



Council Kills 1949 Tax On GCS; Refuses To Consider 1950 Now

By unanimous vote the Greenbelt City Council at its regular meeting Monday night repealed the 1949 municipal personal property tax inadvertently provided for in the budget ordinance, and by so doing saved the patrons of Greenbelt Consumer Services, awaiting the report on their annual dividend and patronage return, an expense of \$7100. Town Manager Charles T. McDonald was instructed in the repealing measure to withdraw the tax statements already issued and to repay the amounts collected, which add up to about \$400.

Although City Solicitor Ralph Powers was unable to attend the meeting, he sent a written opinion which McDonald read to council members stating that under the original personal property tax ordinance, passed in 1940, an attempt was obviously made to exempt GCS. The exemption was not valid since the council lacked the authority to make such an exemption in the tax ordinance. He advised the council, however, that it had the legal right to repeal the 1949 tax ordinance, as well as that for 1950.

1950 "A Different Matter"

Mayor Elizabeth Harrington introduced a resolution to repeal the 1949 personal property tax and exclude it from the ordinance by striking out the phrase "and personal property tax." Councilman Frank Lastner suggested that the council go all the way back to 1940 and delete the personal property tax provision to avoid further trouble on this point, reiterating the previous statement made by council members that there was "no intention and no attempt to collect" the tax from GCS. He also raised the question of the 1950 tax ordinance, which provides for \$7500 to be raised from personal property taxes in the city. Mayor Harrington replied that the 1950 question was a different matter entirely and should be considered as such at some future time, and this statement was concurred in by the other council members.

In response to the suggestion of Councilman Thomas Canning that the intent of the council passing the original ordinance should govern the present council's decision, Albert Arent, counsel for GCS, arose to offer the testimony of three members of the former council—Mrs. Theodore Taylor, Arthur Gawthrop, and Sherrod East—as well as a letter from George Warner, now residing in Philadelphia, all agreeing that the original ordinance was designed to tax only individual personal property in the town, and that there was no intention or attempt to collect such a tax from the cooperative.

Arent stated that he agreed with Powers that the 1940 council had no authority to exempt the cooperative from the tax, but urged, in view of their intention not to levy the tax, that all legislation on the subject since 1940 should be rescinded. Lastner replied that there were practical difficulties in that proposal, pointing out that the city is not now in any position to repay all the funds collected since 1940 under the previous ordinances providing for personal property taxes. Mayor Harrington referred to the 1947 Sherbow act provision described in *The Cooperator* as "prohibiting" the collection of personal property taxes from individuals by municipalities, and McDonald explained that to participate in the Sherbow funds (distributed from race track receipts) a municipality must waive its right to collect on individual personal property.

Bauer Opposes Tax

Former mayor George Bauer reminded the council that he was always opposed to the personal property tax in Greenbelt, saying that as a member of the council he had felt that "those who passed it ought to pay it." He agreed, however, that the legislative intent was to tax the people. East explained that the 1940 tax was not a revenue measure, but a method instigated by the Farm

Security Administration "to insure that people paid a token tax direct instead of a major portion through their rent." Gawthrop agreed that the language of the ordinance was unfortunately chosen, and noted that the town solicitor of that period was not often available for advice and that the council had little previous experience to guide them.

GCS General Manager Sam Ashelman informed the council that the 1950 problem was as pressing as that of 1949, as it would affect the future of the town by keeping businesses from entering a high-tax municipality. He said he was negotiating for Greenbelt's first "light industry" and the council's decision would have serious influence on his plans. After the council, suspending the rule calling for second reading, passed the 1949 tax repealer unanimously, Walter Bierwagen, president of the GCS board of directors, made a further attempt to query the members on the 1950 tax, but was called out of order by Councilman Canning with Mayor Harrington's assent.

Whose Corner?

Before taking up the tax matter, the council heard Commissioner Burnett of Berwyn Heights and his legal counsel, who appeared to ask about the recent survey which included the southwest corner of the Edmonston-Southway intersection.

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GCS Pays 2% Refund, Sales Top 2 Million

Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., will refund two percent on patronage receipts for 1949, it was announced at a special meeting of the GCS board of directors last night. Total sales during 1949 amounted to \$2,199,818.42, with a net margin of \$68,378.78 (3.1% of total sales, 27% of the \$253,958.61 capital investment).

Over \$27,000 will be distributed to the 1500 member families who turned in \$1,355,000 in patronage receipts, an average of \$903 per family. More families are involved than were last year, but the family average is lower. The 2% refund compares to 1.8% on 1948 patronage receipts.

