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## Collects \$636 For **Tibetans**

Tibetan retugees from the Communist conquerers of their country soon will receive \$636.23 worth of CARE food packages with the heartfelt good wishes of the people of Greenbelt, Md. This voluntarily contributed

sharing of our holiday meals is the result of Greenbelt's 1960 year-end CARE campaign carried on in the spirit of the season.

Chec's for the money collected were turned over to Mrs. Caro-lyn Weikert of the Washington, D.C. CARE office on January 10 by Jim Cassels, manager of Twin Pines Savings & Loan Assn. Twin Pines footed the bill for the Greenbelt CARE campaign's expenses, so that 100% of the money contributed was turned over to CARE. An account of the actual dis-

tribution of the Greenbelt-contributed CARE aid in a Tibetan refugee community in India will be forwarded here by CARE's mission chief in India, Mrs. Weikert said. The CARE packages' contents were selected to meet the dietary needs and preferences of Tibetans. Each package will maintain a family of four for a month, CARE officials say--it is supposed to supplement a family's diet, but

for many it will be almost all the food they have. These CARE packages will be distributed in the Dalhousie camp, located in the Himalayan foothills, north of New Delhi, India, and will carry the village for a month. Previous reports in the News Review, that the packages would be used in New Barrackpore, India, were based on word from the CARE mission chief who had selected New Barrackpore for Greenbelt thinking we would prefer to send our aid to a co-op-based native Indian community. When by additional cabled communication it was made clear that this drive was for Tibetan refugees, he then designated Dalhousie.

According to Seymour Kaplan, chairman of the Greenbelt CARE drive committee, the following Greenbelt organizations took part in the campaign (listed together with each organization's representatives):

Community Church (Rev. Robert Hull); St. Hugh's Catholic Church (Mrs. Jeanne Hardy and Mrs. Jacqueline Shabe) Baptist Church (Mrs. Helen Starnes); Methodist Church (Jim Elam); Jewish Community Center (Mrs. Vivian Pines); Lutheran Church (Edward Meier); American Legion Post (Edward C. Kaighn); Greenbelt Congress Delegation of the Greenbelt Consumer Services (Vaclav Majer); Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (Bruce Bowman); Junior Chamber of Commerce (Mr. P. A. Whittaker); Lion's Club; and NEWS REVIEW (Russell Greenbaum). The checks turned over to CARE consisted of one \$271.65 check for the total contributed in cash.

## Greenbelt Drive Doctors Call Charges At Council Meeting False and Misleading

Remarks by Ed Burgoon and Simon Pristoop at last weeks city council meeting, and re-ported in the NEWS REVIEW, were termed "false and misleading" by several physicians in the community this week. The remarks were made in connection with the discussion on the proposal for the city to cosign a note for an amount up to \$15,000 to induce an addi-tional general practitioner to establish himself in Greenbelt. Pristoop is chairman of a citizens committee attempting to accomplish this and Burgoon serves as president of Greenbelt Homes, Inc.

No doctor was ever discour-aged from coming to Greenbelt to set up a practice here, the doctors said. Burgoons assertion is in total error, they stated. The fact is, several doctors were encouraged to come to Greenbelt, and one is giving the idea serious consideration.

Also criticized was the remark that only one full-time physician is available to the community. There are two doctors available on 24-hour call, the NEWS REVIEW learned. In addition an obstetrician is on full-time call, even though he has office hours only twice a week in Greenbelt itself. Although it is common now for obstetricians to have offices in more than one community, they are always available when called. Another physician is still seeing patients on a general practice basis, but has specialized in one aspect of medicine.

As reported last week, Burgoon stated that only one doctor pays the rent for the former "medical center." However, the NEWS REVIEW learned that actually two doctors pay rent to Greenblet Home Inc.

