



The Other Side

By I. J. Parker

To the Editor

Last week Mr. Ashelman took me to task for by-passing the regular GCS channels. It seems I discussed GCS operations in the Cooperator. Evidently Mr. Ashelman doesn't like GCS affairs discussed in channels of communication over which he has no control.

The truth of the matter is that my experience with the channels he prescribes convinced me that I would be wasting my time. Several months after I moved into Greenbelt I spoke to Mr. Ashelman about the way skim milk was being sold by GCS. I pointed out that GCS was getting 35 cents a pound when the wholesale price was 16½ cents. I told him that I was buying it at the wholesale price and that I thought the GCS price was excessive. He passed it off by saying that in any case there wouldn't be much of a demand—"you are an unusual consumer." That, and another suggestion that was straddled, gave me the feeling that Mr. Ashelman had high regard for the grooves which the hucksters had worked out for him. Furthermore, I learned that Greenbelt is full of people who had used the channels he recommended to no avail. An isolated consumer can easily be shrugged off. Greenbelt is full of people who, as isolated individuals, took an active interest in GCS only to find their interest impugned in public or ignored in private.

An isolated individual appealing to the board on a disagreement with management really used to have a job on his hands. At a membership meeting it is fruitless to even bring up a matter unless there has been a full discussion before the meeting. In the future I propose to do the following:

1) Use the GCS channels where I feel matters have a fair chance of being settled properly (example: Price Checking Committee).

2) Where I would be treated as "an unusual consumer" (i.e. a crank) I propose to communicate directly to Greenbelters through my column. If Greenbelters see it my way, it is up to them to come to meetings and let their wishes be known.

As far as having a personal ax to grind, I must admit that I come under that heading. My interest in Co-ops goes back to the middle thirties when the promises of consumer cooperation looked pretty good. As I see it, if there is to be any demonstration of how Co-ops can pay off on those promises, it will have to come from places such as Greenbelt. Most of the Co-ops on the Eastern Seaboard are too preoccupied with just surviving to be able to do any trail blazing for consumer cooperation. Perhaps Mr. Ashelman may be content to operate GCS like a nice private little enterprise. He can grind his personal ax. Surely he doesn't begrudge me the privilege of differing. I dare say that nothing I have said in my column about GCS is new to Mr. Ashelman. He has probably heard all of it and more from individual members in private. A surprisingly large number of old-Greenbelt residents come up to me and say "you have expressed my thoughts exactly."

Mr. Ashelman boasts that GCS Drug prices "are in line with the large drug chain in the area." But surely an alert consumer can do better than buy at that chain. Why take a relatively poor source as a yardstick? I never mentioned the chain. Does Mr. Ashelman charge that the five Greenbelters I interviewed were talking through their hats? I assure you they were responsible people. Or does Mr. Ashelman think I invented the interviews?

Mr. Ashelman accuses me of passing as an expert in the garage business. I did no such thing. One doesn't have to be an expert to see that GCS management is just skimming the cream of the repair business in Greenbelt. Mr. Ashelman avoids the main theme of the article on the garage, namely, that the garage was not making the most out of the space available. Instead he chose to misrepresent me as implying that the "GI trainees are not able to do good work". Again, I did no such thing.

As to work on generators or starters, does Mr. Ashelman mean that whenever a generator or starter doesn't operate, it has to be rebuilt? Does he deny that quite often what is merely needed is a small part or a tiny operation which can be provided at a fraction of the cost of a rebuilt job?

If what I wrote in my column were "personal grievances" (which they aren't) there are many Greenbelters who share them with me. That must have been evident to Mr. Ashelman at the last membership meeting.

Morris J. Solomon

Negotiations To Be Resumed On Sale Of Greenbelt to Residents

Mike Salzman, president of the Greenbelt Veterans Housing Corporation, has received word from John Taylor Egan, Commissioner for Public Housing Administration, that the housing agency is ready to "resume negotiations" for the sale of Greenbelt.

Salzman has informed the Cooperator that an executive meeting of GVHC will be held tonight to plan a board meeting next Wednesday. It is expected that the board will announce a general membership meeting for a near future date.

The sale of Greenbelt was withdrawn for a period of time because of the Korean war. It was anticipated by government officials that Greenbelt property could be used for dispersal and re-location

of federal buildings. In recent months the withdrawal has been the subject of congressional investigation. The decision to re-open negotiations is considered by authoritative sources to be the result of the investigations, which were headed by Senator Paul Douglas (Ill.)