The net margin will be divided, in accordance with the by-laws, as follows: (\$13,800 (20%) to reserves; \$11,500 (5%) to dividends on stock; \$16,000 in state and federal income taxes, leaving \$27,200 for patronage refunds.

Meeting Date Set

February 15 has been set as the date for the annual membership meeting, at which nine board members must be elected. All present board members are running for reelection.

With Carolyn Miller and George Davidson dissenting, it was voted to accept the general manager's recommendation and obtain a speaker for the meeting. Mrs. Miller expressed the opinion that there was enough business to be conducted at the annual meeting without the addition of a speaker.

Walter Bierwagen, president, stressed the need for continuity in the board of directors, saying that "management has to go to a lot of trouble to break in a new board each year."

Dime Marches On

The competitive spirit has entered into the annual "March of Dimes" drive for funds to aid infantile paralysis victims, according to Thomas Freeman, chairman of the drive in Greenbelt. Mr. Freeman stated that bottles labeled with numbers from 1 to 10, representing all the blocks of Greenbelt, will be placed in the drug store and the Drop-Inn. People will be asked drop their donations into the bottle representing the block in which they live, and a thermometer will be located in the center to show residents how funds are progressing and which blocks are leading in amounts contributed.

The *Cooperator* has checked the figures it received last week on the number of cases of polio in Greenbelt. According to the Prince Georges County chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, there were 2 new cases in Greenbelt last year, and 10 cases from previous years still receiving treatment.

Citizens Ask CTC. For Express Service

Two possible solutions to Greenbelt's transit problem were discussed at the Citizens Association meeting last Thursday night, at which Charles Hammond and John Nutwell represented Capital Transit Company.

Express service would be the end result of both possibilities, but in one instance Capital Transit would furnish the service on a cash fare basis, while in the other the transit firm would provide the service to a chartering group at regular charter rate, allowing the group to set the fare for riders. It was pointed out that in the latter case the chartering party could establish the route, since it would not have to be passed upon by the Public Service Commission.

Survey Aid Offered

Services of Capital Transit's research and planning staff, of which Hammond is a member, were offered to aid a suggested survey to determine how many Greenbelters would patronize an express service.

In answer to questioning from the audience as to why Capital Transit "discriminates" against Maryland patrons as compared to those of Washington, Hammond said that few riders in the District take long routes, while practically all Maryland rides are long. The cost for Maryland service is 50 cents per mile, he said, calculating on a slide rule, while the peak income (1944-45) from Greenbelt patrons has been 40 cents a mile and the present revenue is less than 20 cents per mile.

Compared to Greyhound

When Capital Transit service and rates were compared to those of the Greyhound line, Hammond remarked that the Greyhound service to Washington's Maryland suburbs was a "by-product," not scheduled for local needs.

Comparisons were also made to service and rates in other towns, including Baltimore, where, according to one member of the audience, a 26-mile ride costs only 13 cents. Nutwell said that the Baltimore firm would also like to charge more, and has asked for a 2-cent increase. (Ed. Note: Capital Transit's plea for a 2c-per-zone Maryland increase was deferred yesterday by the Public Service Commission.)

Schedule Hit

One complaint underscored by repetition was the lack of coordination at Branchville where, it was claimed by many of those present—and agreed upon by both Hammond and Nutwell—the bus often arrives just in time to see the streetcar pull out, and vice versa. Nutwell consulted a timetable, however,

PHA Establishes 8-Week Deadline, GVHC Membership Meets Tonight

As the Greenbelt Veterans Housing Corporation prepared this week for its first annual membership meeting, the Public Housing Administration made its first official announcement on Greenbelt's disposition since it ordered an appraisal nearly a year ago.

GHA Meets Tuesday Elects Board Members

Election of four members to the board and discussion of a recommended raise in the initiation fee for new members are two items on the agenda for the membership meeting of the Greenbelt Health Association next Tuesday, January 31, at 8:30 p.m. in the arts and crafts room of the community building.

CORRECTION

Last week's report on the second meeting of the Greenbelt groups planning observance of Brotherhood Week was in error on the names of several of the organization representatives. The correct listing is as follows: from St. Hugh's Sodality, Mrs. Grace Thomas and Mrs. Katherine Ohlmacher; from the Ladies of Charity, Mrs. Ada R. Cusick; and from the Girl Scouts, Mrs. M. Clay, who was omitted from the list. Total number of local organizations sponsoring the February 19 meeting is now twenty-nine.

and said that according to it there was synchronization of the timing of the two vehicles.

"You may have it on the timetable," remarked Wells Harrington, "but not at Branchville."

Mrs. Wells Harrington stated that only an express service would be adequate, and explained that she drives into the District for shopping, but would prefer a convenient public method of transportation. "I wish you would be willing to try an express service and see if we wouldn't support it," she said.