Several doctors sharply criticized the statement that all doctors in Greenblet were given financial assistance when they opened offices in Greenbelt. When the former health association was in existence, it fought the renting of Greenbelt office space to at least two former Health Association doctors, and corresponded with a government agency to that effect, one doctor pointed out. The health association's opposition was based on the fear that it would lose memAGENDA

REGULAR MEETING COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND

#### JANUARY 23, 1961

- 1. Meeting Called to Order Roll Call 13. Minutes of Previous Regular
  - Meeting, January 9
- Petitions and Requests
- Written Communication
- 6. Manager's Report
- Ordinance Second Reading-Procedure to be followed in Levying Special Assessments Ordinance - Second Reading-
- Pay Kitchen Equipment Contractor (Firehouse) Ordinance - Second Reading-
- Amend Ord. 381 to Classify Positions of Secretary and Janitor
- Resolution Second Reading-Authorize City Manager to Sign Lease for Firehouse Building
- Ordinance Payment of \$1,000
- for Fire Detection Systems 12. Ordinance - Storage of Boats
- Approve By-Laws of Advisory 13. Planning Board
- Consider Policy for Operating Youth Center Building
- 15. Consider Payment of Overtime to City Employees Who Worked December 12, 1961 16. Miscellancous

That Pink House Still Red Flag

At the GHI Board meeting of Thursday, January 12, board member Allen Morrison asked to be put on record as moving that further consideration of the painting job in dispute between GHI and Mrs. Mabel Kandler be dropped. Some months ago, Mrs. Kandler remodeled and repainted her house. GHI approval was given for everything but the ex-terior paint, which is pink, while the adjoining unit is a different color.

Campbell said that GHI had hopes that some acceptable compromise might be reached before long. He stated: "The Board is not trying to ram anything down the members' throats. We sincerely believe that it is in the interest of members that some uniformity of color be maintained. The good appearance of the town benefits everyone who lives in it." It was mentioned that since the Kandler incident occurred. another GHI tenant has repainted his house, employing white for houses in the same row have green trim. Allegedly, this tenant quoted the Kandler case as a precedent when his own house was painted. The Board voted on Morrison's motion, and the tally was: 1 yes; 1 present; 7 noes.

# **Specific Plans for Housing** For Ages Discusses by GHI

By DOROTHY SUCHER

The proposed erection of housing for the elderly was discussed at the GHI Board meeting on Thursday, January 12. Plans are still in the discussion stage, and any future decisions will have to go before the membership for a vote before action can be taken.

> GHI hopes to take advantage of a recently-established government program to promote housing for the elderly by providing loans at a saving in interest over the currently available FHA financing. The new government agency will provide up to 98% of necessary capital, with the builder furnishing the 2% down payment.

> The land on which the project will be built has been appraised at \$1750 an acre, or a total of about \$5500. This is not far short of the 2% needed for the down payment, and it may be possible to use the land for this purpose. A number of alternate proposals were also suggested for raising the 2%. Chairman Ed Burgoon suggested as a possibility the donation of the land to the project by GHL No final decision was made on the matter.

GHI will probably set up a nonprofit subsidiary to control the proposed project. The corporation already owns one subsidiary, GDC, which handles the apartments on Parkway. This, however, is a profit-making subsidiary, and so does not qualify for government aid.

#### TAX COSTS

GHI Manager Paul Campbell estimated that about \$10.50 of the monthly rent for each unit would be going to taxes. He stated that this bulks large in the budgets of retired people who would be living in the project. In an effort to keep rents low, the Board discussed two tax possibilities. One would be an appli-cation for tax relief to the state. It was felt that the chances of obtaining such relief were doubt-ful. Also mentioned was the possibility of a new law's being passed within a year or so to promote housing for the elderly within the state.

The Board was in general agreement that electricity should be provided on an individually metered basis. Although the initial installation would be cheaper on a block basis, it was felt that costs would tend to creep up. Also, air conditioning may be available for those who want it; it would be unreasonable to expect tenants without air conditioning to pay for the electric current of those who have it.

MANAGEMENT COSTS Campbell proposed that GHI absorb the managerial costs without charge. This would, in effect, be a subsidy of services, rather than cash. However, County Commissioner Frank Lastner voiced the majority sentiment when he asserted that the project ought, in his opinion, to pay its own way. It is not designed as a profit-making operation, he said, but nevertheless no subsidies should be necessary. The actual money involved would come to about \$2.00 a month per unit for managerial costs.



Dr. Glenn W. Samuelson, pastor of the Greenbelt Baptist Church, read his letter of resignation after the morning worship service Sunday, January 15. He has accepted the position of As-sociate Professor of Psychology at Eastern Baptist College, St.

Davids, Pa. Dr. Samuelson will begin his new work on September 1, and will move to the Philadelphia area on August 1 with his wife, Lois, and his children, Linda, 8, and Donald, 6.

