



# Defense Council Is On War Footing

## Improved Bus System Follows Three-Year Battle

Better transportation for weary Greenbelt commuters has at last been provided after a three-year fight with the Capital Transit Company. Following joint efforts of the Transportation Committee, Assistant Town Manager Arthur L. Rysticken, and the Cooperator, the Town Council Monday night adopted a resolution effecting an improvement in the present bus service.

Using full-sized, 27-seat buses, the improved service will connect directly with the end of the Mount Rainier car line, running on an 18-hour schedule. During rush hours, buses will run twenty minutes or less apart, with thirty minute schedules during "off" hours.

Pending approval by the Public Service Commission of Maryland and the Interstate Commerce Commission, the new service should be in operation shortly after the first of the year.

Town Manager Roy Braden expressed his full approval of the plan, saying he hopes it will be in operation as soon as possible.

## Mormon Choir Will Present "The Messiah"

The Washington Latter-day Saint (Mormon) Choir will present an hour's condensation of the beautiful Christmas music from Handel's oratorio, "The Messiah," in a community service at the Greenbelt Community Center, Sunday, December 14, at 8 p.m. The Greenbelt branch of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints is sponsoring the service, for which no admission charges will be made.

The Washington choir is composed of 50 trained voices, directed by D. Sterling Wheelwright, who before becoming organist and chapel director of the Washington Chapel, in Washington, D. C., was assistant director of the famed Tabernacle Choir in Salt Lake City. Though the choir presents the oratorio each year at the Christmas season, this is the first time Greenbelt has had the opportunity to have them come here.

## Variety Store Plays Host To Santa Claus

Not to be outdone by the big department stores downtown, the local variety store has extended an invitation to Santa Claus to visit Greenbelt. Old Saint Nick has accepted and a hearty welcome has been promised him.

For the benefit of the youngsters—and the grownups, too, if they like—Mr. Claus will make three pre-Christmas appearances at the variety store. Tomorrow, December 13, he will be there from 2 to 4 and again from 7 to 9 p.m.

The following Saturday, December 20, his one visit will be from 7 to 9 p.m.

Beginning tomorrow the variety store will remain open until 9 p.m. each evening until Christmas.

## Greenbelt Surveyed For Bomb Shelters

According to A. R. P. Chief Panagoulis, a survey of all the available space such as basements of the apartments etc., has been made and discloses that sufficient protection is afforded for all residents. In the near future each family will be assigned one of these spaces for their use and full instructions along that line will be issued.

## Unity Is The Keynote At "Victory" Party

Held only a few hours before Japanese warplanes attacked U. S. territory, the most interesting aspect of the "Victory" Party, sponsored by the Greenbelt Fight for Freedom Committee, proved to be its timeliness. Sponsors of the overflow turnout at the party, held at the Greenbelt Legion House on Saturday evening, December 6, felt that the affair was a success because of its spirit of unity towards our total defense effort.

Chief speaker for the evening was M. Pierre Cot, former Aviation Minister of France. M. Cot traced the decline of his country and emphasized that France fell, not because of military weakness, but because of disunity in the government.

Representative Patrick of Alabama, master of ceremonies, drew laughter of approval with his salient humor. His remark about "Japanese Aryans" was a typical example.

A dramatic narrative tracing Hitler's successive invasions of European countries was read by Mrs. Theodora Wilson, accompanied by music and solo renditions of the national anthem of each fallen country.

Maurice Blond, caricaturist, presented the lighter entertainment fare, by giving a chalk talk which delighted the audience, and drawing caricatures of guests.

Dancing, including a Dutch folk dance in costume by Dr. H. Dubuys and Mrs. S. Henes rounded out the program. Hot dogs, sandwiches and beer rounded out the appetites.

## Ray King To Play At New Years Dance

Ray King and his 12-piece band will help usher in Greenbelt's New Year. The Citizens' Association, in announcing plans for the dance, which will be held in the school auditorium on December 31, has arranged to have a vocal list entertain the revelers during the festivities.

