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Pastorale

We had been suspecting for some time, what with the heavy sweet smell of honeysuckle in the evening air, that spring has settled down in earnest. Our suspicions had been strengthened by assorted cheeps and chirps coming from the mixed avian chorus that perches just outside our bedroom window at 5 a.m.

The opening of the swimming pool just about clinches it: spring is here to stay. It is difficult to suppress the annual feeling of exuberance and optimism that comes with the flowing of the sap and the growing of the grass. This rhythmic rebirth, this lavish conversion of lifeless brown to vital green should be a source of inspiration and wonderment.

(Junior, close that screen door! You're letting in all the mosquitoes!).

We are somehow more confident about our chances in these improbable times. In fact, we feel good enough to go out on a limb and predict that the Nats will finish in the first division this season. Now THAT sentence has a familiar ring . . . oh well, hand us the hedge-clippers.

Letters To Editor

VANDALS IN THE GARDEN

There seems to be a considerable amount of vandalism in the Garden Area (Old Crabbe Property) back of the maintenance building. I found evidence several times of deliberate destruction; pulling up onions and scattering them about; knocking over stakes and plants; hitting plants with a stick knocking them off or out of the ground; and a considerable amount of running through the gardens, stepping on plants and planted areas. It seems that it is only a few of the many children who play around there who do these things, and I feel that the parents who know their children play near the gardens should caution them to stay out of the gardens and not to destroy plants someone has taken considerable time and labor to get established. I also witnessed the cutting out of top branches of one of the apple trees there by three small boys using a saw and hand ax dropping the branches down in the roadway and letting them lay there. The latest incident in my own garden happened Sunday when some child (from foot-print evidence) deliberately took a stick and knocked off two half-size cauliflower heads and tore the plants up. This kind of destruction I cannot understand even from a child. What possible enjoyment they could get out of hitting a plant I don't know. I can't figure out the reason for it unless they are just not taught to respect other people's work and possessions.

L. A. LEE.

LONG TERM RENTING

In espousing the GCS plan for long-term renting in Greenbelt under GVHC ownership by residents not wanting to buy here, Mr. Walter made two statements last week which cannot be accepted without proof of their correctness: (1) that the same "can be successfully fulfilled" and (2) "No unsurmountable legal problems appear to exist." The best informant available to GVHC points the other way.

The key to the solution is whether, under rent controls, a sufficient rent increase will be granted to make such plan possible. The answer will not be known until the Office of Rent Stabilization renders its decision in response to a petition for a rent increase. Then and only then will GVHC be in a position to determine the feasibility of the plan. Meanwhile time limitations imposed by PHA will be running against GVHC; hence, GVHC cannot halt execution of its present plan to wait for such decision.

If it were possible to stop PHA deadlines from running against GVHC, and if an adequate rent increase under the law were certain (it is not), then GVHC could give serious consideration to the GCS plan. If the exponents of the GCS plan can overcome these obstacles, more power to them.

Safeguarding the investment of those who buy homes here requires exercise of the greatest precautions with respect to the corporation's finances. GVHC cannot adopt any program that would endanger the solvency of the corporation and the investment of its members.

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Thursday, June 5 - 8 p.m. Meeting of Department Principals of Church School in office. Saturday, June 7 - 4 p.m. Discussion Group Picnic at Ruth Bowman's, 11-Z-3 Laurel Hill. From 9:30 a.m. Landscaping Bee at the church. Sunday, June 8 - Services at 9 a.m. and 11 a.m., dedicated to young people. Sermon "The Coat of Many Colors" by Mr. Braund. Sunday School hours: 9. Nursery and Primary: 9:50. Juniors through Adults: 11. Nursery and Beginners: 8 p.m. Board of Deacons meeting. Monday, June 9 - Evening Guild meeting, 8:15 p.m. Wednesday, June 4 - Adult Choir rehearsal, 8 p.m. Cloister and St. Cecilia Choirs are on vacation until next fall. No scheduled rehearsals.

Camp Kanestake has been secured for Greenbelt Community Church for two weeks: August 10-17, and 17-24. This is a camp for the whole family. Kanestake is located in the heart of the Allegheny Mountains, in Pennsylvania, on Spruce Creek, eighteen miles south of State College. Registration blanks and information may be obtained at the church office.

GREENBELT LUTHERAN CHURCH

Edward H. Birner, Vicar

Friday, June 6 - 8 p.m. The Ladies Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. Glazier in Silver Spring.

