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FPHA Will Negotiate Greenbelt Sale With GMHA; Board Schedules Membership Meeting For Tuesday

Dorothy E. Jones Seriously Injured

Dorothy Elaine Jones of 7-C Ridge Road remained unconscious last night at Leland Memorial Hospital more than 48 hours after she jumped from a moving truck. The 14 year old girl accepted a ride in a laundry truck in Washington last Tuesday about noon to return to Greenbelt. Near the Legion Home on Southway Road the driver allegedly made advances toward her and she jumped from the moving vehicle, striking her head against the pavement. William H. Walker of 8-J Southway who passed by soon after the accident, drove off for the Branchville Rescue Squad who took the girl to the hospital. One of the group gathered at the scene spotted a truck passing by toward Washington. Noticing that the driver did not slow down nor look at the girl, he took down the license number of the truck and gave it to the police. In a little over one hour's time police officer John Belton with help from District police had located the driver, Bernard C. Baker, 29, of the 2200 block of twenty-second Street, S. E. He is being held without bond in the Hyattsville jail.

Mrs. Kinzer Urges Early Enrollment

First adult education classes for the season will be held on Monday, October 14, adult education director, Mary Jane Kinzer, announced this week. The schedule of classes is listed elsewhere in this issue. Special interest is usually manifested in sewing classes, which are adjusted to the individual desires of students. Also popular, are the industrial arts classes, which two seasons ago had double the minimum enrollment required for a class. Typing and shorthand classes appear to be in demand this year, Mrs. Kinzer said. If sufficient interest is shown, a French class and one in arts and crafts may be added to the curriculum. As in other years, classes may be taught in any subject when 15 or more individuals express a desire for it. The registration fee continues to be one dollar, and Mrs. Kinzer urges immediate registration from interested Greenbelters.

Need For Repairs Delays Sunday Bus

GCS Manager, Sam Ashelman, is expecting the used bus ordered by GCS from Capital Transit Company early next week. Although it was planned to start Sunday bus service soon after delivery, it may be necessary to postpone it several weeks while the bus now in service is overhauled.

Cormack Believes Co-op Service O. K.

There has been no official FPFA reaction to the resolution recently adopted by Greenbelt's town council urging that Greenbelt be opened to private enterprise, it was reported early this week. "The co-op," FPFA Community Manager Cormack stated, "has performed and is performing a valuable service to the community." In brief discussion of the general subject, Mr. Cormack stated that it was his personal opinion that expansion in some form was inevitable. "With 3500 acres of good residential property in Greenbelt," he declared, "the community could be expanded to several times its present size—especially in view of the general need for housing." Among the many problems to be considered in such a procedure are those of water supply, sewage, and shopping centers. Mr. Cormack considers the question of centralization or de-centralization. "It must be decided whether or not it is desirable to open Greenbelt to private enterprise. He does not consider that anyone is trying to unsettle the cooperative ownership and management of Greenbelt's present shopping center.

Mrs. Harry McNeel Heads Girl Scouts

New chairman of Girl Scout District Organization, No. 1, is Mrs. Harry B. McNeel, 14-S Hillside Road, who succeeds Mrs. Lloyd Nelson. Other officers chosen at a recent meeting are: Secretary-treasurer, Mrs. James Anspach; camp chairman and assistant, Mrs. John H. Elder and Mrs. W. F. Ehrhardt; Organization, Mrs. Free-land Ramsdell; Public Relations, Mrs. H. James Kennedy. The post of program chairman is open, and information concerning the position maybe obtainable from Mrs. McNeel at 6886 or Mrs. Ransdell at 4686. Intermediate Scout troops and leaders are as follows: Troop 15, Mrs. John Riebe, leader, Mrs. Harry Rhodes, assistant; Troop 85, Mrs. Melvin Benjamin, leader, Mrs. W. F. Ehrhardt, assistant; Troop 17, Mrs. Howard B. Owens, leader, Mrs. John C. Naffey, assistant; Troop 62, Mrs. Lowen H. Matheny, leader, Mrs. Charles E. Hutsler, assistant. A new troop has been established by Mrs. Edgar Weber with Mrs. John Elder as assistant. Brownie troops are: Troop 35, Mrs. Seymour R. Levine, leader; Troop 42, Mrs. Phillip Croffard, leader; Mrs. Gordon D. Goldstein, assistant; Troop 10, Mrs. William J. Andrusic, leader, Mrs. R. E. Mansard and Mrs. Mary Rupert, assistants.

County Banks Close Tomorrow

All banks in Prince Georges County will be closed Saturday, Oct. 12, Columbus Day.

ADULT EDUCATION SCHEDULE

CLASS	PLACE	DATE	TIME
Public Speaking	Room 225 Elementary School	Oct. 14	8-10:00 p. m.
Art (Adult)	Arts & Crafts Room Elementary School	Oct. 14	8-10:00 p. m.
Industrial Arts (Woodwork)	High School	Oct. 15	8-10:00 p. m.
Typing and Shorthand	High School	Oct. 15	8-10:00 p. m.
Sewing	High School	Oct. 15	8-10:00 p. m.
Industrial Arts	High School	Oct. 17	8-10:00 p. m.
Typing and Shorthand	High School	Oct. 17	8-10:00 p. m.
Spanish	Room 225 Elementary School	Oct. 16	8-10:00 p. m.
Commercial Law	Room 224 Elementary School	Oct. 14	8-10:00 p. m.
Art (Children)	Arts & Crafts Room Elementary School	Oct. 18	7-8:00 p. m.
Consumer Education	Room 224 Elementary School	Oct. 16	8:30-10:30 p. m.
Pre-Natal Care	2-A Gardenway	Oct. 15	2 p. m.
Interior Decorating	Room 225 Elementary School	Oct. 25	8-10:00 p. m.

