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## Zubkoff Broadens Attack Against GHI Board Policy

Open Letter #2 to Bruce Bowman:

Last week you asked if I seriously suggest that GHI should relinquish profits, control and other benefits to the community by abdicating its responsibilities to experienced businessmen. I find it exceedingly strange that you should speak of profits and control. To begin with, GHI was set up as a non-profit corporation, and its organizational structure is not setup to engage in profit making enterprises.

Furthermore, GHI discourages the sale of homes at what the Board considers an inordinate profit to the individual members. Why, now, your sudden concern with profits?

I believe that past experience indicates clearly that the GHI Board is not equipped and cannot be expected to run any business at a profit, and I am only thankful that is not running its own business at a loss. After all (and I do not condemn the Board for this), all the Board members are amateurs, devoting only part time efforts to this endeavor. They cannot hope to compete adequately in other competitive ventures, and they shouldn't try. For example, you point to the apartment houses, operated by GHI's subsidiary, GDC, as an example of a profitable operation. But you fail to mention the fact that for several years these apartments were operated at a loss to the corporation, that they were subsidized, in effect, by the members for the benefit of the non-members who lived in them, and that even today they are not operated for profit. In fact, the income they contribute to GHI is strictly a matter of bookkeeping, and if the books were kept on a more realistic basis, I suspect they would show a loss. I still submit that the management and maintenance of these apartment houses constitutes a drain on the resources of GHI, and that the operation of them is for the benefit of non-members rather than members.

You also point with obvious pride to the fact that the Board made \$130,000 on the sale of the vacant land, and in view of the Board's incredible record of bungling, I find your pride astonishing. Let's look at that record. To begin with, the Board was urged to divide the land into parcels, similar to the Lakeside and Woodland Hills developments. (As you know, these two developments have become excellent assets to the community.) It has been estimated by knowledgeable people that the profits in this kind of development plan could have amounted to three or four million dollars, as well as retaining for GHI a measure of control over the nature of the development.

But instead, the Board chose to sell practically the entire package to Warner-Kanter, a builder of dubious reputation who was on FHA's nationwide blacklist. There is good reason to believe that Warner-Kanter never intended to develop that land, but that they bought it for speculative purposes. In any event, when Warner-Kanter defaulted on their payments, GHI could have repossessed the land—but did not. So, Warner-Kanter sold it to Webb and Knapp,

at a profit in the neighborhood of a million dollars. How big does your profit look now? I do not think that Zeckendorf, of Webb and Knapp, means to develop this land for residential purposes, either. He is noted as a commercial developer.

And where does the measure of control by GHI enter the picture. It doesn't. GHI lost all control over development of the vacant land when it sold to Warner-Kanter—and at the same time lost a potential source of real profit. Without going into all the details of the Board's considerations and the conflicts of interests involved, it is apparent to me that the Board displayed dismally poor judgment throughout its negotiations on the vacant land. And I do not think you should pat yourself on the back for making \$130,000 when in the process you lost at least a million dollars, and possibly a great deal more.

But let us put all these things aside and come to grips with the real issue. As I see it, the question is whether GHI should expand into other activities in order to make money, ostensibly for the benefit of the members. Let me make it clear that I am not opposed to housing for the elderly per se, nor am I opposed to motels or restaurants. What I am opposed to is GHI going into these ventures. I think the proper role for GHI is that of a salesman—a seller of opportunities. Communities throughout the country have been faced with problems similar to ours—the need for attracting new industries, new businesses, new homes, new residents, in order to broaden the tax base in order to attract new industries, new businesses, new homes, new residents, etc.—all in order to grow, to become a dynamic, vital, living community in the mainstream of American life. These are municipal problems, of course, but as the largest single taxpayer, GHI has a legitimate obligation to help in their solution. This sort of sales effort is an area in which GHI has a unique capability, and I believe GHI should nurture and develop that capability. I believe GHI should draw up detailed presentations, perhaps in the nature of a prospectus, to show to reputable developers. I believe the Board should spend a good portion of its time in trying to attract the kinds of businesses and homes this community needs—in selling Greenbelt as a Mecca of opportunities, instead of wasting its time on a home-made do-it-yourself program.

If there is a genuine need for a motel here, I believe that GHI should approach some reputable concerns which are already in the motel or restaurant business, such as Charter House or Marriott, for example, who are looking for new locations all the time, and sell them on the advantages of a Greenbelt location. A leasing arrangement with such concerns would insure some measure of "control" for GHI, as well as some income, as well as broadening the tax base, as well as benefiting the community and the members.

As for housing for the elderly, GHI has not yet made a case for here in Greenbelt, fully 25% of our housing units represent adequate housing for the elderly. It is absolutely impossible for GHI

## AGENDA

Regular Meeting Council Of  
The City Of Greenbelt, Maryland  
May 1, 1961

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Minutes of Previous Regular Meeting, April 17 Minutes of Special Meeting, April 25
4. Petitions and Requests
5. Written Communications
6. Manager's Progress Report
7. Appoint Members to Recreation Advisory Committee.
8. Resolution - Second Reading - Transfer Funds Within Departments
9. Consider Proposed Contract for Storage Space in Warehouse.
10. Ordinance - Replacement Fund for Youth Center.
11. Resolution - Mrs. Janet Parker
12. Submit Proposed Budget for 1961-62.
13. Set Fee for Filing Council Nomination Petitions and Place of Election.
14. Miscellaneous

## Little League Parade To Open Local Season

The biggest Little League Opening Day Parade will be held on April 30 at 1:30 p.m. Forming at Plateau and Ridge, Chief of Police James Williams and Parade Marshal SFC Austin Green will head the parade with the following participants: American Legion Color Guard, Prince Georges Force No. 139 Tall Cedar of Lebanon Band, city officials, officials of Little League and the Little League Teams: Tigers, Giants, Indians, Athletics, Lions, Co-op, Cardinals, Orioles, and Farm System. Parade Marshal Austin urges all marching units to participate and make this one of the biggest opening day parades in the history of Greenbelt. Ceremonies will take place at approximately 2 p.m. at the Little League Field.

or anyone else to build housing which would rent to elderly persons at lower rates than are available now. Furthermore, I doubt that there is a need for elderly housing here on a scale large enough to warrant such a program. The relatively small demand can be met by existing units. But if the Board is genuinely interested in the problems of the aged, I think they should investigate the need for a small nursing home, even if such a venture might require a subsidy.

But for the GHI Board, I think the paramount consideration is a definition or interpretation of what constitutes a "benefit" for the members. It's easy to say that this or that will benefit the members, but so far, it looks as though we expend more efforts in providing benefits for non-members than we do for members. I do not know what the Board can point to concretely and say this is for the benefit of the members—not ultimately, but immediately. I wonder, for example, if the Board explored the possibilities of getting group hospitalization and medical policies for all the members, at the time they acquired these benefits for themselves and the employees. And I wonder if, when they were considering the need for a motel, they also considered the need, for example, for a local hospital. And I have yet to see

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## Fear Lack of Candidates For GHI Election

BY AL SKOLNIK

Members of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. were urged this week to give immediate thought to the naming of candidates for the GHI board of directors, to be elected in conjunction with the annual membership meeting on Wednesday, May 17, at the Center School Auditorium. Beverley Fonda, chairman of the nominations and elections committee, stated that while a few persons have expressed interest in the candidacy, no one as yet has officially announced.