It is expected that the same portion of Greenbelt offered for sale by public advertisement June 8, 1950, will be the area to be sold.

Legion Post Honors Memory of Braden

IN MEMORIAM

On Sunday afternoon at the Ives Funeral Home about 50 Legionnaires, including Commander Riley, attended the services of Post 136, Greenbelt American Legion, in honor of Roy S. Braden. The following resolution was passed at the meeting of the Post May 3, 1951, and sent to his widow.

With profound sorrow, the members of Greenbelt Post No. 136 record the death of its Charter Member, Comrade Roy S. Braden. In his death we have lost a forceful leader and teacher, a wise counselor, a kindly man and a dear friend. The Post desires to express its deep appreciation of these qualities and enter upon its minutes this testimony to the memory of one whom this community and the nation can ill afford to lose.

Comrade Braden was ever ready to advance the ideals of the American Legion by his wise counsel and enthusiasm for its aims, as well as by material contributions. His high conception of the purpose of the American Legion in enlightening and safeguarding a democratic community was felt not only in this city but, through his many associations with the leaders of other communities, became a far-reaching influence.

His magnetic personality, his rare gift of humorous expression, his wisdom acquired through wide experience, and his love of God made him a dominant figure among his fellow men. His loss is a personal loss to all of us.

May we extend to you and your family an expression of heartfelt sympathy in the great loss that you, in common with the community, have suffered through his death.

Very sincerely yours,
Frank H. Riley, Commander
Robert T. Bonham, Adjutant

GCS Board, Cooperator Staff Meet; Discuss Ads, "Dollars And Sense"

By Doris A. Mednick

Greenbelt Consumer Services and Cooperator relations was the subject of a heated discussion at the board of directors meeting last Friday night. It culminated the tensions that had been developing with both groups as a result of critical articles appearing in the Cooperator and decreased advertising on the part of GCS in the local newspaper.

Sam Ashelman, general manager, said that the "Dollars and Sense" column was written from personal experiences and not always accurate or substantiated by facts. Harry Zubkoff and Isadore Parker, members of the newspaper staff, maintained that a newspaper's responsibility is to present criticism in an attempt to improve the cooperative.

Present to refute charges made by Morris Solomon in his "Dollars and Sense" column were Cy Pearson, present manager of the Drug store, Al Ellerin, former manager, and Ed Burgoon, manager of the garage operations. Ashelman reiterated the three channels set up through which criticism of operations should come as stated in his letter of last week to the editor. Editor Zubkoff "dissected" Ashelman's letter in the light of the same inaccuracies and insinuations of which the paper stands accused. He said that, from personal experience the channels were ineffective. (They are: contact of management by letter or personally, board meetings and membership meetings.) Milton Kramer, board member, said that the editor hadn't proved his point at all, except for one issue that he raised, namely,

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City Council Denounces Vandalism; Bus Service May Be Discontinued

Councilman Steve Comings denounced the increasing vandalism in Greenbelt and recommended stronger enforcement of the ordinances prohibiting destruction of city property, at Monday night's council meeting. He blamed the lack of parental responsibility for the destructiveness of local children and suggested that parents be made aware of the problem.

It was disclosed that the gate at Indian Springs has been broken so often that it was necessary to fell trees to prevent illegal use of the area. A "home plate" was re-installed three times in one day by maintenance men because of vandals in the ball field; a drinking fountain has been in a constant state of disrepair because of abuse, notwithstanding a sign placed near it stating the penalty for mistreatment.

Terming the incidents "provoking", Comings declared it was regrettable that the activities of a few are spoiling things for all. He cited the great expense in maintaining the recreation areas in the past and expressed the hope that it will not go to waste through vandalism.

Comings' remarks followed a plea by resident George Strickland for improvement of the tennis court surface and equipment. City Manager Charles McDonald stated he will soon institute a plan whereby tennis enthusiasts will be required to get the key to the tennis courts from the police station. The key-custodian will be responsible for the court while in use. The tennis court will be locked at all other times.

Light Fixtures Denied

An ordinance to transfer funds from surplus was defeated by Councilman Comings' lone dissenting vote. The funds were to provide new lighting fixtures for the library and the city administration offices. The ordinance was presented for a first and second reading under a suspension of the

rules and the necessary four "yes" votes were not forthcoming. (Mayor Elizabeth Harrington was absent because of illness.) Although in favor of the library lighting, Comings declared he wished the proposed expenditure to be announced to the public before final consideration.

