



Fugitt To Explain Study of Reading

"The Child and His World" is the program theme adopted by the local Parent-Teacher Association for this year. Component parts will be featured at the regular meetings, the first one, "The Child at School", scheduled for this Monday night, September 25 at 8 o'clock in the auditorium of the Elementary School.

For the very many parents who wish to cooperate and endeavor to understand what the school and teacher are trying to accomplish, how reading, writing, arithmetic and spelling evolve from the social studies, that methods of teaching are constantly changing and that one of the most revolutionary changes within recent years has come in the field of reading, Elizabeth Fugitt, principal, will present the School curriculum and explain the reading readiness program. The teaching staff will be introduced, Mrs. Warren A. Garrett will lead community singing and refreshments will be served.

This program was presented to the Executive Board of the local unit last Monday night by Mrs. Lewis Ditman, chairman of the program committee. Under the direction of Mrs. Russell Brown, the popular health project of the National Congress, the Summer Round-Up of the children, designed to protect and improve the health of children by its program for immunization against diphtheria, small pox and whooping cough, is being carried out successfully and will be completed in the very near future.

Victory Carnival Nets \$850 for Party

The Victory Day Committee met in the main Administration Office Monday evening to hear the financial report on the recent Victory Carnival and to discuss further methods of raising funds. David Steinle, treasurer, reported that all bills had not yet been received but he estimated that about \$850 would be cleared.

Mayor Allen D. Morrison is Victory Day chairman, Paul Dunbar, secretary, and Mr. Steinle, treasurer. The other members of the twelve-man committee are Town Manager James Gobel, George Bauer, Fred DeJaeger, Leon Benefield, Ed Kaighn, Jennings Craig, Dr. James McCarl, Bart Finn and Frank Lastner, now in the service.

The committee was set up so that six of its members would represent the town and six the American Legion.

Polio Seems To Be Easing Off

The fourteen-month-old Burke infant, reported as Greenbelt's 6th polio victim, did not have the disease, Children's Hospital officials have told the Public Health Department.

The two latest cases, 9-year-old Lois Hoffman of 33-A Ridge Road and Mrs. Manning of 14-Z-3 Hillside Road, are reported to be "mild".

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Delivery Service

We have had an increasing number of complaints from residents not receiving their Cooperators, and we are taking steps this week to correct the poor service.

Every resident of Greenbelt should receive free of charge a copy of the Greenbelt Cooperator at his door each Friday evening. If you do not receive your paper phone Circulation Manager Waldo Mott, 6976 and give your address. The carrier will be instructed then to take a paper to your door.

Beltsville Center Asks Civilian Aid

Representatives from 15 different organizations in Berwyn, Beltsville, Greenbelt and Laurel, attended a meeting at St. James Parish Hall in Beltsville on Thursday evening, Sept. 14th, at the request of Mrs. Alfred R. Lee, vice-chairman of Prince Georges County Camp and Hospital Council of American Red Cross. The purpose of the meeting was to interest the groups in civilian participation in the work of the Red Cross at the Beltsville Reconditioning Center, a branch of Walter Reed Hospital, where army ambulatory patients are brought preparatory to being returned to active duty.

Lt. Albert McGuire from the Army Physical Reconditioning School of Special Morale Services, Washington-Lee University, told how the work of the reconditioning staff, added to the service of the medical and surgical staff, has reduced the average term of hospitalization approximately one-third by providing exercise, education and morale building activities. Red Cross recreational programs aid greatly in this work, and Lt. McGuire added that civilians can be of real help in overcoming many difficulties met by their staff and the Red Cross.

Mrs. Hewlyn Bishop, Red Cross Recreational Director for Beltsville Reconditioning Center told of her work and the needs of the Center, and suggested forms of entertainment and refreshments which can be provided by civilian organizations. Miss Elizabeth Lowry, American Red Cross Field Director for Walter Reed Hospital and Miss Carolyn Slater, A.F.D. at Convalescent Hospital, Forest Glen spoke briefly and interestingly to the group.

Shooting Case Tried Thursday

The Sharon Phelps shooting case came up for trial yesterday in the Hyattsville Court. The decision could not be ascertained as the paper went to press.

According to local police opinion last Wednesday, the two youthful defendants were expected to be fined \$25 each for illegal discharge of firearms. The verdict of assault with a dangerous weapon was not expected to be proven, as the bullet which was imbedded in the little girl's spine has not yet been removed and hence is not available for evidence.

Need Housewives, Typists

The Cooperator is all too conscious of past blunders and omissions in its news coverage. With your help we can raise our standard of performance. Take a look at our masthead, and find out which staff member is your nearest neighbor. When you hear an interesting story or a piece of neighborhood news, let that person know. Better yet, call Mrs. Chas-anow, our news editor, at Gr. 4202 and volunteer to cover a regular beat.

