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Citizens Group Sponsors Reception For Teachers; Discusses Problems

By Bernard Krug

In its first meeting of the new season at the Center school, the Greenbelt Citizens Association Monday night voted to assume sponsorship of a city-wide reception for all teachers in Greenbelt. This annual affair, handled in the past by the Community Church, will be coordinated by GCA with the three Parent-Teacher Associations in town providing refreshments and taking care of other arrangement details. No exact date for the reception was set. It will be the prime responsibility of GCA's Community Committee, whose chairman is Bruce Bowman.

Bus Survey

Bus Committee Chairman Matt Amberg announced results of the recent bus survey, undertaken by GCA to determine how many Greenbelt residents would use bus service to Washington on the new Parkway if it were provided. He said that 900 local people commute to Washington regularly and that between 300 and 900, or an estimated 600 would use the bus service. The new super-highway was scheduled to open on October 16, although it now appears that it will be delayed until the end of the month by minor construction on approaches and underpasses.

Thumbs Down By C.T.C.

No bus company has yet requested permission to use the road on a through basis, Amberg stated, but it was felt companies are waiting for official opening of the road before applying for a franchise. Meanwhile, officials of the Capital Transit Company informed Amberg that their company was "not interested" in providing Greenbelt Washington service, following their recent on-the-spot appraisal of the situation. Another possibility held forth by the Committee is the fact that the City of Greenbelt also is considering offering service to and from Washington.

Sale of Land

Rather heated discussion followed a resolution offered by Leonard Baron, chairman of the Development Committee. The measure called for GCA to support Greenbelt Consumer Services as purchaser of the commercial land in the Center "because GCS would better protect the interests of Greenbelt residents." The resolution failed of passage by one vote.

Sad Shack

The meeting voted to inform the Interior Department of its opposition to erection of a "shack" near the intersection of Edmonston Road and Greenbelt Road, diagonally across from the Junior High school. The Landscaping Committee, under Hans Jorgensen, stated that the structure in question, to be used to house road equipment, would definitely detract from the beauty of the area.

Street Planting

Jorgensen also reported that the City of Greenbelt and the Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation had each appropriated the sum of \$1,500 to be used in an integrated plan to enhance the beauty of the city. At first, efforts will be directed toward more street planting, especially at the entrance to the city.

Band To Sell Books?

Additional copies of the Greenbelt Telephone Directory are still available at the same price of 50 cents per copy, at the Tobacco Store, Bruce Bowman announced. Plans for the Greenbelt Band to sell the directories house-to-house for a specified fee per copy were also discussed.

GCA head Walter Volckhausen announced that the next meeting of the association was tentatively slated for Monday, October 25, and that future meetings would be held on the fourth Monday of each month.

High Point PTA Meets To Organize

Parents of students attending High Point high school have been invited to attend a meeting to organize a Parent-Teachers Association on Tuesday, October 12, at 8 p.m. in the cafeteria of the high school.

On the agenda will be consideration of the by-laws and election of a nominating committee for permanent officers. Parents may register as charter members and to become eligible to vote under the proposed by-laws. Dues will be collected from members.

Special guests of the evening will be William S. Schmidt, Superintendent of Schools, and members of the Prince Georges County school board. They will participate in an open house following the meeting. Parking space for cars will be available by the gymnasium at the south of the building.

Local Community Chest Drive "One-Nighter" Affair This Year

The Annual Community Chest Drive for the city of Greenbelt will be held for "one-night" only — Monday, October 18, from 7 to 8 o'clock in the evening. This is a new venture in collecting for this organization and it is urgent that everyone give his fair share during this one night campaign, according to an announcement from Mrs. James Flynn who is serving as general chairman for the drive in Greenbelt.

Mayor Frank Lastner has been selected Honorary Chairman. Also assisting Mrs. Flynn will be Mrs. Oscar Zoellner who will have charge of business and commercial contacts for the campaign.

Captains assisting in the "one-night" drive are here listed with their telephone numbers. Volunteers are needed and are urged to contact Mrs. Flynn at 3921 or any of the captains.

What Goes On?

Friday, October 8 - GVHC Board of Directors meeting at Hamilton Place, 8:15 p.m.
Saturday, October 9 - Navy Wives Club dance at Greenbelt Athletic Club from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Sunday, October 10 - Annual Communion breakfast of Holy Name Society of St. Hugh's at 8:30 a.m. at Center school.