The transit representatives declared that present patronage of the service currently offered did not warrant an express bus, claiming that Greenbelt accounts for less than 1000 rides per day.

Ralph G. Miller suggested a survey to determine how many would ride an express bus, to which the reply was that "the only survey is to try it." Miller expressed the opinion that even if express service were provided, if the proposed fare increases were approved, bringing the round-trip price for Greenbelters to \$1, it would not be fully patronized.

Percent of What?

A bookkeeping question was posed by Thomas Ritchie when the Capital Transit representatives said that for the first 11 months of 1949 the firm's revenue was 2.1%. Ritchie asked if this figure was based on original capital investment (as is the case, for example, in the Greenbelt Consumer Services 5% paid on shares of stock) or on equipment and stock.

The latter is the case, according to Hammond, Ritchie commented that there is considerable difference between the two ways of figuring revenue, and the method employed by Capital Transit representing a substantially higher profit than if it were figured on original capital investment. Hammond said that he did not have the figures on the ratio of profit to original investment.

John T. Egan, PHA commissioner, said yesterday that he expects within the next six to eight weeks to make a definitive announcement of disposal plans. Independent appraisers have completed evaluation of the property, he said, and the appraisals are now under study.

At tonight's meeting, to begin at 8:30 in the community building auditorium, a seven-man board will be elected. Running for reelection are Bruce Bowman, Rev. Eric T. Braund, Ben Goldfaden, Henry Pearlman, Mike Salzman, and Rabbi Morris A. Sandhaus. James Walsh, the other member of the present board, is not running for reelection. New nominees, according to Donald Kern, chairman of the nominations and elections committee, are: Daniel Lyons, Edward Burgoon, J. Walsh Barcus, Harold Fischer, and Irving Oring.

Also to be elected are seven members of an advisory board. Nominees to date are: Sherrod East, Paul Borsky, Wells Harrington, Thomas Ritchie, Sam Wallace, Paul Kasko, Edward Trumbule, Cyrilla O'Connor, Ralph G. Miller, and Sally Meredith.

In addition to election of the board members and a new nominations and elections committee, there is expected to be a discussion of the PHA statement.

Last of Three

Greenbelt was originally scheduled to be the last of the three "Greentowns" to be sold. Greendale, Wisconsin, was the first on which an announcement of sale was made. However, the existence of two competing purchasing groups within the town made it impossible for PHA to sell on a negotiated basis, since Public Law 65 (the Greentowns disposal law) calls for competitive bidding if more than one resident group tries to buy. The situation in Greendale is still at a stalemate. Greenhills, Ohio, in the meantime, has been sold on a negotiated basis to its residents in a mutual group similar to GVHC.

Package Deal

According to Egan's statement, the war housing in Greenbelt will not be divorced from the rest of the community for sale purposes. Instead, he said, PHA hopes to sell both sections of Greenbelt as an entity to a single purchaser.

The law permits the community to be sold on a negotiated basis at its fair market value, for cash or on terms, with a down payment of at least 10% and the balance amortized over not more than 25 years at 4% interest. The Government can accept a first mortgage or deed of trust against the property as security for a limited time to be specified in the initial announcement.

Veteran groups organized on a nonprofit basis may apply for a priority in negotiating a purchase. Such groups must agree to admit as members any present residents of Greenbelt under the same terms and conditions that apply to veteran members of the group. If no group qualifies within the offering period, PHA may dispose of the community either by negotiation or by competitive bidding.

295 Now In North End PTA

The North End PTA now has a membership of 295, according to Bruce Bowman, president. At the PTA's executive committee meeting Tuesday night it was also announced that a membership letter recently circulated through the North End had netted \$37. Howard Hunt is the committee's chairman.

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Ready For The Wolf?

Perhaps "wolf" has been cried so often that, now that the animal is at the door, we'll just ignore him and hope he'll go away again. However, since Public Housing Administration has announced a deadline of eight weeks on action toward disposal of Greenbelt, we hope to see a revival of the widespread interest so evident a couple of years ago when sale first became "imminent."

It shouldn't be necessary for Greenbelt Veterans Housing Corporation to scour the community again for members, since sale is planned on a complete-package basis rather than a piece at a time, and GVHC is the logical purchaser, as it complies in every respect with Public Law 65 which governs the sale of Greenbelt, along with Greendale and Greenhills. We can take a lesson from those two communities, however. At Greenhills, where an organization similar to GVHC was the sole would-be purchaser to comply with all of the provisions of Public Law 65, the sale was consummated in the way desired by the residents. At Greendale, however, the existence of two competing groups forced PHA to open the sale to competitive bidding. That town has not as yet been sold to anyone, and whether the residents' wishes will be followed is anyone's guess.