Braden Honored

A resolution to erect a suitable plaque at Braden Field in memory of the late Roy Braden was passed by the council. It changes the name of the area to Braden Memorial Field. Councilman Comings announced that many citizens are anxious to erect a suitable memorial, preferably a flag-pole, in Braden's honor. It was suggested that the plaque be placed on the flag-pole; money-raising activities for the memorial will soon begin.

New swimming-pool rates for the summer season were approved and an appropriation of \$350 for fireworks on the Fourth of July was passed.

Robert Bonham, local resident, congratulated the council on its activities in behalf of the local volunteer rescue squad. He disclosed that \$1500 has already been raised in its latest campaign and more was anticipated.

Parking Problem

W. Earl Thomas, representing the Community Church, discussed with council the possibilities of providing a parking area near the church building. He was informed the city was prohibited from using funds for this purpose under terms of the PHA-Greenbelt budget contract. Thomas declared that he only wanted to "request that council take the problem under consideration." It will be considered at a future date, at the suggestion of Steve Comings.

Bus Service

Acting Mayor Frank Lastner informed the council that word has come from the president of Oriole Bus Lines that lack of patronage may soon cause Oriole to discontinue its service. McDonald disclosed that conferences with PHA regarding the transportation situation have been in progress, and that PHA is profoundly concerned. A plan to use three station-wagons is being explored; it would provide minimum loss and may suit local needs. Lastner reminded citizens present that council is aware of the deteriorating transit situation and is working hard to solve it.

Scout Oring Present

Present at the meeting was Stuart Oring, local Boy Scout, who is studying the city government in preparation for a scout badge. His presence and remarks were included in the official minutes of the meeting. Lastner stated that the council welcomed other citizens and junior citizens to learn the functions of the municipality.

Tempo Dancers Plan Annual Recital May 26

The annual recital of the Tempo School of Dance will be held on Saturday, May 26 at 8 p.m. in the Center school auditorium. Mrs. William Baxter, president of the sponsoring organization, the Tempo Club, announces that proceeds from the recital will be given to the Youth Center. Youth Center or Drop-Inn members as well as regular dance students will appear

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Resident Takes Prize

One hundred dollars went to Mrs. Curtiss Barker, 1-A Crescent, as one of the hundred third-prize winners in the Lipton Soup contest on May 11.

Contestants were required to complete a 5-line jingle about the product. When told of her good fortune, Mrs. Barker exclaimed, "It will come in handy!"

GREENBELT COOPERATOR

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OUR PURPOSE:

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2. To serve the best interests of the cooperative movement.

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Examination Time

EDITORIAL

Rumors have been going around Greenbelt this past week to the effect that the Cooperator is in difficulty. This is to assure our readers that the rumors are perfectly true.

However, we do not feel that this is the time to appeal to our friends and neighbors for support—not in a financial sense, anyhow. We do, nevertheless, want the community's help in an important crisis.

The Cooperator is going through a period of self-examination. We have agreed to sit down with ourselves and determine whether the course we have followed in past weeks is a proper one. We want, and will welcome, the opinions of Greenbelt's Citizens to help us in this determination.

We can all start at the same point by looking at the function of the Cooperator in Greenbelt. The newspaper is as old as the community. The material carried in its pages has been about, and by, residents of the city. The Cooperator has watched and reported the growth of Greenbelt from an isolated housing project to a sizeable city, and it too has had its growing pains. We have issued the paper every week since 1937, distributed it free of charge to the entire community, and have done it entirely through the labor and talent of devoted volunteer workers. Nobody, we say on the Cooperator staff, gets paid except the printer and the delivery boys.

We of the Cooperator are members of other community groups. We are cooperators; our association is a true producer cooperative. Our duty, as we see it, is to inform the people of our community as best we can about what goes on around them. Our work is the work of communication.

Where communication fails, ignorance takes its place, and brings with it apathy, misunderstanding, and mistrust. Where there is a means of communication, we believe it should be used. All newspapers print things that people would rather not have happen—disappointments, disasters, deaths—but that is what newspapers are for. Whether or not we like what happens it is our business to let the community in on it.

For doing our job, we are accused of irresponsibility, and of keeping citizens from taking on other jobs of responsibility—we who have this great responsibility to the community and have done our best to carry it out.

