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Five Cents

Drug Fund Closed; Outstanding Accounts Cause Its Failure

Outstanding accounts totaling approximately \$60—some dating back two years—have bankrupt the Drug Fund, according to Albert Ellerin, pharmacist. Founded for the purpose of dissolving unpaid bills left by residents moving from Greenbelt, the fund gradually enlarged to cover those debts that remained outstanding, explained Mr. Ellerin, even when the debtor remained in town. The fund residue has now been exhausted, causing the practice to be discontinued.

According to Mr. Ellerin, no more drugs can be bought on credit until at least \$25 has been paid on unpaid balances.

Sports' Lid Off; Tennis Courts Opened

It was announced this week that Greenbelt devotees of tennis may count on the use of the town facilities for this sport beginning Friday, April 10th. Paul B. Gold-faden, assistant director of athletics in Greenbelt, informed the Cooperator that for the present, at least, there would be no change in policy for this or any of the other apparatus at the disposal of the community. The service charge for admission to the tennis courts will remain at 20 cents before 3 p. m., and 30 cents after 3 p. m., weekdays, Saturday, Sundays and holidays. An attendant will be at the courts after school hours at which time they will be closed, players are advised to apply for

the key at the school.

At the same time, Mr. Goldfaden appealed to over-enthusiastic youngsters to help speed the
softball program along by refraining to dig up the diamond which
is undergoing a few repairs. It
will be a few weeks at the earliest,
he intimated, before the diamond
will be in shape for use, and that
time will be lengthened unless impromptu games are avoided. Meanwhile softball tryouts have gotten
underway, the first having been
held over the last weekend.

Asked about the swimming pool, Mr. Goldfaden had nothing to report, except that the operation of this popular feature is sure to pose many serious problems due to the swelling number of new residents coming here.

"While it is too early to say anything as yet," the assistant director said, "a change of policy is indicated in order to give the maximum benefit to the greatest number of people. This modification of policy is being considered at the present time."

Greenbelt To Have First Total Blackout

Greenbelt will participate in next Tuesday's blackout, said Chief Air-raid Warden George Panagoulis, by extinguishing all lights in the town. Mr. Panagoulis urged that residents attempt to cover their windows, rather than turn out lights, since normal activity must be carried on, and can best be done so by keeping the interior of the home normal.

So far, said Mr. Panagoulis, Greenbelt's cooperation has been 100 per cent, and he expressed the hope that this attitude will continue. Tuesday's practice airraid will differ from former ones, in that it is planned to be a total blackout, added Mr. Panagoulis.

Three New Employes Join Town Administration

Three new members have been added to the Administration office force, according to Roy Braden, Town Manager, filling vacancies that have been open several months. Leonard Susscholz, cashier; and Mrs. Laura Timmons and Mrs. Ethel Ackerman, stenographers, joined the staff last week.

Remember Pearl Harbor! Remember it every pay day! Buy U. S. Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps.

WATCH OUT Greenbelt

Every military or economic defeat in the history of the world has been preceded and furthered by an era of smug, complacent living. Greenbelt is in the throes of just that kind of an era.

There was a time when almost the whole town buckled down and did something to help make this a real place to live, something that justified the ideas of the founders when a cross-section of our country was chosen and given Greenbelt to occupy and operate.

What has happened? Now, seemingly, no one cares what happens to Greenbelt, giving cause for the political haters of our town to raise a hue and cry that we are a failure; that our Government is wasting its time and money on us.

The last two meetings of the Citizens Association were called off because only a few people came out; our own cooperative had to lower its quorum requirements to enable it to transact a business that amounts to nearly a half million dollars, A BUSINESS THAT BELONGS TO YOU; The emergency drug fund in the Drug Store closed down this week because of a lack of honest people to pay their bills; your newspaper can not get enough personnel to operate correctly and efficiently; The local defense council can not get enough personnel to protect your lives, not theirs, but YOURS, nor enough cooperation to complete or even carry out to a small degree its vital salvage and other programs; last Wednesday night's meeting of the Greenbelt Health Association was called off for lack of quorum.

Just who in the Hell do you people think you are to live here off the fat of the land without so much as raising a finger to help with the vital civic functions so necessary in Greenbelt? Do you think that Greenbelt is just a place to live in body only, while you laugh at those poor suckers in the District forced to live in the benevolence of the Robber Rental Barons? If you do, brothers and sisters, you had better nail your hat down or else you are in for a surprise. Have you been lured into a state of false complacency and security by the sarcastic asides, innuendoes and disparaging remarks made by certain officials in high places as to the value of these citizen functions? Don't let them kid you as they are kidding themselves. Their jobs depend on Greenbelt's success, not only financially but economically and as a community. Are you laboring under the false impression that "George will do it?" The residents who finds cause to complain about anything Greenbelt should remember there is an organization here that, by his active membership, could remedy his cause for complaint, and there is no exception to that statement. Maybe you think you haven't the time? Well, we have never seen it fail, on each night when there was an important civic meeting where no quorum existed to transact important business, invariably a quorum existed in the theater, the nearby taprooms, the bowling alleys and even the Drug Store. Do you think that the success or the failure of Greenbelt is purely a local affair, affecting just us, the residents? For your information, anything our Government does or anything that happens to our Government's possessions is enemy propaganda in one way or another. Greenbelt's failure would give the Axis Rats plenty of fuel to point out that an American government sponsored housing project failed due to complacency and smugness on the part of the residents, tending to prove that democracies are soft and that free people can not or are not fit to think and govern themselves.