We may be prejudiced, but we have a weakness for housewives as reporters. Good old housewives! They're on the scene twenty-four hours daily and nightly. Trust them to know if anything is going on, and trust them to know the right source to apply to for the details. We don't propose to run a gossip or a scandal sheet, but we have a feeling there are many newsworthy items that escape our notice. Within the limits of four pages and the demands of our advertisers we would like to really "cover the town".

We need typists, too. We have three first class machines down here, and it's really pitiful the way they're pounded and pecked upon by us amateurs trying to get our stuff in shape for the printer. See you this Tuesday around 9 p. m. in the basement of 8 Parkway.

Adults Will Study About Everything

Ten classes will be offered in this year's adult education program when registration opens the first week in October, and others may be added if there is sufficient demand. Mary Jane Kinzer, director of the program, announced that funds are available for any class with an enrollment of at least 15. The following schedule was presented last Wednesday evening for the general discussion and organization of the classes.

Sewing—Monday, 8 p. m., Home Ec. Room, Instructor, Mrs. Carl Hintz; Instruction to suit individual needs. Spanish—Friday, 8 p. m., Room 201, Instructor, Dr. Carl Scharff; Consumer Education—Tuesday 8 p. m., Room 222. Photography—Monday, 8 p. m., Room 224, Instructor Wilfred Meade. German—Instructor, Dr. Joseph Karlin. Woodworking—Mondays and Wednesdays, High School shop, Instructor, Mr. Zeldin.

Typing shorthand, bookkeeping, or other business courses, room 102, High School Shop, Instructor, Carl Oliver. Music Appreciation—Wednesdays 8 p. m., Room 224, Instructor, David Burchuk. Mathematics—Tuesday, Room 225. Sketching—Wednesday, 8 p. m., Room 222, Instructor, Sari Shiren.

Classes in Parent Education will be developed later. Through the channels of P.T.A. the Child Care Center and Nursery School, Mrs. Kinzer expressed the hope that forums or panel discussions can be arranged for parents of pre-school, school age, pre-adolescent and adolescent children.

Federal Education Aid To Be Studied

Following up the discussion which took place at the last Citizens Association meeting about the problem of children's education in Maryland, the Association has set up a committee to study the Education Finance Act (HR 2849) also known as the Federal Aid to Education Bill. This bill has been introduced by Congressman Ram-speck of Georgia, and was referred to the House Committee on Education, in which it now reposes. In order for it to be considered by the full House a discharge petition must be signed by the requisite number of members, an accomplishment which is not yet completed.

The education committee of the Citizens Association is going to study the provisions of the bill, and report on it to the membership, who will vote for its approval or vice versa. If the vote is favorable to the bill, a campaign to get it out of committee will be undertaken.

Health Association Hires Dorothy Henes

The Greenbelt Health Association is happy to announce that it has secured the services of a full time nurse in the person of Mrs. Dorothea Henes of 6-S Research rd. Mrs. Henes has lived in Greenbelt for the past 5 years. Her two year old son Michael attends the Child Care Center, and Mr. Henes is in the Army.

Having worked with the Health Association from November 1939 to May 1942, Mrs. Henes is known to many of the members, and is familiar with the general set-up and routine of the clinics. She received her training at the Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York City, and for a year after her graduation did private duty nursing at the same institution.

DOROTHY BLACK EXPLAINS WORK

At a special meeting of the Town Council Monday night Miss Dorothy Black, town social service worker, explained the different types of work her job entails.

Can You Find Your Way Around Town? Directory and Map Are in the Making

Citizens Informed Of Registration

With election day less than two months away, and with registration for each state in the Union differing from each other in one way or another, the Greenbelt Citizens Association has decided to form a committee to help the citizens of Greenbelt get the "know-how" about the registration rules for their home states. Members of the committee are making a house to house survey and will interview each family, supplying them with the necessary information about registration and voting. Registration for Greenbelt residents who are new voters in Maryland, and who signified their intention to vote last October must register on October 10 if they wish to vote in this coming election. The registration place that has been appointed is the American Legion Club-house, which is located on the bus route just outside the town.

Mrs. Clark George and Dr. Irving Rothchild are functioning as temporary co-chairmen of the committee. The committee would like to have as many volunteers as possible to aid in organizing the work of interviewing, and is asking all those interested to call Mrs. George at Greenbelt 6827.

Anyone wishing to receive immediate information concerning registration or voting procedure is invited to call either Mrs. George (6827) or Mrs. Anne Hull at GR. 4626.

Higher Education Menaces Belton

With the opening of high school Fire Chief Belton faces a depleted crew. Of the nine local graduates of his recent fire-fighting course, three have joined the Navy. He is hoping that more Greenbelters will sign up for the course he will be conducting at the Branchville Fire Station.