More important, we are accused of "bias" and "prejudice," of refusing to state both sides of an issue. Newspapers are "biased" depending on who runs them. Belonging to the staff of the Cooperator is a privilege available to anyone in the community who wants it, and is willing to work for it. Many citizens are not willing to sacrifice the time and energy required to keep the paper going. It logically follows that those of us who are willing must certainly be "biased"—in favor of cooperatives and cooperative principles. In spite of our "bias," we have felt it our duty as a newspaper to publish criticism of cooperatives, our own as well as others. We welcome the expression of opinion on both sides of any question. We have never refused to publish any communication to the paper which was in the bounds of good taste. If the paper had carried only one side of a story, it was because the other side felt it "unwise to get into idle controversy." No communication, no information, no progress.

Other newspapers, the large ones, can depend for their support on the backing of large chains and private fortunes. Small community newspapers depend on the community. Here in Greenbelt as probably nowhere else the newspaper depends for its existence on its community. We believe we have served that community long and well. We intend to continue serving it to the best of our ability. If the community decides that there is no longer a need and a reason for our service, we shall cease to exist as a newspaper.

We are depending in the true cooperative spirit on the voice of the community to help our thinking in this crisis, and to aid us to an answer.

You are the community. What do you think?

TOYS

SUBURBAN
HOBBY CENTER

4505 Queensbury Road
Riverdale, Md. WA 9595

Mother-Daughter Fete Set For Monday Night

The annual Mother and Daughter Banquet for Greenbelt's Girl Scouts and Brownies and their mothers will be held on Monday night, May 21, at 6:30 p.m. in the social room of the Community Church. After the banquet a movie of Camp Misty Mount will be shown. The Fidelis Class is preparing the dinner.

Notes and Notices

By Sarah Gelberg, 8511

Mr. and Mrs. J. Mague, 2-J Laurel Hill, entertained at Sunday breakfast in honor of their daughter, Mary Elizabeth, who made her first Holy Communion. The guests were Mrs. Ida Mague of Washington, Mary's grandmother, Warrant Officer Ida Mague of Fort Monroe, Va.; Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mahir of Washington, and Thomas Mague, Mary's godfather, who presented her with her first corsage.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vella and children, 6-B Hillside, enjoyed as house guest for the weekend of May 5 Mrs. Vella's brother, Russ Pernace of Rochester, N. Y. He was a semi-professional basketball player and is presently a referee. He was impressed with the amount of recreational activities here. During his visit, he spent some time teaching his nephews how to play ball.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas O'Connor, 61-G Ridge, announce the birth of their first child, Thomas Paul, at Washington Sanitarium on Wednesday, May 2, weighing 6 lbs. 11

Mr. and Mrs. Leo L. Anlisio, 2-B Northway, announce the birth of their fourth child, George, at Sibley Hospital on Thursday, May 10, weighing 6 lbs. 3 ozs. Their other children are Leander, Rosemarie, and Callixtus.

Brian Tierney, age 7, 7-L Southway, had his tonsils removed on Friday, May 11 at Leland Memorial Hospital.

Dorene Nicholson, age 5, 13-V Hillside, also underwent a tonsillectomy on Friday, May 11 at Leland Memorial.

Kay Terry Hirschtritt, 19-M Ridge, celebrated her sixth birthday Wednesday afternoon, May 16 with a party for her friends.

Mrs. Myra Hertz, 45-T Ridge, who birthdayed on Friday, May 11, is the recipient of many good wishes from her friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Orleans, Carol Ann and Billy, 1-D Westway, have the pleasure of a visit from Mrs. Orleans' mother, Mrs. A. Winkler of Albany, N. Y. Expected for the weekend, is Mrs. Winkler's sister, Mrs. Corbet Barclay, who is driving up from Linkhorn Park, Virginia Beach.

Harris J. Winkelstein, 7-G Laurel Hill, passed the Maryland bar examinations. He will be graduated from the University of Maryland School of Law in June.

WONDERFUL

I think the Cooperator is wonderful! . . . as witness this little drama:

A lost, new Bulova Watch . . . lying forlorn on Hillside Road, its fate ??? to be crushed to pieces, by an unknowing and not unkind motorist . . . ???

A distraught working mother, who had lost it while escorting her young daughter to Greenbelt Child Care Center (14 Parkway Road, you know, and a wonderful place for children—there, we got a free ad in!)

An innocent 4-year-old, walking with her mother down the road, a few minutes after the separation of the owner and watch . . . and just aching to return it to its owner.