Dr. Samuelson served as Minister of Christian Education of the First Baptist Church of Sil-ver Spring for a year before being called as pastor of the Greenbelt Baptist Chapel in February, 1955. The Chapel, with 50 members had been started by the Department of Missions and Evangelism of the D.C. Baptist Convention and sponsored by the First Baptist Church of Hyatts-ville for the first six months. It was then sponsored by the Metropolitan Baptist Church, Washington, D.C., until the fourth anniversary of the Church, Oc-tober 20, 1957, when it was organized into the Greenbelt Baptist Church.

A graduate of the Moody Bible Institute , Wheaton College, Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary received the Doctor of Education degree from the University of Maryland in January 1960. He also took the course entitled "The Pastoral Care of the Mentally Ill" at Saint Elizabeth's Hospital in the fall of 1959. Dr. Samuelson has participated in community activities as vicepresident of the Greenbelt Junior High P.T.A., secretary-treasurer of the Greenbelt Ministerial Association, and member of the Greenbelt Recreation Advisory Committee.

#### **New Explorer Post**

Troop 746, B.S.A., sponsored the Greenbelt Methodist Church has announced that it is organizing an Explorer Post. Boys between the ages of 14 and 17 will be eligible to join. A meeting to explain explorer scouting to parents will be held Tuesday, January 24, at the Methodist Church at 7:45 p.m.

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bers who would continue their patient-doctor relationship outside the association.

All doctors interviewed wished it emphatically made clear that they have encouraged other doctors to come to Greenbelt rather than discourage them; that they have no opinion as to the city council's proposal.

### Mr McDonald At Meeting

City manager Charles McDonald attended a meeting of the Legislative and Resolutions Committee of the Maryland Municipal League in Annapolis last Tuesday night.

reviewed The committee legislation concerning municipalities which is to come before the state legislature during the current session. Resulting from this review, recommendations for and questioning of specific aspects of the new proposals were made.

## Lady Realtor Elected

At the National Convention of the National Association of Real Estate Boards held in Dallas, Texas, Helen Chasanow of Greenbelt Realty Company was elected Area Governor of the Women's Council for the State of Maryland. Mrs. Chasanow leaves for Philadelphia Friday, where she will be installed in office at the national meetings held there.

**Teen Club News** All members should use their teen club cards Friday and Saturday evenings. This week only, those who do not have cards or membership application cards will be admitted if they show identification proving they re-

side in Greenbelt. Senior Club News

There will be roller skating Friday evening from 8 p.m. un-til 10:45 p.m. There will be the usual record hop Saturday (Continued on Page 4)

#### **RENTAL POLICIES**

A number of questions remain to be resolved in the future. One is whether or not there ought to be some income limitation for tenants, and if so, how much. Another is the handling of what Campbell called, "welfare ser-vices." He felt that GHI is simply not equipped to take on responsibility in cases of delinquency in rent due to inability to pay, or of deficiencies in health on the part of elderly tenants. It was felt that some provision must be made in advance to meet these problems, if they should arise. Possible prepayment of three to six months' rent was one suggestion; another involved requiring a co-signer for each lease.

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**Dream or Reality?** 

The immense size of the proposed Beltway Plaza shopping center, which was announced recently with great fanfare in all three Washington newspapers, has caught everyone in Greenbelt by complete surprise. Although it was generally known that a shopping center was being planned for that area and that it would contain an A & P supermarket and a Drug Fair drugstore, no one had any idea that the developer planned to utilize 70 acres and to have 70 stores including a major department store.

As a result, there is some healthy skepticism about the Beltway Plaza project. For example, it is noted that only two stores have actually signed up for the shopping center according to Mr. Brown, the developer. On the other hand, he has unequivocally stated that construction will begin early next month. If that really happens (and we in Greenbelt are used to glowing promises of "construction to begin soon" which

Brown feels sure that he will have a number of other stores to join the two already announced, although he may be taking a calculated risk.

In other words, if construction does begin on the two stores as promised, then it would appear certain that at least a moderately sized shopping center would be available to Greenbelt. This would be much appreciated by local residents as well as help to increase the city's tax revenues.