GCA Dance Committee Chairman Larry Pinckney urged that Greenbelters get their tickets early because an attendance maximum will be set to prevent overcrowding. The following citizens have dance tickets for sale: Larry Pinckney, 1-B Crescent; A. Chasnow, 11-T Ridge Road; Bernie Jones, 1-D Westway; James C. Smith, 4-H Southway; Fred De Jager, 58-L Crescent Road; Harold Uhrig, 16-C Parkway; George Bauer, 1-J Gardenway; Charles Bradley, 19-H Ridge Road; and Dr. James McCarl, 7-D Crescent Road.

## New Home Applicants Exceed Available Units

The first 152 of the new houses have been tentatively accepted by the Farm Security Administration, it was reported by Arthur S. Rysticken Tuesday. Only 84 houses the balance requiring minor corrections.

Applicants, which now total well are actually ready for occupancy, over the number of available homes, will probably start moving in immediately. Bolling Field officials intimate that they expect to require at least 300 homes.

## Civilian Defense To Wear Coveralls

Khaki coveralls will be official garb for Greenbelt's civilian defense workers until steps are taken by Congress to provide uniforms. The coveralls will be individually purchased.

Arm bands for identification were ordered Wednesday. These, along with buttons, car flags, and other insignia, will be purchased from money advanced by the Citizens Association until other sources of revenue can be tapped.

## Emergency Measures Formulated; Panagoulis Named Air Raid Warden

In a dramatic meeting Monday night, Greenbelt's Defense Council cut through confusion and red tape, and acted to protect this community against any eventuality, by designating definite duties to committee heads, covering air-raid precautions, volunteer registration and first aid.

Reporting on the activities of the fire, police and air auxiliary proceedings, George Panagoulis suggested a plan based on the national program, forming an Air Raid Precautions unit—or A. R. P.—this unit to be composed of a chief Warden and five assistants. This system was agreed upon, with Mr. Panagoulis named chief warden.

## Begin Counting Patronage Slips Co-op Advises

Greenbelt Consumer Services has announced that it is not too early for those who intend to turn in their patronage slips to start getting them in order and adding up the total amount of purchases represented by the slips.

Although the board of directors has not yet formally acted upon this matter, it appears likely that the deadline for submitting the slips will be around the middle of January. Last year it was January 18.

Preliminary instructions are that the slips should be put in bundles of 25 and added. Complete regulations regarding the procedure for identifying the bundles and submitting them will be announced later.

Non-members may also receive credits on shares for their slips. First they must apply for membership in the cooperative on or before the deadline date for submitting the patronage slips. They, too, must meet the deadline for the slips in order to participate in the distribution of any patronage refund.

## Motor Unit Organized

Thomas Ricker announced that an emergency motor unit was in process of organization, and requested that anyone having a four-door sedan which could be used in an emergency to transport injured persons to hospitals, contact him.

It was arranged for the Maryland State Guard to be contacted to get information for forming a local Home Guard.

Mrs. S. H. Downs agreed to organize canteen work among the women.

Harry Rhodes, town chemist, advised that the water supply situation was well in hand. Mr. Panagoulis was asked to investigate the communication system in Greenbelt, and especially to determine the possibilities of short-wave as an alternative for telephone, in case the latter is eliminated.

## Conservation Stressed

Arthur L. Rysticken advised that paper bags should be returned to the stores; and that next summer may see extensive development of the gardens to grow a large portion of the food to be consumed in Greenbelt.

The necessity of immediate action was realized when during the meeting announcement was made of the unidentified planes sighted off San Francisco.

Mr. Rysticken was appointed as vice-chairman, to act in chairman Ed Walther's absence.

## 370 Have Volunteered

Mrs. Joe Rogers, representing the Women's Club, which is in charge of registration, reported that over 400 registration cards have been issued to volunteers, of which 370 have been returned, giving qualifications of registrants. Mrs. Rogers further stated that the number of volunteers showed a sharp increase on Monday, after the Japanese attack on Sunday. It was suggested by Mrs. Rogers that, since a large number of women have not volunteered because of their home duties, they be assigned to care for children of women who are in a position to give their services. It was decided that the Women's Club would transfer their registration activities to the fire house as headquarters to receive volunteers.