Saturday, June 7 11 a.m. The members of the church are reminded to meet on the church property to hear Pastor Pieplow speak.

Sunday, June 8—9:45 a.m. Sunday School and adult Bible Class. Classes are held for all ages. Raymond Carriere, superintendent, 11 a.m. Church Service. Sermon topic: Glory be to God. Services are held in the Center School. Visitors are always welcome. Mrs. Moyer and Mrs. Carriere will be in charge of the nursery.

Million Thanks

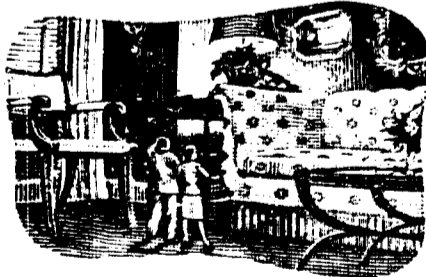
We thought we knew how much our friends meant to us but have really found in these last few weeks how wonderful they are. Thanks a million to you all, especially the "Bowling League." Dudley is home now and doing well.

Jonnie Mae Walker.

Cooperation

The JCC Debs will hold a Lake sale Saturday, June 7, from 9:30 to 12:30 a.m. in front of the theater. This being our first fund-raising effort we wish to thank everyone for any help they may give us.

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Friday, June 6: St. Hugh's School closing, with distribution of report cards and awards.

Saturday: Confession, 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.

This Sunday is Holy Communion Sunday for members of the Holy Name Society at the 7:30 Mass.

Baptisms: Sunday 1 p.m. Anyone wishing to have a baby baptized should notify Father Dowgiallo beforehand.

Wednesday: Novena Services, 8 p.m.

HEBREW SERVICES

Benjamin Rosenzweig
Norman Granims

Friday, June 6 - Services will be held at the home of George Bloom, 5-C Ridge, at 8:30 p.m. Candle-lighting, 8:16 p.m.

Portion of the Week Numbers 4:21 7:80. Readings, Judges 15:2 25.

MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

C. R. Strauszburg, Pastor. Sunday, June 8 - Services at the North End School, Sunday School at 9:30 a.m., Richard Hoffman, superintendent. Classes for all ages. Worship and sermon by the pastor at 11 a.m. Sermon topic, "Men of Vision."

Maid by the choir. Friday, June 6 Bible Sale at the Center from 10 to 2. Sponsored by the Womans Society of Christian Service. Contributions of baked products will be appreciated. Mrs. Warme, 62-F Linden is chairman, and Mrs. Donaldson, 4798 is co-chairman.



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Co-op Kindergarten Enrolls 85; Need 15

Eighty-five children have registered for the Greenbelt Cooperative Kindergarten starting in September. Fifteen more are needed to employ two full-time teachers. Registrations will be accepted through June 13 for a fee of \$5 per child. The \$8 monthly tuition fee is also acceptable at this time. Registration can be made by calling 8077, 8069, 8716 or 3686.

Applicants for the teaching position are asked to call city manager Charles T. McDonald, Center School Principal Elizabeth Fugitt or North End Principal Thelma Smith. Each teacher accepted will be paid the regular current salary and will be a member of the faculty of the particular school where she teaches kindergarten.

Classes will be limited to twenty-five pupils.

Northwestern High News

Elections for student council officers at Northwestern High School were held on the morning of May 27. John Schaffer, an academic junior, will be next year's president. Vice-president, Danny Jones; recording secretary, Patricia Rexrode; corresponding secretary, Marcia Gurevich; treasurer, Rodgers Eudy; parliamentarian, Martin Rosenzweig. All officers will be seniors next year.

On Thursday evening, May 29 the sophomore class of Northwestern High School held a dance in the gymnasium honoring the sophomores and their guests.

At the climax of the evening, the best all-around sophomore boy and girl were selected. Balloting took place last week in the homerooms.

Senior vocational home economic girls, accompanied by their instructor, Miss Barbara Senge, visited Mrs. Kay's Toll House for luncheon Friday, May 23. The outing climaxed a year of study in the apartment. Eight seniors who attended were: Rita Snoddy, Janice Anzulovic, Ruth Beuma, June Coddington, Lou Ann Darling, Marion Evans, Jean Faulconer and Olga Korber.