The latest alarms, turned in to the local fire department include a false alarm turned in by an excited picnicker at the Lake, who reported a flaming fireplace, a five-ton oil truck with heated brakes that menaced the safety of the new maintenance building a week ago Tuesday, and a house fire at 2-A Rldge the next day.

A Board of Review

We've been known to come out with some pretty hasty and ill-considered remarks in these columns. People have accused us of being a bunch of irresponsible hot-heads. We don't intend to go wishy-washy now. We'll continue to enunciate definite opinions, but we'll give you the facts upon which we base them, so that you'll understand our viewpoint. Further to protect you against prejudiced blasts of emotional thinking we propose to establish an editorial board of review to pass upon all editorials submitted by either one of the editors or by a staff member.

Of course, if you don't think we make out a strong enough case, or if on the other hand, you think we're unduly harsh, please write a letter to the editor. We stipulate only that you express yourselves in 250 words or thereabouts.

Athletic Club Dance

Tomorrow night members of the Greenbelt Athletic Club and their guests will enjoy another dance at their clubhouse, located between Braden Field and Crescent Road.

Van Camp's Serenaders, a five-piece orchestra, will play for the dancing from 10 p. m. on. This is one of a series of dances planned by the Club for the coming season.

Soon it will be possible for Greenbelters to find their way around town without a compass and to locate local phone numbers and addresses with a minimum of ease.

The American Legion has announced plans for its second Town Directory which lists all Greenbelt organizations and services plus names and available phone numbers of all 17,500 citizens. All information to be included should be handed in by October 4 to Mayor Allen Morrison. In charge of sales are David Steinle and Edward Kaighn. Frank Riley is advertising manager. The directory will probably be available before November.

The Cooperative Nursery School promises publication in the near future of a new, comprehensive map of Greenbelt. Of a handy size, it will show clearly the letter and court number of every house in town, and may retail for as low as ten cents. The map is being prepared by Mrs. David Granahan of 10-J Plateau Place.

Co-op Delegates Active Delegates

Several important recommendations resulted from the first annual Conference of the Potomac Cooperative Federation held at St. John's University campus in Annapolis last weekend. The conference climaxed a leadership camp held the preceding week at Camp Keewadin on the South River, near Annapolis, which was attended by several Greenbelters.

Attending camp the entire week from Greenbelt were Anne Hull and Debbie and Chip, Edna George with her two boys Gene and Donnie, Lester Citron and Carnie Harper. Greenbelters who "made" camp for a part of the sessions were Delbert Mesner, George Eshbaugh, Clarke George, Dayton Hull, Tom and Eleanor Ritchie.

Recommendations by the leadership camp to the conference were 1. That a Public Affairs Committee be formed by the Federation to enter into the field of legislation. 2. That steps be taken to insure greater representation and more effective membership control at the Cooperative Congress held bi-annually and meeting this year in October in Chicago. 3. That a committee be formed to consider postwar reconstruction and the financial program for expansion in the federation area. Prominent speakers at the conference included John Edelman of the C.I.O. Garment Workers Union, president C. E. Wise of the Maryland Farm Bureau, and president Colston Warne of Consumers Union.

Those attending the Annapolis conference Saturday evening and Sunday were Clarke George, Donald Cooper, Allen Bryan, W. R. Volkhausen, Carnie Harper, Henry Walter, Catherine Tucker and her mother Mrs. Fischer, Rae and Addie Sowell, George and Edna Shafer, Bertha Bochner, Robert St. Clair. Dayton Hull of Greenbelt chaired the Sunday sessions where consumer-labor-farmer problems were discussed by federation delegates.

Representing the Federation staff were Executive Secretary H. F. Kern, Waldo Mott and Ferne Schimmel.

Brownies To Start Fall Schedule September 27

On Wednesday evening, September 27 at 7:00 p. m. in the Social Room of the Elementary School, another season of formal and social meetings will begin for the Brownies of Troop No. 35 under the leadership of Mrs. Shirley R. Levine and Mrs. Helen Kurth. The Brownies will continue their community service work in addition to play periods and parties.

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Sloppy Journalism

On numerous occasions our Greenbelt Cooperator has published stories poorly written or containing errors, but never in all our seven years of amateur effort have we ever so completely messed up a story as did the Washington News last week. A reporter of that paper writing a critical article on Greenbelt under a by line, turned in just about the sloppiest job of newswriting that we have ever had the displeasure of reading. Any reporter of the Cooperator who turned in a story so full of mistakes in fact, so garbled in context, and so filled with rumor and editorial opinion would be summarily dismissed from the staff, short of help though we are.

And it is important to note that our own writers are amateurs, most of them without any experience or schooling in newspaper work, and all of them volunteers who put in their time and efforts free. When we garble a story we feel pretty sick about it, and usually plunge into apologies and promises to do better next time. In other words we feel a responsibility to give to our readers all the worthwhile and interesting facts we can round up, and then to give our opinions in the editorial columns.