## Council to Limit Pool to Residents

The Greenbelt swimming pool will be restricted to residents of the city, and a new family subscription plan will be available, it was disclosed at a special city council meeting last Tuesday night. City manager Charles McDonald was instructed by the council to prepare an ordinance which would put into effect the new rates.

The "Family plan" to cost \$15, which will include swimming instruction class membership if purchased before July 1. The \$15 fee will apply after July 1, but without the swimming class benefit. Citizens 18 years of age and older who do not join the plan will pay 60 cents, and these age 6 to 18 will pay 25 cents. Children under 6 will be free, if accompanied by an adult. Fees for swimming classes for non-joiners will be the same as last year: \$2 for a child, and \$3 for two or members of the same family.

Guests of residents will be permitted admission upon a fee of one dollar for those 18 and older, 50 cents 6 to 18 years of age, and under six will be admitted free with adults.

The city council will consider the ordinance for first reading at its next regular meeting May 1.

## Police News

A report on Monday of someone trespassing in a car, with the added report of beer being spilled inside the car, led to the apprehension of two Greenbelt youths (not juveniles) and the subsequent issuance of a warrant against them.

The theft of a power mower from the 33 court of Ridge on Saturday night was reported to police on Sunday morning. Also received during the week was the report from a resident that ketchup had been spilled on his car.

Animal bites, one a dog and one a cat, were reported to police this week. May 1 is the deadline for unregistered animals in Greenbelt.

Registering of bicycles was to have taken place on Thursday at Center School. Chief Williams will be announcing a registration date for unlicensed bicycles at North End School soon. Subsequently, registration of bicycles will take place once a month, doing away with the weekly registrations at the Firehouse.

Chief Williams will be at a Maryland State Chief's Association on Wednesday, April 26.

## Civil Defense Siren Sound on April 28

All warning sirens in the District of Columbia and adjoining counties of Virginia and Maryland, including Prince Georges County, will be sounded twice during the afternoon of Friday, April 28. R. Hal Silvers, director, Prince Georges County Civil Defense Agency, has announced.

The "Alert" signal of one

"The election is less than 3 weeks away," said Fonda, "and we desire to have at least two candidates for each vacancy." There are 5 vacancies for the 2-year terms on the 9-man board.

Board members receive a salary of \$500 per year with the offices of president, secretary, and treasurer receiving \$750. In addition, board members are eligible to participate in GHI's group life insurance, hospital, surgical, and major medical expense plan for its employees. The insurance plan is jointly financed, with GHI paying 65 percent of the cost.

All nominees for office (including incumbents) are required to signify in writing his or her willingness to serve if elected. To help facilitate the nominating procedure, a "Candidate's Consent Form" is printed in this week's issue of the News Review.

Candidates are asked to submit this form, accompanied by a short biographical sketch. Additional copies of the form may be obtained from members of the nominations committee or from the GHI office.

The nominations committee consists of Fonda, 6-A Ridge; George Adams, 46-D Ridge; Stephen Polashik, 12-D Ridge; George Townsend, 51-D Ridge; and Amos White, 2-A Westway. Candidates are asked to return their consent forms by Saturday, May 6. If their names are to be printed on the official ballot, the forms must be in the hands of the committee one week in advance of the election.

The only qualification for office is membership in good standing in the corporation. The committee suggested that since modesty often prevents some qualified candidates from announcing their candidacy, it would appreciate receiving from fellow-members the names of likely candidates. The committee in turn will make a concerted effort to induce such persons to run.

Candidates are also needed for the 3-man audit committee and the 5-man nominations and elections committee, to be elected for one year at the same time as the board of directors. These committees provide good training for persons who may wish to become acquainted with the corporation before running for the board of directors.

steady tone will sound for a full five-minute period at approximately 4 p.m. The sirens will sound again, for three minutes, in the rising and falling wail of a "Take cover" signal, sometime between 4:45 and 6 p.m.

"Two hundred and twenty-four civil defense sirens will be activated from a single classified location, as part of the nationwide "operation alert 1961 civil defense exercises", said R. Hal Silvers, Director of the Prince Georges County Civil Defense Agency.

The General Public is not required to participate, but is urged to listen to the civil defense radio over conelrad, 640 or 1240, reg. AM radio frequencies, starting 4 p.m. on Friday and continuing for half an hour.



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## Illegal Traffic?

To the Editor,

I note from last week's News Review that City Solicitor Powers and I disagree again on legal matters relating to Greenbelt. Mr. Powers is an able lawyer whose opinions I respect--except when they do not coincide with mine.

Mr. Powers and I have twice before been on opposite sides of the legal fence in Greenbelt cases. The first was the Court of Appeals case of Domchick V. Greenbelt Consumer Services, 200 Md. 36,87 A.2d 831. The second was the famous "dog and cat" case of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. v. Blyler, Circuit Court, Equity No. B-3284. The Courts' opinions in both cases make interesting reading, particularly with respect to the rights of individuals.

Concerning Mr. Powers' opinion on a "right of way by prescriptive use", the Court of Appeals also disagrees with him. It has ruled that the use must be "adverse" and "without license or permission". It has further held that "permissive use can never ripen into an easement by prescription" (see Md. Law Encyclopedia, p. 563 for citations).

Apart from its illegality, the new traffic ordinance does not serve the public interest by preventing motorists on Centerway from turning left into the city parking lot. The parking situation is not improved by adding a few spaces and preventing access to many times more.

To illustrate the kind of thinking that led to the passage of the ordinance, one councilman said a left turn from Centerway was too dangerous, but recommended going to Crescent Road and making a U-turn! (He said that was legal.)

We can no longer afford the sort of amateur planning that has retarded the growth of Greenbelt for 19 years. Compare our shopping center with those in surrounding areas. Compare our housing increase with Beltsville, College Park, Berwyn Heights, or any other nearby town. And, compare our cost of government and resulting tax rate with that of other adjacent towns.

Your article mentioned a period of 20 years. Wasn't that also the length of time Rip Van Winkle slept?

Abraham Chassnow

## PTA Honors Mrs. Benson

The North End School PTA meeting will be held on May 2. Mr. Herbert J. Fivehouse, chief of the Technical Information Division of the Goddard Space Flight Center, will be the guest speaker.

At this meeting, the PTA will honor Mrs. Margaret Benson for fifteen years of service in our county schools.

New officers will be elected for the forthcoming year.

## Kindergarten Officers

The Greenbelt Cooperative Kindergarten met last Monday, April 24, at which time they elected new officers. Betty Cornmack is the new president; Edna White, vice-president (Center); Joan Merricks, vice-president (North End); Margaret Feeney, secretary; Barbara Thorton, financial secretary (Center) and Helen Slepitzka (North End); and Evelyn Simonson, treasurer.