Beltsville Road Waits FPFA Nod

Workmen will soon start clearing the 800 feet that represents Greenbelt's share of the new Beltsville-Greenbelt road if this item is among those approved on the current budget FPFA Manager Cormack has just submitted to the General Field office. The three-quarters of a mile section of road on Beltsville property will run from the Log Cabin on the East-West highway, across the Beaver Dam Creek, to join Ridge Road extended. According to Superintendent Logan of the Beltsville Research Center, the road will have a 60-foot right of way with a paved area of 20 feet. It is not expected that cold weather will hamper its construction. Beltsville has already cut trees and started grading along its section. An overall contractor will do the paving job when preliminary clearing and grading have been done by both parties. The new road will cut the distance to the Research Center from five to two miles, while residents at the end of Ridge Road will have only one and a half miles to go.

14th Polio Case Reported Tuesday

A seven year old Greenbelt boy was admitted to Children's Hospital Tuesday and diagnosed as having a mild case of infantile paralysis. The child, who lives on Ridge Road between Northway and Laurel Hill Road, is expected to return home in two weeks' time, according to his physician, Dr. Hans Wodak. This is the fourteenth polio case reported in Greenbelt this season.

\$64 Question-Bus Or Trolley

By HOWARD SCHONBERGER Without benefit of slide rules, with no more than a failing memory of high school algebra, Greenbelt's Washington-bound commuting horde are flipping coins at Branchville each morning to find out whether it will be bus or tram. One morning it seems the streamlined tram makes the best time to the Government bureaus. The next time, you see the sneering faces of fellow straphangers who made it to their desks five minutes ahead of you by using the tried and true bumpy-bus method, to Mt. Rainier. All will be well October 20, or least such early morning mental conflict will be banished. You're gonna HAVE to go by bus to Branchville and no further. Then you hop a snazzy streamliner, sit down and stay down till you reach your downtown corner. What we wanted to say was that the new bus schedule has been obtained by our staff ahead of schedule. A few samples:

Lv. Greenbelt	Ar. Branchville
6:18 a.m.	6:28 a.m.
7:03	7:13
8:03	8:13
Lv. Branchville	Ar. 15th-N.Y. Ave.
6:33 a.m.	7:25 a.m.
7:16	8:12
8:16	9:09

(The above are SELECTED rush hours.) There are buses every 15 minutes. They always take ten minutes to get to Branchville. There is always a three-minute wait before the waiting tram leaves for Washington. As for coming home—forget it, you're too tired to worry about it by then.

Bingo Tonight At Legion Home

The first of semi-monthly bingo parties will be held tonight by the Legion Auxiliary at the Legion Home on Southway. The starting time is 8:30 p. m.

Will Keep Lanham Units Off Market While Talking With GMHA, FPFA Says

Negotiations with FPFA for the sale of Greenbelt are under way and the Greenbelt Mutual Housing Association will hold its first regular membership meeting Tuesday, October 15 at 8:15 p. m., in the center school auditorium, according to an announcement last Friday by the board of directors.

Director Winston Replies For Myer

(The following letter from the FPFA General Field office was addressed to Sherrod East, secretary of the Greenbelt Mutual Housing Association, who released it to the Cooperator.)

1 October, 1946.

Dear Mr. East:

Your letter of September 16, addressed to the Commissioner of Federal Public Housing Authority, requesting consideration of the plans of your organization to purchase the Greenbelt project, has been referred to me for attention.

In your letter you state that 640 Greenbelt families or 33% of the tenants have become members of the Greenbelt Mutual Housing Association and that you have been instructed by the Board of Directors to advise FPFA of your desire and intent to organize a mutual ownership corporation for the purpose of purchasing the Greenbelt project, including all or a suitable portion of the undeveloped area. You state further that your application to FPFA has been made in accordance with Commissioner's Order No. 3553:2 and 3553:3, approved May 4, 1946. Although these orders apply only to permanent, Federally owned war housing projects, the general principles and policies involved might very well be used as a guide in the disposition of other projects under the jurisdiction of this Authority. As you know, there are 1,000 dwelling units at Greenbelt which were built as permanent war housing; the remainder as part of the original Greenbelt project do not fall within the definition of war housing.

On the basis of our policies affecting the disposition of permanent war housing projects we will be glad to withhold from private sale for a period of six months from this date projects No. MD-18111 (P.A. 849) and MD-18112 (P.A. 522), consisting of 258 units and 42 units, respectively, located on lands within the Town of Greenbelt. Since our policies for the disposition of the properties forming the original Greenbelt communities are not yet established, and since we have no definite plans for their disposition at the present time, we will be glad, furthermore, to give every consideration to the interest which you have expressed in purchasing these properties.

As you may know, for the past year or more we have been making very thorough studies of the means by which the three Greenbelt Towns might be expanded to a size contemplated at the time they were originally planned, a size which would form a community which could be operated economically. It may well be that the Greenbelt Mutual Housing Association, either alone or in conjunction with other groups, may form the basis for carrying out such a program.