It was reported by Mrs. Rogers that the first aid class was progressing satisfactorily, but that only fifteen women were attending the weekly classes. Chairman Walther, stating that everyone in Greenbelt should learn what to do in the event of casualties, asked Dr. Joseph Silagy for a report on his activities concerning first aid instruction. Dr. Silagy reported that there are five or six expert instructors, who with the women now taking the course, should be capable of reaching every adult in Greenbelt, by holding nightly classes in the elementary school. Dr. Silagy was appointed to the Defense Council and agreed to take charge of the first aid committee.

The Citizens Association Income Committee requests that all questionnaires not collected be returned to Mr. Harry B. Hyman.

The G. C. S. Income Committee wants the reports from the various organizations as requested. Please return at once.

## AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS

The following instructions for the guidance of civilians in areas subject to possible bombing from the air were issued Monday by Mayor F. H. LaGuardia, director of civilian defense. Inasmuch as they apply directly to Greenbelt, it is advisable that these instructions which follow be clipped from the paper and kept in an available place for future reference.

### 1. Keep cool.

Above all, keep cool. Don't lose your head. Do not crowd the streets; avoid chaos, prevent disorder and havoc. You can fool the enemy. It is easy. If planes come over, stay where you are. Don't phone unnecessarily. Do not run—do not scream. The chance that you will be hit is small. It is part of the risk we must take to win this war.

Until an alarm, go about your usual business and recreation in the ordinary way. Think twice before you do anything. Don't believe rumors—spreading false rumors is part of the enemy's technique. Don't let him take you in. Know your air raid warning.

Greenbelt's temporary air raid warning will be a continued blowing of the siren for a period of not less than 5 minutes.

Await official information before taking any action. When the Air Raid Warden comes to your home, do as he says.

### 2. Stay Home.

If away from home, get under cover in the nearest shelter. Avoid crowded places, and stay off the streets.

A splash of water will make an incendiary bomb explode, so spray it with a regular garden hose. This will put it out in about two minutes.

### 3. Put Out Lights.

Whether or not blackout is ordered, don't show more light than necessary.

### 4. Lie Down.

If bombs start to fall near you, lie down, preferably under a good stout table. If incendiary bombs are used, the first precaution to be taken is to deal with them as their greatest damage is in their being left alone.

### 5. Stay Away From Windows.

### 6. Volunteer In Your Local Defense Unit



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## For Your Sake

We are engaged in a war. The statement is not news any longer, because the happenings of the last few days leaves no doubt in our minds as to the seriousness of the situation. It must necessarily fall our lot to stop thinking in terms of peace, and apply ourselves in terms of war.

The modern methods of warfare have brought such changes from World War I that those who remember that war are confused, and those who do not remember it are no less confused. Prior wars have left the civilian population with the job of supplying the armed forces with material, and maintaining the morale of our fighters by the formation of parades, waving of flags, and selling of bonds. All this has changed. We entered this war without one parade, without one flag being raised, without a shout or a cheer; with grim faces and firm determination, and with full knowledge that the civilians must fight as much and as hard as the front-line soldiers. Each job we do, no matter how prosaic it once seemed, attains the aspect of national importance in our war effort. Each man and woman, whether executive, clerk, or ditch-digger, fits into our scheme of defense and the waging of a successful war. No job is prosaic. No job is useless. Each position that leads to a productive end is one link in our chain of national unity and defense. You can make that chain strong and unbreakable by your performance of your everyday tasks.

Long-range bombs have not only put the armed forces on the defensive, but have taken the civilians in the back row and placed them in the front lines. We will not have time for parades and flag waving. We must defend our homes and children from the assaults of the enemy, and we do not mean the hypothetical defense so often mentioned by our speakers. We mean that they must be defended and protected against the hot, ripping fragments of exploding bombs, against the crippling effects of poison gas; against the back-stabbing saboteurs. They are not theoretical. They are actual.