## 4-H Style Review

Once a year, all the 4-H girls in this county who are working on sewing projects, go to Upper Marlboro to participate in a fashion show. First they submit their garments to eagle-eyed judges for scrutiny of hems, seams, zippers and other points of construction. Then they put on their outfits and model them for the judges, who rate them on fit and modeling. In the evening, the girls model for an audience.

Eleven girls from Greenbelt participated in this year's style review on April 7 and 8. Linda Simonson, Laura Simonson, Kathy Ryan and Rita Schumacker from Mrs. Evelyn Simonson's Cloverbuds, and Eva Garin, Jeanette Louk, Becky Kaplan, Barbara Skolnik, Elise Geller and Barbara Geller, and Lynn Rousseau from Mrs. Helen Geller's Cloverettes.

Elise Geller, Eva Garin, Barbara Geller and Barbara Skolnik received blue ribbons for their garments, which means Excellent Work. In addition, Barbara Skolnik was awarded a purple ribbon, or Grand Championship in the play clothes class.

## Summer Book Program

The Prince Georges County library and school systems will sponsor a summer reading program for the third consecutive year. School children will be encouraged to read for pleasure and information whatever books they choose, and may receive recognition for doing so back at school next fall.

Participating youngsters will receive an "interest wheel" in the shape of a circle on a sheet of paper divided into major interests. Included are such headings as travel, biography, sports, art, music, animals, space, fairy tales, religion, mystery, humor, and poetry. A chart is provided on the reverse side of the wheel on which the children can keep track of the kind of book read, the author and title, and any comments they may have. When school reopens in the fall, the children may take the wheels to class with them.

## High Baptist Official To Preach Here Sun.



Dr. Josef Nordenhaug, general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance, will preach at the 11 a.m. worship service at the Greenbelt Baptist Church on Sunday, April 30.

Dr. Nordenhaug joined the Baptist World Alliance staff on November 1, 1960 whose headquarters is in Washington, D.C. after serving as President of the Baptist Theological Seminary at Ruschlikon-Zurich, Switzerland since 1950.

Born in Oslo, Norway, Dr. Nordenhaug received his Master of Science degree in the field of chemistry, geophysics, and astronomy from the University of Oslo in 1927. In 1928 Dr. Nordenhaug came to the United States where he earned the Th.M and Ph.D. degree from the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Dr. Nordenhaug served as pastor in three churches located in Kentucky and Virginia prior to becoming editor-in-chief of "The Commission," the monthly magazine of the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention. Two years later, the mission board elected him president of the Baptist Theological Seminary in Ruschlikon, Switzerland.

## Disarmament Talk

The question "Disarmament or Disaster?" will be discussed by a leader of the Society of Friends (Quakers) on Sunday evening, April 30, at 8 o'clock, at Greenbelt Community Church. The speaker will be Dr. J. Stuart Innerst, who is presently representing his denomination in Washington, working full-time with members of Congress and others toward the goal of peace and disarmament. Dr. Innerst was formerly the minister of the First Friends Church in Pasadena, Calif. Discussion period will follow.

## July Fourth Carnival

The Greenbelt Volunteer Fire Department and Rescue Squad is now making plans for a gala Fourth of July Parade and Carnival. They are also aiming to make the Fourth of July their Dedication Day for the new firehouse.

They are inviting other organizations in town to participate both in the parade and in the carnival. They will erect, clean, paint, and wire each stand used, for a small service fee of fifteen dollars, with a possible rebate of five dollars after the carnival. Cash must be paid in advance. Stands may be decorated in any way as long as they carry out the Fourth of July theme. A cash prize will be awarded for the best decoration.

All interested parties should notify the chairman of the carnival committee, William B. Hopkins, by June 1. Money must be paid by June 10. A meeting will be held on May 10 with representatives of participating organizations and various games will be discussed.

**COMING!**  
**St. HUGH'S BAZAR**  
**MAY 25**

## Methodists Establish New Memorial Fund

The official board of the Mowatt Memorial Church has approved the establishment of the Strausburg Memorial Fund "to the Glory of God," in honor of Rev. Charles Roscoe Strausburg, Pastor Emeritus of Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church. This memorial is established as a continuing fund to receive and disburse all funds given by donation or pledge for the musical life and program of the church.

Rev. Strausburg, retired from the ministry after fifty years, returned to the pulpit at Mowatt when the church was in need of a pastor, service for three years and three months and retired again when the building program got under way.

Three hundred dollars has been contributed to the fund already by the W.S.C.S. of the church and three donations of \$100.00 each have been received from members. Donations may be made through Mrs. Richard Stover, Chairman of the Music Committee, or George Anderson, Chairman of the Finance Committee.

## Rabies Vaccinations

Dr. Murray Grant, Prince George's County Health Officer, has announced the schedule for free vaccinations against rabies for dogs owned by residents of the county. All dogs should be vaccinated at least once a year. Greenbelt residents may have their dogs vaccinated on Friday, May 12, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Greenbelt Fire House.

## Rec Review

Participation in the newly formed community band has reached unexpected enrollment. Over 30 musicians participated last Monday evening from 8 to 10 p.m. in the Youth Center. Anyone who has played any musical instrument is cordially invited to come to sit in either with or without an instrument.

## TEEN CLUB NEWS

TEEN CLUB NEWS: On Friday, April 28 there will be a Bermuda Hop for Juniors. Everyone must wear burmudas, Jamaicas, or clam diggers. Admission is 25¢.

SENIORS ROLLER SKATING: A Senior Bermuda Hop will be held Saturday, April 29, with the same requirements as the Junior Hop on Friday.

JUNIOR ROLLER SKATING: All money and signed permission slips for the Moonlight Cruise on Friday, May 5, must be in by Monday, May 1. The teenclub will be closed the night of the moonlight cruise.

COMING SOON: The Don Dillard Record Hop will be held Saturday, May 13. At the Teen Age Driving Rodeo on Saturday, May 20. All teenagers who have Maryland operators licenses will be eligible to compete for a \$25.00 savings bond to be awarded to the Greenbelt Girl Champion and another one to the Greenbelt Boy Champion. Get your entry blanks from Mr. "O". On Monday, May 29, a Senior Hayride will take place.

## MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

invites you to

CHURCH SCHOOL — — — — 9:30 am  
WORSHIP SERVICE — — — — 11:00 am

W. Clark Main, pastor  
GR. 4-9410

Nursery provided at Service

## Holy Cross Lutheran Church

22 Ridge Road

Church Services . . . . . 8:30 and 11 a.m.  
Sun day School . . . . . 9:30 a.m.