A whole lot of you reading this editorial are going to hate us unto the death because of that human failing "you can dish it out but you can't take it." Frankly, we don't give a damn. We have tried in the past to slip you the bad news in a nice, easy, sugary manner. We would still like to do that, but the time has come for that to cease, so we have come down to earth and are giving it to you straight from the shoulder in the way that hurts the most. You have had your chance and have almost fumbled the ball. Now it is up to you to pick it up again and carry on. Loyalty and service to Greenbelt is not only loyalty and service to yourselves, but to your country as a whole, as reflected in the thousands of other towns of our size. Greenbelt is not an island in the middle of nowhere. It is a living, breathing example of what a truly democratic town could be, a symbol to the nation and to the world that a free people can think for themselves, can govern themselves, and can live in peace. Don't make a liar out of Greenbelt.

Defense Council Asks for Help Of Every Person In Greenbelt

By PHIL WEXLER

Arthur N. Gawthrop, chairman of the Salvage Committee, has appealed to all residents of Greenbelt to cooperate with his committee in collecting newspapers and magazines each week.

Block Wardens Meet To Speed-up Defense

Block wardens, under the supervision of Defense Director George Panagoulis, met Monday, April 6, to streamline Greenbelt's air-raid defense.

An automatic raid alarm service from the sub-control station in Branchville was proposed to replace the less dependable volunteer system now in practice. A plan for a net-work of five telephones to help meet air-raid emergencies was also discussed.

At present Greenbelt's wardens are without helmets, whistles, armbands and first-aid equipment. Neither gas masks nor the two additional sirens which are on order have yet arrived. Mr. Panagoulis indicated that before Greenbelt can have efficient, full time protection, these and others needs must be met.

G.C.S. Asks Members To Get Certificates

The management of Greenbelt Consumer Services has announced that share certificates for many of those who have completed payments on shares of stock since the declaration of a patronage refund in February.

To make sure whether their share certificates are ready for them, patrons should consult the bulletin board in the food store. If their names appear on that list, they are urged to go to the Co-op office over the drug store for their

The G. C. S. management wishes to get these certificates into the hands of their owners as quickly as possible, it was stated.

New Office Schedule Announced by G. H. A.

The Greenbelt Health Association has mailed to its members the present schedule of office hours of its physicians. For the benefit of non-members who did not receive this through the mail, the schedule is as follows:

From 10 A. M. to 12 Noon—every day except Sunday.
From 4 P. M. to 6 P. M.,—Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday.

Persons wishing the services of either physician may call either of the following numbers:

During office hours—2121 (Health Association Office)
Between 6 P. M. and 11 P. M.—2201 (Greenbelt Drug Store)
Between 11 P. M. and 10 A. M.
2191 (Dr. Silagy)
4121 (Dr. Eisner)

First Aid Class Announce

An Advanced class in First Aid will begin next Wednesday night at 7:30 p. m., and will be continued each week for five weeks it was announced by Dr. Joseph Silagy Tuesday. Anyone holding a standard first aid certificate is eligible for the advanced class, which will be held in Room 225 of the Elementary School.

Call Doctors at Drugstore

The Health Association has advised members and others desiring to call one of the Association doctors that the Drug Store should be called when the physicians cannot be reached either at their homes or the Association office.

Money talks! United States Defense Savings Bonds and Stamps shout "Victory!" This coming Monday will be collection day—remember the date— April 13—all citizens are asked to tie their bundles together and place them in front of their walks or in their driveways for collection!

A record will be kept of all material collected from each area and the amounts returned to the Defense Corps after converting these materials into dollars and cents will be published in the Cooperator.

An intensive and extensive program of collection and education is being worked out this week.

Mr. Gawthrop states that the salvaging of paper and converting it into funds to be used for local defense needs is a necessary and vital function calling for the cooperation of all men, women and children in Greenbelt. School children will be asked to do their part in collecting household papers and trying them together so that they can be collected when Mr. Gawthrop's crew arrives on the appointed day. All Air-Raid wardens and assistants will be asked to provide information concerning salvage collections to residents when visiting their homes. A spring-cleaning day will be set aside shortly on which residents will be asked to gather all articles lying idle in attics and basements and place them at the disposal of the Salvage Committee. A key man or woman will be appointed for each court who will be responsible for the gathering of all materials, taken from each apartment house and home, in an appointed spot on the driveway.

The Greenbelt Defense Corps comprises many units, the functions of each depending on the volunteer aid of every person in town. In every issue the Cooperator will publish all news concerning the activities of these units. There is a job for every person in town to do. Volunteers are needed and should report to the Defense Corps. Cover-all suits have been ordered for the Air-Raid Wardens, a telescope and blankets will soon be in the hands of the appointed Chiefs, the Finance Committee has announced.

Mrs. Margaret Miller, has been appointed to enlist the aid of men and women to donate their blood to the Red Cros blood bank. To facilitate this necessary war work activity those interested will be driven into town where the blood will be extracted and put away for emergency use. Mrs. Miller will also ask the women of Greenbelt to help roll bandages and to increase the sales of Defense Stamps and Bonds.