The large daily newspapers should feel this responsibility to the public even more deeply, since their staffs are well-trained and paid for their work, and their circulation is larger. Discriminating readers know that some of the city papers are careful about what they print, while others are not.

It is interesting to note that after last week's Greenbelt write-up appeared in the Washington News, reporters from two other Washington dailies came to Greenbelt, investigated the same sources of information as did Miss Strayer, and then remarked that they were writing no stories since their papers did not print "malicious rumors and personal opinion."

Greenbelt, its administration, and its organizations has lived thru quite a barrage of misrepresentation in the early days of its history when it was regarded in some quarters as fair game for political attacks. And we can probably survive this most recent slap, as well as any others that appear in print between now and November.

Hebrew Congregation

At the conclusion of tonight's services, choir practice will be in the social room. Yom Kippur services, including chanting of Kol Nidre, will start at 8 p. m. Tuesday, the 26th, in the social room. Services for the Day of Atonement will start at 9 a. m. Wednesday, the 27th, in the theatre, with Yizkor at about 11 a. m. All candles including Memorial Candles, should be lit at 6:27 p. m. Tuesday the 26th.

The Hebrew Congregation wishes to extend its sincere thanks to the Community Church for the use of the organ last Sunday evening, and to Jack Fruchtman, for the use of the theatre during the days of Rosh-Hashana and Yom Kippur.

Rosh-Hashana services were very well received with several out-of-towners from Riverdale and Hyattsville present. Also present were Mr. and Mrs. Gobbel, Mr. and Mrs. Neff and Mr. and Mrs. Blev, all of whom were very much impressed.

Catholic Church

Sunday Masses: 7:30 a. m. and 9:30 a. m. in the Greenbelt theatre; 7:00 a. m., 9:00 a. m. and 11:30 a. m. at Berwyn.

Confessions: Saturday from 7:30 p. m. to 9:30 p. m. at 17-E Ridge Road in Greenbelt; Saturday from 5:30 p. m. to 8:30 p. m. at Berwyn.

Religious Instruction (for children not attending the Catholic School at Berwyn): Every Tuesday afternoon at 4:00 p. m. in rooms 125 and 225, Greenbelt Elementary School Building.

Community Church

The Rev. Wilmer P. Johnston will preach at the Community Church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The services will be held in

the community building and all are invited to attend. The Community Church represents your church if your church is a member of the Washington Federation of Churches. Mrs. Anna Lewis will be in the vestibule at 10:45 to welcome those children whose parents desire to have them cared for while they worship in the main auditorium. Our nursery is conducted by young women who take good care of your children while in the nursery. We have a well-equipped nursery, with toys and other paraphernalia.

Church school meets at 9:30 a. m. Children are being promoted now and it is a very good time to start your child in the school if he is not already attending. Paul Barnhart will teach the Men's Bible Class.

This Sunday, the 24th is Rally Day, and will be marked by Sunday School class promotions. All classes are requested to be present.

Mrs. Rolfe Sauls, superintendent of the Junior Department, comprising the 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th grades, is proud of the records made by the children in a recent Bible test. She will have the papers posted for parental inspection.

New Class Organized for Community Church Boys

Boys who were in first and second year high school last year are cordially invited to attend class every Sunday morning at 9:30, Community Church School, under the leadership of Mr. Robert Dove. Mr. Dove has recently been obtained to take over this class of boys. All boys leaving the Junior Department this year will automatically go to this class. The finest Bible Study material has been obtained and it is hoped that all parents with boys eligible for Mr. Dove's class will make an effort to have them present each Sunday morning.

OUR NEIGHBORS

By JUNE WILBUR
Tel. 5051 after 5

Hi friends, the weatherman has confided that we're going to have all our fall rain at once and get it over with.

Many of her Greenbelt friends will be sorry to learn that Mr. Harry Feltus, husband of the former Mrs. Helen Bridges, died in Chicago September 11. Mrs. Feltus was one of the first members of the Widow's Club in town.

A wedding shower was given recently for Miss Ruth Caton at the home of Mrs. Edward Halley. The thirty guests present were the officers and teachers of the Greenbelt Sunday School and their friends.

A baby shower was given for Mrs. Lucretia Rysticken Tuesday night at the home of Dorothy Herman.

Another shower was given in College Park at the home of Mrs. Mary Lou Jordan, formerly Mary Lou Jarboe by her high school girl friends of the class of '44.