How can we in Greenbelt help? The answer is simple. Join your Civilian Defense unit. Every man and woman in Greenbelt is needed. The appeal has come out for volunteer services. For your sake and for your family's sake, do not ignore this appeal. Volunteer at once. The bob-torn and mutilated bodies of Europe speak louder than idle words in emphasizing our needs. The answer to our safety is in your hands. Are we going to wait until after the first bombs fall to prepare, or are we going to know what to do when they fall? Let your conscience answer that question.

## Beware Of Rumors

Again and gain we have said it—"Beware of rumors." Greenbelt has suffered from the plague of small-town gossip, rumors and half-truths through all its four years, so that by now we should all be immune to belief in the inevitable wave of false news and misleading rumors which comes with war.

Sunday brought us the erroneous news of Manila being bombed; Monday's reports told us for a little while that Germany and Italy had declared war on us. That these statements would be borne out later does not dismiss their danger.

We shall have plenty of news to discuss—both the good and the bad—without turning eagerly to each rumor. The spreading of untrue bad news inclines us towards pessimism in regard to the war effort. The spreading of untrue good news is followed by a let-down when its falseness is revealed, and engenders a scepticism in later real successes.

Believe what you hear and read if you must, but wait for official confirmation before spreading your information, and then be sure that your account is a reasonably accurate facsimile of the original news. We shall win this war in time and at a cost—but not with idle talk.

If you ever want something done, ask a busy person to do it.

## Our Maryland Schools

Crowded conditions in our local school for the coming months make this an opportune time to consider the position of Maryland schools in terms of what they are and what they should be.

At a recent meeting of the Education Study Group of Prince Georges County Dr. Arnold Joyal pointed out that from the standpoint of taxable wealth Maryland is 25 per cent better able than other states to pay for its educational program. Nevertheless the state continues to offer only a seven year elementary schooling while neighbor states offer the standard eight years. The state's schools are notoriously overcrowded, and teachers, especially in Prince Georges County, are badly underpaid.

Greenbelt wants better schools for the state of Maryland. We pay state and county taxes in Maryland. We vote in Maryland. We live here in Maryland. And we want the best possible educational facilities for our children.

## Be a Builder

Credit unions do not extend credit to anyone. Credit isn't a commodity that can be sold over the counter by the yard or the pound. If you have credit you created it for yourself. By your own consciousness of your responsibility to your obligations, you build your own credit. It is part and parcel of your personal self.

Your credit union can only estimate what your credit is, and perhaps lend a hand in helping you to improve and enlarge it. The credit union is generally willing to make a guess as to what your credit is, and back that guess with a loan. To that extent the credit union is co-operating with you. But co-operation is a two-way word. It is up to you to prove that you are as good or better than the estimate.

That proof only is what builds credit. No proof, no more credit. Be a builder!—From Washington Central Bulletin.

## Kiddies Handiwork Impresses Mothers

By Kathryn M. Wood

The mothers of the kindergarten class of Greenbelt Elementary School were the guests of Miss York and Miss Hitchcock in the Kindergarten rooms December 8 at an afternoon tea.

Setting a fine precedent of volunteering cooperation for future classes, grade mothers were chosen from volunteers instead of by election. Those volunteering to serve as grade mothers for the morning session were Mesdames Evelyn Lung, Robert E. Gray, and Lawrence W. Schulz. For the afternoon group those who volunteered were Mesdames Edward F. Grase, Ralph Johnson, and Frederick Pfeiffer.

In a short talk on the work and plans of the kindergarten group Miss York explained that their present classes include work on Christmas decorations, of which the rooms showed concrete evidence, each child having made his own chain according to individual preference in the arrangement of red and green links on the Christmas tree chains. This involved simple number work in following the alternate numbers of colored links, and a preparation for reading work in recognizing his own name printed at the end of each chain.

The teachers also explained that the children are planning and making "Christmas surprises" to add to the Noel spirit at home. After Christmas the children will construct a playhouse and have experience in housekeeping as they play with their new toys. As a logical sequence this will be followed by building a project store where they will experience buying for the needs of the playhouse.

## One Year Ago

(From the Cooperator of December 12, 1940.)