In view of the many considerations involved in the development and disposition of Greenbelt, and of your expressed interest, I would like to suggest that a committee or a person representing the Greenbelt Mutual Housing Association come in and discuss the matter with me. I shall be only too glad to tell you about the work which we have already done and give you the benefit of the ideas which we have so far developed. I should be glad to have from you a description of your plans so that we may give you whatever assistance we can. I would suggest a meeting in my office on the afternoon

FPFA has agreed to withhold the war housing units from private sale for six months while consultations are held with the housing association, according to a letter received by Sherrod East, secretary of the group. (The text of the letter appears elsewhere on this page.—Editor's note.)

At the coming meeting, Vice-President William Nicholas will report on the preliminary negotiations with the General Field Office of FPFA in two meetings held earlier this week in Washington.

Additional items on the agenda for the meeting include the following: consideration and adoption of by-laws; new board elections or postponement of elections to a later date; and a board recommendation that the association affiliate with the National Cooperative Mutual Housing Association.

Nearly 700 tenants have joined the Greenbelt Mutual Housing Association and are entitled to vote at the meeting on Tuesday, reported the board of directors. The board also stated that tenants who desire to join the GMHA may do so at this meeting by paying the membership fee of one dollar. Only one vote is permitted for each family.

The board of directors announced last Friday the resignation of Major A. C. Long from the presidency of the association. Major Long has left for Cleveland to accept a position with the Veterans Administration, according to the announcement.

All We Need Now Is Zero Weather

Town Manager, James M. Gobel, has confirmed the report that the town management plans to convert the unused, screened area just beyond the tennis court into a skating rink. The project has been considered for quite some time, but has equipment for the work been made available only recently. At present there is "no immediate schedule of work," due to a lack of man power.

Mr. Gobel added that, upon completion of the rink, he would recommend to the Council that ice-skating be prohibited on the lake, since a safer spot would then be available to Greenbelters. If operation costs are high, a small admission may be charged.

Mr. Gobel also announced that the town has purchased a new 5-to-8-ton road-roller, in addition to the small "golf-course 1½-ton roller the town already owns.

Sets In Order!

A square and folk dance, this Saturday night, October 12, with a program of squares, round dances, reels, and polkas for beginners and old-timers will be held in the home economics room of the center school from 8 p. m. to 12 p. m.

This is the first of a regular series of Saturday dances to be sponsored by the newly formed "Greenbelt Recreation Co-op."

of Friday, October 4, or the afternoon of Monday, October 7. If neither of these dates is convenient to you, please suggest a suitable time. I will be out of the city from October 9-12.

May I assure you that your interests and desires regarding Greenbelt will be given every consideration and that we stand ready to assist you in every way possible

Sincerely yours,
OLIVER C. WINSTON,
Director, General Field Office.

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Future Of GCA

The small attendance at the Citizens Association meeting Monday points up the fact that Greenbelters are not drawn to meetings unless there is a real issue to decide or important stand to take. Evidently our fellow townspeople could not get worked up about Capital Transit's new transportation plan and it is doubtful if even a bombardment of publicity would have drawn many more than the handful who attended.

The record of GCA in the earlier years of Greenbelt and at times of crisis since is outstanding. Last year, however, speakers were imported on a number of occasions only to find a disappointingly small audience. A great deal of work went into program planning which was appreciated by only a few.

The Citizens Association is a valuable part of our civic life. It can present for discussion topics which no other group can handle without prejudice. The officers are capable and respected in the community. Let's keep GCA functioning—not on a regular schedule of meetings—but ready to call a meeting whenever a real issue develops.

—C. R. M.

To The Editor

Fair Prizes Ready

To the Editor:

The prize money for the ribbon holders from the Town Fair has now been received and will be distributed by mail within the next two or three days, or just as soon as the checks can be drawn. There will be \$1 of them. I had been hoped that the early application would permit more prompt payment this year but it seems to take a long time to get things approved. It is the plan of the Committee to provide, next year, the cash for immediate payment of all prizes but a great deal of work will be done before that time to effect many other changes that will save a great deal of unnecessary work.

I regret the delay in paying the prizes, and wish to extend my thanks to all those who helped us out in putting on the Fair this year and all those who so liberally aided us financially. I am thanking you all in behalf of the whole committee. Let us have bigger and better Fair next year!

PAUL DUNBAR,
(For the Planning Committee).

AVC Auxiliary

To Get Charter

At the last meeting of American Veterans Committee Auxiliary all wives of members present signed an auxiliary charter application which will be sent to the National Planning Committee of AVC. This group will be the first AVC Auxiliary to be chartered in the State of Maryland.

Zionist Group

Meets Saturday

A meeting to organize a Greenbelt branch of the Labor Zionist organization will be held Saturday, October 12, at 8:30 p.m., at the home of Joseph Karlin, 12-E Ridge Road.

The purpose of the Labor Zionist organization is to establish the Jewish national home in Palestine as a labor commonwealth.

Miss L. Greenside of Washington, D.C., will sing and lead a musical program.

And The Co-op Has Meat, Too!

To the Editor:

I view with alarm a notice in the Cooperator for October 4, that Mayor George F. Bauer has proposed a resolution, approved by the Town Council, to request the Federal Public Housing Authority to lease land outside the Center to private enterprise to build and operate stores. Reason given was recent complaints against the Greenbelt Co-op.