We have no horrible example for another potential danger, but a little foresight and imagination makes it obvious: Concentration of power in the purchasing group. We can hear the cliques click as they plan the operation of GVHC—and the 1200 families who demonstrated \$11 worth of interest in mutual housing weren't investing in the ambitions of a few people.

Citizens who will be elected to the board of directors and to the board of advisors of Greenbelt Veterans Housing Committee will hold a tremendous amount of power in their hands. Their actions during the next few months will affect the future of every resident of Greenbelt—and every resident should be represented. Not all Greenbelt families are members, but those who have bought in certainly owe it to themselves to attend tonight's meeting and see that such representation is achieved.

North End Beats Center In Benefit Basketball

The North End school boys basketball team defeated the Center school in an exciting game at the community building last Sunday afternoon by a score of 22-20.

Approximately 100 fans turned out to witness the contest and aid the American Legion "Toys for Overseas" program. Several hundred games and toys were donated.

The game was thrill-packed from start to finish, and the final result proved to be quite an upset as the Center school had defeated the Northenders in two previous practice games. Tony Baker, Dickie Taylor, and Melvin Malloy excelled for the winners, with Fred Comings and Gary Brown turning in fine performances for the losers.

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in the Greenbelt city limits. Burnett said that in 1924, the area was included in Berwyn Heights, and his attorney requested that the Greenbelt authorities define the actual limits and settle the question to their mutual satisfaction. McDonald explained that the 1949 survey giving the tract to Greenbelt was prepared not at the council's instance but by PHA engineers in connection with the charter change and plans for disposition of the property. The corner in question would not ordinarily, he said, be of much interest to Greenbelt residents, but it does maintain a protection at the entrance to the city. The change, he added, has been made official since the legislature included it in the 1949 charter.

The Berwyn Heights representatives pointed out that there would be agitation to make the crossroads commercial when the property was

Women Voters Approve Proposed Adoption Plan

The League of Women Voters of Maryland has gone on record as approving the changes in Maryland's adoption laws embodied in a law proposed by Anselm Sodaro, and approved by the Legislative Council.

In a letter to Senator Joseph Byrnes, Mrs. Joseph Hirschmann, president of the Maryland League, said "Changes proposed in this bill represent a strengthening of our adoption laws and are, therefore, definitely desirable. When the present law was passed in 1947 members of the league who had studied the matter felt that the measure was inadequate in many respects, since none of the major points recommended by the Children's Bureau was included in the law. This proposed bill will have the full support of the League of Women Voters in Maryland."

developed, and that it might become a serious problem. McDonald explained that Greenbelt is a planned community under the Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission, and that no change can be made without consulting the commission. Berwyn Heights, while also under zoning laws, would not have the same degree of protection as the Greenbelt community in entirety. Burnett agreed that their mutual interest was to keep undesirable additions "such as a filling station" off the corner, to protect the nice homes along Edmonston road. He requested a copy of the new survey, which McDonald assured him would be available from government sources.

Personal Touch

By Doris Asbell Mednick, 3518 Mr. Nielson, mailman in North End, is deserting his mail bag to tote books instead. He has decided to go back to school for higher learning.

Mrs. Helen Rubin, 6-F Crescent, was given a surprise shower by Mrs. Helen Lawrence, 6-H Crescent, Saturday night. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Jennie Klein and Mrs. Sonia Garin.

Mrs. William Blew, 9-L Parkway, recently recovered from bronchitis, is motoring to Pensacola, Florida, to spend a few months with her married daughter, Virginia Harris, son-in-law Dick, and granddaughter.

Mrs. Cecilia Jones, 39 Ridge, has been very ill in Cheverly Hospital since peritonitis set in following an appendectomy. She is now well on the road to recovery at home.

Mrs. Carl Day, 6-T Ridge, made a flying visit to her husband in Winston-Salem, where he was recovering from pneumonia. Mrs. Patricia Day Holbrook, his daughter, who greets many of us at the Greenbelt bank (greets who? Who's got money?) also visited Mr. Day over the weekend. Mr. Day works for the Piedmont Air Lines in Winston-Salem.

Joseph Chucker, brother of Bea Wexler, 32-K Ridge, will be married January 29 to Miss Elaine Gewirz of Washington. Mrs. Wexler will be matron of honor. Elaine and Israel Chucker, brother and sister of the groom, have arrived in Greenbelt from Minnesota to attend the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. David Granahan, former local residents and now of University Park, and their 3 sons were visiting friends in Greenbelt over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. David Burchuk, 13-B Ridge, announce the birth of their second daughter, Joyce Yvette. Mr. Burchuk is conductor of the Prince Georges County Symphony Orchestra. Joyce will probably 'crescendo' when Dad is striving for 'diminuendo.'

