



## GVHC Board Approves By-Law Presentation

About half of the by-laws prepared by a committee for presentation to the Board of directors of the Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation were accepted at the May 8 meeting of the board. The remainder will be presented to the directors when they meet again next Monday, according to Sherrod East, chairman of the by-laws committee. The by-laws will be voted on by the membership at its next meeting, which has been postponed from its May date pending a PHA sale announcement.

Main articles of the by-laws outline purpose and powers, method of operation, membership, organization and operation of membership meetings, directors, officers, committees, and financial regulations.

### Purpose and People

Purpose of the corporation is stated "to purchase, or otherwise acquire, operate, and manage housing projects on a nonprofit basis, and in the interest, and for the housing of its members." Each member is to have one and only one vote, which may be cast only in person and not by mail.

Membership will be limited to occupants of dwellings within the city of Greenbelt, except that membership will be open to non-residents in such order of preference as may be prescribed by the federal government. Members may attend board meetings, but may be excluded from such meetings by a two-thirds vote of board members present (for the purpose of an executive session).

### Termination Clause

Any membership "may be terminated by written request of the person or persons in whose name the membership is listed, provided that if a lease contract has been made between the member and the corporation, the termination shall be in accordance with the provisions of such contract." The board of directors, by a two-thirds vote, may terminate any membership for cause, "including actions contrary to the interests or purposes of the corporation," but the member has the right of appeal to the next membership meeting.

Membership meeting notices must be mailed or delivered at least 10 and not more than 20 days before the meeting. A quorum has been set at five percent of the members, or 100 members, whichever shall be less, and provision has been made for proxy voting, as demanded by Maryland law. The board of directors by a two-thirds vote, a membership meeting by majority vote, or two hundred members by petition, may cause a referendum to be held on any question which may be considered by the membership.

The board of directors will be composed of nine members and officers will include a president, vice president, secretary, and a treasurer.

## Art School Opens Outdoor Exhibit

An outdoor exhibit by Greenbelt boys and girls who have been studying in the Shiren Art School for the past two months will be held on Sunday, May 14, from 2 to 5 p.m. The exhibit will consist of oil paintings on tile, creative sculpture (bas relief), and rubber molds, and will be displayed on tables on the lawn alongside the Center school.

The art school, which is operated with no charge for tuition, will close for the summer at the end of May and will resume in the fall.

## Rusty Brown Dance Planned Friday Nite

"Rusty" Brown, local youth who was seriously injured six weeks ago in a fall from a truck, will benefit from funds raised tomorrow night by the combined square-and-round-dance sponsored by the Birmingham Chapter DeMolay.

Two orchestras will alternate for the two types of music from 8:30 to midnight. Proceeds will be added to the \$270 already raised for the "Rusty" Brown fund started by Greenbelt High school students soon after the accident. The dance will be held in the community building auditorium.

## County PTA Council Elects Bowman Pres.



**BOWMAN** term, replacing retiring president Wesley Darling, formerly first vice-president. Mayor Elizabeth Harrington is a former president of the County Council of PTA.

Forty schools in Prince Georges County are eligible for membership in the County Council. The Council's function is to coordinate activities between local and state levels of education, and it appears at Board of Education hearings, County Commission hearings and before the State Legislature in support of county school programs.

## Greenbelt Patrols In DC Parade Sat.

Greenbelt Center and North school patrol boys and girls will lead the Prince Georges County division in the fourteenth annual school safety patrol parade in Washington sponsored by the American Automobile Association Saturday, May 13 at 9 a.m.

Thirty-five boys and girls from Greenbelt will march in the parade along with six divisions of youngsters from all parts of the country. Prince Georges County is in the third division with neighboring counties outside of the District of Columbia in both Maryland and Virginia.

Marching with the Greenbelt contingent will be police officers Attick and Green who have spent a great deal of time practicing marching with the children. Leading the Greenbelt boys and girls will be the Majorettes and the Greenbelt Band. In addition there will be a color guard selected from the school boy and girl patrolers. The Center school patrolers are also entering a float which resembles a horse. Astride the float will be a girl safety patroller dressed in green and white, the Greenbelt colors.

Although the parade starts at 9 a.m., the Prince Georges division will assemble at 9:15 at Washington Drive behind the National Art Gallery off 4th Street, and then will march out Constitution avenue past the reviewing stand on 16th and disband on 17th and Constitution avenue.

The entire parade will be led by the U. S. Army Band and will include floats and bands from all over the United States.

## Teen Quartet Win Stunt Night Cup

The first annual stunt night sponsored by the Drop-Inn last Friday night gave top honors to the barber-shop quartet composed of Mike Littleton, Noel Meriam, Jack Darling, and Dan Carruth.