O. K. Fulmer leaves Greenbelt on loan to the Federal Works Agency—George Bauer declines presidency of the Greenbelt Citizens' Association, which vacancy was caused by the resignation of Rolfe Sauls—a 12-piece Negro orchestra was hired by the Citizens' Association for the New Year's Eve dance—especial praise was given to the Community Chest division to which Greenbelt belongs by campaign secretary Mildred Alexander—The Greenbelt Band, celebrating the first half year of its musical existence, is making plans for a party.

## Scalpers Create Fake Shortage

Are people really buying more than they did in normal times? That is what we are being led to believe. Continual reports are made of the large sales increases this year over any other year on record. Consumers are handing more dollars over the counters than ever before. Manufacturers, wholesalers and retailers proclaim the fact that their profits are larger than ever. However, consumers aren't responsible for this increased volume of business. The dollar with which the housewife formerly purchased five pounds of sugar, a loaf of bread, a pound of meat, vegetables and a stick of butter, now buys only the sugar, butter bread and vegetables. If she wants meat, she has to spend more money. As her income has not been increasing in ratio to prices, it is hard to buy as much as she formerly did, and impossible to buy more.

In most places, the rent has been raised considerably, not to mention clothes, leaving a smaller amount for groceries.

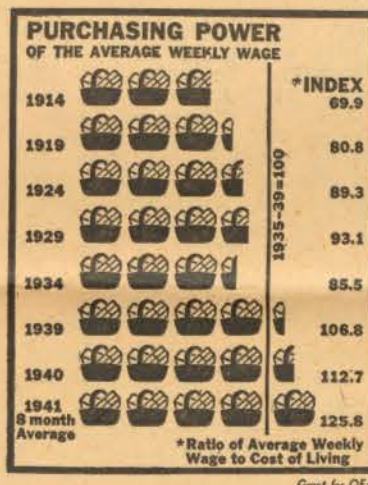
Since this leaves the consumer out, what is the source of this boom? Of course, a lot of raw materials and other supplies are going to England. However, this isn't the whole story. In view of the so-called "shortage," why do so many manufacturers have on hand an inventory nearly per cent above that of a year ago; an inventory of raw materials and unsold goods which they have never placed on the market? What is being done about food speculators who are buying huge quantities of food and holding them for the inevitable sky-high prices to come; inevitable, because their shortage is raising them?

With all of the appeals for unity and cooperation needed to preserve the way of life for which we are fighting, it is to be hoped that price control will be just that, and keep a small group of profit-seeking vampires from bleeding those millions of consumers who look to their government for protection.

## Civil Service Exam

The Civil Service Commission has again announced continuing examinations for temporary stenographic and typing positions for both men and women, and for permanent stenographic and typing jobs for men.

Because of war-induced demand for soybean oil, a larger share of the country's soy acreage is expected to be harvested for oil instead of hay.



Don't forget the boys in camp this Christmas. They need your friendship and cheer. Send your packages early.

## THE POCKETBOOK of KNOWLEDGE BY TOPPS

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THROUGH RESEARCH ONE COMPANY HAS DEVELOPED A \$20,000,000 A YEAR BUSINESS IN BY-PRODUCTS THAT USED TO BE WASTED

IN ENGLAND BEFORE THE ERA OF LAUNDRIES, PEOPLE SENT THEIR CLOTHES TO BE DYED A DARKER SHADE WHEN THEY BECAME SOILED

MODERN AUTOMOBILES USE MORE THAN 1,500 DIFFERENT INVENTIONS



## OUR NEIGHBORS

By SALLY MEREDITH

Hello, Greenbelt:

Social comings and goings may seem trivial at this time. However, the only way to preserve our peace of mind is to keep some sort of balance. I hope this will help somewhat to swing the weight of thought a little from the heavy side.

Have you inspected any of the new houses? They are quite attractively finished inside. Though differing from the original Greenbelt houses in some respects, they are laid out much the same. The one I saw had two bedrooms, living-room, kitchen, and bathroom. There is a very large closet—really as large as the kitchen—opening in the living-room, probably for coats, etc. The floors are hardwood throughout, except for the bathroom and kitchen, which appeared to be a sort of inlaid inoleum. The size of the rooms probably vary, but the ones I saw were approximately the same as ours. From the outside, they are hardly distinguishable from our own.