Well . . . the watch got back! The 4-year-old is Cheryl Meier. Her mother and father and 8-year-old sister, Beverly, are new residents of Greenbelt, living at 12-H Hillside Road. Mrs. Meier, who does not have a phone as yet, drove over to the Drug Store on two occasions but was unable to reach the party by phone.

And how did she locate the phone number of the watch's woeful loser? Through a LOST AD in the columns of the Cooperator. And this family searched the telephone book, until the telephone number was matched with the street address. It was a long search, for the name began with V. And so the watch was returned in person by the Meier family.

We think both the Cooperator, and the Meier family are pretty wonderful! We don't think it could have happened anywhere but in Greenbelt.

A Greenbelt Resident.

RECITAL from page 1 on the program. Tickets may be purchased from Youth Center members or Tempo dance students.

Letters To The Editor

PORTION

I hear that discontinuing the Cooperator is under consideration and I feel that would be unfortunate. I especially feel it would be unfortunate if discontinuance became a reality without a concerted effort to breathe new financial life into the paper. I refer specifically to the financial operating policy followed by the paper.

As a free paper the advertisers pay the entire operating costs. I understand the staff does not even receive baby-sitting expenses compensation. If we citizens who want the paper were to pay even less than the major portion of the actual costs of operation the financial pressure should be relieved.

With relief of the financial pressure the staff would be relieved of certain tensions now present regarding the sale of advertising. This relief would permit the staff to exert more effort to keep the paper the sort of medium all citizens would want to support.

Since the community and the paper in particular has no rich uncle, I am confident a goodly portion of our citizens will be willing to pay at least a portion of the cost of their weekly copies. My subscription will be ready as soon as you decide what your rate will be.

Henry R. Walter
1-B Research Road

PETITION

We young mothers received a rather unpleasant Mother's Day "token" this past week in the form of a notice forbidding the use of outdoor clothes lines which are so necessary for the assurance of health of young babies. In the words of Dr. Benjamin Spock, noted authority in pediatrics: "Sunshine is a potent destroyer of bacteria. There will be less chance of rash if you can hang diapers and other things wet by urine (nighties, shirts, sheets, pads, waterproof sheeting, waterproof pants) in the sun to dry." In the best interest of our babies (averaging three or four to each unit of six) I am appealing to the administrators of our community. It remains, too, that there are not adequate facilities in the basements for such units.

However, we have found, as a result of a survey made by petition that the majority of others (childless couples) prefer to dry their clothes in the sunshine, also.

Our retiring community manager agrees that the appearance is the leading issue in the disagreement, pointing out that several had applauded the notice. In our survey among the apartments themselves, not one person objected strenuously to the appearance. We must draw the conclusion then that complaints come from elsewhere other than the apartments, possibly non-residents of Greenbelt. Why should not the occupants of the apartments have voice in what concerns them? We usually consider that the democratic way, don't we?

We have asked that the clause restricting use of outdoor clotheslines be removed from the lease with the hope that we may enjoy sharing the privileges with the rest of the project. With the backing of the huge majority of apartment dwellers some pressure may be brought to bear on those less sympathetic.

Mrs. M. Dogle and
Mrs. V. Ely

NUISANCE

We consider the rule against hanging out washing as arbitrary. For reasons which any occupant of apartments can supply, it places us under great inconvenience and nuisance and conflicts with the other residents.

We signed a petition against it tonight. If those who circulated it are short-handed, one of us will gladly devote an evening to the job.

Yours truly,

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Ferguson
P.S. You are to be commended for giving publicity to criticism of GCS.

COMMUNITY CHURCH

PROTESTANT

Ministers:

Edward H. Bonsall, Jr.
Eric T. Braund
Church phone 7931

Saturday, May 19 - 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Men and boys work at the church grounds. Sandwiches and coffee served at noon. 8 p.m. to 10 p.m., High School Fellowship parents program, church basement.

Sunday, May 20 - Church School at 8:45, 9:50 and 11 a.m. Sessions at 8:45 and 11 are for children up to the third grades only. Church worship at 8:45 and 11 a.m. Music at 8:45 by the St. Cecilia choir, directed by Mrs. Gordon Finlay. Music at 11 by senior choir led by Mrs. John McClendon, Mrs. Daniel Neff at the organ. The Cloister choir, led by Mrs. Finlay, will also sing at this service. Reverend Braund will preach on "The Discipline of the 'Golden Rule.'" Honored guests at the 11 o'clock service will be members of the Birmingham Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star. 6 p.m., Pilgrim Fellowship at First Congregational Church, 10th and G St. Speaker this month will be Reverend Braund on "Personal Spiritual Development". Cars leave the church at 5:15. 7 p.m., Angelus Hour of Chimes. (Please note change of time.)