What's wrong with the Co-op? I have no complaints against it and haven't heard any I could take too seriously. Goods are of good quality, service is adequate, and prices charged for both are the lowest possible to insure a profit. Most employees are cheerful, quick, and courteous. And the Co-op consumer-investor gets a rebate on his sales checks, and a good return on his investment. He has a voice in Co-op policy. What more could he ask? Could private industry on a small scale, with individual owners, offer half as much? I doubt it. The grass must look greener on the other side of the fence.

And I'd like our grass to be kept as green as possible in the meantime. By that I mean I'd hate to see us spoil the looks of our town with the motley type of business buildings likely to be put up by private owners.

I'm all for keeping the peace, too. I think that too many cooks spoil the soup. To my mind, inviting private industry into Greenbelt means confusion, not competition.

Let's keep it out!
—MARGARET BEAUFORT

Orchids To Helen; Welcome, Sally

The Cooperator this week welcomes Sally Meredith to the post of News Editor, and thanks Helen Chasanow for her able performance at the job for the last six months.

Sally is no newcomer, as she ran the "Our Neighbors" column when she was a staff member back in '40 and '41. Sally moved away when her husband entered the services; they returned to Greenbelt three months ago.

Originally from Georgia, Sally claims 15 years' residence in Washington. She is tall, blonde, a Red-skin fan, and (in common with most ladies of the press) she hates housework. She wants you to call Greenbelt 4328 when you have news tips for the Cooperator.

OUR NEIGHBORS

By DOROTHY MCGEE

Phone 3667

It's pleasant to have had a return engagement of those wonderfully mild days after the brief spell of unseasonably cold weather we had recently. That old north wind was certainly whooping it up outside the door and many of us were grateful for the warmth of a friendly radiator. We dug into the stored winter clothing for the children's snowsuits so they could play comfortably outdoors while the wind whipped the red color into their round faces.

Winter has its fun too, with sleds and snow and Christmas. Winter can be fun here in America, but it most decidedly is not fun in Europe where the bitter cold wind only makes more pinched the thin faces of underclad children. An insufficient diet is a monotony that perhaps they can get used to more or less, but how they must dread the approach of winter. I know an ex-GI who corresponds with a family in Florence, Italy. I read one letter last winter in which the Italian girl described their life: "We are cold, cold, cold all the time."

Lack of fuel and warm clothing makes winter a time of deeper misery. We as individuals cannot practically send them fuel, but we can surely send them our warm clothing that we no longer use. I'm sure almost every mother can find some article of clothing which has been stored over the summer and unhappily no longer fits Junior, or other clothes unearthed in the fall housecleaning.

Clothing is collected all through the year by the American Friends Service Committee; it can be left at the home of Mrs. Waldo Mott, 7 Woodland Way, and will be collected regularly by the Friends. Let's all give a thought to those who will be cold, before the north wind howls around our doors again.

Mr. and Mrs. John Walker, 7-H Laurel Hill Road, are happy to announce the arrival of a baby girl on October 8.

Dr. and Mrs. Collins attended the state fair at Frederick, Md., on Sunday.

The Skyline Drive is a popular place for motoring these autumnal days. At least five families from Greenbelt spent the weekend driving and three families met accidentally atop Stony Man Mountain.

Eight-year-old Helen Pleitner, 25-C Ridge Road, is a very observant little girl. She was watching her mother having a good time playing with a neighbor's toddler. "Sometimes," said Helen, "I wonder who's playing with who." A somewhat ungrammatical, but sage and perceptive remark.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Levine have returned to 6-S Plateau Place, after a five-day visit in New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Gomer Davis of Johnstown, Pa., arrived on Monday for a visit with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Davis, 4-J Ridge Road.

Judy Fleisher, 2-L Gardenway, was eight years old on Monday. Helping her to celebrate were Rachel and Eleanor Feig, Phyllis Chasanow, Eleaine Avagliano and Rosalie and Sonny Fleisher. It was a particularly enjoyable party because most of Judy's little guests

The Homemaker

By JUNE WILBUR

Looking at a list of new materials and seeing such names as sea-weed fiber, cat-tail fiber, milk and fish fibers, makes this columnist wish a way would be developed for getting valuable fibers from the tough, tall-growing common plantain which invades our yard every year. All we need now is one good excuse for not having that lawn cut another time this fall.

With the end of hostilities and a year to the good, Mr. and Mrs. Consumer are finding themselves confronted every shopping trip with new names of goods. Some are satisfactory and some are not, but all will be put on the market for sale.

Nylon of course has been tested and accepted. There are still doubts, however, concerning its use as a woven fabric. When knitted, nylon stands the tests of wear exceedingly well. When woven, the wearing qualities are still there, but the yarns don't cling to one another and the result is slippage. Many nylon slips begin to fall apart at the seams after one or two wearings and mending such a seam is very difficult.

These fabrics were tried as linings in men's suits but soon rejected because of the slippage factor. Beware, men, of a suit which says "genuine nylon lining."

Plastics have descended on the unprepared public in pliable and solid forms, in transparent and solid colors, in household goods, wearing apparel and equipment for the car. Some of the new bags, belts and shoes of plastic are very attractive and those which are labeled "Guaranteed" not to crack, peel or scuff, are a pretty good bet. Since, with most of these plastics, the color is right in the material and not just on the surface, there is little danger of a loss of color.

Catholic Church

Sunday Masses: 7:30 a. m. and 9:30 a. m. in the Greenbelt theater; 7 a. m., 9 a. m., 10:30 a. m., and 11:45 at Berwyn.

Confessions: Saturday from 7:30 to 9 p. m. at 10-B Parkway in Greenbelt. Saturday at Berwyn from 3 to 5 p. m. and from 7:30 to 9 p. m.