Tuesday, October 12 - Registration for High Point High School PTA at high school cafeteria at 8 p.m.

Wednesday, October 13 - Registration for square dancing lessons at North End School at 8 p.m.

Monday, October 18 - Annual Community Chest drive throughout the city.

Adult Girl Scouts Meet On Wednesday

The adult Girl Scouts of District I will hold their next meeting in the Home Economics room at the Center school on Wednesday night, October 13, at 8:30 p.m. Mrs. Lorna Ott, who attended Camp Macy this summer will show film strips of her experiences there. All Brownie, Girl Scout Leaders and troop committee members are urged to attend. Mrs. Pearl Ellerin, president of District I hopes to have a 100% troop representation at the meeting.

Council Postpones Pay Raise As City Budget Battle Looms

By I. J. Parker

First sounds of the coming "battle of the budget" were heard at the city council meeting last Monday night when the proposed 5-percent salary increase for municipal employees was tabled until December, and a \$1400 appropriation for fire- and theft-proof safes was denied. Only a \$1500 expenditure for landscaping of the Southway entrance to Greenbelt managed to squeeze through.

Spearheading the economy wave was councilman Tom Canning, who asked that further consideration of the salary boost be given in light of its effect on the tax rate. After several preliminary moves by the council to include part-time employees in the increase, Canning declared: "I want it definitely understood I am not opposed to a salary increase; I'd like one myself, and didn't get it. I don't want to stand in the way of others getting a salary increase." He then cited Federal Housing Administration's decision last week to disapprove Johnson-Crooks request to build homes in Greenbelt on the basis of the high tax rate in this city, as proof that the city must work hard to lower the tax rate.

Urges Delay

Canning asserted that future development in Greenbelt depends on the tax rate, and any move by the council to increase the budget should be given careful consideration. He urged the council to delay the salary increase until the next year's budget can be studied in order to determine more accurately how the expenditure of \$7500 (cost of increase) would affect the tax rate. Whether increased assessments on business property or industrial land would brighten the budget picture in Greenbelt, Canning added, is not clear at this time. His motion to table the matter lacked a second.

Mayor Frank Lastner, strong proponent of the increase, stated that the FHA refusal to Johnson-Crooks was based on the housing groups' desire to build too many homes, and a sales price higher than the average income group in the Greenbelt area can afford; not on the high tax rate. The city employees' pay rates are 15 percent lower than the national average for similar municipal employees. Lastner pointed out. However, when Lastner asked city manager Charles McDonald whether he would recommend an increase, McDonald declared he

would not, adding the increase would raise the tax rate 15 cents.

At this point councilman James Wolfe moved to table the matter until the December budget considerations. Seconded by Canning the motion passed. In quick succession two other motions were tabled; the first to increase the city manager's salary, and the other, to request the state legislature to amend the city charter in order to provide for increased salaries for councilmen and the mayor.

Safes Safe?

The manager's request to transfer funds within the same department to provide for the purchase of \$1400 worth of safes was denied. One councilman asked whether theft of office records was possible with the police department in the same office. As for the fire hazards it was disclosed that the building is considered fire-proof. However, McDonald declared that the biggest fire hazard in the city was "right below us". (Variety store.)

GVHC Problem?

Although the \$1500 appropriation for landscaping was approved it met considerable opposition on the grounds of raising the tax rate. The sum represents half the amount needed, with Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation supplying the rest of the funds. Councilman Ben Goldfaden opposed the move, calling the problem strictly a GVHC affair and properly their expense. He said he noted GVHC's financial statement showed a surplus and declared that they could well afford the expense. City manager McDonald informed the council that he had been asked to pay a retainer fee to the landscape architect that drew up plans for the project. The council instructed McDonald not to include any such payment from city funds. The appropriation passed by a 3-2 vote.

Tax Moratorium?

Before the budget skirmishes ended for the evening, the council heard an appeal from Goldfaden to place on the agenda of the next meeting a proposal to extend a one-year moratorium on taxes to the owners of newly-built homes in Greenbelt. He declared that the high tax rate in Greenbelt made it a hardship for residents to build new homes in the city and the moratorium would relieve this burden and make future development in Greenbelt a greater possibility. He asked the city manager to determine trash collection costs so that at least payment for this service could be made. (Goldfaden is president of a housing group building homes on lakeside property.)