Induction ceremonies for members of the newly-organized John P. Speicher chapter of the Future Teachers of America were held Friday, May 23, at 2 p.m. at Northwestern High School.

John P. Speicher, in whose honor the chapter was named, and Mr. Furganag, vice-principal, were present at the ceremonies.

NOTE: JCC Boat Ride & Picnic, Sunday, June 22—Call 6527, 7196, 8462.

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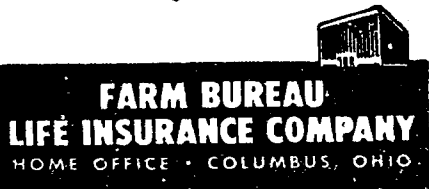
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Boys Club Activities

Old man rain ruined most of our games since the last edition but the Midgets managed to play five games between showers, incidentally winning four and losing one. They defeated Berwyn in an unofficial game, 15-0, and Beltsville, 20-0, with Warren Gross pitching a no-hitter. They then took on Berwyn in an official league game and defeated them 8-5 with Kelly the winning pitcher. They lost to a Washington boys club team (The Suburban Gas Co.) in a close one, 2-0. Gary Brown pitched a one-hit ball game but errors in the field lost the game. They also defeated Merrick Boys Club here by the score of 12-6. Let's hope the rainy weather is over and all the boys can keep the scheduled games.

The Oriole Juniors in their second league game defeated Laurel Tuesday evening at Greenbelt 4-0. Bill Moore being the winning pitcher. Looks like things might be picking up from now on.

The intermediates have not been able to play as yet but hope to get started soon. See you next week.

Does Television Harm Eyesight?

From University of Maryland College of Agriculture

Have you been worried about the effect of television on your child's eyesight? With the onslaught of television, teachers have complained that children are suffering from eyestrain, lack of sleep and nervousness. Adults, too, have told of headaches and various effects on their eyes. In response to much discussion on the subject, Miss Florence Mason, home furnishing specialist of the University of Maryland Extension Service, points to results of studies made by doctors on the subject.

1. Television, the studies show, are no more harmful to the eyes than movies, reading, sewing, or driving a car.
2. Looking at television does not cause eye defects or diseases of the eye, but under improper conditions may induce eye fatigue.
3. Usually the mind tires before the eye, a safety measure that nature uses to protect the eye.
4. Eye fatigue has the following symptoms: Headache, pain in the eyes and blurred focus. These symptoms may indicate eye defects or fatigue from poor viewing conditions.
5. Prolonged viewing of television may reveal eye defects not noticed before. In children, this may be a good thing as the defect should be corrected for application to school work.

6. Television can be used as a corrective measure for the lazy eye, common to both children and adults, by wearing a patch over the better eye while viewing programs.
7. Under normal conditions, eye fatigue should not develop under a viewing time of 1½ hours.
8. On the early programs, jerky films, long discarded by the movie industry, were mainly responsible for eye fatigue.
9. Programs now avoid dark scenes and grainy effects. Clear, fresh, prints in medium to light values are easier to look at.

Little girl (on a trans-continental train): "Mama, what's the name of the last station we stopped at?"
 Mother: "Don't bother me. Can't you see I'm reading. Why do you ask?"
 Little girl: "Because brother got off there."

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MR. BARKLEY WISHES TO ANNOUNCE he has opened a cash and carry furniture repair and refinish shop (Mr. Fix-it) directly rear of Wayside Inn, Greenbelt Road, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday or after 6 p.m., 3-F Plateau Pl.

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Izaak Walton News

By E. Donbillion

All arrangements for this week's fishing trip on the bay have been completed. No additional reservations will be accepted unless there is a cancellation. Those going on this week's trip will receive detailed information as to time and place of departure by telephone.

Reservations for next week's trip Sunday, June 15, are being accepted. Those desiring to go should make their reservations early, especially non-members. Greenbelt 8746.

Tentative arrangements have been made for a series of lectures and talks on hunting and fishing with "Jake" Hoffman. Last year's hunting talks were highly successful and the League is anxious to sponsor another series but only if there is a demand for them. Every boy and adult who wishes to attend these talks should give his name to "Jake" or any member of the Greenbelt Chapter or call Greenbelt 8746.