The question of a vast Beltway Plaza as envisioned in the plans announced last week, however, is another matter. The usual procedure is that a large shopping center follows intensive housing development, such as happened at Langley Park and in Wheaton. While large housing developments by Webb and Knapp and others appear to be in the offing for this area, there have been no firm plans yet announced or anticipated.

If all the forecasts and predictions about the future residential expansion of Greenbelt come true, then there is more likelihood of getting a major regional shopping center of the size proposed by the Beltway Plaza project. For the present, however, we must mark that possibility as pleasant dreaming.

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## Disappoints In

Co-op Here

Having lived in Berkeley, California, and been loyal co-oppers there, we read with pleasure and nostalgia the article appearing on page 2 of the January 12 edition of the GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW. It was a real pleasure to shop in the market there, for not only was it large, modern and attractive, featuring many different kinds of unusual and exotic foods, but there was not another store in the area which could compete with its prices. It also regularly carried low cost cuts of meat, a selection of co-op green, blue and red labels on most canned goods, rare economy sizes of many staples, several different whole grain flours and many other items to attract both the pennyminded and the gourmet.

The store, though not within walking distance of most of its customers, was always a busy place. If one happened to bring a preschool child along, there was a kiddle corner for him equipped with toys, books, paper, crayons, etc. and a college age girl on duty morning and afternoon to supervise. Also, there was a snack bar and a small but excellent book store. Upstairs was a large room where there was usually an art show or other community project going on. As members, we were always informed of and asked to vote on such important issues as giving trading stamps and expanding to a new community.

We all felt a tremendous loyalty to the store, for we felt it was responsive to us and existed for the purpose of serving our needs. This meant that the co-op did not find it necessary to advertise in the papers nor to decorate with crepe paper, balloons, and electric signs to stimulate business. And we consistently received substantial patronage refunds as well as

we naturally missed all this. One of the things which attracted us to Greenbelt, after having lived elsewhere in the area, was our desire to "shop Co-op." When we bought our house last summer and moved in we were prepared to participate and be enthusiastic. To our disappointment we found that not only was the store undistinguished by the spirit and services we had hoped for, but it was more expensive than the A&P store we had been patronizing

We had come to the point of thinking that we would rather have low prices than the promise of an unimpressive patronage refund. Now that there is not even to be a patronage refund we wonder, is Greenbelt going to have a real consumer co-op, or just another chain supermarket? LARRY AND JEAN MOHR

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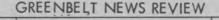
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Page 4 **Police** News

Greenbelt police were summoned to the scene of a two-car head-on collision on Glendale Road on Sunday. It was sleeting at the time, and the road was slippery. The driver of one car, a female, suffered a dislocated left ankle. An occupant in her car, her 10-year-old son, suffered a possible concussion and many bruises. The driver of the other car received multiple bruises. One car was considered a total loss and the other estimated as having over \$500 damages. After considering the scene and circumstances, no charges were placed against either driver, both non-residents of Greenbelt.

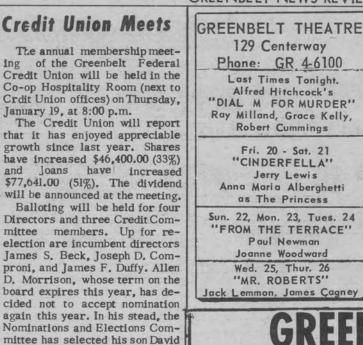
Icy roads also caused a threecar collision on Monday at the intersection of Greenbelt and Kenilworth Rd. Damage was minor, and no injuries were reported.

Officials at Greenbelt Junior High reported the theft of food stuffs from the school cafeteria. Taken were meat, sugar, butter and eggs. The items were discovered missing on Wednesday morning.

floor.

A trunk handle was reported torn from a car at 6 court Ridge this past week.

Four juveniles were apprehended by police for drinking beer in an auto parked on Ridge early Sunday morning. A juvenile was picked up for shop-lifting in the local co-op on Friday, The boy, accused of taking a carton of cigarettes, was released to the custody of his parents.



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#### GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW

Teen Club News

(Continued from Page 1) evening in the multipurpose room from 8 p.m. until 10:45 p.m. The game room will be available to the seniors on Saturday. Last week over 225 seniors partici-

Junior Club News There will be a record hop in the multipurpose room on Friday. Skirts and blouses are the proper wearing apparel for all dances unless otherwise specified.

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pated in senior night.

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