The moratorium may start a "dangerous precedent," Canning replied, and asked that such a move be approached with caution. "You do it for one group and all the other groups will expect the same thing," Canning said.

Canning then asked to correct a statement in last week's News Review which quoted him as saying the council "did not deserve a salary raise." He did not mean to imply that the council was not doing a good job, Canning asserted, but that such a raise was not warranted at this time because of the tax rate.

Boys Club Beats Takoma Park 7-6

By E. DonBullian

The Boys Club 120-lb. football team squeezed out a win over Takoma Park by a score of 7-6 in a rather listless game last Saturday. The boys seemed to lack coordination and all of Coach "Chuck" COOP

FOUR Link's efforts could not get them to play together as a team. At the beginning of the second half, right after the Coach had spoken to them, they seemed to remember their assignments and put one play together. It started off as a plunge thru the right side, but wound up with Matson going between LT Markowitz and LG McGlothlin, who had opened up a hole big enough for a truck. After brushing one opponent and swinging his hips away from another, Matson found a clear field in front of him with the exception of one last defender whom he outran to score the touchdown. It was a beautiful, well executed play which covered 40 yards. Matson followed it up by plunging for the extra point that won the game.



INTRODUCING THE "RED FEATHER MARCH" — Ralph Williams, acting chairman of the Prince Georges Community Chest, "runs over" the new march with Leoma Naughton's (she's "Miss Football of 1954") newly organized Red Featherettes. The girls, all Maryland U. students, have volunteered to assist with the current PG Community Chest Campaign. From left to right, Ralph Williams, Barbara Wilkins, Bobbie Lee Carlson, Joan Gaddy, Nancy Mularkey, Mary Jane Morley and Leoma Naughton.

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TO THE EDITOR

Wants Tax Articles

By previous letter this writer brought to the attention of the Editor of the "Greenbelt News Review" the need for informative articles on the tax structure in Greenbelt. This was in order that the high tax rate would be brought to the attention of Greenbelters. In addition, it was also desired to show what the tax dollar buys in terms of services at both county and city level.

Today, most Greenbelters still do not know the cost of the various functions in the city and county. Others are not aware that certain functions are duplicated. Most of us do not know whether or not we're getting our "money's worth" in comparison to other communities. This may be due to the early practice of payment of certain sums in "lieu of taxes," lack of an itemized tax bill, or possibly complacency on our part. Whatever the case, facts are needed.

As evidenced by last week's development in the Johnson-Crooks negotiation, it is apparent that the tax rate in Greenbelt will be a factor in the growth of the town. Guidance on these matters is necessary.

Later this year the city budget for the forthcoming year will be reviewed. No doubt some efforts will be made to cut the tax rate.

Possibly other proposals will be made to encourage building and businesses in Greenbelt. It is hoped this approach will be made in an intelligent and orderly fashion. This can only be done if facts on the present taxes are publicized and presented to Greenbelters. This service can be performed by the local press.

Therefore, it is still considered in order for your paper to carry some informative articles on taxes. Let's find out what our Recreation Department costs, our library, our sewage disposal, etc. How do all these compare with other communities? It seems that a wealth of material can be written on the subject. Also, it is understood that both the City Manager and the manager of GVHC would be happy to cooperate on the matter. To paraphrase a TV program - "Let's have the facts, Ma'am."

James H. Ott,
4-F Hillside.

(Ed. Note: Next week's issue of the News Review will carry the first of a series of articles giving the background of the tax rate in Greenbelt.)

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This is a frank confession that not all the news in Greenbelt gets into the paper. The reason is simple — it often happens that we have no one available to get the details and to write the story. To solve this problem, we need reporters and writers on our volunteer staff to handle regular assignments as well as to train for editorial staff positions.

Requirements: 1) Curiosity about what's happening in Greenbelt, 2) a passion for getting the facts, and 3) a desire to write.

Compensation: The satisfaction of doing your community a service, and also finding out what's going on behind the scenes in this lively town.

Bonus: Learning the news first.

For further details contact the editorial staff or visit the News Review office in the basement of 9 Parkway any Tuesday night.



A bouquet of roses must go to the National Council of Jewish Women, Greenbelt Section for its gift of \$100 to be used toward the furnishing of the interior of the Jewish Community Center building. NCJW has also given \$40 to buy books to start a library in the building.