ST. HUGH'S

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Rev. Victor J. Dowgiallo, Pastor
Greenbelt 5911

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

Sunday: Masses, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. Sunday school resumed after the 8:30 Mass. Nursery conducted during the 11 a.m. Mass so that parents of small children may attend Mass together. May procession at 3 p.m. on the church grounds.

Wednesday: Novena services, 8 p.m.

HEBREW SERVICES

Morris A. Sandhaus, Rabbi
Greenbelt 4193

Friday, May 18 - Services will be held in the social room of the Center school at 8:30 p.m. Portion of the week - "Emor". Reading from the Prophets - Ezekiel 44. Sermon topic - "Reaping the Produce". Candlelighting time - 8 p.m.

GREENBELT

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Edwin E. Pieplow, Pastor
Phone Warfield 0942

Services are held in the home economics room of the Center school.

Thursday, May 17 - Choir meets for rehearsal at the home of Mrs. Holten, 2-F Plateau Place, 8 p.m.

Friday May 18 - The Lydia Guild meets at the home of Mrs. Bryan Hendrics, 8442 57th Avenue, Brywyn Heights, 8 p.m. All those wishing transportation, meet at the bank corner, 7:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 20 - Sunday School and Adult Bible Class, 9:45 a.m. Regular church services with the celebration of Holy Communion, 11 a.m.

Tuesday, May 22 - Junior Confirmation Class meets at the Roberts' home, 37-E Ridge, 4 p.m.

MOWATT MEMORIAL

METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Charles R. Strausburg, Pastor
Telephone 4987

Sunday, May 20 - Sunday School at 8:45 and 9:45 a.m. Classes for all age groups. Morning worship at 11 a.m. Guest speaker, Rev. Elmer A. Reno. Rev. Strausburg will attend the annual Peninsula Conference this week but will return the first part of next week.

Monday, May 21 - Regular monthly meeting of the Methodist Men will be held at the home of Louis Tierney, 7-L Southway, at 8:30 p.m. All men of the Church are invited to attend.

Wednesday, May 22 - Choir will rehearse in the Church, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Bowling News

By Stan Huff

The GAC Men's Bowling League wound up its first season last Friday evening at the Greenbelt Alleys with the teams evenly spaced and no ties for the finals.

Final recap of team standings is: 1st place - Bums (F. Faber-Captain) won 51-lost 30; Credit Union (G. Bauer-C) won 50-lost 31; 8-Ballers (Geo. Dickey-C) 45-36; Comets (Cliff Young-C) 43-38; Cliffdwellers (Joe Thompson-C) 42-39; Lucky-5 (Al Knott-C) 41-40; Bluedevils (Bill Donahue-C) 40-41; Misfits (Ben Berkofsky-C) 36-45; Rescue Squad (J. P. Williams-C) 30-51; Northend (Tom Shipp-C) 27-54.

Individual leaders were: H-Average, Alexander 108.21; H-Spares, F. Bauer 172; H-Strikes, Falten, F. Bauer and Jones ties at 40; H-Set, Hunter 402; H-Game, Hunter 182.

The two top teams, The Bums and Credit Union, have been selected by the alley managers to participate in the second annual Team Champion of Champions Tournament, sponsored by the Metropolitan Washington Duckpin Operations Association, to be held at the Clarendon, Virginia alleys from May 19 thru May 27.

The Bowling League will hold their seasonal party at the Athletic Clubhouse on Saturday evening, May 19 at 7 p.m. Managers of the local alleys will officiate in the presentation of trophies for the winning teams and individual leaders. All bowling members, past and present, in the League are cordially invited to attend.

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Haydn Trumpet Concerto Strauss-Perpetuum Mobile

Anderson — The Syncopated Clock
Moussorgsky — Night on Bald Mountain

SUNDAY AFTERNOON, MAY 27th
Damascus High School, 3:00 p.m.

MONDAY EVENING, MAY 28th
Leland Junior High School, 8:15 p.m.

FREE ADMISSION

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what happens to complaints from members and how are they handled. Ashelman said they were brought to his attention and he answered them personally, checking with various managers to ascertain the facts. Zuokoff said that he had dropped 14 forms into the suggestion boxes and has never received an acknowledgement or answer. A visitor present said he had never received any answers to his complaints. Mrs. Ruth Taylor, secretary to the general manager, said that the office had not received them.