Edward H. Birner, Pastor

## PLEASE TURN YOUR CLOCK 1 HOUR AHEAD SATURDAY NIGHT

9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
11:00 a.m. Morning Worship  
Dr. Josef Nordenhaug  
General Secretary  
Baptist World Alliance  
6:30 p.m. Training Union  
7:30 p.m. Evening Worship  
"Release From Resentment"  
Ordinance of Baptism

## GREENBELT BAPTIST CHURCH

Crescent & Greenhill

GR 4-4040

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## GREENBELT COMMUNITY CHURCH

Hillside and Crescent Roads  
Kenneth B. Wyatt, Minister

Friday, April 28: 4:15, 6th Graders guests of 7th & 8th Fellowship

Sunday, April 30: 9 a.m. Worship. Church School for ages 3 through 9

10 a.m. Church School for ages 10 through Post High and Adults  
11:10 a.m. Worship. Church School for ages 2 through 9  
3:00 p.m., 8th Graders guests of 9th, leaving 3:00 to visit Mosque.  
5:30 p.m., Junior Department Family Pot Luck Supper  
6:30 p.m., Senior High Fellowship  
8:00 p.m. Social Action Meeting, Dr. J. S. Innerst, Speaker  
9:00 p.m. Fellowship Under Christian Discipline, Mr. Wyatt

Monday: 8:00 p.m. Cabinet of Church Women.

Tuesday: 12:00 noon, Afternoon Guild Meeting.



# Improved Recreation Facilities Recommended

BY AL SKOLNIK

Recommendations for the improvement and proper care of the ballfields, playgrounds, and play areas, the restoration of the tennis courts, and the introduction of a tot playground program featured a special report of the Recreation Advisory Committee to the city council.

These recommendations are considered significant at this time since they are expected to be given serious consideration by the city council in connection with the 1961-62 municipal budget which will be presented to council on Monday, May 1.

The committee envisioned that its recommendations would increase the present budget of the Recreation Department but argued that the expenditures would be justified in view of the resulting future economy. It pointed out that the neglect of ballfields, park areas, playgrounds, and the tennis courts is only false economy in that it always costs more in the long run to restore these areas than to maintain them.

The committee suggested that more manpower be assigned to this maintenance task, either by adding to the recreation department staff, by transferring sufficient men from the Public Works Department to the Recreation Department, or by contracting, with respect to the tennis courts, the committee proposed that part of the costs of maintenance could be defrayed through charging players a reasonable hourly fee or a season fee.

In recommending the return of the summer tot playground program to the recreation schedule, the committee anticipated that some of the cost of the program would be met by registration fees, with the city furnishing equipment (picnic tables) and supplies (arts and crafts materials).

Members of the recreation committee submitting the report are chairman Francis White, Eileen Labukas, Elaine Skolnik, Bud Dean, and Raymond Hudson.

## BALLFIELDS

The committee was particularly concerned about the poor playing condition of the ballfields and recommended a continuous program for their proper care. In order to minimize winter wear and preparations in the spring, the committee proposed that each fall the fields be harrowed and new top soil and seed be added where necessary. In this manner the fields would be in proper condition for pre-season practice as well as for opening game. In the past, the committee pointed out, it took the last-minute rush of the city and the volunteer organizations to repair these fields have been in minimum playing condition.

Among the specific improvements proposed were (1) installation of adequate drains to carry away water from all fields; (2) construction of retaining wall behind the Youth Center to prevent drainage onto Braden Field with chain link fencing for safety of spectators as well as to eliminate maintenance of wooden fence; (4) installation of additional stands for spectators at Braden Field; (5) installation of fence on Braden Field along edge of surface drainage creek to cut down number of balls lost or damaged by water; (6) replacement and/or addition to lighting fixtures on softball fields at Braden Field to meet minimum lighting standards; and (7) installation of flag pole at Braden Field grounds and Play Areas.

A similar program of preventive maintenance was recommended by the committee for the large playgrounds and play areas. In the fall, the committee said, the grounds should

be prepared by quick removal of leaves, fertilizing, liming, and seeding of bare spots, followed by simple care in the spring to prevent erosion.

Residents adjacent to the courts should be given instructions on the care of the grounds and on playground rules, and long hoses should be made available to them for watering the grounds. The city should keep play equipment in good condition to prevent rust and should check the equipment regularly to insure highest safety standards.

The committee also proposed that (1) in order to relieve dust-bowl problem, areas be blacktopped where grass will not grow and where there is heavy concentration of play; (2) certain activities such as volleyball, badminton, and dodge ball should be confined to blacktop areas to prevent grass ruin; (3) additional basketball courts and sandlot baseball areas be set up where the need exists and the space is available; and (4) a committee of teen-agers through the Youth Center be organized to assist in the care of some of these areas and also volunteer parents.

## TENNIS COURTS

The committee expressed regret at the way the tennis program in the city deteriorated to practically nothing. It felt that tennis is an important and popular family-type sport enjoyed by all ages and both sexes and a good supplement to the somewhat limited summer activities schedule for teen-age girls and young women in particular.

The committee revealed that the County Recreation Department has expressed willingness to assign a tennis instructor for the summer months, upon request by the city, but proper condition of the courts would be required for a beneficial program. The committee therefore recommended that the city consider ways of financing the resurfacing of the tennis court and noted that although the cost of repairing the entire court area could mean a greater immediate expenditure of funds, it would be economical in the long run.

## TOT PLAYGROUNDS

A supervised tot play school had been conducted by the Recreation Department at certain periods in the history of the city and was a popular program. The

committee felt that the need for it does exist as there is no current summer recreation program which is slanted toward pre-schoolers and toward teen-age girls 13 to 16 years of age who would act as play counselors.

Participating in the summer play school, the committee said, will be an excellent learning experience for both the older girls and their younger charges. "The job of a play counselor," the committee continued, "should prove most satisfying and appealing to the girl who is too young for working papers, yet old enough for a taste of real responsibility."

As outlined by the committee, pre-schoolers 3 1/2 to 5 years of age would sign up for a 6-week program—Monday through Friday—10 a.m. to 12 noon for a nominal family registration fee of 25 cents. In addition, a charge of 10 cents per child would be levied each morning to compensate the play counselors who would supervise the activities of the tots—6 or 7 children to a counselor.

The program would be under the supervision of the Recreation Department, which would operate a training program for the play counselors. This program would consist of a Youth Center Clinic directed by qualified nursery, kindergarten, and other specialists to inform girls of the need of 3 1/2 to 5 year olds and a workshop where the girls would learn specific arts and crafts, games, songs, and stories geared to the 3 1/2 - 5 year-old-age groups. The committee suggested that the 4-H Child Care Project might be used as a guide for this training.

The city would give girls certificates upon completion of the training program. Each girl would then be given an opportunity to serve at some time during the six-week period at one of the tot playgrounds. The city would set up a register of qualified play counselors which would be available to Greenbelt families seeking to employ counselors.

## Pills Can Interfere With Driving Ability

Modern medical science has developed a wide variety of pills, including tranquilizers, anti-histamines and other decongestants, that may do wonders for the body but can, under certain conditions, interfere with driving ability, according to the D. C. Division, American Automobile Association.