For taking first place over the other twenty-one entries, the quartet received a large silver loving cup; donated by the Co-op Jewelers, which they may keep for the year, returning it to competition for the 1951 stunt night. The quartet also appeared as guests of Les Sands on his Game Room television show tonight.

Ann Walker captured second place with an intricate acrobatic dance; Tommy Millet placed third with a rendition of several popular songs on the piano; and Jack Darling took fourth with his quite professional recitation of his original poem.

### Gifts All Round

Each member of the quartet and each of the above winners received a miniature gold cup which remains in his possession. The judges gave honorable mention to Judy Lewis, in a lighted baton-twirling act, and to Buzzy Sauls and Pat Pittman in a hillbilly duet.

After the show, the Drop-Inn held open house. Mr. and Mrs. Hilbert Kurth were honored by being chosen the parents of the month for April, and Margaret Zoellner received the monthly outstanding-member cup. The Kurths have been most generous with their time in assisting at the canteen, especially with the junior high program, and Margaret Zoellner has shouldered a good portion of the work in publishing the bi-weekly Baby Cooperator.

Joe Brosmer, president of the senior high group, also surprised Mrs. Labukas with a silver flower vase, as a gift from the teen-agers in appreciation for her time and interest as director of the youth center for the past two years.

## Paper Plans Sale To Aid Drop Inn

Breaking a 13-year precedent, The Cooperator this week announced plans to sell one issue of the newspaper, with proceeds to be added to the Drop Inn building fund.

Delivery boys will knock on each door as they distribute the paper, and accept in payment for The Cooperator any sum the householder wants to give.

The date and other details of the plan will be announced later.

## Legion-Squad Carnival Occupying Center Now

Greenbelt's Center is currently the scene of a carnival sponsored by the local American Legion post 136 and the Greenbelt Volunteer Rescue Squad. City Manager Charles T. McDonald has given official permission for the use of this space. With Police Chief George Panagoulis he has personally inspected the rides and found them well constructed and safe, the city manager said.

### Democrats Meet Tonight

Greenbelt's Democratic Club will hold a special meeting tonight, Thursday, May 11, at 8 p.m. at the athletic clubhouse. Refreshments will be prepared by committee. All interested residents are invited.

## Third Housing Group Enters Field, Proposes Continuation Of Rents

By I. J. Parker

Entry of a potential third housing group into Greenbelt was heralded this week with the distribution of a flyer asking for support of an investigation of the possibility of local residents continuing to rent their homes after Greenbelt is sold. The plan proposed for investigation is a "limited-dividend corporation" which would be set up with outside financing for the purchase of Greenbelt.

### Pool Opens May 25

The Greenbelt swimming pool will open on Saturday, May 25, if the weather permits, according to City Manager Charles T. McDonald. The City Manager said that the reconconditioning of the pool for the 1950 season was nearing completion.

## County Citizens Form Action Group May 17

A public meeting will be held May 17 to form a non-partisan Citizen's Committee for Good Government in Prince Georges County, the County's Civic Federation announced May 3. The meeting will start at 8 p.m. in the court room of the Hyattsville County Service Building.

The proposal for a citizens committee was embodied in a resolution adopted at the April 6 meeting of the Federation, directing it to "invite individuals, civic associations, parent-teacher associations, business, professional and labor groups, churches, and all others interested in civic welfare to form a non-partisan citizens committee to promote study, public discussion, and action in behalf of good government in Prince Georges County."

Non-partisan organizations in the county are being invited by the Federation to send their members to the meeting, not as delegates, but as individuals interested in good government.

A special committee of the Federation under the chairmanship of William R. Turner, president of the Chillum Civic Association, has prepared a foundation for the new organization. At the public meeting, organizational plans will be presented for discussion and individuals interested in promoting good government will have an opportunity to participate in the establishment of the new Citizens' Committee.

### Need For Civic Action

In reviewing the basis for the proposed organization, the special committee of the Federation has found a pressing need for a critical investigation and study of existing governmental, economic, and social problems. The committee will propose that a basic function of the new organization be the study of these problems, the publication of pertinent information about governmental and economic conditions within the county, and the sponsorship of public forums and meetings. It will also propose that the organization spearhead a drive to register eligible voters and create interest in the county elections by publicizing the background of all candidates and the positions which they are taking on current civic issues.

Other members of the special committee include Mrs. Zella P. Saylor, president of Southwest Citizens' Association; Robert M. Balkam, Radiant Valley; Walter F. Mulligan, president of the County Civic Federation; Mrs. Reuben Bogdanoff, president of the County's League of Women Voters, and Mrs. Georgia K. Benjamin, Hyattsville.

Chief proponent of the plan is Guy Moore, 7-H Crescent, local resident since 1938. Named as assistants in the campaign are Curtiss F. Barker, Leon G. Benefiel, Robert J. Brady, Edward C. Kaighn, William L. Moore, Jr., and Phillips M. Taylor.