Mrs. Opie Stage said that the write-up of her reaction to a board discussion of a previous meeting had been erroneously reported. Several board members agreed with her, while others felt the description was justified. It was the reporter's contention that ten different people covering the same meeting would have ten different views.

Bob Volckhausen said that reliable newspapers are guilty of incorrect statements and exaggerations. He added that a more favorable solution could be worked out if the board could select a reporter more sympathetic to the board.

The discussion turned to the cut in advertising on the part of GCS as a result of the critical attitude of the Cooperator. Mr. Ashelman said that individual managers determine the advertising budgets and they did not feel the Cooperator was an effective advertising medium particularly because of the negative effects the criticism was creating. Only upon board instruction, would he suggest that the managers use the Cooperator. Henry Walter said that the paper had been warped and distorted in their presentation of the news and their policy followed a destructive course. He also said that store managers were "only human" if they cut their advertising in the face of critical attacks.

Board member, Cal Winegarden said that if the advertising had been cut because of Cooperator criticism, he felt it was "reprehensible and not in accordance with ethics fostering the continuation of a free press.

A motion was made by Martin Bickford that the general manager and editor meet in conference and attempt to work out a solution favorable to both sides. This met with vehement protest from several members. Because of the lateness of the hour, the motion was tabled and a substitute motion submitted that the matter of GCS-Cooperator relations be referred to the executive committee.

Swimming Pool Open On Decoration Day

The Greenbelt swimming pool will open on Decoration Day, May 30, City-manager Charles McDonald announced this week. The painting of the pool is now complete, and rest rooms, shower equipment and shower rooms are being renovated. Additional space for sunbathers and children will be available around the children's pool. The possibility of filling the additional space with sand is being explored.

Registration for classes in swimming instruction is now being accepted. Classes will be held in the morning for children, and the registration fee is one dollar, which includes admission charges. There will be ten lessons, or more, depending on the size of the classes.

Evening Guild Elects Officers

The Community Church Evening Guild elected officers for the coming year on May 14. New officers are: president, Maravene Clay; vice-president - program, Elsa Jorgenson; vice-president - ways and means, Jesse Martin; secretary, Gloria Atherholt; treasurer, Helen Frady; corresponding secretary, Ruth Birdseye.

The Board of Deacons requests that information about persons who are ill and hospitalized be given to Phyllis Bingham, 51-K Ridge (phone 6061) or the minister. Anyone wishing to have memorial flowers on the church altar should contact Clarence Anders, 10-N Plateau (phone 7303).

The Board of Deacons announces a reception for all new members of Community Church for the past year. This will be held on Sunday evening, May 27, in the church basement.

Drama Group Repeat Ghosts Has Party

The older group of the Dramatic Club, a Recreation Department activity, gave a repeat performance of their play "The Ghosts that Giggled" for the children of St. Hugh's School May 9 in their auditorium. The first enactment of the play was for North End School pupils April 27. In the cast were Joan Haslinger, Mary Moroney, Dana Perlzweig, Susan Solet, Mary Catherine Root, Tommy Iveson and Alex Vella. Additional features were poems by Susan Solet and Dana Perlzweig.

At their regular meeting last week all active members were invited to a Spring Party. Games were played and refreshments served. All interested boys and girls in 4th, 5th and 6th grades should contact Mrs. Vella at 2591.

Nursery Mothers Plan Election; Meet Tonight

Election of officers for the coming year will be the first order of business at the regular membership meeting of the Greenbelt Co-operative Nursery School on Thursday, May 16 at 8:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Home Economics Room of the Center School.

All nursery mothers are urged to attend. An invitation is extended to anyone interested in the coming term of the nursery school.

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More Or Less

By Ben Rosenzweig

This column was scheduled to start last week with a positive view on co-ops. Strictly as a balance to keep that one of the paper on an even keel about our local co-ops.

I am glad that I didn't. Sam Ashelman's letter of last week was a masterful statement which makes a fine prelude to a column devoted to the positive aspect of co-ops.

CO-OPS ARE DEMOCRACY IN BUSINESS. Now one funny thing about democracy is that you can't devote one election day each two or four years to it. You make it your business EVERY day. And so for cooperatives.

