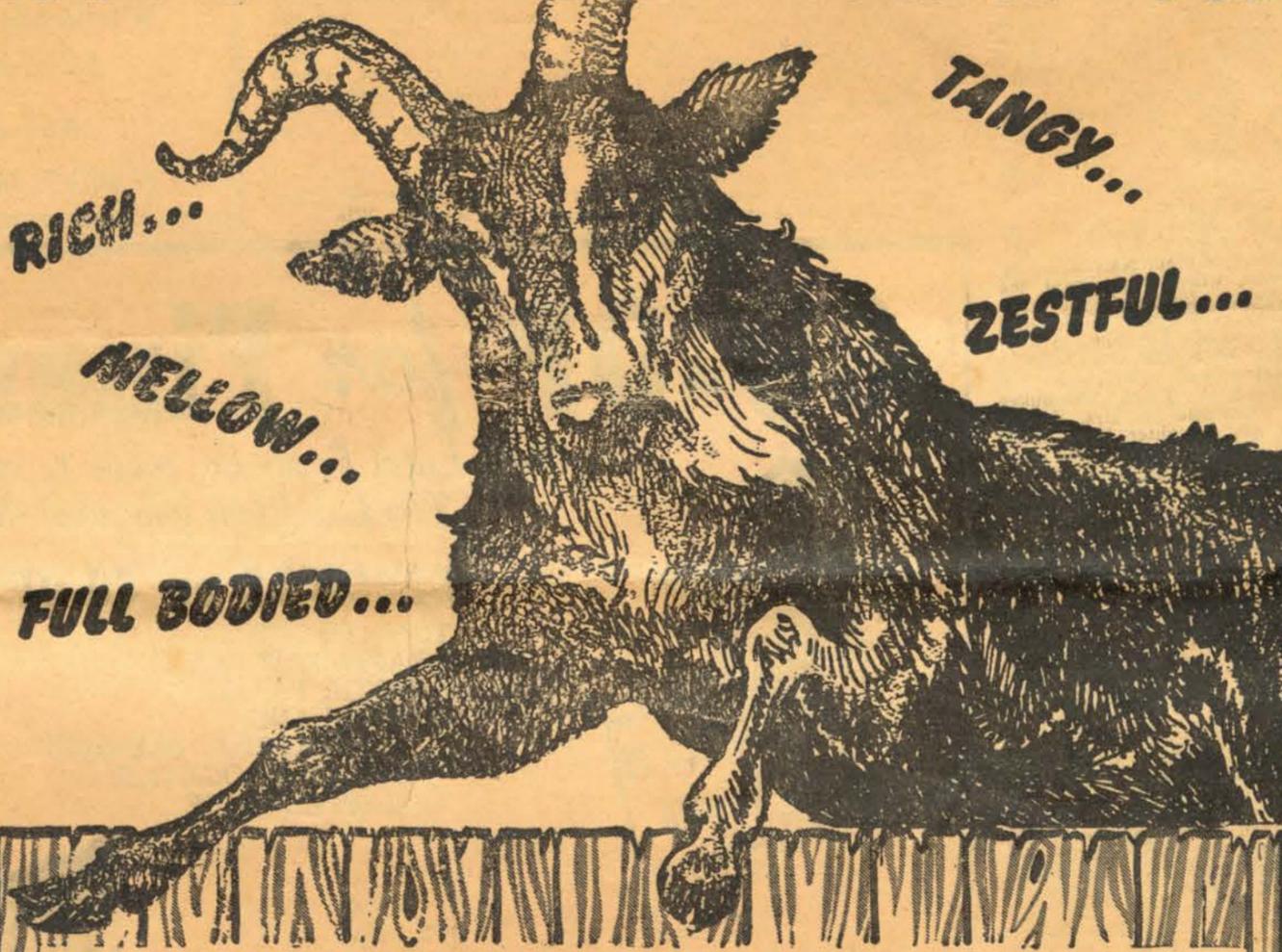
Mr. Johnston invites any one needing his services or desiring to see him to call him on either phone.

Tots Swap Gifts At Nursery Party

The little tots of the Greenbelt Nursery School ended their fall term with a bang-up Christmas Party on December 23. They worked like little beavers all day Monday making bright paper decorations for the tree which fairly bloomed when they had finished.

Tuesday, each arrived full of excitement and clutching a precious five cent gift to be exchanged. Fruit juice, cookies and candies were an unusual treat and the teacher provided a gift for each in the form of a bright red bracelet with two jingle bells attached. The bracelets formed a grand accompaniment for the singing of their Christmas carols.

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- National Sports Parade—WBAL, 6:05—6:15 and 11:05—11:15 evenings. Sunday 6:35—6:45 P. M.
- National Big Money Bee—Station WFBR, 8:30 to 9:00 o'clock every Monday evening.
- Music a la Carte—Station WCBM, 6:30 to 7:00 P M Monday through Saturday.
- National Band Parade—Station WCAO, 1:00 P. M. to 1:00 A. M. every Saturday night.