Dr. Joseph Silagy announced that advance courses of instruction in first-aid will start immediately in order to provide personnel to staff points at first-aid stations and casualty stations. All those possessing first-aid certificates, obtained in Washington or elsewhere, are requested to register their names with either Dr. Silagy or Mrs. Rogers, secretary of the Defense Corps, so that they will be available in time of emergency.

Greenbelters can obtain copies of Victory Garden pamphlets at the Administration office or at the local fire house. People beginning gardens for the first time will receive necessary instruction at the garden lots.

All questions regarding local defense measures, the functions of the various units, and general information may be sent in to the Cooperator—and all efforts will be made to satisfy all queries.

Admiral H. E. Yarnell Visits Greenbelt

Admiral Harry E. Yarnell who until recently was Commander in Chief of the United States Asiatic Fleet with Headquarters in China was a week end guest of his Aunt Mary Yarnell Taylor and cousins Mrs. James W. McCarl, Mrs. Nellie Taylor Daniels and Mrs. Myrtle Butler.

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A People's Army

One of the titles suggested in the name contest for World War II is that of the "People's War". A People's War should have a people's army.

Warfare is no longer a matter of military contest between two paid armies. This is total war and no segment of the populations of either warring or invaded neutral nations has been spared death and suffering. There are rules of International Law which forbid citizens not in uniform to fight the enemy, but something in human nature urges each person to defend his home and his family against any invader. Guerrilla forces in the occupied countries of Europe, although executed by the thousands, are proving strong resistance to the Nazi conquest. In Russia and China people's armies are proving their military worth as they did in Spain. England has organized a home guard that supplements the regular army with civilian defenders who maintain their regular jobs and normal home life while they train for action in case of invasion.

In America we do not expect to ever be invaded, but we have seen many of our confident calculations upset in the last several years of warfare. The Boy Scout motto "Be Prepared" is the only guarantee of success against surprise. The Civilian Defense preparations we have undertaken are in line with that policy, so that with very little cost we can be ready for even those emergencies we never expect. We have in this country the elements of a great people's army along our coasts: men who because of defense jobs or dependents or physical condition will not be taken into the military forces, and a vast arsenal of assorted weapons. The shotguns and rifles should be made ready, and supplemented by organization, training in guerrilla warfare, and the manufacture of grenades and supplemental material, a people's army could be raised in the United States which could release thousands of soldiers from present guard duty.

In Tillamook, Oregon, a start has already been made in this direction. Here in Greenbelt, with the American Legion and the Gun Club as a nucleus training in home Defense could be given. Federal approval of such a project would be useful, to provide sanction to the effort and unity to the training program. We do not need fancy uniforms, but only training in the use of weapons, instruction in the simple elements of repelling invasion, and Government organization to prevent the growth of some unrecognizable monstrosity which might result from careless development

of the idea.

Read and Protest

In Sunday's edition of a Washington paper for which we have very little respect we find editorially, "Supply and demand should be allowed to operate to stimulate saving of tires, razor blades, oil, gas, etc. by simply letting prices go up as the commodities got scarcer. Instead, we are being ordered and rationed around in an ever more bullying tone by the bureaucrats."

We protest this sort of tripe. It represents either shallow selfish thinking or a deliberate intent to mislead the thousands of readers who pay for the paper.

Any high school economics students admits that prices go up as commodities get scarcer—and he also knows that only the persons with high incomes can then purchase those commodities. Rationing and price controls are designed to spread the limited amounts of curtailed goods to all of us at a reasonable price. This country is still being run for the majority of the people in it—we hope. And the majority don't want prices to go up so they can't buy any of the scarce commodities at all. Give us a chance, Mr. Editor—we don't have the income you have.

The Clean-up Was Good

To the town administration and to the work crews-our compliments, for the speedy and thorough mopping-up operations from the snowstorm. We rather expected to have the fallen trees and stumps removed, but we were pleasantly surprised to see the branches all sawed up and carted away so neatly, and the lawns raked as a final touch.

When the landlord shows his interest in keeping the town looking clean and beautiful we find it easy to cooperate by working up our flower beds, trimming the hedges, and improving our lawns.