While it cannot be pretended that our local society represents the last word in every aspect of service, it is still one of the largest co-ops in America. Its operations are scrutinized by specialists in every line. It is apparently far less out of line to specialists who are familiar with various operations detail, than it is to our local shotgun critics who are unique in that they know everything about everything, but everything. I know people with years of experience who would hesitate to make half the snap decisions that our walking encyclopedias make. Which proves some people will rush in where others fear to tread.

To resume the thin thread of my argument—to make any form of democracy work, co-ops included, you must KNOW. You must have the facts. This cannot be done by assuming that because you DON'T KNOW, you can make any kind of harebrained charge that comes to mind.

You can't run a Cub den that way, much less a two-million-dollar business. What's the answer? Knowledge. How obtained? By the standard techniques of cooperatives: Study groups. By the use of, and working with, consumer advisory committees. In other words, before you go—KNOW!

Fox Tales

By Sam Fox

Park-Lake Area: A park is a park, not a parking lot, so please cooperate. Leave your car on the outside of the Lake Area, so there will be more room for people to enjoy themselves without the fear of running into a car or hitting it with a batted ball.

Handball: The Recreation department is planning to start an adult and junior Handball Tournament for all that wish to participate. Winners will receive trophies. We can also organize a doubles team. If interested call 2726, Recreation Office, and we will arrange time at your convenience.

A Service to Boys in Uniforms: The Recreation Department is asking parents of boys in the armed services to send their names to the Recreation Office. These names are then sent to the Youth Center in the community in which the boys have participated prior to leaving for camp, and the Youth Center will keep the boys informed on the results of different activities in the Drop Inn and City. The boys love to hear what's happening back home.

Little League Baseball: The teams are playing every day now and will be ready to open on June 27 in full force. Look for the boys to hit the balls over the fence, just like the big leagues, and trot around the bases tipping their hats to the plate. Good luck, and wish all receive a case of Pepsi-Colas.

Softball: The league opened up in grand style and the teams that look the best are Thrifty and Mt. Rainier. Scores of the past week are as follows: Nelson Studebaker 8, Annadale 12, Thrifty 1, Arcade-Pontiac 0. This week's schedule, Saturday - Nelson Stude vs Mt. Rainier, Erco vs U.M.W.

Tennis Lessons: Anyone wishing to take private lessons can call Gr. 6626 and the hour will be arranged at your convenience. Class open to all ages.

Backyard Recreation: We are getting many requests for equipment to use at home play, and we want to encourage it more. Come to the office and ask for equipment to use in your backyard or an area you have for the neighbors to put up a Volleyball or Badminton court. This is the best way to know your neighbors and make new friends. what is a DO-DAD? . . . what is a DO-DAD? . . . what is a DO-DAD? . . . what is a DO-DAD? Swimming Registration: Don't forget to send your swimming registration in to the City Office or to the Recreation Department. All classes close on June 1. There are only a few vacancies left for July classes. Send in your swimming registrations.

Center School Sells White Elephants Fri.

Another white elephant sale will be held in the Center School auditorium Friday, May 18 at 10:30 a.m.

Mothers, girls and boys, and teachers are all behind this sale in a combined effort to make it another successful event. A sale classification—"sale stores"—will be found this year: housewares, jewelry, toys, together with books and records, potted plants, clothing, notions and games.

Contributions and patronage of the parents are again solicited. Don't forget the date—Friday, May 18 at 10.30 a.m., Center school auditorium.

Play Day May 23

Play Day will be held, weather permitting, on Wednesday, May 23 by the North End school at the North End playground near the 73 court of Ridge. In case of bad weather, the activities will take place on the next fair school day.

Formerly the Recreation Department managed play day for the schools, but this year the North End school will handle its own play day. The children will take part in dashes, relays, dodge ball, and newcomb. In the afternoon there will be a softball game for the boys and one for the girls.

Mrs. Elizabeth Fugitt, principal of the Center School, will return to her home on Wednesday from Emergency Hospital.

Police Pick Up Local Offenders

A Glenn Dale resident was arrested in Greenbelt last Saturday for molesting a young girl. He was charged with assault and battery, and appeared in court at Marlboro yesterday.

Reports of his activities have circulated through Greenbelt in recent weeks. Complaints were received about the man annoying young girls in Braden Field. Acting on descriptions and information received, Chief of Police Panagoulis was able to identify the man as a Glenn Dale resident and finally apprehended him in the Greenbelt Theater.

Three teen-age youths have been apprehended by the police for a series of petty thefts and vandalism. One is a Glenn Dale resident and the others are Greenbelters. They will appear in Juvenile Court next week.

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