Warning that an increasing number of Americans are taking tranquilizers for anxiety and decongestants for colds, the AAA club quoted medical experts at the National Institutes of Health as saying that the alertness of a driver often is considerably reduced by such pills.

## Two Bicycles Collide

(Ed. Note: Continuing our policy of encouraging young journalists, we print another fine story submitted by a young reporter.)

By ROBERT M. STEWART, Age 9

It happened about 4 o'clock Wednesday, April 18 on Ridge Road close to 55 court. The bike ridden by Ricky Newkirk who lives at 20 G Hillside hit

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In looking backward over half a century of San Francisco history, Mrs. Older covers a wide range of topics—from bridge building to beatniks. There's a chapter on the expansion of universities in and around San Francisco, another on the San Francisco newspaper world, some sketches of San Francisco's leading businessmen and financiers over the years, its society leaders, a look at what San Francisco was like during the last war, a survey of the expansion of transportation and much more.

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**Bicycle Registration**

Police chief James Williams was invited to participate in a special spring cycling workshop, which met Friday, March 24, in Washington. The annual affair sponsored by the Commissioners' Youth Council and the Recreation Conference, Health and Welfare Council, of the District of Columbia. Williams was invited to represent the only city in the entire metropolitan area to require both registration and inspection of bicycles. Arlington and Alexandria register and license bicycles but do not inspect them.

The history of bicycle registration in Greenbelt goes back to 1940, when registering was done on a voluntary basis only. In 1942 the ordinance governing the registration of bicycles on a compulsory basis was passed. This ordinance, which is considered a model of what such ordinances should contain, is still in effect. According to chief Williams, the registering of bicycles is of immense help to police in recovering lost or stolen bicycles and in the psychological impact on the young rider. In registering his vehicle, the child has a feeling of importance not unlike that of his father in registering his automobile, Williams pointed out.

Registration of bicycles is done every Saturday morning from 10 to 12. At this time the young rider is given a printed sheet listing the laws governing the use of bicycles. His vehicle is inspected for lights (if he plans to ride at night), for brakes, and for a generally safe mechanical condition. If the bicycle passes inspection, the rider receives a license to operate. The public schools have cooperated with the city program by requiring that all bicycles which are brought to the school yard shall be registered and equipped with a lock. It is expected that in the future the police may institute a one-day-a-month inspection and registration on school premises, in addition to the Saturday morning program.

Greenbelt's annual spring bicycle rodeo also contributes to the city's total bicycle program. At that time all bicycles are inspected again. Those passing inspection are given a special sticker.

**Parents Set Up School For "Solid" Learning**

Amidst the clamor in the nation for aid to education, a small group of parents in Annapolis, Maryland has quietly banded together to pledge \$20,000 for down payment on new and larger quarters for the non-profit elementary school their children attend.

Called the Key School, the educational facility was started three years ago in Annapolis by parents who wanted their children to receive a solid elementary education on which all later and higher education could be built.

Beginning with 17 students in an old house looking out over the Chesapeake Bay, the school from its inception stressed homework as a fundamental part of its program, instructors who teach selected subjects, and French as a normal means of communication from the first grade up.

Emphasis on social adjustment, manners, and extra activities are considered in the realm of parental responsibility. A child is expected to act within the normal standards of decency at school and to adhere to the few rules it has established.

With an enrollment of 70 children this year and 100 expected next year, the walls and also the parent-teacher innovations for providing extra space in the school could be expanded no further.

**Shamrocks Open Sunday at Bowie**

The Greenbelt Shamrocks, local baseball team sponsored by Greenbelt Ten-Pin Leanes, Inc. open up the 1961 season Sunday at Bowie at 2 in Tri-County League play, games in Tri-league will be played between April 30 and September 17 each Sunday. Schedules are available at the desk of the Greenbelt Ten-Pin bowling lanes. shamrocks schedule AWAY  
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**Science Fair Honors**

BY DEBI WYATT

We are very proud to announce that Alice Cynthia Goldberg, 14, of Greenbelt (14-W Hillside) came out with very high honors at the Prince Georges Area Science Fair. Her project was on "A Mathematical Basis for Musical Composition - Part II." She worked with Chopin's Nocturne in E# and derived a pattern mathematically related to the energy that the ear receives. At our local Greenbelt Jr. High

**Local Authors Honored**

An overflow crowd of more than a hundred turned out to greet authors residing in this country Sunday at the College Park Municipal Center, sponsored by Friends of Libraries of Prince Georges County in recognition of National Library Week.

Among the authors introduced was Allen Drury, resident of Fort Foote in Prince Georges County, author of Advise and Consent, who became a charter member of the Friends group a year ago. Drury said he was working on a sequel to his best seller novel of Washington life, which he expected would be finished at the end of this year.

Other authors introduced, included former Greenbelter, Dr. Charlotte Smith, author of Carl Becker: On History and Climate of Opinion; and Albert Herling, 13-M Ridge, state chairman of the labor committee for National Library Week, was introduced as author of The Soviet Slave Empire. Herling, is editor of the Trade Unionist, AFL-CIO Washington, D. C. paper, and public relations director of the American Bakery and Confectionery Workers International Union, AFL-CIO.

Fair Alice came out with a first place in mathematics and first grand award of the entire fair. Alice went on to the Area Fair and once again won first place in mathematics and first grand award of the Junior division.

Other Greenbelters who came out on top at the Area Fair are Naomi Garon, 19-M Ridge, who won second place in Medical Sciences, and Judith Bragonje, 45-A Ridge, who won third in Medical Sciences. Greenbelt Junior High as a whole came out second in awards for the whole junior division.

**School Registration**

The Board of Education of Prince Georges County Public Schools has designated Friday, May 5, and Friday, June 2, as registration dates for pre-school children who will be entering school for the first time in September, 1961. Parents may register their children at North End or Center School on these dates from 9 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Children must be six years of age on or before January 1, 1962.

It is necessary to present the child's birth certificate at the time of registration, as well as evidence of the child's vaccination and immunization against diphtheria.

The registration of pre-school

children on May 5 and June 2 is essential so that the staff of the Board of Education may complete the necessary planning arrangements for all children who will be attending Prince Georges County public Schools during the 1961-62 school year, which begins on Tuesday, September 5, 1961.

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Last year the league enrolled over 80 girls, and this year we hope to better this figure, but to accomplish this goal help is needed in the form of mothers or other women interested in the welfare of girls. At least sixteen women are needed for managing the league. On Tuesday, May 9, at 8:30 p.m., there will be a meeting of interested women at the Youth Center.

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## June Dedication For Youth Center

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Charles McDonald, City Manager, informed the committee that the sidewalks and roadway leading to the Youth Center will be completed within a month. Sodding or seeding of the area will also be accomplished.

Beverly Fonda was elected chairman of the dedication committee and Sandy Ciatto, secretary. Other members of the committee are Ina Stewart, Elaine Skolnik, Edward Burgoon, Kenny Powell, Francis White, David Champion, Charles McDonald, Warren Leddick, and Joseph O' Loughlin.

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The insurance is carried with Pilot Life Insurance Company of Greensboro, North Carolina, an affiliate of Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company.