Calendar of Events

Friday, April 10			
Band Practice	6:30	p. m.	Auditorium
Feeder Band Practice	6:30		Hobby Room
Stringed Orchestra	7:00		Room 123
Fire Auxiliary	7:30		Fire House
First Aid Class	8:00		Room 225
Community Church Choir	8:00		2-C Gardenway
Hebrew Congregation	9:00		Music Room
Saturday, April 11	0.00	200	Eine House
Fire Auxiliary Confessions		p. m.	Fire House 27-A Ridge
Athletic Club Raffle	7:30 9:00		Club House
Red Cross Dance	10:00		Auditorium
Sunday, April 12	10.00		72244100214111
Catholic Sunday School	8:30	a. m.	Theater
Catholic Mass	9:00	-	Theater
Community Church Sunday			
School	9:30		Elementary School
Community Church Service	11:00		Auditorium
L. D. S. Sunday School	11:00		Home Ec. Room
Police Auxiliary	2:00	p. m.	Pistol Range
Fire Auxiliary	2:00		Fire House
L. D. S. Priesthood	6:30		Home Ec. Room
L. D. S. Service Community Church Young	7:00		Home Ec. Room
People's Group	7:00		Elementary School
Community Church High Schoo			Elementary School
Group	8:00		18-C Parkway
Monday, April 13	0.00		20 0 2 424 1143
Girl Scout Troop 26	7:00	p. m.	Room 223
Sewing Class	7:30		Home Ec. Room
Typing and Shorthand	7:30		High School
Home Mechanics	7:30		High School
First Aid	8:00		Room 225
Council	8:00	Control I	Council Room
Tuesday, April 14	7.00		0 II D: 3
First Aid Class	7:30	p. m.	3-H Ridge
Pottery Class	7:30		21 Parkway basement
Catholic Choir	8:15		Music Room
Nursery School Parents Board	8:15		14 Parkway
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L. D. S. Ladies Relief Society	8:30		Home Ec. Room
Hebrew Ladies Auxiliary	8:30		1-H Southway
Wednesday, April 15			THE PARTY NAMED IN COLUMN TWO
Brownies	3:30	p. m.	Music Room
Pottery Class	7:30		21 Parkway
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Girl Scout Troop 15	7:30		2-G Eastway
Girl Scout Troop 18	7:30		Room 223
Fire Auxiliary	8:00		Fire House
Midweek Meeting Camera Club	8:00		Music Room Room 222
Thursday, April 16	8:00		R00m 222
L. D. S. Primary Group	4:00	p. m.	Music Room
Boy Scout Troop 202	7:00	Tes and	Hobby Room
Boy Scout Troop 202 Girl Scout Troop 17	7:30		Room 123
Pottery Class	7:30		21 Parkway
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American Legion	8:00		Legion House
Legion Auxiliary	8:00		Legion House
"Women's Club	2:00		35-G Ridge
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*Women's Club

The Women's Club of Greenbelt was organized in the fall of 1939, with seven members attending the first meeting. Mrs. Harry Hardim, past president of the Maryland Federation, helped greatly in the organization of the club and in formulating its by-laws. She recommended that there be no more than 26 members at first.

In January, 1940, the Greenbelt club became affiliated with the county, state and national federations, and the following year raised the membership limit to 35 members, at which level it now stands. All officers serve two-year terms, and Mrs. Mary Lloyd Willis was the first president, followed by Mrs. Leon G. Benefiel. A delegate was sent from Greenbelt to the general convention in Atlantic City last year.

The club has three major departments, Fine Arts, American Home and Welfare, with Mrs. W. O. Murdock, Mrs. J. P. Loftus and Mrs. L. S. Doddon chairmen respectively. In 1941, a new department was added with Mrs. Joseph Rogers chairman of National Defense. In addition a Penny Art Fund is sponsored for the protection and preservation of art in Maryland.

Sponsoring the Defense Rally which raised \$1,000 for first aid and emergency equipment has betn an outstanding part of this year's work. In line with this effort, the club is also sponsoring the Red Cross War Fund Dance to be held April 11. Emphasis has been placed also on the "Good Neighbor Tour" with its study of Latin-American countries, their customs and background, which included a luncheon of all South American dishes and a tour of the Pan-American Building, conducted by Mr. Paul Murphy. Several tours of the government experimental station in Beltsville have been carried out also.

Among this year's speakers have been Mrs. Georgette Ross Howard, current events speaker; Mrs. Bertha Chaney of "Pen Women"; Mrs. Blair Buck of th General Federation; Mrs. Walter Kriel, president of Maryland Federation; Mrs. William Starr, president of the County Federation; Dr. John Byers, County Health Officer; Mrs. Arthur Watkins, president of the District Federation; and on April 16, the club will hear Miss Florence Mason, home furnishing specialist.

The object of the organization is to unite the women of Greenbelt for purposes of mutual benefit and for the promotion of their common interest in education, and civic, social and moral measures for indi-

vidual and community efficiency.

Victory Gardens

Victory gardens for Greenbelt should be considered with something besides enthusiasm if they are to be a help and not a hindrance. In the past too many gardens were eagerly started in April and eagerly abandoned to the weeds and insects in June. We don't have the seed, the fertilizer, the tools, the soil, or the labor this year for beginners out for a lark. On the other hand those with experience should all plant as complete gardens as possible.

A word of caution, however, is probably in order even for those who have planted in previous years. With increased working schedules throughout the Government agencies there will be less time for work in that larger garden you are planning. And you will do better with carrots, squash and the other old reliables than fancy specialties. Remember what happened to that celery and new variety of asparagus you tried last season!

For newcomers—there are insects and weeds in the outskirts of Greenbelt, and the soil is definitely not the best, and the summers are hot and dry. Now that you are thoroughly discouraged, go ahead with the seeds and the fertilizers and the work-and good luck!

Community Church

The Reverend Wilmer P. Johnston, pastor of the Community Church has arranged a Youth program for the Eleven O'clock Service Sunday Morning. The Following will participate in

this service; Presiding Officer.....Elmer Reno, Jr.

The Children SermonNorma Prayer Werner Steinle Scripture Mary Jean McCarl First Talk E. Hiram Manna

Second Talk Carolyn Reid. Solo Janet Neff Seats will be reserved for the High School Faculty and a special invitation has been sent them to be present. Officials of the town are cordially invited. High School

Choir will also sing at this time.

The Spiritural and Social Welfare Committee will meet Sunday at 8:00 p. m. at the Church Office,

Boys will usher. The regular

8-B Parkway.