Novena Devotions: at Berwyn every Wednesday evening at 8 p. m.

Choir practice will be held every Sunday morning immediately following the 9:30 mass,

were old friends. They reminisced as much as eight-year-olds are able, but not quite as far back as the time when they year-old toddlers together here in Greenbelt. An added pleasure was the presence of Judy's grandmother, Mrs. Sonia Burdwise, who had come for the holidays and remained longer for Judy's birthday.

Mrs. Harry Hazell and her son Peter spent last weekend with Sergeant Harry Hazell at New Cumberland, Pa. They motored there in the company of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lastner and their children, and stopped over in Le Moyne, Pa.

Jimmy McCarl is now at Fort Bragg in Carolina, and LeGrande Benefiel is in Camp Lee, Virginia, where he will play in the army band.

Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church

Even though incomplete, the new church building at Woodland Way and Forestway Road, will be used for regular services beginning this Sunday, October 13.

Sunday School will start promptly at 9:45 a. m., with classes for all ages. The morning worship hour will begin at 11 o'clock. The evening worship hour will begin at 8 p. m. Everyone is cordially invited to attend any and all services.

The regular mid-week prayer service will be held Thursday, October 17. The place of meeting will be announced at the Sunday morning service.

All are invited.

Lutheran Church

The sermon topic chosen by Rev. E. E. Pieplow for this Sunday, October 13, is entitled, "Opportunity and Adversity," I Cor. 16:9. Church services begin at 12:30 p. m. in the home economics room of the center school, preceded by Sunday School and Adult Bible class. All are invited.

The confirmation class for teenage pupils will begin this Saturday at 4 p. m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Johnson, 73-L Ridge Road.

Regular weekly choir rehearsal will be held on Thursdays at 2-F Plateau Place.

Community Church

Friday, October 12—
7:30 p.m.—Special choir rehearsal.

Sunday, October 13—
9:30 a.m.—Church School, Thos. Berry, Superintendent. Classes for all ages and interest levels. Adult Division meet in Arts and Crafts Room.

10:00 a.m.—Men's Bible Class
10:50 a.m.—Church Nursery, Supervised by the Evening Guild.

11:00 a.m.—Church Worship. Choral Music, directed by Thomas Ritchie, with Mrs. Daniel Neff at the organ.

Sermon Theme: "The Decision Before Us."
2:30 p.m.—Every Member Canteen Committee, Church Office.

7:30 p.m.—Board of Deacons, Church Office.

Tuesday, October 15—
8:00 p.m.—Evening Guild meets at Mrs. Harold Hufendick's home, 9-P Southway.

Wednesday, October 16—
7:30 p.m.—Choir Rehearsal, Room 201, Center School.

Thursday, October 17—
8:00 p.m.—Survey Instruction, Room 201, Center School.

Friday, October 18—
8:00 p.m.—Church Survey Instruction, Room 201, Center School.

Friday, October 25—
Young Adult Group meets at Raymond Taylor's.

Friday, November 1—
Evening Candlelight Communion Service, "All Soul's Day."

Hebrew Congregation

Services tonight will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Rosensweig, 4-E Crescent Road.

Lingerie

SHIPMENT JUST RECEIVED

New, Beautiful

The nice things you have been asking for
Beautiful sheer night gowns

Well made — Lovely as a gift or for yourself — Tea rose — Sizes 34 to 40

\$5.35

High quality slips

Rayon that looks like nylon — tea rose — Sizes 32-40

\$4.59

Excellent quality rayon slips

Beauty combined with durability — Tea rose only — Sizes 32-40

\$3.95

Good quality rayon slips

Well made in attractive tea rose or white — Sizes 32-40

\$3.49

A new supply of panties for larger women

Fine quality rayon

Size x — \$1.19

Size xx — \$1.49

Lingerie Department
Greenbelt Variety Store

Reps Ballplayers Receive Awards

The Greenbelt softball team held their annual party last Thursday night at the Athletic Clubhouse.

The highlight of the evening was the presentation by James T. Gobel, town manager, of gold miniature softballs to the blayers who have been with the team for over five years: Curt Barker, George Bauer, Bill Blanchard, Al Bowman, Ben Goldfaden, Ray Taylor, and Ed Trumbule.

Don O'Reilly showed moving pictures of many Greenbelt activities and also college football games. Refreshments (including turkey and ham!), dancing and ping pong concluded the evening.

Legion Boys Team Beats Berwyn, 18-0

The American Legion 135-pound class football team defeated the Berwyn Boys Club, 18-0, in the first game of the season last Sunday.

Coach Hugh Hawkins announced that the team will meet the Mt. Rainier Boys Club Sunday, October 13, at Braden Field, 2:30 p.m. FPHA Manager, Charles Cormack, will toss the first ball to Tony Baker, Greenbelt's young ballplaying star. The Greenbelt Band will play.

New Scout Troop Meets October 15

Greenbelt's new Boy Scout Troop 229, will begin its official existence on Tuesday evening, October 15, when Boy Scout officials of the Washington area present the charter to Abe Chasanow, now, president of the Elementary P-TA, who will then present it to Scout Master Ernest Townshend.

Investiture service, which was performed by scouts of Troop 202, and charter presentation will take place at 8 p.m. in the arts and crafts room of the center school. The eleven boys comprising the new troop are: Robert Johnson; Robert Glazier; Peter Hilar; James Klinenberg; Richard Stevenson; Joseph Fulk; Allen Gerstel; Ronald Taylor; Roland Taylor; Ralph Townshend; Stephen Wisebroth.