After a limited house-to-house survey, Moore asserts that the people he interviewed preferred to rent their home. He is now seeking town-wide opinion backed up by one dollar for expenses. His confidence in the plan is based on the assumption that "PHA is anxious to sell Greenbelt in a manner that will protect the interest and assure the greatest benefit to the people of Greenbelt."

In an interview with the Cooperator, Moore stated his plan came within the provisions of the federal law providing for the disposition of Greenbelt. Residents will be protected from exorbitant rents, according to Moore, by the law which includes among those eligible for purchase "... limited-dividend corporations which by the terms of their charters and by-laws have limited their rate of return to a rate no higher than the Public Housing Commissioner deems reasonable and necessary."

Sources of money to finance purchase of Greenbelt have already been approached, and some have shown interest, Moore said. Comparing the limited-dividend corporation plan with mutual housing, Moore emphasized that there would be no necessity for down payments, no risk of equity, and no stock to dispose of when moving out of town. "Support at this time will guarantee complete investigation of the possibilities of the plan's being put into effect and fulfilling the citizens' housing ambitions," Moore stated.

Although not formally organized, Moore's group brings to three the number of plans proposed for local residents to consider; (1) mutual ownership under the GVHC, (2) individual ownership as proposed by Greenbelt Homes, Inc., and (3) continued renting from a "limited-dividend corporation."

## Cancer Drive Still On For Another Week

Mrs. Ralph Neumann, local chairman of the 1950 fund drive for the American Cancer Society, stated today that the drive will continue for another week. If a worker has not called, Mrs. Neumann asks that contributors call her and she will see that the contribution is picked up.

Money collected in the cancer drive is used primarily for education and research. Cancer detection clinics are maintained where well persons may be examined for evidence of the disease. Over half of those who develop cancer can be cured if found in time, according to the American Cancer Society. Intensified effort is being directed towards finding the cause and the cure for cancer, but until the effort is rewarded, the crusade against cancer must continue. Research, education, and service are the goals of the cancer drive.

For further information Mrs. Neumann may be reached at 6416.

# GREENBELT COOPERATOR

AN INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER

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1. To report Greenbelt news fully, fairly and accurately.
2. To serve the best interests of the cooperative movement.

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## Help Yourself

Since Greenbelt's journalistic pioneers conceived the idea of a newspaper to be run voluntarily and cooperatively, one of *The Cooperator's* chief prides has been the complete coverage of the community through free distribution. The hand-to-mouth existence that has resulted from this policy and from the lack of concerted advertising drives has acted as a stimulus to the staff to do its best in a good cause.

We're just as proud, though, to be able to offer a device for adding to the Drop Inn's building fund. And we're sure our readers will be happy to help us help the outfit that has helped the community so much. Any help we give the Drop Inn helps all of us.

So when *The Cooperator* delivery boy knocks at your door and offers the paper for sale, we hope you will help yourself.

## Who's Next?

The proponents of the newest idea for the sale of Greenbelt have struck on one of the basic problems involved in the city's purchase: the inability of a number of residents to raise a down payment. However, we don't feel that getting outside interests to invest in Greenbelt as a rental project is the best answer to that problem.

The same people who would find it difficult to raise a down payment will also find it a hardship to make monthly payments that are not graded according to income. And they would no doubt join the rest of us in resenting that portion of the monthly payments that went into the profit pocket of an investor, no matter how limited his dividend.

No matter who buys Greenbelt, and on what basis—unless a wealthy philanthropist plays angel—subsidies will cease with the cessation of Government operation. Public Housing Administration officials have claimed unofficially that the reason for the recent rent raise was so that graded rents could be continued. Since such a reason was not acceptable to the Rent Control Board, they explained, it was necessary to use "comparability" as the criterion for the new rent schedule. If expenses and income just balance for PHA, it will be necessary for a private purchaser to choose between raising the maximum or eliminating graded rents, since amortization and other expenses will be incurred that the federal landlord has been spared.

At least, however, adding a profit to an investing purchaser can be evaded with the purchase by the residents. This will insure that the only cost will be that of operation (including taxes) and that of paying off the mortgage. And when the mortgage is paid, operation costs will be all the resident-owner will pay.

## Confirmation Planned For Adult Catholics

The sacrament of confirmation will be administered to adult Catholics at 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 28, at St. Matthew's Cathedral, Father Victor J. Dowgiallo announced on Sunday. Any converts or other adult Catholics who have not yet received this sacrament should see Father Dowgiallo as soon as possible to make arrangements for reception of the sacrament.