Don't forget the Girl Scout Mothers Bake Sale Friday, October 15, in the Center from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. All manner of good foods from preserves to pies will be offered for sale. Proceeds will be used to defray the operating costs of District I (Greenbelt) and to equip a shelf in the library.

Members of the Womans Club of Greenbelt were received at a tea in the home of Mrs. Henley M. Goode, 23-P Ridge, president of the organization, on Sunday, October 3. Special guest of honor was Mrs. J. E. Brogdon, president of the sixth district of the Maryland Federation of Womans Clubs. Presiding at the tea table were Mrs. Leon G. Benefiel, Mrs. Charles E. Fitch, Mrs. Herbert Hall, Sr., Mrs. Paul Hawk, and Mrs. Lawrence O. Mott.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. George Clark, formerly of 16-C Parkway, and active in many local and county affairs, will be saddened to learn that they were both involved in a tragic automobile accident on September 26 while they were enroute to Dallas, Texas, where they make their present home.

Both are now at Baylor Hospital, Dallas, Texas, Mr. Clark nursing a fractured hip in room 613 and Mrs. Clark in room 616 with a fractured jaw and pelvis. The Clarks, who will probably have a long stay at the hospital, will appreciate hearing from their Greenbelt friends.

3-Nite Session Starts For Church Teachers

Community Church will start a three-Monday night Training Session for Church School Teachers and Parents this Monday, October 11, from 7:30 to 9:30. Teachers will include: Pre-School - Mrs. Jane Inderstrott, Chairman Children's Work Committee, Washington Federation of Churches; Primary - Mrs. James H. Shelton, Christ Church, Silver Spring; Juniors - Miss Bertha Cook, Director of Religious Education, Rock Spring Congregational Church, Arlington; Jr. High and Sr. High - The Rev. Leonard Ebel, Minister to Youth, Christ Church, and the Rev. William Inderstrott, Director of Religious Education, Westmoreland Congregational Church.

Additional Resource Leaders will be Mrs. Josephine Kyles, Director Department of Christian Education, Washington Federation; Mrs. Marian Tate, Director of Religious Education, Christ Church, specializing in Church School Administration and for Drama, Mrs. Louis Hazam of Christ Church, and Mrs. Ellen Linson, and Kenneth Smith, of Greenbelt.

Teaching will be based on the Pilgrim Series of the Congregational-Christian Church which is used in Community Church. All interested persons are invited to attend the three Mondays, October 11, 18, and 25, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Dr. O'Connor Speaks At St. Hugh's Breakfast

The annual Communion breakfast of the Holy Name Society of St. Hugh's Parish will be held Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m. at the Center school. This is an annual affair and all former members are invited.

Dr. John J. O'Connor, Professor of History in the School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University, will speak on "Golden Catholic Opportunities," pointing out the many chances for Catholic action on the national, state and community level. Dr. O'Connor is a well-known lay speaker and extremely interested in an intelligent and forward-looking program of Catholic action.

COMMUNITY CHURCH

Eric T. Braund, Robert C. Hull
Saturday, October 9 — 6 p.m., Annual Little League Club Dinner.

Sunday, October 10 — Morning Worship at 9 and 11 a.m. Sermon by Mr. Braund "Christian Concern in India — Land of Contrasts." Church School as follows: 9 ad 11, Nursery, Kindergarten, and Primary; 10, Junior, Junior and Senior High, Adults. 7:45 Board of Deacons Meetings in Social Hall. 7:30, Junior High Youth Fellowship; 7, Senior High Youth Fellowship.

Monday, October 11 — 8, Evening Guild; 7:30 Begin 3-Monday night Training School for Church School teachers.

Tuesday, October 12 — 4:15, Treble Choir.

Wednesday, October 13 — 8-9:30, Chancel Choir.

Thursday, October 14 — 4, St. Cecilia Choir.

Friday, October 15 — 4, Boys Choir.

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Edward H. Birner, Pastor
Phone: GRanite 4-9200

Friday, October 8: 10 a.m., The Lydia Guild sponsors an Open Air Bazaar at the Shopping Center.

Sunday, October 10: 9:45 a.m., Sunday School and adult Bible Class. Classes are held for all age groups. Raymond Carriere, Superintendent. 8:30 and 11 a.m., Services of worship. The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated at both services. Sermon by the pastor. A nursery is maintained for the benefit of parents with small children. Visitors are always welcome.

The Walther League Society meets at the church at 2:15 p.m. for transportation to the Potomac Zone Walther League Rally at Christ Church.