Mrs. Janet Parker, local Greenbelt woman, of 44-B Crescent Rd., and recent mother, can be proud not only of her new son, but also of her brother, Pvt. Jerome B. Jacobs of Washington. Pvt. Jacobs was in the first jeep to cross into Germany near Rotgen. In an interview with the International News Service Correspondent Richard Tregaskis, September 13, he told how the American advance guards on Hitler's "holy soil" were greeted by German snipers and panic-stricken civilians who draped white sheets in their windows as a sign of surrender.

Mrs. Mary Blair, mother of COOPERATOR reporter Mrs. Aimee Slye, died last week in Fond du Lac, Wisconsin. Mrs. Slye is in Wisconsin at present and will return to Greenbelt in about a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rose of Osseo, Mich., parents of Mrs. C. J. Van Camp, made their first visit East here last week, going on to Washington and Philadelphia. The two oldest Van Camp children visited their grandparents in Michigan this summer.

Mrs. William J. McKlinchey of 48-H Ridge Road died at her home last week after a long illness.

Donald W. Finlay, airplane designer from the Boeing Factory in Seattle, Wash., visited his brother Gordon of 10-E Southway this week. Mr. Finlay was in Washington on official business at the Bureau of Aeronautics.

Mrs. Harriet Wentworth celebrated her seventieth birthday last Saturday at the home of the Volkshausens, where she received congratulations and gifts from her friends in Greenbelt.

Assistant librarian Catherine Tucker of 13-P Hillside Road "almost fell over" when vice-president Wallace phoned her at the reference desk of the Library of Congress last week, to ask, of all things, for the current issue of "Life".

That's thirty for tonight, folks.

NEW BABIES

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Victor Tarkington of 10-W Southway announce the birth of Steven Alen at Providence Hospital, August 28.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Meriam of 21-F Ridge Rd. announce the birth of a daughter on Sept. 18th at Doctors Hospital in Washington, D. C. Her name is Joy Elayne and her weight is 7 lbs. 4 ounces.

Sgt. and Mrs. Richard Rosenberg of 69-E Ridge Road announce the birth of 8 pound, 6 ounce Martin Daniel, on Sept. 11, at the Leland Memorial Hospital.

Plan Halloween Dance

The Greenbelt Citizens Association is planning a Halloween dance. Date and other particulars will be announced later.

Arts And Crafts Winners

At the conclusion of the Arts and Crafts program put on by the Recreation Department the blue and red ribbon awards went as follows:

Best stuffed doll—Janice Grimm, second, Pat Coleman; Best Yarn Dog—Betty Mae Gussion, Mable Vickers; Best door stop—Patsy Griggs, Marshal Gerstel; best stuffed animal—Freda Glendening, Rhona Trattler; best basket—Mabel Vickers, Mary Allen; best basket tray—Helen Timmerman, tie for second, Billy Colliver, Janice Grimm; best looper rug, Jeanne Kasko, Sally Hennessey; best looper hat, Patti Plackett, Marie Ann Riebe; best framed picture—Marie Ann Riebe, Fred Phieffer; best luncheon set—Kay Thomas, Jimmy Klinenberg; best pot holder—Janice Grimm; best pot holder holder—Teddy Coleman, Patti Plackett.

In the auditorium where the various playground exhibits were arranged the prizes for the best arranged tables went to F block Supervisor Mildred Grant and D Block Supervisor Margaret Carmody. Phyllis Chasanow and Maureen Murray were awarded prizes for the "prettiest play-

ground doll". The "most unique" playground doll belonged to Mary Joe Todd.

Judges were County Home Demonstration Agent Ethel Regan and Mrs. Doris Armstrong, former arts and crafts teacher in Greenbelt.

Here's the Set-up

This newspaper, as far as we know is the only cooperatively-owned community news-sheet in the country. It is the property of the Greenbelt Cooperative Publishing Association, Inc., whose members are listed above. We share the work (there's plenty) and the profits (if any). We'd like to forget about money, because our work is strictly voluntary, and as far as we're concerned printer's ink is the staff of life. But there it is. Life, we mean, and the necessity of paying the printer and the delivery boys. We have therefore decided to go out for advertisements as never before. It is our fond hope to get enough patrons so we can put out a six page paper. Then we can print more of the kind of news you like best to read.

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Greenbelters In Uniform

By MARY JANE TOWNSEND
Greenbelt 5718

Calling all wives, mothers, and sweethearts! Your help is needed to make this a column on, for and about, your "men folk". In case of any news whatsoever on Greenbelters in uniform, please call GR. 5718 after five o'clock any day of the week.

Home on a nine day leave the first of the month, Bart Finn, S 2-c was joyously received by all. The other day we heard that Bart is in Boston awaiting orders and a ship. He asked to be a "Deck-hand". "More fun that way," he said.

We want to wish Pfc. Ray Ward all the luck in the world. Last week-end was the last that Ray shall have home for a long, long time. He reported back to New Jersey, and from there "Destination Unknown".