All members, particularly those who joined the League this year, should make a special effort to attend next week's monthly meeting, in the fireman's hall, Izaak Walton League hall buttons and membership cards will be distributed next Thursday, June 12 to all 1952 members who have joined on or before June 12 this year. A gala affair is planned, refreshments will be served at the close of the meeting. An additional feature may be the showing of outdoor life movies.

DOLLARS AND SENSE

By Morris J. Solomon

What Greenbelt Needs - A Consumer Information Center

Suppose you decided to buy an automatic washing machine - wouldn't it be nice if there was a place in town where you could find an unbiased rating of all brands? Or if you were in the market for a large rug - you could find out what makes a good rug and how you can judge it. Yes, all of us could make good use of a consumer information center.

Description of a Consumer Information Center

It would have several shelves of publications. Nearby there would be chairs and a table. There would be a full set of Consumers Union and Consumers Research reports of the last few years. A good selection of current mail-order catalogues would be on part of one shelf. A careful selection of helpful government publications would be included. A comprehensive set of pamphlets on good buymanship put out by the Household Finance Committee would be handy. It would take a little time and very little money to assemble a compact collection of real helpful publications.

Bloodmobile

The Red Cross bloodmobile will be at the Bladensburg Elementary School Auditorium on June 5th, Thursday, from 2 p.m. until 7 p.m. Call Mrs. Michael Androulakis, chairman, at WARfield 9392 or the Red Cross Chapter House, WARfield 4400, for appointments.

The Poets Corner

Can you identify these poems? If you can, let us know on a note to the office... and tell us whether you would like to continue this feature, or perhaps suggest others.

"Even such is time, that takes in trust

Our youth, our joys, our all we have,
 And pays us but with earth and dust;

Who in the dark and silent grave,
 When we have wandered all our ways,
 Shuts up the story of our days;

But from this earth, this grave, this dust,
 My God shall raise me up, I trust."

Please write both the title and the author and your own name and address. You may drop your guess at 14 Parkway or in the box at the Tobacco Store, or in the mail to PO Box 68. Any comments or ideas you are interested in offering will be given serious attention.

GCS, From Page 1

board has been that we prefer to remain tenants of a friendly landlord. A total capital investment of three-quarters of a million dollars, (Greenbelt commercial properties plus GCS supermarket building) plus the resulting lack of flexibility of use of funds are the reasons for this position by the board.

"The board is now considering four possible solutions to the problem, as follows: 1. Continue to own to rent from whoever owns the shopping center. Advantageous leases put us in a fairly strong position in this respect. 2. Become a member of GVHC. Cash for the down payment could come from refinancing of the supermarket building. 3. Buying the commercial properties and acting as our own landlord. Most businesses have found this to be unwise, however, because it ties up such a large amount of money in fixed assets, and that it is better to use the money as working capital. 4. If GVHC does not wish to own the commercial property, it might be more advantageous to GCS to buy the center and in turn to sell both the center and our own building to a third party who would give us advantageous long-term leases. "The final answer may be any one or any combination of these

four propositions. Members having specific ideas which they feel would be helpful to the board, or desiring more detailed information, should arrange to talk with any one of your board members concerning this matter.

"In addition to considering the GCS housing problem your board has attempted to assist in an acceptable solution to the housing problem of Greenbelt members. We realize the community is not unanimous in any one opinion regarding a satisfactory solution. There appears nothing definite that this cooperative can do at the present time. In order to explore all the possibilities the board appointed a special committee consisting of Enry Walter, Cal Winegarden and Carnie Harper to work on this problem with management and also to cooperate with the GVHC board. We have been asked to cooperate with the city council and GVHC in the drafting of a more satisfactory plan as regards the sale of Greenbelt homes.

"In spite of continued OPS restrictions and higher wages, our net savings for the first four months of this year were \$11,145, about the same as a year ago. Many businesses have reported lower dollar savings than a year ago. The fact that we expanded our services resulted in a sales increase of 72 percent."

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My Daze

What a relief to have this sunshine and balmy weather send the kiddies outdoors again. The recent rainy spell was, I suspect, even too much for the farmer. It certainly wasn't the best thing for mothers staying indoors with small active children. The noisy squabbling makes me feel like the keeper in a monkey house, and often like a shrieking chimp myself. My husband, home after a day in the company of sane, normal adults, inquires cheerily, "Hiya, how's tricks?" Someday I'll tell him. . . .

Two dollars made us members of the Greenbelt Rescue Squad for the year. It's like any insurance which we fervently hope not to have to ever cash in on, but which it's mighty good to have on call when the need does arise. . . .