## Raymond Soo Chosen Boys' Club Director

Raymond Soo, 71-A Ridge, director for the last four summers of the Greenbelt swimming pool, has been appointed executive director of the Prince George County Boys' Clubs, according to P. E. Clark, president of the organization.

Soo served as recreational director of the Merrick Boys' Club in 1946 and 1947, and as assistant supervisor of the Police Boys' Club of Washington in 1948.

## Indian Dolls, Movies To Be Shown Saturday

Saturday, May 27, from 10:30 a.m. until noon, Greenbelters are invited to hear a program on American Indians presented at the Center school auditorium by Miss Irene Pistorio, national chairman of the Children of the American Revolution's American Indian and Loan Fund.

Miss Pistorio will present a new picture on Indians, made by the Interior Department where she works. She will also exhibit her large collection of Indian dolls made and dressed in tribal style by representatives of the many American Indians, and introduce two full-blooded Indian women dressed in full tribal regalia, who will sing and speak on the Cherokee and Hopi Indians. The lecture will end by telling how some American Indians need help immediately if they are to survive. This program will be free to all. See INDIANS, Page 3

## Personal Touch

Doris Asbell Mednick, 3518 When the Birmingham Chapter, 26th Order of the Eastern Star, met in Baltimore for its Grand Chapter Session recently on a weekend, these Greenbelt ladies were on hand: Bessie Featherby, Myrtle Dupree, Ruth MacKenzie, Marie Thomas, Betty Petroff, and Annie Halley. Ed Halley proved quite a housekeeper while his wife was away. Ask Annie!

Kathleen East, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sherrod East, 6060 Greenbelt Rd., celebrated the occasion of her 11th birthday by having her girl friends over . . . although they didn't know it was her birthday. But little Susan Cockill, 33-S Ridge, gave her two ducklings she had been raising since Easter. . . . Janice Ott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Ott, 4-F Hillside, celebrated her birthday with a gang of preschoolers . . . Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kleinenberg's son Jimmy will be confirmed May 21. The Kleinenbergs lived in Greenbelt for five years and now reside at 9204 Saybrook Avenue.

A housewarming was given for Mrs. Joe Rogers at Takoma Park by her friends in the 2 court of Eastway where she used to reside. Two former residents of Greenbelt, Mrs. Burke and Mrs. Elizabeth Fickes, were there and everyone enjoyed seeing these two again.

Catherine Davenport had a brilliant idea for a birthday party for her daughter Deborah Anne, who was four years old. But the weatherman cooperated with her. The party was held on the lawn outdoors. There was recorded music, games and refreshment. 20 youngsters trooped indoors for a slice of the birthday cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. McFarland, 1-C Parkway Road, are bursting with pride over their first child—a daughter—born May 7 . . . ditto for Mr. and Mrs. Werner Steinkle.

Donna Meredith, daughter of madam editor, celebrated her fifth birthday today—and will extend her celebration to take in the circus with her celebrated mama when it's in town.

Tim Evans, 1-C Gardenway was elected editor of his college's yearbook. He's quite talented with the pen and brush, too, illustratively speaking. . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Drass who lived in Greenbelt for 11 years have moved to Albuquerque, New Mexico and would like to get in touch with any Greenbelters who have moved to Albuquerque. Either write them at 309 Byars Ave., in that city or call Mrs. Joe Long, Greenbelt 3141 who is in touch with them.

Mrs. Dorothy Stewartson, 2-R Gardenway, has her mother, Mrs. Mary Cross visiting her from Key West for a month. Before this visit, Mrs. Cross and her husband were traveling around in a trailer for 3 years making their headquarters in Key West. They used one of the big trailers but found the mountains pretty rough going . . . so they parked the big one and adopted a little trailer for traveling over the mountains on their journey westward. However, two trailers are of—just like two children—and Mrs. Cross will leave for California to bring the baby trailer home and sell the big brother trailer who's parked this side of the Rockies.

Mrs. Theresa Pels, 23-C Ridge, gave a stork shower for Mrs. Evelyn Trudeau, 10-L Plateau Place who is anticipating her sixth bambino.

Teenagers:—Figure 8—promenade—June 9—watch out—if you can figure this out.

Rusty Brown, 6-K Ridge, who was injured in a fall from a truck, is on the road to recovery but it's a long road and will run into months and months of bedridden convalescing . . . years and years of paying off the bills. You can help him, and help yourself to an evening of fun, at a dance Friday, May 12, at the Community Center on his behalf. Plan to attend.

T. (Gee) Plackos, long-time Cooperator advertiser and friend of the staff, will enter George Wash-

## COMMUNITY CHURCH PROTESTANT

Ministers  
Rev. Edward H. Bonsall, Jr.  
Phone: 8241

Rev. Eric T. Braund  
Phone: 5001

Saturday, May 13 - 19 a.m., Education committee of the Board of Deacons meets at Mr. Bonsalls, 18-A Crescent Rd. No practice session of Sunday school for the new building.