Monday, October 11: 8 p.m., Sunday School teachers meet at the church. A film strip will be shown on the methods of teaching in Sunday Schools.

Thursday, October 14: Church Vestry meets.

GREENBELT BAPTIST

Meeting in Center School
Rev. Wm. J. Crowder, Ph.D.,
Acting Pastor

4 Woodland Way, GR. 4-9242
Sunday, October 10 - 9:45 a.m., Sunday School, John S. Stewart, Supt. Classes for all ages. 11 a.m., Morning Worship, Sermon - "Life's Choices." A nursery is maintained during all services. 6 p.m., Baptist Training Fellowship, meeting in five units - for entire family. 6:45 p.m., Evening Worship, Sermon "The Immoral" - Third in series "Types of Men Jesus Won."

Monday, October 11 through Thursday, October 14 - 7:15 p.m., Baptist Training Fellowship Study Course, 4 Woodland Way. J. C. Hatfield, Educational Director, Metropolitan Baptist Church, Washington, will teach.

Friday, October 8 - 4 p.m., Junior Choir Rehearsal, Arts and Crafts Room, Center school.

DEEP APPRECIATION

We wish to express our thanks and deep appreciation to the Ladies of Charity of St. Hugh's, and all of our friends and neighbors for their prayers and kindnesses during Myrna's recent illness.

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Confessions: Saturday afternoon from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. for children and in the evening from 7 to 9 p.m. for adults.

Sunday: Masses: 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. 11 o'clock Mass is a High Mass sung by St. Hugh's Choir. This is Communion Sunday for members of the Holy Name Society at the 7:30 Mass. Annual Holy Name Breakfast at 9 o'clock in the Center School. Religious instructions for Catholic children enrolled in public schools each Sunday after the 8:30 Mass in St. Hugh's School.

Baptisms: Sunday, 1 p.m. Please contact Father Dowgiallo beforehand.

Wednesday: Miraculous Medal Novena at 8 p.m., followed by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament. Monthly meeting of the Holy Name Society after the Novena Services.

A Day of Recollection will be held at the Retreat House, Harewood Road, Washington, on Saturday, October 9 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., for all Catholic girls between the ages of 10 and 12 years. Reservations may be made by calling Retreat Captain, Peg Baldwin at GR. 3-8402.

MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

North End School

Stanley F. Knock, Jr., Minister
42-L Ridge Phone 9410

Sunday, October 10 — 9:30 a.m., Sunday School Service. Classes for all ages. Herbert Irvin, Superintendent. 11 a.m., Morning Worship, conducted by Herbert Irvin. Lay Sunday is to be observed this Sunday with a series of brief addresses on the topic "The Great Decisions of Our Time". A nursery is provided for the smaller children.

Monday, October 11 — 8 p.m., Official Board meets in Room 225, Center school.

Thursday, October 14 — 8 p.m., Room 122, Center school, Choir Rehearsal.

HEBREW SERVICES

Hebrew services will be held Friday night at 8 p.m. in the Home Economics room of the Center school. For the present, services are conducted by the members. Candle-lighting time is 5:08 p.m.

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WANTED - Someone to deliver copy to the printer in Hyattsville on Wed. & Thurs. mornings on way to work. \$1 a week. Call R. Greenbaum, 4822.

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NOW IS THE TIME to plant holly, azaleas, rhododendron, yews, plus numerous other evergreens, trees and shrubs. Call Wm. L. Moore, Granite 3-5813 any evening after 7.

PRINTING - Tickets, membership cards, stationery, quick service. Berny Krug, GR. 4-8811.

BOWLERS WANTED - 2 women for Monday night Mixed League. Start 8:15 p.m. Contact Mrs. Johnson, 6317.

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BANK CLOSED

The local bank will be closed Tuesday, October 12, in observance of Columbus Day, Henry Brautigam announced this week.

Womans Club Meets Thursday, Oct. 14

The Womans Club of Greenbelt will hold its initial meeting of the 1954-55 season on Thursday, October 14, at 8 p.m. in the Social Room of the Center School.

The meeting will begin promptly with the showing of a sound movie in color on "Flower Arrangements at Williamsburg." This is an official Williamsburg documentary film lasting about a half hour.