Ask Sid Spindel why he wears red neckties. (Could it be for the reason given recently by a Washington psychiatrist?)

Here's a heartwarming story that came our way the other day. Really gave us a good feeling! Mrs. Leon Benefiel, 60-B Crescent, went shopping for two sets of dishes for the St. Hugh's sisters' home in a department store in Silver Spring. Money for the dishes had been contributed by various members in Greenbelt. After Mrs. Benefiel had picked out the dishes, she found that the money she had would pay for everything except the soup plates. The saleswoman remarked "what a shame you don't have enough money to buy the complete set." A few days later when the package arrived from the store, the soup plates were included. Mrs. Benefiel went back and consulted the same salesperson who waited on her. The saleslady had raised the money among her co-workers so that two complete sets of dishes could be sent.

Here's another little story, but we can't tell who. See if it doesn't sound like someone you know. A charming young matron of Greenbelt got into her car, parked on a side street of Washington. She put her foot on the starter and nothing happened. After numerous attempts her car had not budged an inch. She finally got the help of a kindly motorist who agreed to push the car. Block after block of pushing on Washington's busy streets did not put any life into the car. Looking down at the dashboard, our charming young matron saw that she had not turned on the ignition. Feeling quite abashed, but determined to save her face she leaned out the car and called back to the motorist, "Just try once more and I know she'll start." And darn if she didn't!

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Friday, January 27 - 9 p.m., Special party, community building auditorium. Public welcome.

Sunday, January 29 - 9:30 a.m., Church school, North End and Center schools. 10 a.m., Men's Bible class. Teacher: Fred Birchard. Discussion leader: Earl Thomas. 10:55 a.m., Church nursery in arts and crafts room. 11 a.m., Church worship, community building auditorium. Sermon by Reverend Braund, fourth in the series on "Great Personalities of the Bible." This sermon will deal with the "Life and Times of Ahab and Jezebel."

Tuesday, January 31 - 7:30 p.m., Christian School at Calvary Baptist Church.

ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Victor J. Dowgiallo, Pastor
Greenbelt 5911

Sunday: Masses, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, and 11 a.m. in the parish hall.

Saturday: Confessions, 3 to 5 p.m. for children, 7 to 9:30 for adults, in the chapel.

Daily Mass: 7 a.m. in the chapel.

Thursday, February 2: Candlemas Day. Candles will be blessed for home and church use, in the parish hall. Confessions in preparation for the First Friday, 4 to 5 and 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the chapel.

Friday, February 3: First Friday of the month. Mass at 7 a.m. in the parish hall, Holy Communion distributed at 6:30 a.m. in the chapel. Holy Hour at 8 p.m. Friday in the parish hall.

Friday, February 3: Feast of St. Blaise. Announcement will be made on Sunday of time for blessing of throats.

HEBREW SERVICES

Morris Sandhaus, Rabbi
Greenbelt 3593

Friday, January 27 - Candlelighting, 4:50 p.m. Services at 8 p.m. will be conducted by Jos. Dalis. Portion of the week, Exodus 10:1-13:16, "Bo." Speaker, Moe Hoffman, director for USO of the Jewish Welfare Board for the Washington, D. C. area, on the work of his organization.

Cold Victim Suffers, Gets Little Sympathy

Although he obviously suffers, with his running nose and eyes, sneezing, and coughing, a cold victim probably gets less sympathy than any other ill person.

One reason may be that most people average two or three colds a year and most people look on a cold as just a temporary nuisance. Another reason for this lack of sympathy might be that people realize a cold is catching and so they avoid the sufferer. The person who carelessly spreads his cold germs by neglecting to cover his coughs and sneezes with his handkerchiefs or tissues is especially unpopular.

For the so-called "common cold" is highly contagious. The victim most frequently spreads his cold at the time the symptoms first appear, but his cold can be spread even before he himself starts coughing and sneezing.

Contact Does It

The cold germ—a virus so small it cannot be seen under an ordinary microscope—is usually spread by direct contact. Things like sitting in a draft and getting wet feet are not sufficient in themselves to produce a cold. But doctors believe that sudden changes in temperature and severe chilling or wetting sensitize the membranes of the nose and throat and make a person more vulnerable to cold germs. Cold germs can lodge beforehand in the membranes of the nose and throat and not "take hold" until sudden chill or cold weaken surrounding tissues.