Sunday, May 4 - 9:30 a.m., Church school at North End and Center school. 10 a.m., Men's Bible class. Young people's discussion group. 11 a.m., Morning worship, Sermon by Mr. Braund. 6 p.m., High school fellowship meets in social room, Center school. 8 p.m., Board of Deacons meets at Mrs. John Lehan's, 7-A Hillside.

Wednesday, May 17 - 7 p.m., Junior choir rehearsal. 8 p.m., Senior choir rehearsal.

Thursday, May 18 - 8 p.m., Sunday school teachers' meeting, room 224, Center school.

Friday, May 19 - 9 p.m. to 12:30 p.m., May Dance sponsored by the Kan Du Club, Center school auditorium.

## HEBREW SERVICES

Morris Sandhaus, Rabbi  
Greenbelt 3593

Friday, May 12 - Candlelighting, 7:50 p.m. Services, 8:30 p.m. Sermon: "Building the Tabernacle."

Portion of the Week - Behar - Leviticus, 25.1-27.34. Reading of the Prophets - Jeremiah, 16.19-17.14.

All services are held in the social room of the community building.

## Sandhaus Is Host To Military Chaplains

Rabbi and Mrs. Morris Sandhaus were hosts at a dinner-reception at their home for a denominational meeting of the Military Chaplains Association of the U. S. last Tuesday.

Among those present were Rabbi Aryeh Lev, Director of the Division of Religious Activities of the Jewish Welfare Board; Rabbi Max Eichhorn, Field Secretary, Jewish Welfare Board; and Chaplain Herbert Eskin, National Chaplain, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

## Navy Wives Meet,

The regular business and social meeting of the Truman Riddle Navy Wives Club was held at the home of Mrs. Edward Mangold, 12-F Hillside, on Tuesday, May 2. The members planned a pot luck supper for Saturday, May 20, at Mrs. James Balogh's home on Research Road, to which the husbands are invited.

The bake sale planned for this month was postponed. The next business meeting is scheduled for May 16.

ington hospital Sunday, May 14, for surgery. The well-known proprietor of Veterans Liquors has the very best wishes of the Cooperator staff.

Do you have talent and ability that you would like to cash in on? Or maybe there are things you need and want done, but do not have the cash to do them or know where to go to get them done for you? The Services Exchange can find work for you, as well as get work done for you. It does not cost you one thing to register. Simply call Greenbelt 3011 (Mrs. Pittman) or Greenbelt 5201 (Mrs. Palmer) who will explain how this exchange service works, and how you can profit by it.

Mrs. James M. Miller, formerly Jean Burton of Greenbelt, is visiting her mother, Mrs. E. D. Singer, 9-F Southway. Jean is preparing to join her husband Major Miller who is stationed in Tokyo for the next thirty months.

Mrs. Elizabeth D. Singer accompanied a group of children, members of the Major Walter Bowie Society of C.A.R., on a tour of Bladensburg and the Riverdale mansion of the Calverts on May 6. "Botswick" and the "Old Ballast House" were the high points in Bladensburg. The Riverdale mansion may be visited now on Saturday afternoons by special arrangement.

## GREENBELT LUTHERAN CHURCH

Edwin E. Pieplow, Pastor  
Phone WARfield 0942

Thursday, May 11—Choir meets at the home of Mrs. Holien, 2-F Plateau.

Friday, May 12—The Lydia Guild will meet in the home of Mrs. Chelstrom, 35-L Ridge, 9 p.m.

Sunday, May 14 - Sunday school, 11:30 Adult Bible Class, 12 noon. Church service, 12:30. There will be Holy Communion.

## ST. HUGH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Victor J. Dowgiallo, Pastor  
Greenbelt 5911

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Greenbelt 5911

All services in the church on Crescent road.

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

Sunday: Masses, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30, and 11 a.m. This Sunday is Holy Communion Sunday for the Holy Name Society at the 7:30 Mass. Children of the parish will receive their first Holy Communion at the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Wednesday: Novena services, 7:45 p.m.

Baptisms: 1 p.m. on Sunday in the church. Arrangements should be made beforehand with Father Dowgiallo.

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

## MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

Phone SHEpherd 0035

Russell B. Reed, Minister  
Sunday, May 14 - Sunday school 9:45 a.m. Classes for each age group. Morning worship, 11 a.m. Sermon: "The Milestones of Motherhood." Special Mother's Day offering for Asbury Methodist Home for the Aged.

Fidelis class for young people will meet in the Church, at 7 p.m.

Monday, May 15 - Methodist Men will hold their regular monthly meeting in the Church at 8 p.m.