Our ex-all-round" coach was home last week-end, and looked as if the Navy agreed very well with him. Do we have to tell you who this illustrious "gob" is? You've guessed it. Petty Officer Ben Goldfaden.

The Nurse Cadet Corps won for itself last Monday, Dolores Davidson, a Greenbelt High graduate of June, 1944. Dolores left for her training at Garfield Hospital in Washington last Monday, and was in full swing Tuesday. Betty Andrus, another Greenbelt girl, is by chance Dolores' "big sister".

Another Greenbelt boy who was home for the last time this past week-end was Danny Jones, former football star on our local team. Danny finishes Quartermaster School this week.

Lieut. (j. g.) Clark George of 13-D Laurel Hill is enjoying an extended leave at home. Lieut. George is to report back to Princeton University October 2, where he is taking training with AMGOT.

Ensign Roland Brittingham is home after four and a half months of overseas duty. Brittingham saw duty in North Africa, Italy and Sardinia. It seems that is not a new adventure for this Greenbelt, as he has been in the Mer-

chant Marine for a period of nearly fourteen years. He first entered the Merchant Marine in 1920, remaining on duty for twelve years, after which he again entered civilian life. At the outbreak of this war he rejoined the service. Brittingham expects to be home until the first of October, unless "otherwise informed."

Cpl. James F. Sommers, Jr. has arrived in England with the 376th Infantry. Pfc. Robert T. Sommers has changed from the Infantry to the Paratroops, and is now stationed at Fort Benning, Ga. Richard P. Sommers, who left recently for the Marine Corps, is stationed at Parris Island, S. C. "Mook", as his friends knew him, was a former pupil at Greenbelt High.

Pvt. J. Walsh Barcus, 1-B Eastway, is home on furlough after extensive training in Texas. He is to report of Ft. Meade at the end of his furlough for further orders.

Leroy Clark has had 51 missions over Europe as of August 15; after he's had 65 missions he'll probably have a chance for a furlough home they tell us. He arrived in the European theatre about four weeks before D-Day and has been busy ever since.

Pete Davison, who used to attend Georgetown University and received air instruction at Schrom's airport at the same time now has his wings, we've learned. He is now at Austin, Texas with the Air Transport Command, and flies a C-47 as a first pilot. His training was at Randolph Field and Ft. Stockton, Texas.

Seymour Levine is becoming acquainted with robot bombs somewhere in England.

Two Greenbelt privates who have recently landed in Camp Wheeler, Ga. are Henry Bochner and Sid Henes.

S 2-c Joe Lewis has been transferred to an outgoing unit. Joe asked for "fast duty", and he is getting it, but quick. He has been in the Navy approximately eight weeks.

To all of you, Goodnight wherever you are!

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Machowsky Leads Shamrock Hitters With .411 Mark

The 1944 local baseball season is a thing of the past, thank goodness! It marked the first time in 5 years of play that the Shamrocks were content with just .500 ball. They were not content with it this season but it was the best they could do. It can be truthfully said that Pilot Jim "Tex" Breed



did a good job with the material at hand in spite of continued heckling from a couple disgruntled hasbeens. Some five or six weeks ago Breed took on some new players who brought the club out of a disastrous 8 game losing streak to will 11 out of the last 13 tilts to finish with a 14 and 14 record.

Burly Jack Machowsky came back to the club in the midst of its reawakening and swung a victorious bat to lead the team in hitting with a hot .411 average. Mervin Life joined the club right at the time Calvin Tritt was playing his last as a Shamrock and the pair were tied for second among the stickers with .390 averages. Manager Breed, last season's swat leader with .381, dropped off to a .333 pace this year. Bill "Fly Boy" Zerwick retained some of the miscellaneous records he held last year. He played the most games—24, was at bat more times—88, tallied the most runs—25, had the most hits—27, most doubles—5, tied with 2 others for most triples—2, most stolen bases—10 (compared with 33 last year), and had the most sacrifices—9.

Greenbelt Packers To Meet Berwyn In First Game of 1944 Football Season; Coach Van Camp Sizes Up Players

County Football Gets Underway

The Laurel Police Boys Club will be Greenbelt's opposition in the opening County League game at Braden Field on October 1. Other League games on that date will be: Hyattsville Police Boys Club at National Training School; Berwyn at Washington Hornets A. C.; and George's News Shop (Bladensburg) at Maryland Park.

On October 8 the schedule is George's News Shop at Greenbelt; Hyattsville P. B. C. at Berwyn; National Training School at Washington Hornets A. C.; and Maryland Park at Laurel.

At a meeting of the League staff last week, the by-laws of the Association were amended so that each team will not have more than three men who weigh more than 170 pounds each. The Laurel team is composed of veterans, and they have been scrimmaging with the various service teams at Ft. Meade. They are coached by Roland Nichols, and a very interesting game is expected.