Not Fatal, But—

A cold, of itself, is never the cause of death. If neglected or ignored, however, a cold can lead to serious illness or complications which may prove fatal. Colds not properly cared for can result in pneumonia,

MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

Russell B. Reed, Minister
Phone Shepherd 0035

Sunday, January 29 - Sunday School 9:45 a.m.; a class for each age group. Morning worship, 11 a.m. Sermon: "An Opportunity." The building committee will meet in the church at 8 p.m.

Tuesday, January 31 - The Methodist men will bowl at 7 p.m.

Friday, February 3 - The adult choir will rehearse in the church at 7 p.m. The following members have been elected to serve as the new church building committee: Alexander Mowatt, Ralph Duter, Frank Barrick, Philip Junek, Alpheus Tavener, Morgan Johnson, Austin Woolley, Alvin Allen, James Smith, Seibert Meade, Mrs. Harry McNeale, Robert Rexrode, James Shaffer, Emmett Griggs, Mrs. Ann Hutchinson, Mrs. Lee Quinn.

GREENBELT LUTHERAN CHURCH

Rev. Edwin E. Pieplow, Minister
Phone WA. 0942

Thursday, January 26 - Choir will practice at the home of Mrs. Holien, 2-F Plateau, 8 p.m.

Friday, January 27 - Junior Confirmation class meets at the Mt. Rainier church, 4 p.m. The Men's Club will meet in room 225 of the Center school at 8 p.m.

Sunday, January 29 - Sunday school for all, 11:30 a.m. Adult Bible class, 12 noon; church service, 12:40 p.m.

The Lutheran Sunday School Workers Association of Metropolitan Washington will meet at 3 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran church, 4th and E streets, N.W. In addition to the usual business meeting, Pastors Leslie F. Weber and Paul G. Amt will speak on how the Sunday school can assist in institutional mission work in the Washington area. All Sunday school teachers are urged to be present. Transportation will be provided.

Sunday evening service in Mt. Rainier, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, February 1 - Sunday school teachers' meeting in room 223 of the Center school at 8 p.m.

Tenants Must Replace Worn-Out Trash Cans

A memo to war housing tenants from Walter A. Simon, community manager, dated January 16, stated that Public Housing Administration can no longer supply them with refuse containers. Containers already in use may continue to be used until worn out, the memo said, but the tenant must make the necessary replacement which must meet PHA standards as a 16- or 21-gallon, galvanized, corrugated, covered container. The replacement may be bought from the maintenance department at cost, Simon added.

Many families have been keeping their garbage and trash containers outside their houses, the PHA manager said, protesting that this creates a health hazard. He requested that trash and garbage containers be kept in the trash closets provided for this use. If garbage is drained and wrapped and the can thoroughly cleaned after each garbage collection, he continued, odor should be eliminated.

tonsillitis, diseases of the ears and of the throat, or secondary infections of the sinuses, larynx, bronchial tube and even the eyes.

The best way to avoid a cold is to avoid those suffering from colds. But since this is not always practical, the best defense is building natural resistance to all illness, mainly through proper diet and sufficient rest.

Stay at Home

If a cold does strike, despite precautions, a person should get as much rest as he can, and take light and easily digested foods, such as soups, milk, and fruit juices. If possible, he should stay at home. Prompt action against the early symptoms of a cold can mean "licking" it in a few days and perhaps warding off a serious illness that might have struck had the cold been ignored and the body's resistance further weakened.

MARYLAND TUBERCULOSIS
ASSOCIATION

Coat Of Many Pockets Modeled at Food Store

A shopper's outfit, designed by the Department of Agriculture's human nutrition and home economics bureau, was modeled in the Greenbelt supermarket Tuesday afternoon by Miss Barbara Lance of the bureau's information division. Warner-Pathe News and Paramount photographers accompanied Miss Lance, taking pictures for movie news.

Efficient Shopping

According to Miss Clarice Scott, clothing supervisor of the bureau at Beltsville, the coat was designed to give maximum efficiency for the woman shopper, with loose, comfortable lines to allow for free action and a full-length zipper to keep the coat closed in windy weather. The material is shower, wind, and water-repellent cotton with a hood and double shoulder protection. There is a handy pocket for gloves, lower righthand pocket has a zipper for pencil and wallet, and a lefthand pocket has a zipper for a check book. An upper righthand pocket has a roll-up chain for keys and coin dispenser; after using, the key or dispenser automatically returns to the pocket. One of the sleeves has a slit pocket in the seam to carry tissues, and on the left cuff two straps of material are stitched down to make a holder for a memo pad. All pockets have an inverted pleat on the inside so that bulk does not protrude.

A carry-all bag for groceries is attached by a shoulder strap, with a plastic cover in case of rain. Patterns may be obtained from "Woman's Day."