Friday, May 19 - Adult choir will rehearse in the Church, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 23 - Fourth quarterly conference at the Church at 8 p.m., with District Superintendent Dr. Fred C. Reynolds presiding.

## 2 More GHSers Win In Contest

Two Greenbelt High School students placed among five semi-finalists in an amateur contest in Prince George's County high schools, sponsored by the Sidney Lust Theaters.

The two Greenbelt High winners are Ann Walker of Greenbelt, who did an acrobatic dance, and Jack Goudie of Beltsville, with imitations.

The winners of Saturday night's semi-finals will join Janice Anzulovic, also from Greenbelt High, and other first-place winners in the grand finals to be held at the Cheverly Theater Saturday, May 13, at 8 p.m. Winner of the grand finals will appear on Ted Mack's television show in New York City.

## Woman's Club Plans Year's End Fete

Fashions, fun and food will be on the bill of fare for the Woman's Club of Greenbelt, when members and guests converge on the Pall Mall room of the Raleigh Hotel Saturday, May 13, when the club ends its year's activities. Reservations have been made and transportation arranged through Mrs. Harry B. McNeel, chairman of committee on arrangements. Her co-workers are Mrs. Walter Bierwagen, Mrs. Miles Bonnar, Mrs. Charles M. Cormack, Mrs. George Domchick, Mrs. Gordan Finlay, Mrs. Harry Fleischer, Mrs. Ada Markley, Mrs. Lloyd L. Nelson, Mrs. Donald F. Romer and Mrs. Lyman L. Woodman.

## Whats Funny About Klavan?



GENE KLAVAN

"Well, we finished the broadcast Saturday, had Sunday off, and here it is Monday again. What a wonderful summer vacation!"

That's one of the chuckly introductions you're likely to hear if you're the night owl type who turns the radio on instead of off at 12:30 a.m.

Except you won't hear that one again; at least not on the Klavan show. Would-be Klavan-type disk jockeys have been known to crib his stuff, but you'll rarely hear the guy repeat himself. Nor does he return the compliment of cribbing from the cribber.

Hearts and Flowers, rendered almost asunder by Raymond Scott, begins and ends the hour-and-a-half WTOP stint (printer; no typos, please). It's a fresh, bouncy interpretation of the old theme that Scott has redubbed A Sad, Sad Story, and it's stopped, apparently, by the application of thumb to disk, with a gradual slowing-down to nothing. Klavan sounds the same way when giving an intricate discussion of a complex subject.

It's hard to say what there is about the show that makes you giggle. What he says isn't new. What is? But his approach is refreshing. His handling of commercials includes none of the usual clichés. He doesn't insult the advertiser, a technique which has enjoyed a wide vogue for several years, but he doesn't drool, either. Plugging Herzog's a couple of nights ago he told how proud you'd be of your attire if you bought it from the sponsor. You can brag to your girl, he said, about your famous-make tie, shirt, and sock. And she'll reply "Please! Let's keep sock out of this!"

Now what's funny about that?

Or he'll say, very seriously, "Ladies and gentlemen, I want you to think this statement over very carefully; Nothing is better than this show." That's just a new twist to the one about "Nothing is too good for you," but it comes out funny. Maybe the endearing characteristic of his humor is the very fact that it is the sort of thing you might say yourself, only Klavan is endowed with the ability to supply a continuous stream of new twists.

The make-up staff of **The Cooperator** became acquainted with the show some weeks ago while putting the paper to bed on Wednesday evenings. Last week, after listening with enjoyment for a half hour or so, the layout crew decided that he should be told that he was appreciated. A 30-second telephone call, with Klavan asking a couple of questions, gave him enough material for a routine on Greenbelt. ("... you know, that model community. I guess it's a model community. Hey, do you folks still model out there?")

Another phone call from **The Cooperator** elicited some statistics. When asked how old the show was, Klavan, who is 26, said "It's pushing six months." He started in radio in 1940, spent three years in the Army, and came to WTOP from a Baltimore television show.

As though six nights a week (no Sunday show) weren't enough, there's a Saturday matinee from 4 to 5 p.m.

It would be good to see this young man supplant one of the tired, stale comics on the network show. He will, too, before he's much older. It would be too bad, though, to see him sacrifice the really good stuff he has for a terrific, colossal, sensational show complete with orchestras and high-priced script writers.

## Rifle League Opens 1950 Season Here

Sixty-eight shooters met on Greenbelt's target range last Sunday in the first match of the 1950 summer schedule of the Maryland Rifle League.

Top three medals in the League's 50-yard rifle match went to John Kelly and Roy Oster of the University of Maryland and to Lyman Woodman of the Greenbelt Gun Club. All three had the same basic score; 398 out of a possible 400. Tie scores were settled by the usual system of comparing the number of "center-X" hits recorded.