New officers for the year are president, Mrs. Henley M. Goode; first vice-president, Mrs. Jay W. Brubaker; second vice-president, Mrs. Donald F. Romer; recording secretary, Mrs. Beverly G. Fonda; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Richard A. White; treasurer, Mrs. Ralph F. Webster; director, Mrs. Lawrence O. Mott.

Departmental chairmen are: American home, Mrs. Lloyd Clary; education and youth, Mrs. Abraham Chasanow; fine arts, Mrs. Brubaker; and welfare, Mrs. Adelbert C. Long. Standing committee chairmen are Mrs. Ralph F. Newmann, Americanization and defense; Mrs. Harry B. McNeel, finance; Mrs. Ralph C. Davenport; Mrs. Charles T. McDonald, membership; Mrs. Brubaker, program; and Mrs. Paul M. Campbell, publicity.

PG County Chest Appeal Under Way

Greenbelt's streets teem with children. Healthy, well-fed, beloved, happy kids.

Most Prince Georges streets are alive with the small fry. But there are children who don't have all these blessings. Some are here in Greenbelt.

They are a big reason why the PG Community Chest campaign, now underway, is so terribly important. Children with eye diseases and with unhearing ears, with hungering stomachs unaccustomed to fullness—all these and many more depend upon your help, through the Prince Georges Chest.

Tearjerkers abound in the Chest files. There would be no difficulty in filling this entire edition with true tales of tragedy-ridden families whose future was brightened solely through the county Chest's activity, and through the Chest, by the community itself.

The PG fund goal this year—the drive ends November 4—is \$65,000 plus. The \$65,000 will underwrite only the most vital needs. The "plus" will handle situations which, if they are permitted to continue, may become vital before long.

This \$65,000 plus, mind you, is the Prince Georges goal. It does not include donations made in Washington, where most Greenbelt workers are employed. This is your county's campaign—by, of and exclusively for Prince Georgians.

Some of what you give in the District, however, finds its way back to your home neighborhood through the area Red Feather division of funds.

But not all of Greenbelt works in Washington, or at Beltsville, or at any of the other Federal installations.

Those privately-employed countians are the chief hope of the PG campaign.

And Greenbelt housewives who want to share personally in the community endeavor, giving from their own pocketbooks with their own hands, at their own front doors—they are a solid bulwark upon which the Prince Georges help-your-neighbor campaign rests.

Chances are you have already given. In case you haven't so far, please make sure you give your share. It is for your neighbor. No one can read the future. It might be that the PG Chest will be called upon to help you, yourself.

PTA Square Dance Instructions Offered

Weekly lessons in square dancing are offered Greenbelt residents under the co-sponsorship of the North End PTA and the city recreation department. Registration will take place at the North End school Wednesday, October 13, at 8 p.m. to be followed by a free lesson.

The eight-week course in square dancing will begin on Wednesday, October 20, and will be taught by Mr. Hildebrand, who formerly taught square dancing at the Center school. A three dollar fee will be charged for the eight lessons.

Sodality Dance October 22

The annual St. Hugh's Sodality dance will be held at the American Legion Hall on Friday evening, October 22. Music will be furnished by the "Happy Hicks".

Tickets are now on sale from Anne Santora, GR. 3-7643, ticket chairman, or from either of the co-chairman, Pearl Keeney, GR. 3-5616 or Pat Mayhew, GR. 3-8683.

The dance is a benefit for St. Hugh's building fund.

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ESSAY CONTEST

The Greenbelt Joint Committee on Cleanup is conducting an essay contest for Elementary, Junior and High School children as follows:

SUBJECT: WHAT I HAVE DONE DURING THE SUMMER TO HELP KEEP GREENBELT CLEAN.

- RULES:**
1. Essay should be 200 words or less.
 2. Essay should be countersigned by parent.
 3. Essay should be turned in by Friday, October 22nd.

HOW ESSAY WILL BE JUDGED:

1. There will be two groups for judging, one for elementary grades, and the other for Junior and High School students, so put down your name and address and school with your essay.

Winners will be picked on basis of accomplishment in helping keep Greenbelt tidy during the summer, rather than expression or length of essay.

PRIZES:

1. Total for the two groups will be \$100.
2. Each group of \$50 includes a \$25, a \$15, a \$5, and five \$1 prizes. Prizewinning essays will be published in the local newspaper.