Woman's Club Marks Tenth Anniversary

The tenth anniversary of the Woman's Club of Greenbelt will be celebrated February 2 at 2 p.m. in the social room of the community building. Among the invited guests are the following state officers: Mrs. Alma H. Preinkert, president; Mrs. Robert J. Dannemiller, vice-president; Mrs. Maurice Eburg, recording secretary; Mrs. Harry R. Christopher, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Stanley Delcher, treasurer, and Mrs. Frank M. Stephen, president of the Prince Georges County Federation. Guest soloist will be Mrs. John McClendon of Greenbelt.

Assisting Mrs. James T. Gobel as hostesses will be Mrs. Mattie Blake, Mrs. Eric T. Braund, Mrs. Henry Brautigam, Mrs. Charles T. Cookson, Mrs. David Granahan, Mrs. Grace F. Green, Mrs. Herbert Hall, Jr., Mrs. Glenn E. Kitchen, Mrs. Orville M. Slye, and Mrs. Phillips F. Taylor.

FOX TALES

By Sam Fox

Boys' Tumbling: Tumbling classes for boys are being held at the North End school on Fridays from 3:30 to 4:45. Classes are open to all elementary school boys living in Greenbelt.

Girls' Tumbling: The new class for beginners started Wednesday at the Center school at 3:30 p.m. Anyone wishing to join should contact the Recreation Department to find out if there is room to register for the next class.

Center Glee Club: Let's get together and do some singing at the Center school glee club for children of elementary school age, held every Monday night from 7 to 8 p.m. in room 201. You must be in the fourth, fifth, or sixth grade.

Don't forget to attend Men's Gym night every Thursday from 7:30 to 10:30. Women's Night is every Wednesday from 7:30 to 10:30. Lots of fun.

Basketball Game: The North End team defeated the Center school team by the score of 22 to 20 in a very exciting game, no doubt the best Greenbelt will have here this year. We wish to thank everyone for the toys which will make some children overseas very happy. The boys from each elementary school played excellent ball.

Teen-Age Dance Class: All teenagers wishing to join a modern ballroom dance class should get in touch with the Recreation Department. If there are enough teenagers willing to learn we will have the same type of class that was held last year with one of the popular studios teaching you how to dance. Here is your chance to be the best at your prom.

"The individual who has a rich recreation life is more likely to be a healthy, well-balanced, law-abiding citizen than the person who is deprived of recreation opportunities."

Three Gift Books Given To Library

The Greenbelt public library this week announced the addition of three new books, received as gifts.

The Greenbelt section of the National Council of Jewish Women in observance of Jewish Book Month presented the library with a copy of "The Challenging Years," an autobiography of Stephen Wise. O. J. Schuster, of Parkway Road, presented two books: "Mr. Jones, Meet the Master," by Peter Marshall, and "Scientific Autobiography," by Max Planck.

Boys Club Quints Win Two, Lose Two

Teams representing the Greenbelt Boys' Club participated in four basketball games last week, turning in a .500 average by winning two and losing two.

The Senior five entertained Laurel, winning by a score of 46-36. Tommy Quigley, local high-school football star, contributed 15 points in this contest to lead his teammates in scoring.

On Thursday night, the 90-pound team travelled to Washington where they dropped a 40-34 decision to the Georgetown Boys' Club. Jim Strippling and Mike Cockill each connected for 12 points for Greenbelt.

The Madison School of Falls Church, Virginia, furnished the opposition for the club's 90- and 80-pound outfits on Saturday morning at Greenbelt with the local 90-pounders winning 23-12, while the 80-pounders were edged out by the visitors 23-21. Jim Strippling starred for the 90-pounders with Ronny Brooks, Fred Comings, and Tony Baker standing out for the 80-pound club.

Tonight, the 90- and 80-pound teams travel to Alexandria to meet the Boys' Club teams of that city. On Saturday morning, the Georgetown Boys Club will be in Greenbelt for a twin-bill beginning at 10:30. There is no charge for admission to these contests.

Simple, Says Simon "Just Checking"

The current PHA inventory of refrigerators and stoves is to put the project records in order and has nothing to do with the selling of Greenbelt, announced Walter A. Simon, federal manager. An inventory of all government property is under way and is necessary for efficient operation.

Rumors that the maintenance department is not going to spend any funds on maintaining the project because it is to be sold can be traced to a recent examination of the budget which showed too much money being spent in certain categories, the PHA manager added. A slowdown on expenditures has been ordered until budget adjustments can be made.

The men from the central offices of PHA seen about the city with PHA Manager Walter G. Simon Tuesday were checking the appraisers' estimate, Simon said. The report of the appraisers on Greenbelt went into PHA the last of December but has not been released.