At 8:00 p. m. Wednesday in the music room of The Community Building the midweek regular meeting will have on this occasion as their special guests the New Comers who live at "4" and "5" Gardenway. Each Protestant Family living in this area will receive a written invitation to attend this affair and in addition will also receive a personal visit from the Pastor or one of his representatives to add to this invitation. The Finance Committee and their wives will be the special host for this time and will provide the program of entertainment after 35 minutes of devotional service conducted by the pastor. All the members and friends of the church are cordially invited to these meetings. The Choir will meet this Friday

April 10, at the home of Mrs. R. E. Brater, 2-C Gardenway.

Hebrew Congregation

Hebrew Congregation services will be held tonight at 9 p. m. in the music room of the Elementary School.

Last Wednesday and Thursday nights were observed as the be-ginning of the "Passover Holidays."

Anyone desiring information about the Sunday School or the Congregation may contact President Bernard Trattler, 3362.

Civil Service News

The Civil Service Commission is seeking Junior Chemists and Senior Bookkeeping Machine Operators for the Federal Service.

For Senior Bookkeeping Machine Operator positions, a written test to determine abilty to perform various kinds of clerical work will be given. The salary is \$1,620 a year. At least 1 year of paid experience is required in the operation of a typewriter-general accounting machine. Applicants must be over 18 years of age. Applications must be filed with the Civil Service Commission not later than May 19, 1942.

For the position of Junior Chemist, paying \$2,000 a year, women cspecially are urged to apply. Completion of a 4-year college course, with 30 semester hours in Chemistry, is required. Senior students may apply and are eligible for provisional appointment prior to their graduation if they will complete the prescribed course within 4 months of the date of applying. There is no written test.

The civil Service Commission has just announced an examination for Policeman, to be held at Washington, D. C., only. Appointments will be made to Class positions in the Metropolitan Police Department and in the National Park Service. Salary for Class 1 is \$1,900 a year. Advancements in position and salary are usually made at the end of a year.

Applicants must be residents of Washington, D. C., Metropolitan District, which includes the District of Columbia and the territory adjacent thereto within a radius of 12 miles from the Capitol building. For positions as park policeman, residents of the city of Alexandria and of Arlington and Fairfax Counties in Virginia may apply for the examination, but those residing beyond the 12-mile zone may be appointed only for duty in Vir-

Applicants must pass a written test and meet rigid physical requirements. The age limits are 21 to 35 years. Applications must be filed with the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., not later than April 14,

OUR **NEIGHBORS**

By SALLY MEREDITH

Hello, Greenbelt!

How's your I. Q? Pretty good? Are you game to take a chance on having it tested at the Red Cross dance tomorrow night? At intermission there's going to be a 'quiz show," and it seems I've been nominated to conduct it. That's a good idea, because I'd hate to be on the other side! Dancing—regardless of the screwy headline last week-does definitely begin at ten, and is scheduled to end at two a. m. or thereabouts, at the auditorium. It should be worth 50 cents—the price of admision-just to see how our neighbors fare as quiz answerers.

Angus MacGregor, head gardener here, is in Sibley Hospital with a sore foot. What kind of seed should we plant to raise flowers that would brighten your room, Angus?-Miss Lulu George, who has been sick several weeks, is back now, chipper as ever. (I don't know who's the most relieved, Miss George, or her boss Mrs. Kinzer.)—Arthur Rysticken, who has been "batching" it since he came back from Racine Wisconsin, says the "Missus" and daughter,
Margaret Noralyn, will be back
next week-end, probably. That had
better be some beautiful baby
girl, to come up to advance notices.-I could make some lovely cracks about the choice of a birthday made by Ernest Hight-April Fools Day! He became one year older April 1, and was properly feted with birthday cake et al .-Miss Mary Pernace, of Rochester, N. Y., spent Easter week with her sister, Mrs. Joseph Vella of 2-C Parkway Road. She expressed deep regret at leaving Greenbelt, and promised to return for a visit in the near future. Evidently, only a few days are required for Greenbelt to work its charm. Come again, Mary-anytime you

I've just been informed by Orville "Wendy" Wendland that he's moving to Chicago around April 18. Wendy's worked harder than any one around this paper, and if you notice a decided let-down when he leaves, you'll know why.
—Sol Shub, another ex-member
of our staff, was seen in town
over Easter.

President Roosevelt has declared this month "Cancer Control Month." Mrs. Linden Dodsen, who passed this information on to me, also said that Governor O'Conor has made the formal declaration for the state of Maryland. April 14 and 15 the local theatre will show, along with its regular program, a short feature entitled "Choose to Live", which is concerned with cancer and its control. Since fatality statistics show that one out of every seven deaths in the United States are caused by cancer, we should all plan to attend the movie and make a contribution to the fund which is doing so much to educate every-one in controlling this terrible disease.

That's all until next week.

VALUABLE FACTS FOR CONSUMERS PUBLISHED

Every householder should secure a copy of the Jan. 15 issue of "Consumers' Guide," the excellent publication of the Consumers Counsel, U. S. Dep't of Agriculture. Pointing out the need for extraordinary home economy during the war crisis, this issue is filled with "tips on stretching the life and usefulness of your house-

"Longer Life to Your House,"
"Save on Heat," "Cut Kitchen Wastes," "Stop that Leak" are titles of some of the articles, prepared by experts of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture.