WHERE TO SEND ENTRY

Mail essay to Joint Committee on Cleanup
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or bring essay to Greenbelt Motors Tag and Title Service in the GCS Shoe Repair shop between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. and between 7:30 p.m. and 9 p.m., Monday thru Saturday, on or before October 22.

JUDGES:

Reverend Victor J. Dowgiallo, Pastor, St. Hugh's Catholic Church
Reverend Robert C. Hull, Minister, Community Church.

342 Parents Attend Center School PTA

A new record for attendance was established when 342 parents registered for the Center school Parent-Teacher Association's first meeting of the year on Tuesday, October 5. Sixty-five of those present were fathers, a fact observed with pleasure by Vincent Caruso, chairman of the membership committee, who hopes to see an increasing number of men taking part in the association's activities.

A silver loving cup was awarded Cyril Kovalchik's room for the largest number of parents present (34) and for the largest number of fathers present (10). The rooms of Mrs. Sara Thompson and Mrs. Dorothy Sawtelle also received cups when they tied for second place with 28 parents each. The high attendance was considered particularly noteworthy since classroom population has dropped to a new low this year. The smallest class has 29 pupils and the largest 34.

The purpose of the meeting, as announced by President Harold F. Hufendick, was to give the membership information about their Parent-Teacher Association, and to give the parents information about Center School. Informed parent-teacher citizens, said President Hufendick, mean better homes, better schools and better communities, because proper information leads to action—right action taken at the proper time which will bring about these things.

Miss Hannah Long, principal of Center school, reviewed briefly the history of public education in Prince Georges County, pointing out that during the past decade more progress has been made in this field than during the half century preceding. No school in the county, she said, is better equipped than Center School; she also praised the excellence of the teaching staff.

Some Parents Confused

Some parents are confused about the methods and aims of the school. Miss Long said because of misunderstanding and misinterpretation of the term "progressive education." She pointed out that the program decided upon by "teacher-teacher" planning and developed within the classes by "teacher-pupil" planning should not be mistaken for a program made by children.

Morris Solomon, chairman of the program committee, announced that the subject of the next meeting, November 9, will be "What the Teacher Is Trying to Do" and that each teacher will then meet with a group of class parents on the class program for the year.

During the meeting the membership took the following action: 1) voted to sponsor a dance group to have instruction once a week; 2) accepted sponsorship of Brownie Troop 42 of the Girl Scouts; 3) authorized use of funds for expenses of two delegates to the Maryland State Congress of Parents and Teachers.

Juvenile Delinquency vs. Recreation: Topic

"How Effective are Recreation Programs in Controlling Juvenile Delinquency," is the subject for discussion at the fall meeting of the Prince Georges County Recreation Advisory Council, Wednesday, October 20.

Judge Theodore Miazga, Prince Georges County Trial Magistrate Court, Judge Alfred Noyes, Montgomery County Juvenile Court, and Irwin Garfinkle, Teen Club Director, Prince Georges County, will lead the discussion, and a factual presentation of juvenile delinquency in this area will be outlined.

The meeting will be held at the Educational Building, First Methodist Church, Hamilton Street and Baltimore Blvd., Hyattsville, Maryland, at 8 p.m., and the public is cordially invited to attend.

The Prince Georges County Recreation Advisory Council is made up of representatives of all the community councils which make use of the Prince Georges County Recreation Department.

Record Attendance At North End PTA

Approximately 150 parents, a record number, attended the first meeting of the year of the North End PTA on Monday, October 4, at the North End School.

Mrs. William Hoff was selected as one of the delegates to the State Teachers Convention to be held at Baltimore on November 11 and 12. She will be accompanied by one of the North End School teachers, who has not yet been chosen.

Feature of the meeting was a documentary movie on education entitled "Skippy and the Three R's."

The Long View

By A. C. Long

I just mailed an air letter (30, darn it!) to my oldest boy "Kayo" in Suez, Egypt. Yesterday I received a post card from my oldest daughter Nancy from Baile Atha Claith which any Irishman knows is Gaelic for Dublin, Ireland. I'm positive because I checked on it. Now, of course, this may not be of any interest to you but it set me thinking—about the U.N., isolationism, our foreign policy and the 110-percent Americans who want to hide their heads in the sand like ostriches and deny that we are all living on a pretty small globe.