Ours is one of those near-extinct American homes which does not harbor a TV set. It is becoming increasingly difficult to justify this deflection to our boy. To him, "television is funner than radio." He and his sister have nevertheless become well-acquainted with this medium in the homes of indulgent, hospitable neighbors. That they are sufficiently imbued with the culture of the age is revealed by this incident. Pretending to shoot it out in a game of "cowboys" our boy remarked, "Bang, you're dead. . . . Start moving."

Somehow it doesn't satisfy when you report (very diplomatically, you hope) to the parent of a youngster who has just collected a handsome bouquet of sweet williams or irises from your garden, or who has just for fun decapitated the tulips or lillies, that the child will be beaten as punishment. It surely takes more than that to encourage social behavior, since there is no short cut substitute for painstaking, loving care in raising children OR flowers properly.

A visitor was discussing with my husband "buying on margin" in the stock market. Our boy, who had been a silent eavesdropper up to that point of the conversation, now broke in happily with, "Oh, we buy margarine here."

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An appeal for blood vessels which may be grafted to save lives in the Washington community was issued today by the George Washington University Blood Vessel Bank. This bank is being operated at the George Washington School of Medicine in cooperation with Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

Dr. Brian Blades, professor of surgery at the University School of Medicine, announced that a team of physicians will be on call day and night to respond to any donation of blood vessels from recently deceased persons offered to save other lives by the families of the deceased. Blood vessels must be secured from persons under 50 years of age within a few hours of death. The deceased must not have died of leukemia or as the result of an infectious disease or condition.

In order to maintain an adequate bank for use in this community, it is necessary for blood vessels to be secured from all available sources. Calls to tell of the availability of blood vessels may be made to the George Washington University Hospital, STerling 7800, at any hour of the day or night. The operator will connect the caller with a University physician who will ask where the blood vessels are being made available and the nature of the fatal illness. A physician will be dispatched as soon as possible and should be able to arrive within an hour at any spot within the metropolitan area.

Blood vessels can be removed by surgery no more extensive than the standard postmortem procedure. When removed they are placed in a sterile solution for transporting to the Blood Vessel Bank. They are held in the Blood Vessel Bank a week pending tests to insure their freedom from infection and their viability (liveness of tissue). During this time they are kept in a refrigerator at a temperature of 4 degrees centigrade. They are kept in a salt plasma nutrient solution and fed penicillin and streptomycin to pre-

Women Voters

At its annual meeting in May at the Riverdale Presbyterian Church, the League of Women Voters of Prince Georges County adopted a three-point local program for the coming year. First point is a continuation of work done in the past to obtain home rule for the county; second, to support the council-manager form of government for the county; and third, to study the county survey with a view towards recommending specific charter provisions and other measures designed to improve county government.

Since February the League has been actively engaged in informing the public on the need for home rule. During the past month many members have been cooperating in the effort headed by the Citizens Committee to obtain 10,000 signatures to put the home rule question on the ballot in November, 1952.

When surgery is scheduled for which they are needed, the vessels are transported to the operating room refrigerator until use.

NOTICE to GVHC Depositors

Please come to the office (40-A Crescent) to sign your contracts!

County Red Cross

Plans for the 1952 Red Cross Fund raising campaign were nearly completed at a meeting of area leaders at the Prince Georges county chapter last week. Campaign chairman Leland G. Worthington outlined the goals to be met after a few words of welcome from chairman Dr. Louis M. Jimal.

Mrs. Miriam Baselaar, executive secretary, outlining the Chapter's activity, pointed out that since the outbreak of hostilities in Korea work has been increased. "Our message service for the boys overseas is now on a 24 hour basis," Mrs. Baselaar said. "One financial assistance rendered the serviceman's family is that of extending credit until family allotments are received, which sometimes are delayed three or four months. During the past year 154,000 surgical dressings and over 2300 hospital articles and sweaters were made. The local chapter takes crippled children to school, as well as transporting a war veteran back and forth to the VA hospital daily for over a year. Most of this work is done by volunteer help; there are about 100 volunteer workers for each paid Red Cross employee. During the coming campaign to raise funds this ratio will increase to 300 to 1. We operate a bloodmobile; have 65 instructors teaching first aid; maintain a canteen; prepare for any local disaster and cooperate with the civilian defense in training for emergency disaster.

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