"Share to Save," an article on how householders can cooperate to save, is reprinted in full elso-



High School Chatter

By LOUISE BURKE

It seems I have been shanghaied, waylaid, enveigled, or something, into writing this column. I know that I'm going to enjoy writing it, and hope you will too. There is one thing that annoys me though; that is the fact that my predecessor has set a standard that is going to be difficult for me to retain for the "Cooperator"

Before I go any farther I sup-pose it would be best for me to state some sort of policy, or whatever it is an incoming columnist must make to his readers (?). My chief aim is to give you the high school news (or gossip) just as I see it and don't forget that it's all in fun. In other words, don't take things too ser-

Now that all such things are settled let's get down to actual news.—Everybody is back in the old grind again after a short, but much appreciated Easter vacation. I say short, because the District schools are off until next Monday. Anyway, it is all for the best. since school will, from all reports, close the first week in June. Those of the teachers who were out-oftown for the holiday were: Miss Councell, who went to her home. Centerville, Md.; Miss Nudo, to Ocean City, N. J.; Mrs. Kabat, to Minnesota; Miss Younger, to North Carolina; Mr. Cooper, Pennsylvania; and Mr. and Mrs. Brengle, Rehoboth, Delaware.

Speaking of being out-of-town six of Greenbelt's Star Carrier boys spent two days in New York this week. The itinerary included West Point, Bear Mountain, and all of the sights in New York. Those who were included on the trip were Carl Pierson, Donald Freeman, Donald Wolfe, Donald and Robert Nicodemus and Bob

Among all these new people moving into the new homes there aren't many of high school age. One girl who is around quite often these days is Carolyn Reed. She comes from the District, where she still goes to Anacostia High and is seen with "Zip" Nanna quite frequently in Greenbelt.

Another girl who just moved in is Jean Bellas. There hasn't been much time for her to become acquainted, but as other people have found, it doesn't take long before you know all the crowd at least well enough to greet them with a

These are only a few of the many who have moved in already but I haven't run into them all

as yet. With all these newcomers, we are losing people, also. Two of the senior girls' families are being transferred to Chicago with gov-ernmental agencies. They are Shirley Cushing and Arlene Livermore. Shirley expects to leave in about a week and a half, but Arlene will not go until after school closes.

where in this paper.

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CLEANING YOUR POTS AND PANS

How long your kitchen utensils last depends a good deal on how you clean them.

Strongly alkaline soaps and cleansing powders shouldn't be used on aluminum, as they slow-ly eat it away by chemical action. Stains may be removed with a fine abrasive or steel wool. If scouring fails, boiling some strongly acid food like tomatoes or rhubarb or even just vinegar and water in the pan will often do the trick.

A mildly alkaline cleaning powder is all right to use on enamel ware, or a fine feldspar abrasive, but never a coarse abrasive. A weak solution of soda and water boiled in an enamel pan will often remove burnt-on foods that don't yield to milder treatment.

Burnt-on food on tinware should be attacked with care and a fine scouring powder. Too much scouring will rub away the thin coating of tin, exposing the cast iron base of the pan to rust. For the same reason, tinware should be carefully dried after washing. Cast iron skillets and kettles

can be scoured with steel wool to remove heavy grease without damage. To keep them from rust-

Information in this column comes from government sources and is reliable. We suggest that housewives keep a scrapbook of these articles arranged according to subject.

ing, cast iron pans should be thorougly dried after washing, and rubbed with mineral oil if they're to be stored any length of time.

Glass and earthenware can be scoured with a fine abrasive without damage, or washed in a strong alkaline soap to remove grease.

A course abrasive can be used safely on zinc galvanized pails and buckets, as they will stand harsher treatment.

ENAMELWARE BAKES FASTER

Recent tests by the Bureau of Home Economics shows that enamelware is speedier than aluminum, glass or pottery for short baking jobs, such as pie crust. They found that a pie shell that baked to perfection in an enamelware pie pan in 7 or 8 minutes, took 10 or 11 minutes of baking in aluminum, glass, or pottery. The difference in baking time may be even greater for longer baking jobs like loaf cake or bread.

COTTON UNDERWEAR BEST

Which wears best, cotton or rayon, for children's knitted underwear? Bureau of Home Economics tests show that

longer wearing.

Little boys' union suits of cotton, tested, stood the hard wear they give them better than rayon ones. Girls' vests got less strain, but those made of rayon lengthened in the wash and eventually needed more mending than cotton vests. The cottons showed up better in the laundering tests, too.

On the average, it takes almost four cotton union suits or 6 rayon suits a year to keep a little boy in underwear, while a little girl can get along with 2 cotton or 3 rayon knitted vests a year.

CARE OF WASHING MACHINE Since the washing machine in-

dustry has gone over to war production, you'll have to give your machine extra care to get the most in service from it. Here are some

1. Too large a washing load overtaxes the motor; too long a washing period wastes energy. Follow the manufacturer's directions for the size of load and the most efficient washing period.

2. Keep the washer clean. rinse carefully after each use. Dry the tub if it's metal. Keep a little clean water in a wooden tub between usings.

3. Always release the pressure on the rolls of the wringer when you've finished using it. Wipe the rolls with a damp cloth after each use. If they're stained, wash them off with kerosene, then with soapy water immediately; rinse and dry. To avoid damage to the rolls, be sure you don't stall or strain the rolls by putting too much clothing through them at one time fold

the wringer rolls. 4. Follow the manufacturer's directions for oiling the motor, gears or any other parts. Be

buttons and buckles to the inside

of clothes before they go through

careful not to use too much oil. 5. Don't start the motor with washer or wringer in gear.