Note to parents: Isn't there some way to keep your children from bothering commodities on shelves at the food store? They cause a lot of work to the employees who have enough to do running the stores.

I'll pass on a hint that I obtained from Consumers Union's publication, "Bread and Butter." If you purchase garments sewed together with nylon thread, be sure it's not something that has to be ironed with a hot iron. The normal heat of the standard iron will melt the thread, thus causing the garment to come apart at the seams. At their regular meeting on Thursday, the Hospital Auxiliary honored Mrs. Betsy Woodman with a surprise baby shower. The combination business meeting and shower was held at the home of Mrs. Ann Hull. Betsy, the shower recipient, is retiring as president of the Auxiliary. A shower, also a surprise, was given for Mrs. Jean Davenport, 33-C Ridge Road, whose daughter, Sarah Sue, was born November 3. Given by Mrs. Betty Brosmer, 33-B Ridge Road, the shower was attended by many of Jean's neighbors and friends.

Harry Fleischer and three-year old daughter, Judy, of 2-L Gardenway, spent a long week-end in Philadelphia. They left last Friday morning, and got back Monday night.

### Traffic Safety Measures Asked By Citizens Ass'n

Two measures designed to increase traffic safety and cut violation of local speed ordinances have been suggested by the public safety committee of the Citizens Association.

Benjamin Rozenzweig, chairman of the safety committee, in a memorandum to George Panagoulis, director of public safety, proposes that "each court which is designed for the entrance and exit of vehicles be prominently posted with maximum legal speed limit (about 7 miles per hour) and the fine for violation."

The second suggestion recommends that "a painted stripe to divide the town highway be employed in A block at the junction of Ridge and Crescent Roads, which is a hazardous turn and has been involved in at least one accident."

Director Pangoulis has advised the Cooperator that difficulty in securing the necessary materials has delayed performance of the suggested safety measures. Until the signs and colored road lines are provided, he advises, all danger points will be carefully patrolled.

### High School Chatter

By JOAN McNAMARA.

I'm sure you all feel as I do about the current national situation, that is, that the sneaky trick played by the Japanese government was like a stab in the back; and we, the coming generation, hope that justice will triumph, even as does the older generation. Well, enough about the war for the time being.

Here to take the place of Mr. Henes is Mrs. Glennis Kabat, formerly of Trinidad, Colorado. We're sure that Mrs. Kabat will take her place in the esteem of the student body.

The Aviation Club at school has been up to a great many interesting things in the past two months. The club is divided up into three squadrons, each squadron containing approximately 18 members. Emmet Nana, Guy Boewen, and Bill Townsend are acting as leaders of the respective squads. The high school cafeteria is being used as a meeting place and work shop for the organization. Various contests will be held for the members of the club. Bill Schoeb at present holds the record for the glider contest which was held recently. Future work of the club calls for the building of rubber and gasoline powered model planes.

The first basketball game of the season was very successful. Our boys played the G. H. S. alumni and beat them eight to the bar—21-23. Let's hope all our games turn out like that.

Don't say I told you, but—What two Junior girls were seen talking to SANTA CLAUS in a downtown department store?—We wonder what Irene Perket is going to do when Frank Harper moves—What five sophomore girls have recently made Anchors Aweigh their theme song?—Billy Gray has been going around with a woe-begone look on his face since his beloved rat, "Termite" recently succumbed.

### Co-op Workers Meet On Solving Problems

A meeting of cooperative board members, active committee workers, employees and others will be held tonight at the University of Maryland. The discussion will be led by Dr. Rudolf Treuenfels, secretary of the Council for Cooperative Business Training, and Samuel Ashelman, field man for Eastern Cooperative Wholesale. Called the "Cooperative Leadership Clinic," the meeting will give leaders of 15 cooperatives in the Maryland-Washington-Virginia area an opportunity to exchange ideas with their neighbors as well as "with men who are paid to study and keep in touch with successful methods of cooperative development."