Boy Scout Troop 202 which is led by J. H. Moeser, and Troop 229, under Mr. Townshend, are holding their patrol leadership training together. The training will end with an overnight hike for the patrol and assistant patrol leaders of these two groups. The destination of the hike will be a surprise.

Community Chest Seeks \$1200 Here

Volunteer workers begin their canvass next week to raise \$1200 in Greenbelt for the Community Chest. The county goal is \$49,000, the Washington area goal, \$4,200,000.

Of the 125 agencies in the area to be served by the Chest, seven are located in Prince Georges County: the Social Service League, Catholic Charities, YMCA, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Campfire Girls and recreation projects.

"A number of Greenbelters have been aided by the League and the Catholic Charities," Mrs. Mary Jane Kinzer, town public welfare supervisor, informed the Cooperator. The records are confidential so it was not possible to learn the total figure.

Mrs. Kinzer pointed out that the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts of Greenbelt receive financial support from the Community Chest. There has been some planning, also, to start a Campfire Girl group here.

The local drive chairman, Mrs. F. J. McConnell, urges all those employed in Greenbelt to give generously to the Chest and also directs the appeal to housewives, who are asked to spare from their budgets a contribution in addition to their husband's gift through his office.

She quotes President Truman as saying, "Community Chest work is not charity in the narrow sense . . . rather, we give opportunity for health, for education, for wholesome and happy living.

"These opportunities we have in abundance in Greenbelt," she emphasized. "Let's make them possible for other communities."

The sixth largest bank in the British Isles is operated by the Cooperative Wholesale Society and pays no dividends to the shareholders but returns net bank earnings to the depositors. Total withdrawals and deposits for 1943 were over one billion pounds.

New Tax Allocation Plan Would Raise Income Of Countys, Towns By 6 Million

A new method of tax allocation, plans for which have been recommended to the people of Maryland by the Sherbow Commission on the Distribution of Tax Revenues, would net the 23 counties and their incorporated towns some \$6,239,964 more than they now receive, it was announced this week by Prof. William Paul Walker, University of Maryland consultant to the Sherbow Commission.

The Sherbow Commission was created last year to look into widespread dissatisfaction with existing methods of allocating tax funds, and to recommend improvements. Its report will be presented to the General Assembly in January with request for passage so that the "melon" could be available during the 1947 fiscal year. (Prince Georges detailed benefits are listed below).

The Commission recommended that the General Assembly meet every year, instead of every two years, so that budgeting can be put on an annual basis.

In place of the present system under which Baltimore City gets one quarter and the counties one quarter of the income taxes collected from individuals in their jurisdiction, the commissioners proposed a new method: it recommended that all political subdivisions be given first call on the income tax paid by their individual residents to the state, expressed in terms of percentage on income rather than as now, a percentage of tax. The rates proposed to be applied to the income of each subdivision are 1½ per cent on investment income and .625 per cent on ordinary income. Above these rates—to be applied for the benefit of local political subdivisions (Baltimore and the counties) the state would increase or decrease the rate of income tax solely from the point of view of the state's needs.

In re racing the Commission proposed a new deal as follows: All tax revenues received by the state from mile and half mile tracks be paid into the state general fund. Half the revenues from the mile tracks then allocated to the counties and Baltimore city on basis of population ratio to total state population figures. Funds allocated to the counties then reallocated between the counties and their incorporated towns, again on a population ratio basis. Of revenue received from half mile tracks one fourth to be similarly divided.

The Commission said that under the old procedure revenue pro-

duced from racing amounted to an average of \$1,170,768.12 (mile tracks) annually but under its present proposals that sum would be hiked to \$2,227,562.45 yearly. Similarly in the case of half mile tracks the jump would be from \$89,814.44 to \$268,962.01 annually.

Dominant from the counties point of view is the fact that all this revenue from racing would be new revenue, since the counties get NO revenue from the racing taxes. The proposals come in the nature of a windfall.

In re education the Commission proposed an increase in funds and a detailed system of re-allocation of same so that the schools would receive \$9,046,860 a year in basic aids instead of the \$5,714,000 now being received. Teachers salary raises and better school facilities would result.

From the overall point of view the core of the Sherbow plan is a re-allocation of taxes so that all political subdivisions may share more equitably in receipts. There are no drastic proposals to increase tax levies. With present state revenues as a base, the Commission says the new allocations could be met as follows: \$1,816,000 (increase) from racing and gasoline taxes; \$3,782,000 (increase) from the restoration of the income tax to the statutory figure of 2 per cent on earned income and 5 per cent on unearned income; and \$1,110,000 (increase) to be available after 1949, when the relief bond issue of 1933 is fully retired. The Commission calls attention to the fact that state revenues for some years have been well above state expenditures (last year the surplus amounted to \$4,716,000), and noting that apparently, in view of that condition, only \$1,294,000 would be left to be raised by new taxes, suggests that in event a larger surplus occurs this year there may actually be no need for new taxes at all. In any event the worst that could happen would be the need for a levy of \$1,294,000 (total), which, says the Commission, could be taken care of without difficulty.