The world has become a much smaller, more intimate place since my great-grandfather's day. He was lucky to get to town once a year or so. My grandfather thought it quite a trip to visit the county seat occasionally. My father was considered the traveler in the family because of several trips to the state capital and one long trip to the Oklahoma territory. The popular ideas of their times for an international policy for the United States are as out of date as a dose of calomel in the spring or wearing a bag of herbs around your neck to prevent the flu.

But our acceptance and appreciation of modern medical knowledge and practice is far ahead of our realization that we must accept our responsibilities as a leading nation in a small interrelated world. We have long known that epidemics of disease can spread from unhealthy slum areas and therefore the health of all of us depends on the health of each of us. When will we understand that the peace and prosperity of the United States depends on the peace and prosperity of the world and that we cannot anticeptize ourselves from the rest of humanity?

All this because of a letter to Egypt and a card from Erin—but it does make you think about the world we live in, or does it?

After considerable commotion and hubbub we all now know what Tom Ritchie thinks of Abe Chasanow and what Abe Chasanow thinks of Tom Ritchie, which makes me question the validity of rumors that Tom had engaged Abe as his attorney and that Abe was about to hire Tom to keep his books.

It is not easy to keep up with the new building statistics and I hope that anyone who notices a new house being built will advise me so my reports will be current and accurate. Also if you see any being torn down.

Understand that a new directive prevents city employees from having any outside employment. I wonder what that will do to the musician-trashman who always practices clashing the cymbals on my trash can.

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Nostalgia

With the first leaves falling from the trees come the first mild attacks of seasonal nostalgia. The attacks seem to increase in frequency and intensity through October and normally come to an end with the first snow.

In children, nostalgia is usually simple homesickness that can come at any season if they are away from home. It is easily cured by returning home. In adults, it is more serious since it takes the form of yearning not only for the real past but also for what "might have been." The symptoms closely resemble those of spring fever. The victim has difficulty giving attention to routine duties. He withdraws, when possible, into solitary brooding. Some cases exhibit severe melancholia.

Attacks often seem to be brought on by close association with dead leaves, as in raking or shuffling the feet through them. Contact with the smoke of burning leaves may seriously aggravate a mild attack of nostalgia.

A moderate amount of wistful brooding over the past is relatively harmless. It is only when the victim of nostalgia begins to mull over his own weaknesses—the shortcomings that have prevented him from fulfilling his youthful "dreams of glory"—that his health is really in danger. In this stage nostalgia can become genuinely incapacitating.

To safeguard our mental and emotional health, psychiatrists tell us we need to focus on what is best in ourselves. We must make a conscious effort to recognize and develop the best in our lives and in our personalities. The treatment for a case of seasonal nostalgia will vary with the individual. It may mean a thorough fall house cleaning, an adult education course, a new hobby, or a new hat. In any case it calls for a change of emphasis from the negative to the positive.

JCC Women Sponsor 'Succoth' Party Sat.

The Women's Group of JCC will sponsor a "Succoth" party Saturday, October 16, at the Greenbelt Community Church. "Learn to Mamba" will be one of the feature attractions. Games, bobbing for apples, prizes, and a skit, "What's My Line?" will also be

featured. Traditional refreshments will be served. Mrs. Frances Sanders and her committee will serve as hostesses at this gala event.

Children Buy \$2400 U.S. Savings Stamps

With the opening of another school year, local post offices are prepared for a brisk demand for United States Savings Stamps by thrifty students and parents.

Postmaster Tom Freeman said that during the 1953-54 school year, the local post office sold \$2400 in U. S. Savings Stamps, nearly all of which went to school children participating in the Treasury-sponsored School Savings program. "There were some parents, also," Freeman pointed out, "who purchased Stamps regularly for themselves and their small children not yet in school."

Stamp albums will be furnished free by local offices to anyone de-

siring them. When these are filled, they may then be exchanged at a bank or other financial institution for a United States Series E Savings Bond.

Wants Tax Articles

The Prince Georges County section of the National Council of Jewish Women will celebrate United Nations Week with a membership tea. The affair will be held Thursday noon, October 14 at the Prince Georges Country Club. Philip Schiff, who recently returned from Israel, will be the guest speaker. A skit, "This is Your Life," will be portrayed by members of the club. Mrs. Ann Prival, membership chairman, is in charge of this event. For further information, please call Mrs. Hertz, GR. 3-8722.

The annual Council Day broadcast will take place Sunday, October 10. June Walker, star of All Summer Long, will speak over WRC at 12 o'clock. Her topic will be "Freedom Needs Exercises."

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