In the next issue it is expected to list each Greenbelt player's name, position, and jersey numeral. It is a good suggestion to cut out this for reference at future games. Any boy who participates in at least six quarters of League games will be awarded a letter. In addition the League is awarding individual trophies to the winning team.

Bowling League Formed

A Greenbelt Men's Bowling League for the 1944 season was inaugurated at a meeting held Sept. 21, and twelve teams have developed. Seven of the old name teams are re-entered.

President of the organization is John W. Colliver. William Siegel is secretary and F. T. Desmond is score keeper.

The first active session was held last night at the College Park alleys, with Community Manager James Gobbel bowling the first ball.

This year the men plan to emphasize team rather than individual prizes. Tentative handicaps are 90%. The league welcomes recruits who are interested in bowling on Thursday nights. The

1944 Flipping Records

The following shows how the 28 game season of the Shamrocks were charged up among 5 pitchers. The 'Rocks won 14 games and lost 14 games.

Pitcher	W	L	Pct.
Bob "Shanty" Havener	4	0	1.000
Ray "Razor" Glasgow	3	3	.600
Ernie "Splash" Boggs	3	4	.429
Jim "Texas" Breed	2	3	.400
Bill "Wackie" Zerwick	0	1	.000

Mrs. Peggy Bailey Guest Of Navy Wives Club

The Truman Riddle Navy Wives Club of Greenbelt has launched a "new activities" program which includes all types of needlework, sewing, shell-craft and felt-craft.

In outlining the new program, Mrs. Helen Bolshazy, national president of the navy wives organization, told club members that the plan could be expended to include the re-designing and conversion of clothing.

Mrs. Peggy Bailey, Southeastern Regional Vice President of the Navy Wives Clubs of America, who takes up residence in Greenbelt, was guest of honor at the meeting.

The Truman Riddle Navy Wives Club meets every Tuesday at 8 p. m. in the Elementary School. New members are welcome.

B'nai B'rith To Dance

The B'nai B'rith women of Greenbelt will entertain at a dance to be held on Wednesday evening, September 27 at 8:15 in the Social Room of the Elementary School.

Members and their husbands are welcome as well as Congregation members.

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Nursery Mothers Meet New Teacher

26 of the 30 mothers participating in the Cooperative Nursery School this year met at the Elementary School Tuesday night to meet Mrs. Mary McGregor, the new teacher. The cooperative school will begin October 2 in the basement of 14 Parkway Road. Three year olds will attend the morning sessions from 9 to 11:30, while the four-year-olds will attend from 1:30 to 4 in the afternoons. Volunteer mothers assist the teacher.

Mrs. McGregor addressed the mothers briefly, and Mrs. Dorothy East, president, summarized the history of the Nursery School for the new members. The treasurer's report was read, and discussion was held on ways and means to overcome a slight deficit in the budget. The group plans to raise funds by selling an up-to-date map of Greenbelt prepared by Mrs. David Granahan. New appointments to the equipment and health diet committees were made.

The first business meeting is scheduled for October 4 at the home of Mrs. Johnston, 12-F Hillside Road.

Mott Is President Of Credit Union

Waldo Mott has been recently elected president of the Greenbelt Credit Union. This organization has been functioning in town since 1938. Its purpose is to enable people to furnish capital for personal loans and is co-operatively run by its members.

The Board of Directors include five local men, Waldo Mott, president; F. H. Meriam, Secretary and Treasurer; Leroy Root, Vice President; William Treadwell and George Coker. Mr. Meriam is available at the office over the drug store every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evening from 7:30 to 9:30 to anyone interested in borrowing or investment. One can borrow any amount up to ten percent of the total capitalization of the union.

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Announcing Prof. Cooper

Former editor Don Cooper has agreed to direct a school of journalism starting next month. Techniques of writing news stories, feature articles, editorials, and ad copy will be covered, as well as instructions for proof reading and headline writing.

There will be three lessons of about two hours each, occurring weekly, according to the prof. All staff members are asked to attend. At the conclusion of the sessions we can proudly boast that all our personnel are graduates of a recognized school of journalism. The results of their intensive training, under a man who really knows his subject, are bound to be favorably reflected up and down the length of our columns.

Young Peoples Dances To Start Sat., Sept. 23

The first young people's dance of the year will be held Saturday the 23rd of September from 8 to 10 p. m. Mrs. Anita Sauls, of the Community Church School who plans these dances announces that the admission prices will be 15c for a single ticket, 25c for a couple. Music will be furnished by the Serenaders and refreshments will be sold. Girls can wear formals but this is not a must.

No floor show will take place this month but the organization hopes to whip up a rousing one for the Halloween Masquerade dance in October. All receipts taken in are turned over to the Serenaders for orchestra funds. A door prize of \$1.00 will be awarded at 9 p. m.