What would happen in Prince Georges County can best be illustrated by the columns of figures below. These figures, worked out by Professor Walker, reveal the highly favorable impact on Prince Georges towns. Not all towns are listed because not all towns cooperated with Prof. Walker in supplying data, but such as did are listed. Note that the first two columns (left to right are ADDITIONAL revenue, the first column (income tax) being the amount to be received by the town indicated, OVER what it gets now from the income tax source, and the second column (racing) being entirely NEW income. The third column, (property tax levy of 1944) is merely set forth to indicate a third town source of revenue as it has existed in the past. Naturally the property tax levy will be greater this year owing to the vast increase in property values.

In footnotes, below the columns of figures, Prof. Walker also indicates further sources of revenue, in which the towns might share.

Proposed additional allocations of State revenue to towns of Prince Georges County compared with 1944 property tax levy

(As proposed by the Commission on the Distribution of Tax Revenues)

Approximate Amounts of Additional Revenue Proposed For Towns (Based on 1945-46 Revenues)

Incorporated Town	From Income Tax	From Horse Racing Tax	Property Tax Levy of 1944
Berwyn Heights	\$ 224	\$ 821	\$ 1,218
Bladensburg	403	2,212	3,825
Bowie	369	1,390	2,813
Brentwood	1,044	4,411	10,049
Capitol Heights	414	3,691	8,197
Cheverly	1,286	1,806	7,585
Cottage City	514	1,893	4,216
District Heights	207	711	2,936
Edmonston	142	1,693	2,542
Fairmont Heights	28	2,522	681
Greenbelt	681	5,132	104,400
Hyattsville	7,721	11,919	34,669 (1943)
Laurel	1,758	5,118	23,468 (1943)
Mt. Rainier	3,920	8,756	32,000
N. Brentwood	0	1,490	1,346
Riverdale	1,968	4,224	17,998 (1943)
Seat Pleasant	522	2,815	4,520 (1943)
Takoma Park (2)	6,882	16,200	82,385 (1943)
University Park	1,527	1,592	8,604
Upper Marlboro	1,050	1,124	5,880
Total	\$30,660	\$79,420	\$359,332

1. Data were not supplied for some towns. In addition, a total of \$11,428 of revenue from the admissions tax and \$35,458 from the local business licenses are proposed for distribution to the respective units where the business activity is carried on. Therefore, the towns would share in the greater portion of the total of \$46,881 from these sources.

2. In both Prince Georges and Montgomery Counties, the horse racing tax for Takoma Park is not shown in Commission's report. It is estimated, based on 1940 population.

Note: The amounts from the horse racing tax would be substantially greater for the towns which have grown in population rapidly since 1940, the census year used as a basis for allocation. Also, property tax levies are presumably greater in many of the towns for 1946 than they were in 1944 (or 1943).

Proposed additional allocations for use of Prince Georges County (County use only, excepting a minor portion for incorporated towns not listed above) are as follows:

From the income tax	\$ 56,428
From horse racing tax	95,772
From recodation tax	54,745
Total designated	\$206,945

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Q. I am an honorably discharged veteran. How can I get a Certificate of Eligibility for a G. I. loan?

A. Under the amendments to the Servicemen's Readjustment Act (G. I. Bill), an honorable discharge shall be deemed a Certificate of Eligibility. Any veteran who does not have a discharge certificate, or who received a discharge other than dishonorable, may apply to the Administrator of Veterans Affairs for a Certificate of Eligibility.

Q. Are monthly payments on my G. I. Loan applied first to the guaranteed portion or to the unguaranteed portion of my loan?

A. The amount of guaranty decreases pro rata with any decrease in the unpaid balance of the loan. In other words, as periodical payments are received and credited so as to reduce the loan balance a proportionate reduction takes place in the amount guaranteed.

Q. Does the Veterans Administration set the date of maturity on G. I. loans?

A. No, but the date of maturity on a guaranteed loan should not exceed the economic life of the property as security for a loan. The term of the loan shall in no event exceed: five years if non-amortized; 10 years for non-real estate loans; 25 years for home or business loans on real estate; 40 years for farm loans on real estate for farming operations.

Q. What is the veteran population of the United States?

A. On August 1, the total number of veterans was set by VA at 17,161,000. World War II veterans numbered 13,195,000, while veterans of World War I and other wars totaled 3,966,000.

Q. May a veteran designate in his will the beneficiary of his National Service Life Insurance?

A. Yes. He may designate an original beneficiary. However, he can not change the beneficiary of his insurance in his will if another had already been designated at the time of his death.

Q. If my income is sufficient to carry a 10-year GI loan, wouldn't I be wiser to do that than to take a 20-year loan even if I can obtain the latter?

A. Yes. However, it would be well to keep in mind the possibility that your income might not remain at its present level throughout the next 10 years. It might be well to consider taking a 15-year loan with the intention of paying it off in 10 years. You could do this by making extra payments without interest penalties. At the same time you would be able to make your straight 15-year payments in the event that your income should be reduced to a point where you could not carry the larger 10-year payments.

Q. Why does the Veterans Administration insist on a veteran's giving his National Service Life Insurance policy number every time he makes a payment?

A. There are more than 6,000,000 NSLI policies in force, which allows room for a lot of John Q. Jones and Tom Smiths. Consequently, to avoid errors, VA, like commercial insurance companies, keeps its records by policy serial numbers instead of by names. If you have more than one NSLI policy, be sure to include the number of each policy. Numbers of the original policies taken out while in the service begin with the letter "N". If you have converted yours, the number of the permanent policy will begin with "V".