## Sleeping Giant

Co-op members here defeated, 2 to 1 a bylaw amendment that would have let as few as 50 members call a mail ballot referendum on any decision of the directors or the annual meeting.

Advocates said it would awaken "the sleeping giant" of co-op membership, give members more authority, responsibility, and interest. Opponents said it would hamstring the directors, subject them to constant delay, and result in costly balloting. They noted that 10% of the co-op's 17,000 members now may call a referendum.

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## Behind Locked Doors

By RITA FISHER

Words are really inadequate to describe the shock we had in store for us as we made our monthly visit to St. Elizabeth's Hospital. For those reading this column for the first time, perhaps mention of the fact that a group of Greenbelt women have been visiting the ladies of Ward CT-6 at the hospital every third Wednesday of the month for over three years and have come to know some of the women very well will be preface enough to this story. We asked for permission to take time out from our party so that we could visit one of our dearest friends who had been moved from the ward to a section of the hospital where the patients were all bed-ridden.

With a nurse's aid showing the way, we were led through countless basements where everything seemed cold and dreary. Now and again we would come to a room on the side where some patients were working. We passed one room where a group of the women were sewing; another room held typewriters. And as we apparently went from building to building, via the basements, never coming out in the open, the doors would be unlocked before us and locked shut behind us.

We finally arrived at the building we were being taken to and were led upstairs and then told to wait in a little waiting room between two wards that were behind locked doors. We could hear one woman moaning. A nurse came from one of these wards wheeling in a woman who looked awful. No other words could describe it. We thought at first that this was another woman who was being wheeled through but then the nurse turned the chair and we realized that this was our dear friend Mrs. D. whom we had affectionately called "Mother." We had known Mrs. D. as a tall, dignified, well-dressed, smiling woman who stood erect even though there was a hump on her back. We remembered her as a woman who had always had her hair fixed just so. That day we saw a different person. She had been fixed up for our visit but her face was dark, her eyes staring, her hair straight and obviously cut shorter, and she rocked back and forth. She tried to talk to us but we realized that talking was difficult for her. She tried so hard to tell us things. But we couldn't take the shock. We told her that we had to get back

to the party and the nurse took her away. We cried. We cried over the transformation and we were heartbroken. Many of us felt as if she were a close relative of ours who had undergone this Jekyll-Hyde change. I shall always remember Mrs. D. as the smiling woman who greeted each of us with a kiss on the cheek, calling us darling and asking us about our families. I doubt that she will ever return to Ward CT-6 and I know that there will always be something missing from our visits.

I went over to visit with our "deaf" friend Miss G. She spoke to me right away but so softly that I could not make out the words. I'm going to have to break the news to her next time of the death of one of our ladies. Mrs. Florence Strickland, a very lovely woman from Greenbelt, and a person who had gained Miss G.'s confidence enough to be able to sit and really talk, passed away and was buried Sunday at the Greenbelt Cemetery.

Before we went over to see Mrs. D., I sat and talked with a tall heavy woman who seemed quite normal. Once she told me that she was in the hospital because they thought she wanted to kill a man. She scoffed at this when telling me about it and went on to tell me how she was brought up around firearms and had no such intentions. She also complained to me that the hospital was holding back some money that belonged to her. She is a very bright and intelligent looking woman and seems so sure that all she says is true. I'll write more about her in another story because she and I have become friends.

## Parking Lot Repairs

The city's road repair program is still continuing. This week--probably on Thursday and Friday--the east parking lot in the Center will be largely blocked off to cars so that the pavement can be repaired. City employees are expecting to have the work completed by the end of the working day on Friday, so that the lot will be open for shoppers on Friday evening.

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## RESOLUTION

TO AMEND THE GREENBELT CITY CHARTER, SECTION 763 (P. L. L., 1943, ART. 17, SEC. 673. 1937, CH. 532, SEC. 43. 1949, CH. 583, SEC. 673.) (QUALIFICATIONS AND DUTIES OF CITY SOLICITOR)

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 420, amending the Greenbelt City Section 754 (P.L.L., 1943, Art. 17, sec. 664. 1937, ch. 532, sec. 34. 1949, ch. 583, sec. 664.) (Responsibilities of Manager -- Powers of Appointment and Removal), provided for the appointment or removal of the City Solicitor only with the consent of the Council; and

WHEREAS, said ordinance did not provide for the amendment to the similar language which appears in Section 763 (P.L.L., 1943, Art. 17, sec. 673. 1937, ch. 532, sec. 43. 1949, ch. 583, sec. 673.) (Qualifications and Duties of City Solicitor), now therefore:

BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDAINED that Section 763 (P.L.L., 1943, Art. 17, sec. 673. 1937, ch. 532, sec. 43. 1949, ch. 583, sec. 673.) (Qualifications and Duties of City Solicitor be amended to read as follows (Underlined material is added, bracketed material is deleted.):

"763. Qualifications and Duties of City Solicitor. The City Solicitor shall be appointed or removed by the City Manager only with the consent of the Council. (and the City Manager may remove him at will without notice.) His compensation shall be fixed by the Council. He shall be an attorney at law who shall have been admitted to practice before the Maryland Bar, but need not be a resident of Greenbelt. He shall be the chief legal adviser of and attorney for the city and all offices thereof in matters relating to their official powers and duties. It shall be his duty to perform all services incident to his office; to attend meetings of the Council when requested by the City Manager, to give advice in writing, when so requested, to the Council or the City Manager; to prosecute or defend, as the case may be, all suits or cases to which the city may be a party; to prosecute for all offenses against the ordinances of the city and for such offenses against the laws of the State as may be required of him by law; to prepare all contracts, bonds and other instruments in writing in which the city is concerned, and to endorse on each his approval of the form and correctness thereof; and to perform such other duties of a legal nature as the Council may be ordinance require."

PASSED by the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, at regular meeting, April 3, 1961.

Thomas J. Canning  
MAYOR PRO TEM

ATTEST:  
Winfield McCamy  
CITY CLERK



**Classified Ads**

Classified rates are five cents per word, fifty cents minimum. Ads should be submitted in writing, accompanied by cash payment, to the News Review office at 15 Parkway not later than 10 p.m. of the Tuesday preceding publication. If accompanied by cash payment, ads may be deposited in the News Review box at the Twin Pines Savings and Loan Association.

**CALDWELL'S WASHER SERVICE:** All makes expertly repaired. Authorized Whirlpool dealer. GR. 4-5515.

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**TV TROUBLE?** Service by Tony Pisano, GR. 4-7841.

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**PIANO LESSONS FOR** beginners Carol and Marilyn Morris. GR 4-5031.

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**PAINTING** - Interior and exterior, Louis B. Neumann, 8-C Research, GR 4-6357 after 6 p.m.

Lawrence and Strathcoma Apartments -- 1 bedroom unfurnished tiled bath and shower, new kitchen equipment. Mrs. Allen Oldson, Res. Mgr. 26-B Crescent. GR. 4-6042.