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Strayer Goes Astray

It is regrettable, but at the same time amusing, that a newspaper the size of the Washington Daily News carried the story they did in the September 18 issue concerning cooperatives in Greenbelt without verification. Martha Strayer, who wrote the article, made the mistake of accepting misinformation from a few people in Greenbelt without taking the trouble to contact sources suggested to her. The wide circulation of the article makes it necessary for us to clarify the muddle for some members and patrons so that such a thing cannot occur again.

From the Article by Miss Strayer

"... the Government-financed cooperative ..."

"... Government monopoly co-ops ..."

"... that Mr. Ricker underpays rank and file workers, refuses pay raises ..."

"... which now supervises Greenbelt and, incidently, employes James T. Gobbel as town manager, ..."

"... that Mr. Fruchtman, the movie man, got \$14,000 and Mr. Ricker, manager of consumer services, \$7500."

"The co-op's 1426 members last spring were given an opportunity to vote by post card whether they considered General Manager Ricker's salary too high."

"... Meanwhile, Mr. Fruchtman, in addition to his movie job, took over as temporary manager of the Drug Store ..."

"... The drug store operated under Mr. Fruchtman until Member James Flynn said under state law it could be open only with a pharmacist in charge."

"A hurry-up meeting of the co-op membership was called ... Town Manager Gobbel issued an ultimatum that drugstore service must be furnished."

"The store was hastily re-opened, staffed by an elderly pharmacist from Bladensburg and volunteers."

"Adding to Greenbelt's woes is the contract vs. salary issue in other co-op stores. Managers have demanded contracts, looking to post-war security."

"With a \$1,000,000 annual business, the co-ops under Government order have a monopoly in ..."

"... criticise valet shop service, resent standing in line at the food store, say residents with cars buy at nearby towns."

"A Greenbelt resident can become a co-op member by purchasing a single \$5.00 share in the Co-operative Consumers' Services."

"If membership should drop below 51 per cent of the occupancy, the co-op system would be out. The present Government rental contract for stores and theatre will expire in 1946 and the community may vote on whether it wants to continue co-op stores or let private industry replace the Consumers' Services monopoly."

The Facts

G. C. S. is not now, nor has it ever been, financed by or in any other way connected with the government. The stores are leased from the government by G. C. S. We paid rent of about \$35,000 last year.

Salaries comparable to private industry are paid. A salary schedule, approved by WLB, has been in operation for a year. Provision is made for automatic raises at the lower levels and three month reviews of all salaries. We cannot pay on the same basis as the government, which is our chief competitor in the labor market.

We are not sure how Mr. Gobbel's name got involved in the attack on Greenbelt Co-ops since he has no connection with GCS.

Both salaries were grossly over-stated. Mr. Fruchtman's salary by about \$4,000 and Mr. Ricker's salary by \$1500. The exact figures are available to co-op members at the GCS office.

The question voted on by the members was on the theatre contract and had no relation to Mr. Ricker's salary. No mention was made of the 1270 members who did not vote - probably because they did not feel that the contract should be changed.

The whole story of the closing of the Drug Store was garbled. The whole case will be reviewed in the next edition of the confidential "Information Letter" to the membership. Mr. Fruchtman did not take over as temporary manager - he became the manager, by unanimous approval of the board, and continued in that capacity for three weeks. The store operated after that for a period of six weeks without a manager, but Mrs. Robinson was in charge and Dr. Wells was on duty every day as pharmacist, on a part time basis. The question as to whether or not the drug side, under state law, could remain open when Dr. Wells was not on duty was raised by Board Member James Flynn, chairman of the legal committee.

There was no meeting of the membership. A meeting of the Board of Directors was called, just as had been done on many other occasions when an emergency arose. No ultimatum was issued. Mr. Gobbel called Fred DeJager and told him that in his opinion, the drug store should re-open as soon as possible and emphasized the fact that he did not want the call construed as an ultimatum.

The store was re-opened and was staffed by paid employees and one volunteer. We are proud of the quick response which made the re-opening possible. Harry Fleicher thirtyish and a resident of Greenbelt, stepped in in the emergency, which was greatly appreciated.

No store managers have demanded contracts.

There is no government order protecting G. C. S. The terms of the lease are available to co-op members and any action is up to them.

Service in the valet shop and food store are not what we want them, but is that situation peculiar to Greenbelt?

Shares are \$10.00 each, not \$5.00. Even the name of the co-op is wrong.

This reference to the lease is erroneous. The percentage of membership to occupancy has no bearing on the case. The lease does not expire until 1947 and there is an option to renew for five more years. There is no provision for bringing the matter to a vote.

If you have any further questions on the subjects contained herein or on any other phase of the cooperatives in Greenbelt, please come up to the office to see us.

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