CARE FOR YOUR CAR!

When your present automobile is worn out you may not be able to get another. But every car built in the last decade can be kept in satisfactory operation for at least 10 years, states David J. Wilkie, Detroit automotive authority, if properly cared for. Here are some of his suggestions:

Keep your motor oil at the proper level. Too much oil in the crankcase means fouled plugs; too little means burned out crankshaft bearings.

Have the motor flushed out every time you change oil. Wilkie recommends changing oil every 1,000 miles.)

Keep the engine clean so that ignition wires do not lie in grease and oil.

Have your carburetor adjustment inspected occasionally. Check your spark plugs and distributor points at least every 10,000 miles. Spark plug points should be clean and properly spaced.

Don't drive any faster than nec-

Don't race the motor when cold: to do so is equivalent to running without oil. Warm it up slowly in sub-freezing weather and hold your clutch out at the same time to lessen the load on the pistons and crankshaft.

Community Church Gains 73 Members

(For the benefit of new and old residents interested in the background of Greenbelt's Community Church the following information has been prepared by members of the church.)

The Rev. Wilmer P. Johnston came to Greenbelt as pastor of the Community Church, November 15, 1941. On Easter Sunday, April 3, he received into the church membership 73 new members. This came as a result of definite and intelligent planning persistently and industriously carried out.

This planning has been a definite program followed in respect to the new families who have come into Greenbelt since the first of the year. Upon arrival each Protestand family has received a personal letter welcoming them to Greenbelt. Shortly after the letter followed a personal call from Mr. Johnston.

The second step in this program has been to plan a special reception at which small groups were present at a mid-week meeting. Atthis meeting a short devotional service was held and a social period followed during which an opportunity was given for those attending to become acquainted. In addition to the letter of welcome and a call from Mr. Johnston a special invitation has been mailed to each family living in the area which has been especially invited to the meeting.

The third part of this program has been to set up an organization of those living in a certain section, such as 12 Ridge Road or 10 Southway, in order to promote sociability and intercourse, Most of these organizations are meeting twice a month. The women take their sewing or the knitting and enjoy an evening chatting over the work that they are doing. Occasionally they have an invited speaker to discuss some of the questions that they are interested

This means a great deal of calling. It means that either Mr. Johnston in person or make three calls on each family. One call to welcome the family into the community. One call to invite them to the special reception at the Midweek meeting, and one call to invite them to the meeting of the special group for organization. When they are organized they then become a committee to help organize other sections.

Florence Mason To Speak Before Women's Club

Miss Florence Mason, District Agent and Home Furnishing Specialist will be the guest speaker at the regular meeting to be held April 16th at the home of Mrs. Miles A. Bonnar, 35 G Ridge Road. Her topic will be "Making the Home Comfortable and Attractive". Mrs. L. M. Bigenoss of Landover, Maryland, who is garden chairman of Prince Georges County Women's Club, will also speak on "Gardens". Assisting hostess will be Mrs. Elmer Nagle.

Hi, Neighbor!

Once again we welcome our new neighbors to our one-time small town. At the rate the newcomers are arriving, Greenbelt will soon be a thriving "Big Town"

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Curtis H. Barbe, 24-B Ridge, Walter L. Buckley, 4-N Gandenway, L. W. Henry, 4-G Gardenway.

William D. Lectka, 24-D Ridge, Joseph C. O'Neill, 24-P Ridge, Lyle E. Johnson, 24-C Ridge, Charles Mandell, 7-D Southway, Arthur V. Farrall, 24-Q Ridge, Nevella Rothgeb, 32-J Ridge, William J. Phelps, 24-A Ridge, John H. Cooper, 4-P Gardenway, Robert I. Lengel, 34-E Ridge, Robert O. Haus, 4-H Gar-Ridge, Robert O. Haus, 4-H Gardenway, John DeBruin, 24-K Ridge, Richard D. Cortright, 36-C Ridge, Leon Weil, 5-B Gardenway, George B. Marshall, 5-E Gardenway, Frank A. Thompson, 34-J

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Gardenway. Walter J. Nichols, 24-H Ridge, David D. Willahan, 5-H Garden-David D. Willahan, 5-H Gardenway, Rafael S. Arroyo, 36-B Ridge, Robert O. Curran, 36-K Ridge, Harold J. Weiskott, 10-L Southway, John C. Stewart, 24-N Ridge, Percy L. Beach, 4-C Gardenway, Lyle E. Gross, 42-J Ridge, Howard L. Beard, 34-C Ridge, Frithjof J. Karlsen, 34-L Ridge, Harold Mc-Williams, 34-F Ridge, Julian D. Louvet, 4-Q Gardenway, Merle F. Louvet, 4-Q Gardenway, Merle F. Frady, 32-E Ridge, John M. Ral-ston, 36-F Ridge, Warren A. Sauer, 36-A Ridge, Leland D. Palmerton, 5-G Gardenway. Hugo R. Santora, 32-C Ridge,

Joseph Dalis, 32-D Ridge, Charles E. Guzzetti, 36-P Ridge, Francis L. Westbrook, 34-M Ridge, Robert S. Emery, 44-B Ridge, Lamar A. Smith, 32-H Ridge, Arne M. Hastad, 5-J Gardenway. Hi, Neighbor!