Mayor Attends Meeting Of Nat'l Education Ass'n

Mrs. Wells Harrington, 1st vice president of the Maryland Congress of Parents and Teachers, was its representative at the Eastern Regional Conference of the National Educational Association in Washington on January 20 and 21.

A national survey was reported to have revealed that in 1949 the colleges graduated only 16,960 prepared to teach in elementary schools, while the annual demand during the next ten year period will be for 103,399 new elementary teachers. At the same time, 64,464 graduates in 1949 were prepared for high school teaching, while only 24,372 new high school teachers will be needed annually during the next ten years.

Maryland has a surplus of high school teachers and there will soon be a surplus of junior high school teachers, but it will be at least five years before there is an adequate supply of elementary school teachers. Only six states have a higher salary scale for teachers than Maryland, it was stated.

Women Voters On Air Discuss Constitution

On Monday, January 30, the League of Women Voters of Prince Georges County will hold their regular radio broadcast over Station WGAY (1050 on the dial) at 12:15 p.m. The League committee studying the Maryland Constitution will present a discussion of Article 3 of the Constitution, dealing with the organization, powers, duties, and procedure of the General Assembly. Participating in the program, besides the regular League Reporter, will be members of the Constitution committee, including Mrs. Lyman Woodman of Greenbelt.

Cheers For Chorus

By Mrs. Thomas Callanan

The people of Greenbelt owe Dr. and Mrs. Harlan Randall, Mrs. Gordon Finlay, Mrs. Daniel J. Neff, the members of the Community Chorus, the Junior Choir, and the University of Maryland Glee Club Quartet, a vote of thanks for the enjoyable program which they offered Monday night. The selections were well chosen, and were sung with enthusiasm and finesse. Considering the hardships involved in travelling into Washington for musical events, we can consider ourselves fortunate to have in our own city an organization whose programs are such a treat. They merit the continued encouragement and support of the community.

Navy Wives Club Installs Officers

The annual candlelight installation service of newly-elected officers of the Truman Riddle Navy Wives Club of Greenbelt was held Saturday evening, January 21, at the home of Mrs. John Brunjes in Silver Spring. New officers for 1950 are: Mrs. E. Wilkinson, president; Mrs. R. Hurley, vice-president; Mrs. C. Mullady, secretary; Mrs. Y. Garner, treasurer; Mrs. C. Scoggias, parliamentarian, and Mrs. W. Arnoult, chaplain.

Mrs. Brunjes, president of the club in 1949, was installing officer. After the service refreshments were served to members and their husbands, and group pictures were taken by Ted Groff.

Wives of enlisted Navy, Naval Reserve, Marine, and Coast Guard men may attend regular meetings which are held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month.

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Free Art Class Offered To Kids

Mrs. Sari Shiren will give free art instructions to talented children of Greenbelt in either painting or sculpting. Mrs. Shiren, who taught under the adult educational program of the University of Maryland, was art director at Oakland Camp, Maine, last summer. A graduate of the New York Art Students League, she was invited to exhibit her portraits in Rockefeller Center, and has several murals on exhibit in New York.

Registration will take place during the first 2 weeks of February from 8 to 9 p.m. at 1-C Laurel Hill. Children from the ages of 8 to 15 are eligible for the free art instructions.

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Homemakers Meet Wed. Wield Screw Drivers

The Greenbelt Homemakers Club will meet on Wednesday, February 1, at 8 p.m. in the social room of the community building.

Miss Ethel Regan, home demonstration agent of the Department of Agriculture, will discuss the care and repair of electrical equipment, and members will tell of their favorite labor-saving device.

The class on "Care and Repair of Electrical Equipment" at the County Service Building in Hyattsville was attended by Mrs. William Cohn and Mrs. Paul Kasko. Members are urged to bring a small screw driver, ironing cords, plugs, and light electrical equipment needing minor repair to the meeting where they will be taught how to repair them.

Orchestra Puts 'Limit' On Program Selections

The Prince Georges' County Symphony Orchestra will play only the music of 18th century composers, beginning at its next rehearsal, according to Conductor David Burchuk. Since there are four other large amateur orchestras in the Washington area which play the standard repertoire, he said, Prince Georges County can have a unique musical group by "limiting" itself to composers such as Vivaldi, Ghetty, Rameau, Lully, J. C. Bach, J. S. Bach, Stamitz, Dittersdorf, Handel, Haydn, and Mozart—to mention but a few.

Any violinists and cellists interested in playing in this ensemble should report to the community building auditorium on Sunday, January 29, at 2 p.m. Rehearsals will be held every other Sunday.

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