First place awards in the expert, sharpshooter, and marksman classes went to Charles Dodson and Herbert Gebler (from Berwyn) and to R. Taylor (GPO Team). Joseph Dalis of Greenbelt had the very high score of 393 in the Marksman Class, missing the place medal in his group by a close "X" margin.

This match was the first of the 8-match outdoor series to be run by the League this year. The next match (100-yards) will be held in Greenbelt on Sunday, May 21, starting at 10 a.m.

In an "added attraction" 100-yard match run here last Sunday by the local club, Arthur Cook, Olympic champion, took first place with a perfect 200 score. Freeman Morgan (Greenbelt Club) with a score of 197 won an award in this competition, in which 35 shooters participated.

## St. Hugh's Bazaar Set For Tuesday

The first bazaar sponsored by the Parents' Guild of St. Hugh's will be held in the parish hall on Tuesday, May 14, from 1 p.m. throughout the remainder of the day and evening. All residents of Greenbelt are welcome.

Two chicken dinners at the Wayside Inn will be the door prize, according to Mrs. Frank Sherlock, general chairman of the bazaar. The three dolls to be raffled at the affair are now on display in the window of the variety store. One is dressed like a sister of the Holy Cross, another in the ensemble of a little girl making her first Holy Communion, and the third is a doll with a complete wardrobe and suitcase.

Among attractions at the bazaar are booths for plants and flowers, aprons and kitchenware, fancy goods, dolls and doll clothes, cakes, a fish pond, religious articles, greeting cards, refreshments, and a white elephant table.

## Bridge Fans Hold Duplicate Session

By Charlotte Walsh

Bridge fans will be interested to know that a bridge group is planning a duplicate session for Friday, May 19, at 8 p.m. in the home economics room of the community building. All bridge players are invited to attend as teams of two. Novices as well as experts can expect to improve their bridge by this chance to compare their playing with that of their neighbors. Plans for the evening include prizes and refreshments. Further information or tickets can be obtained by calling 5556.

**INDIANS**—from page 2 interested residents. A milk bottle will be passed around for pennies to help buy milk for an Indian child on the hard-hit Hopi reservation.

Mrs. Elizabeth D. Singer, senior president of the local Major Walter Bowie society of the national CAR, who is sponsoring the program, wishes to acknowledge the cooperation of Merle F. Frady in ceding his weekly reservation for use of the auditorium so that Miss Pistoric could present the program.

There probably isn't much danger of that, however. Off the air Klavan is just as refreshing and apparently sincere as his broadcast. He leaves you with the very guilty feeling that you've talked much too much about yourself, plus the very flattering notion that he was interested in what you said.

## COMMENTS

By Harry M. Zubkoff

This is to advise a guy In no uncertain terms, That I will catch him, by and by, And feed him to the worms.

For pranks are pranks and jokes are jokes,

And boys are always boys, But you'll agree, now won't you, folks,

That clotheslines aren't toys?

Yet every time we look around, (It's happened once or twice) We find our clothesline on the ground,

I ask you, is that nice?

I'm sure that everyone in town Will wish me all the best, The day that I catch up with and Eliminate this pest.

I would toss him in the Greenbelt Lake

And gladly watch him drown, And all because he had the nerve To cut my clothesline down.

And although he is a member Maybe, of the human race, I will wring his blasted neck If he should dare to show his face.

This I say and this I mean And you can mark it down, That some day I will catch the guy Who cuts my clothesline down!

## County Red Cross Will Meet Friday

The Prince Georges County chapter, American Red Cross, will hold its annual meeting at the Terrapin Room of Maryland University on Friday evening, May 12 at 6:15 p.m.

A dinner will be served preceding the meeting. Reservations may be made by telephoning the Red Cross office, WARfield 4400. After the dinner, the business meeting will be conducted. This is open to the public whether they attend the dinner or not.

All friends of the Red Cross are cordially invited to attend this dinner meeting. Officers and Board members will be elected and the annual report will be distributed.

Mayor Herbert W. Reichelt, of Mount Rainier will be the guest speaker. The Junior Red Cross will provide entertainment.

### YOUTH GROUP CONCERT

The Greenbelt orchestra directed by David Burchuk will give its first concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, June 4, in the auditorium of the community building.

## Waltonians Plan Banquet For Holton

By E. Don Bullian

A general membership meeting of the Greenbelt Chapter of the Izaak Walton League has been scheduled for 8 p.m. Tuesday, May 16, at 7-D Ridge. All members and prospective members are urged to attend, as plans for the current fishing and social season are to be discussed. The agenda will include the May 20th banquet in honor of Dr. William B. Holton, president of the I.W.L.A., and the father-and-son weekend fishing trip in June.