**LAWN MOWERS** just been sharpened, \$8, each. Lawn mower sharpening, \$2.50. S.J. Rolph, GR. 4-4136.

**ORGANS - USED**  
3 - 2 manual 32 Concave Base Pedals, Resembles Pipe Organ, Ideal Practise Instrument, all electrically operated, \$275. up. Keeney's Piano & Organ Center 161 West Street Annapolis, Md. CO 3-2628 Collect

**WANTED:** - Part-time housekeeper, hours 3:30 to 5:30 or 6 p.m., GR. 4-5432

**WANTED:** - Ride to New York and Florida Aves. and return. Working hours 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Call GR 4-4971 after 6 p.m.

Greenbelt Appliance Shop is still answering calls at GR 4-4343. Expert repairs on all appliances. Check our rates.

**WANTED:** - Woman to do housecleaning on Saturdays, call GR 4-6095 after 6.

**DRIVE CAREFULLY**



By ELAINE SKOLNIK Granite 4-6060

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Bass, Jr., 36-D Crescent, announce the birth of a daughter, Suzanne made her debut February 25, weighing 4 lbs. 5 oz. She has a sister Pauline.

It's a boy for James and Frances Bates, 16 Woodland. Christopher Patrick was born April 8, weighing 8 pounds. He joins Judy, David, Dickie Robby, Peggy, Michael, and Kathy.

They named him Curtis Lee. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Justus, 43-C Ridge. Born April 13, Curtis weighed 7 lbs. 4 oz. He joins a sister, Debbie Lynn, age 6 1/2 who recently underwent a tonsilectomy. We wish her a speedy recovery.

It's a boy for Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Vella, 34-B Ridge. Mark Alexander arrived April 13, weighing 7 lbs. 15 oz. His paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Vella, 6-B Hillside.

Reverend and Mrs. Charles Gill, 42-L Ridge, proudly announce the arrival of a son.

David Nathan was born April 17, weighing 7 lbs. 5 oz.

A speedy recovery to Gladys Chasnoff, 45-M Ridge, who recently underwent surgery.

Birthday greetings to Roxanne Werner, 14-Y Laurel, who celebrated her sixth birthday on April 26.

Michael Garin, age 6 1/2, 10-A Hillside, was elated when Pat-O'Brien answered his query "What was your hobby before Harrigan and Son?" O'Brien sent an autographed picture and a personal letter informing Michael that he collected books, mementos and historical facts about Lincoln.

Congratulations to Carol Morris who is one of the three girls chosen in the United States and Canada to attend the freshman year of college in Rome, Italy. Carol now resides at 23-E Ridge.

Happy sixth birthday to the following kindergarteners at Center School: Drake Allen, Patty Miller, and Lisa Kerr.

**When The SIREN BLOWS**

A report from the Rescue Squad indicated that the ambulance responded to eight calls during the week. Two of these calls were in response to brush fires and the ambulance went to the scenes with the fire trucks.

Coincidentally, there were two reported fires on two different days from the same location. Both times the call came for a fire in the basement of an apartment building on Crescent. Both were minor fires involving trash cans.

There were three brush fire calls this past week. Two were located here in town and one was on the B-W Parkway on April 19. The men were called to fill in for the Beltsville men on April 21 and again they were asked to fill in for Glendale on April 23. Also on April 23, some of the men attended a drill for Advanced Firefighting Course.

A good time was had by all who attended the Spring dance last Friday. The evening was given an added lift when Jack Snoddy arrived and had nerve enough to show us all that he is not finished taking those chacha lessons yet. Wait until the next dance, huh, Jack?

**Explorer Post 746**

This Friday, April 28, 8 p.m. at the Methodist Church, new Explorer Post 746 will be presented with its post charter for 1961-62. In addition, the American Legion will present an American Flag to the post. All are invited.

**Board Policy**

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any concrete benefits ensue from that \$130,000.

I think the Board should use that money to help the members, the present members, not the none-members. And an excellent way to help members would be to adopt a refinancing plan which would enable those who choose to sell their homes to do so--at a profit for both the member and the corporation. A perfectly adequate and workable plan has been submitted to the Board, and I believe the membership has approved it. Yet the Board has done nothing about it, and refinancing the sale of homes is becoming an increasingly acute problem which will have some grave consequences. Action on this problem will have to be taken before long, and I cannot understand why the Board is procrastinating.

In short, I think there are a great many possibilities for the Board to explore which could result in immediate benefits to the members, and I strongly urge them to do so.

Harry Zubkoff

**Ferrante - Schram**

Mr. and Mrs. Maco Ferrante of War, West Virginia, wish to announce the marriage of their daughter Gerrie to Fred Schrom, Jr., 2-G Laurel Hill Road, on Saturday, January 21.

The bridegroom will graduate from Concord College, Athens, West Virginia in June, after which he plans to teach physical education and mathematics in the West Virginia High schools.

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Introduced by:  
David C. Champion  
Councilman

**RESOLUTION**

**TO AMEND THE GREENBELT CITY CHARTER, SECTION 731A, PERSONNEL BOARD-APPOINTMENT, REMOVAL, DUTIES.(ORDINANCE NO. 419, GREENBELT CITY COUNCIL, MAY 2, 1960**

WHEREAS, A review by City Council of the wide scope of problems and duties assigned to the Personnel Board under Section 731A of the Greenbelt City Charter indicates an abnormal workload for a part-time Board of only three members, as provided in Section 731A; and

WHEREAS, A review of the qualifications and recommendations of available volunteer personnel for said Personnel Board, residing in the City of Greenbelt, suggests to Greenbelt City Council the advisability of increasing the Board to five members, now therefore:

BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDAINED that Section 731A, Personnel Board - Appointment, Removal, Duties (Ord. No. 419, Greenbelt City Council, May 2, 1960) shall be and hereby is amended to read as follows: (Underlined material is added; bracketed material is deleted.)

"Sec. 731A. Personnel Board - Appointment, Removal, Duties. There shall be a Personnel Board consisting of five (three) members who shall be appointed by the Council. The Council shall designate one of the five (three) as chairman. Members of the Personnel Board shall serve for a term of six years, except that of the members first appointed: One shall be appointed for six years; one shall be appointed for five years; one shall be appointed for four years; one shall be appointed for three years; and one for two years. Vacancies in an unexpired term shall be filled by the Council by appointment for the remainder of the term. A member of the Board may be removed by Council for cause only and after being given a written statement of the charges against him and a public hearing on the charges if he so requests. A certified copy of the charges and a transcript of the record shall be filed with the City Manager. No member of the Personnel Board shall hold any other elective or appointive office in the city government. Members of the Board must be residents of, and residing in, the City of Greenbelt.