Nurse Stouffer Conducts Exams

The health check up of the children in the two elementary schools is still in progress. Parents of children whose hearing or sight is defective, are being notified personally by Mrs. Frances P. Stouffer, Public Health Nurse, who is in charge of the examinations. Appointments can be made for these childrens at clinics of the County Health Department.

While definite information on the percentage of children with defects in sight or hearing will not be available until all the children have been examined, Mrs. Stouffer stated so far she has found a very low percentage of children having tuberculosis, in comparison with other schools in the county, and she feels this is undoubtedly due to the better housing in Greenbelt.

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Greenbelt Band Wins Blue Ribbon

Last Sunday at the University of Maryland, the Greenbelt Band played with the Independent Hose Company Band of Frederick, Md., and together they won a blue ribbon in a contest in which there were about 16 competing bands, representing fire companies throughout the state. The occasion was the dedication of a new building fully equipped for the training of firemen.

Phone Service For Autos Ready Now

Culminating a long period of design, installation and equipment tests, the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company recently inaugurated mobile radiotelephone service for vehicles.

The system is designed to furnish communication to all types of vehicles operating within a radius of about 20 miles from downtown Washington. Coverage of the area is accomplished by a main radio transmitter with receivers spotted strategically in the metropolitan area and transmitter-receiver units installed in vehicles.

Elects Officers

At the two full day session of the ECW board meeting held August 10 and 11, William Blaisdell was reelected president; Hartley Cross, vice-president; and L. E. Woodcock, secretary-treasurer.

The report of the six-month operation showed sales of \$2,900,733, with a net margin of \$9,276. It was reported that operations in the new Boston warehouse were proceeding smoothly, and that six and one-half acres of land have been purchased in Philadelphia for a warehouse there.

The board in formal action authorized another issue of preferred stock not to exceed \$500,000 to cover the need for capital for additional inventory, frozen foods, and new equipment.

New Windsor Appeal

From John D. Metzler, director of the Church World Service Center at New Windsor comes the following appeal:

With the passing of UNRRA at the beginning of the winter, private relief agencies will have to redouble their efforts to meet the gap between needs and supplies.

We hope that you will consider the collection of material goods for overseas relief a stable part of your church program and not a "drive" which ends on any particular date. This Center will operate for a long time and receive any donations you may send.

Now is the time to plan for local collections of goods this fall. It takes time to plan a good campaign; we offer you assistance in the form of cards, leaflets, posters, colored slide lectures, newspaper material and speakers. You cannot start too early or work too hard in collecting goods in your community.

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The placing of modern streamlined cars into use on a stepped up schedule on this line climaxes a fight of many months' duration by the Independent Trade Association to secure adequate commuter service in the County.

The shuttle trolley system, formerly in use between Mt. Rainier and Branchville, will still cover the last lap from Branchville to Beltsville.

A group of County leaders, headed by Charles T. Hartley, president of the ITA, made an inspection trip of the new service on Saturday as guests of the transit company, before service was opened to the public.

When work on the Riverdale turnaround is completed, approximately half of the outcoming trips will terminate there.

Others making the inaugural trip were Mayors Floyd B. Mathias, of Mt. Rainier; James Sampson, Brentwood; Harold R. Manning, Edmonston; Harry A. L. Barker, Riverdale, and William A. Duvall, College Park; Greenbelt Town Manager James T. Gobbel and his son, James T., Jr., Dr. A. K. Besley, superintendent of Prince Georges General Hospital; Herbert W. Wells, president of the County Chamber of Commerce; Delegate Perry O. Wilkinson, Roy T. Fowkes, Mt. Rainier city engineer, and Mrs. Hartley.

Theater Group Picks New Play

The Greenbelt Theater Group meets at 8:30 p.m. tonight in the arts and crafts room of the center school to select a new play for their next production. At the last meeting of the group it was decided to abandon plans for producing "The Late George Apley," due to the difficult stage setting and production problems involved, and the present shortage of needed material.

A new play selection committee was appointed, headed by Roy Volberding, to report to the group at tonight's meeting. The following plays are among those under consideration by the committee: "Watch on the Rhine," "The Male Animal," "Craig's Wife," "Dough-boys," "Jason," and "The Little Foxes."

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Now Arthur Rubinstein tries his hands at "Rachmaninoff Piano Concerto No. 2." I am anxious to hear this pressing, though I have the composer doing it satisfactorily. Rubenstein's rendition of "Tchaikovsky Concerto for Piano and Orchestra," has been my long time favorite and I held off buying the Concerto for three years hoping to get this particular album. The Horowitz-Toscanini team gives him competition and was my second choice. Other recommended concertos are "Schumann Piano Concerto in A Minor, Claudio Arrau; "Saint Saens Concerto No. 4," Robert Casadesus; "Brahms Concerto No. 2," Horowitz; "Beethoven 'Emperor' Concerto," Gieseking; and "Grieg Piano Concerto," Gieseking.

Music of Jerome Kern is Kostelanetzized for Kostelanetz fans in a new Columbia album. Lily's husband included such favorites as "Bill," "Only Make Believe," "Ol' Man River," "Smoke Gets In Your Eyes," and four others.

Children's Play Series

The 15th season of the Children's Play Series, sponsored by the Children's Museum of Washington, will open at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 19, at Lisner Auditorium in Washington, with the Clare Tree Major production of "The Secret Garden." The play will be repeated at 2 p.m.

Five more plays, presented at monthly intervals, will follow. Reservations may be made by calling the Children's Museum, HObart 5298, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Tuesday through Friday.

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