We are sorry to say Good-bye to our old friends who are leaving Greenbelt. They are:

Paul Zimmerman, 10-D Hillside, Edward J. Babineau, 16-D Hillside, Edward J. Babineau, 16-D Ridge, James L. Pinckney, 1-B Crescent, Milton J. Hubbard, 10-M South-way, Mitchel Weissbluth, 18-G Ridge, Edward L. Wenzel, 10-L Southway. Good Luck!

Ad Men Seek In Vain For Answer to Critics

The host of advertising men who met in "war council" ways and means of meeting current attacks on advertising, at Hot Springs, Va., departed with trouble in drawing up the fol-lowing outline of charges leveled against advertising:

1. Advertizing, in certain circumstances, breeds monopoly. 2. Advertizing is simply an added cost to the consumer.

3. Advertizing is used to raise the price for actual or supposed extra values. 4. Trade-marks and brand

names are misleading, cost the consumer money, and are false guides to real value. 5. Advertizing is needless where

the demand for a product exceeds the supply. 6. Because of his large expendi-

ture for advertising, the national advertiser gains a strangle hold on the press and other means of disseminating information.

7. Advertising does not give the consumer the information he wants. It should be purely factual, for then the consumer would always buy merchandise of the best quality he could afford instead of buying merchandise sold him on emotional appeal.

8. Standardization and mandatory grade labeling of all products are the only true guides for the consumer.

9. Advertising copy is nonsensical, frivolous, and unbelievable. But the convention, in the words of Printer's Ink, "did not come up with any definite plan to

meet the challenge it had so diligently studied.

"This failure gave the convention an ending of anti-climax. There is no question but that the majority of the more than 700 manufacturer, agency and media men expected a definite program to be presented, and the efficient method by which the audience was led up to a climax that never happened made the disappoint-ment the keener."

Consumer's Union Finds Prices Rising Quality Falling

Vitamins for Victory

You do need vitamins for victory, says CU's medical advisor. But you should look for them in foods, not in expensive capsule form. The pill manufacturers who glorify their product in the name of national defense are actually misleading the people, causing them to waste money on unnecessary pills, and guiding them away from the foods which can give them all the vitamins and minerals they need.

When the Nutri-Vac Company,

When the Nutri-Vac Company, for instance, tells you that Nutri-Vac will give you as much vitamin B1 as 15 servings of oatmeal, it forgets to mention that oatmeal also contains other vitamins, minerals and food elements which Nutri-Vac does not contain, in balanced form. It also does not mention that big doses of vitamin B1 may be harmful, and that you get the best effects from the normal amounts in whole grain or fortified cereals and natural

Everyone needs to know more about food. You can get guidance from the U. S. Department of Agriculture, from your own city health department, from Bread & Butter's food column giving daily needs for a balanced diet.

Shirts

Most men's shorts cost more this year, CU found in testing 35 brands. Of the 14 brands retested from last year, 9 had raised their price and 2 of these had lowered quality as well. Most of the 35 models tested had been skimped in at least one measurement.

With prices high and quality moving downwards, it's a good idea to buy carefully. And since it's impossible for the individual buyer to make all the necessary measurements and judge the quality of the material, that means it's a good idea to be guided by Consumers Union ratings.

In its tests of 35 brands, CU rated the shirts on design, construction, shrinkage and quality of the material. It found a number of shirts that will give good service. Among the Best Buys were: AMC, \$2; Penney Towncraft, \$1.65; Ward's Ashley, \$1.49 plus postage; Sears' Fashion Tower, 98c plus postage. Also offering good value were Jayson Whitehall at \$1.95 and Neweave at \$1.69.

Shirts-Labor

Average wages in the organized shirt factories are \$22 or over, CU's labor reporter found, while the only non-union plant which would report its average wage stated it to be \$18.50. In addition to the higher wages, union organization has won for the workers paid vacations, protection against arbitrary discharge, and negotiation between management and union in the setting of piece rates for new operations.

The following shirts tested by CU are made under contract with the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, CIO; Arrow, CD, Fruit of the Loom, Jayson Whitehall, Manhattan, Neweave, Tru Val. Van Heusen and Collarite shirts are made under contract with the United Garment Workers of America, AFL.

AMC, Ward's, Sears' and Penney are distributors' brands. The shirts are bought from a variety of sources, some of which may be union, some non-union.

Mineral Oil

Don't take mineral oil regularly as a laxative unless your doctor says you need it, advises the current issue of CU Reports. Even then, to avoid injury you should take it before retiring, on an empty stomach and in doses of not over one or two tablespoonsful. If used in this way, mineral oil can be a useful laxative.

There's no need to pay fancy prices for "Extra Heavy" or so-called "Russian" oils. These descriptions often are not true and even when they are true they mean little to the user. CU tested 57 brands for purity, weight, taste and odor. Best Buy and best quality of the heavy mineral oils was Macy's, at 27c per pint. Other good buys were CD (Cooperative Distributors, NYC) at 29c, and Ameroil at 33c. These were higher quality than a number of brands which cost 60c-70c per pint.

Special Poppy Developed

Danish chemists have developed a special poppy which has acclimated, it is reported in Industrial and Engineering Chemistry, The construction of an opium factory may follow.

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