"The Board shall have power and shall be required to:

- (1) Advise the Council and Manager on problems concerning personnel administration.
- (2) During the months of January and February make any study which it may consider desirable concerning the administration of personnel in the municipal service, and report to the City Manager and the Council on or before March 10 its findings, conclusions and recommendations.
- (3) Perform such other duties with reference to personnel administration, not inconsistent with this charter, as the Council may specify by ordinance or resolution.
- (4) The Board shall have the power to establish, amend, repeal, or add to rules on its own initiative governing its operation, but such rules shall be in conformity with this charter.
- (5) Conduct hearings, public or private, if requested by the employee, in accordance with this charter and its own rules on appeals filed under the provisions of Section 754 of this charter as amended."

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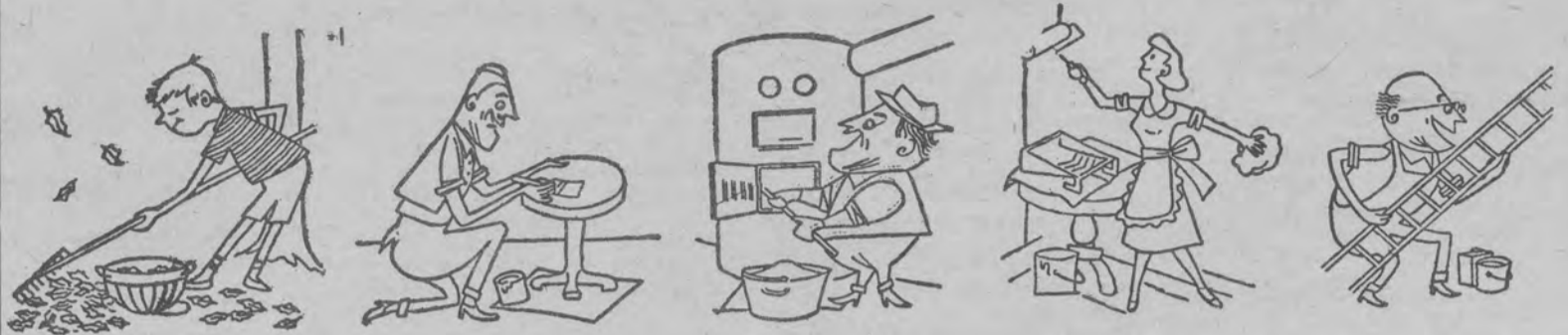
By the middle of this week all heavy grading on Southway was to have been completed. Work was slowed somewhat over the weekend and again on Monday evening when bulldozers knocked off a valve for the water main which lies under the roadway. A wait until workmen from the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission could repair the damage caused some delay in each instance.

After the heavy equipment is removed from the Southway site, the street will be graded, graveled, and treated to keep down dust. Work will then begin immediately on laying the concrete curbing for the islands and separation strip which will make Southway a dual highway down to about 10 court, where it will taper in to its present width. A separation in the center island to permit traffic movement across the highway will be placed near the present entrance to the Co-op service station.

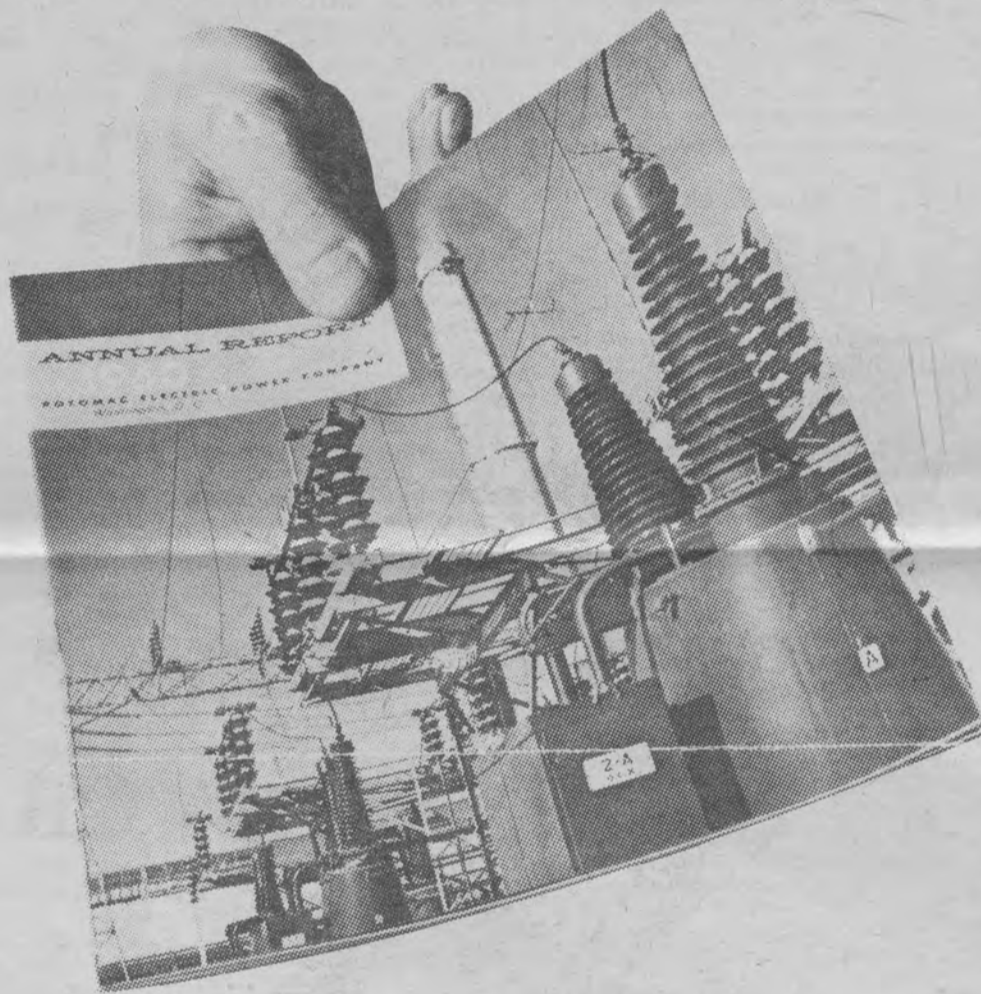
#### JCC INSTALLATION

The Jewish Community Center of Prince Georges County will hold an Installation-Dinner Dance on Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

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**Generating capability . . . up 185,000 kilowatts . . .** and construction is well under way to add another 185,000 kilowatts of capability in early 1962. In addition, we're making progress on the engineering design for a fifth generating station to be located in Southern Maryland. This station will have an initial capability of 300,000 kilowatts.

**Peak load . . . up 10% to 1,272,000 kilowatts . . .** highest demand ever placed upon PEPCO. But we were more than ready.

**Customers . . . up 2% to 358,000 . . .** representing

an increase of 27,064 customers over the past 5 years.

**Employees . . . up 3% to 3,465 . . .** customer-minded men and women who keep Electric Service "Matchless" 24-hours a day.

**Wages and Benefits to our Employees . . . up 6½% to \$22,227,731**

**Gross Property and Plant . . . up 7% to \$464,358,000 . . .** including 1960 construction expenditures of \$35,000,000. Our estimates for new construction in 1961 amount to \$57,000,000.

\*from PEPCO's 1960 Annual Report

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