Social-minded members have been creating an interest in Bill Holton's banquet. Several have indicated a desire to develop it into an all-night social, with the entire group winding up at the home of one of the members for a midnight snack.

## Ceilings High?

If high ceilings make your rooms seem cold and poorly proportioned, Florence Mason, extension home furnishings specialist, University of Maryland, offers the following suggestions;

Give the windows special treatment, with deep valances which break the height of the walls, or deep swags that also interrupt that long look. Ruffled curtains make a window look lower, and ruffled criss-cross curtains in sheer rayons are especially good, since they also appear to fill up the expanse of wall. Bold patterned draperies "bring ceilings down"—splashy designs are in proportion to a high room and help to hold it together. Horizontal draperies are good, too, because they cut the height of the wall.

Since warm colors make any room seem cosier, red, yellow, pink and peach in furniture coverings, lamps and draperies ward off a barren look. Patterned rugs help by focussing attention on the floor, and, by contrast, make the ceiling appear less high. Of course the rugs should carry out the color scheme of the room.

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## A Letter to Co-op Members . . .

May 11, 1950

Dear GCS Member:

The Board of Directors which you elect every year passes on to one of its members the duty of informing and educating the membership and community on the background, activities, and purposes of cooperatives in general and GCS in particular.

Faced with the goal of expanding your cooperative's services into another community, the Board feels that the education committee should have an expression of opinion on its program from the members who will be affected by it. Membership education in Greenbelt, however, needs the cooperation of the members themselves.

Therefore, you are invited to come down Sunday night, May 14, at 8 o'clock to the GCS office above the drug store to a general meeting of the education committee, and help outline a plan for cooperative education which will meet your needs as a cooperator and as a stockholder in a growing business.

As chairman of the education committee, I would like to be able to extend this invitation to you in person, since your ideas and suggestions are so important to the success of the plans we will make.

Come down Sunday night and give us your assistance.

Cooperatively yours,

Eleanor H. Ritchie

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Inspections begin at Burnt Mills and Willis School, filtration plants for Montgomery and Prince Georges Counties respectively; from there the checking process moves into private homes and commercial establishments. Water samples are collected four days per week, locations being rotated so that the entire areas of both counties receive full coverage. Special requests for inspections round out the remainder of the time used in checking routine.

The guard is against coliform bacteria, a potential menace to safe, sanitary water. If such bacteria are detected, effective measures, generally auxiliary chlorination, are put into operation at once.

A WSSC laboratory staff of five, headed by chemist Sam Mills, carries on the work of insuring water safety. The water supplied in the Sanitary District, incidentally, is considered to be "very safe." Softness of water is determined by the presence of calcium and magnesium salts; any amount below 80 or 90 parts per millionth is regarded as "soft." Water supplied by WSSC runs only 30 to 35 parts of such salts per millionth.

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## North End PTA Elects Officers

The North End PTA elected new officers Tuesday night at its last meeting of the year. Those chosen were Mrs. Harry Weidberg, president; Mrs. Bruce Bowman, vice-president; H. E. Taylor, secretary; Mrs. Geo. F. Dickey, treasurer; and Mrs. Joseph Vella, historian.

A resolution was passed authorizing the purchase of five large wall clocks to be used in the auditorium and four classrooms—there being only one such clock in the school now. A balance of \$200 was left by resolution, with the recommendation that the PTA use it as a basis for an audio-visual equipment fund to buy a film-strip projector or motion-picture projector.

## Co-op Students Visit, Study Local Facilities

A group of 35 juniors and seniors from Catholic University's economics department, led by Professor J. A. Croteau, visited Greenbelt last Thursday in connection with their studies of co-operatives. They visited the food store, variety store, and offices and met in the movie to ask questions of Sam Ashelman, general manager. Senor Gustava Zivas of Colombia and Senorita E. Fuleta from the Colombia Embassy in Washington attended the tour. Also present was Mother Eliza Naga from Japan and Sister Marie Elizabeth from Cornwell Heights, Pa.

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## CO-OP VALET SHOP

## American Music Festival Features String Quartet

On Sunday, May 14, at 8 p.m., directly from the National Gallery of Art, WCFM will broadcast the third in the series of American Music Festival concerts.

The American University string quartet, with George Steiner, first violin; Elliott Siegel, second violin; George Wargo, viola; and John Martin, violincello, will present the following works:

Luka Foss - Quartet in G Major: Andante-Allegro con brio, Adagio, Allegro (first performance in Washington).

Anthony Donato - Quartet in E Minor: Allegro con fuoco, Allegretto moderato, Andante, Allegro.

Walter Spencer Huffman - Quartet No. 6: Allegro, Andante; Theme and Variations, Scherzo, Finale: Rondo (first performance in Washington).

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