A companion meeting, termed the "Cooperative Employee Clinic," was held last night in Greenbelt. That meeting was limited to cooperative store employees from Maryland and Washington because its purpose was to consider the technical aspects of store operations.

In addition to Dr. Treuenfels and Mr. Ashelman, T. G. Castner, buyer for Eastern Cooperative Wholesale, attended last night's clinic here.

### Study Group Learns State Schools Poor

The schools of Maryland have a marvelous administrative organization, yet Maryland ranks well below half of the States in the excellence of its education. Dr. Arnold Joyal of the University of Maryland made this point, speaking last week for the Education Study Group sponsored by the League of Women Voters and the County Federation of Women's Clubs. This discrepancy, he pointed out, is due to the fact that the State is not willing to pay for as good an educational system as it might well have, and really good education does cost money.

Compared with other States Maryland has well above the average in taxable wealth and is 25 per cent better able to pay for its educational program. Maryland, moreover, has relatively fewer children according to its adult population than other States. Contrary to popular supposition, the large families of the south are not produced by the Negroes. The needy white families have the larger number of children. Although it has more taxable wealth and fewer children than most states, the tax rate for schools is relatively low.

Compared with other counties, Prince Georges spends less per elementary school child than any other and is third from the bottom in expenditure for high school students. The county is also third from the bottom in salaries of teachers. Graduates in business courses from the high schools get bigger salaries immediately than do their teachers. As a result, the experienced teachers are continually being lost to Montgomery County and to Washington. According to a statement issued by Superintendent Orem, 150 teachers have resigned since July 1.

Dr. Joyal said that another result of the small amount of money spent on education is the overcrowded class rooms. He pointed out that it is physically impossible for a teacher to give pupils any individual attention when they are packed from 45 to 60 into rooms never designed to hold those numbers. Within the past year 4,000 more pupils have entered the schools of this county.

The group unanimously agreed that the most pressing needs for schools in Prince Georges County are (1) more teachers, in order that the size of classes may be reduced; (2) more rooms to house the new classes made possible by redistributing the pupils among the additional teachers; (3) a new salary schedule which will enable this county to compete with neighboring schools and keep its experienced teachers; (4) a 12-year instead of the present 11-year school system; (5) more money to pay for this enlarge program, which means an increased tax rate.

Because its regular meeting date falls in Christmas week the next monthly meeting of the League of Women Voters will be Wednesday, January 28.

### New Babies

The Elmer Stokka's had a boy, Roger Murray, on November 20, born at Greenbelt Hospital.

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## Co-op To Welcome New Tenants With Book On Local Enterprise

With the first group of families scheduled to start moving into the new homes this week or early next week, the membership committee of Greenbelt Consumer Services is ready to begin its share drive among the newcomers. The education committee will also participate in these activities.

A letter of welcome from the latter committee will be the newcomers' first introduction to G. C. S. "We are happy to have you as neighbors and hope you will enjoy our community life and the many new friendships that await you," states the letter which goes on to point out the facilities offered by the cooperative.

Participation in the management of the organization and the patronage dividend are cooperative principles that the new families will be told about in the letter. That the co-op label is "accepted as assurance of quality and fair price" is also mentioned.

Accompanying the letter will be a map showing street and shopping center locations for the benefit of the new residents. The map first shows a general outline of the town with each street designated. Below that is a diagram of the community center with each area numbered. A reference to the numbering system shows the location of every enterprise or office located in the center from the service station to the office for the houses.

Another feature of the share drive is a 9-page printed booklet entitled "The Greenbelt Stores." It is a revised and up-to-date version of the mimeographed booklet of the same name issued by G. C. S. several months ago. The earlier edition was published by the Cooperator in serial form.

The booklet, dedicated to the new residents, briefly relates the story of the Greenbelt stores by chapters, one chapter to a page. It also presents a directory of local cooperatives and auxiliary groups, one of which is the "Gum Drop Co-op," the children's cooperative in the elementary school.

The six chapters of the bulletin tell how the co-op came to be, explains what a consumer cooperative is, points out that resident-owners run the organization, relates the 1940 business record of G. C. S., gives reasons why a person should join the cooperative, and describes the co-op label and its purposes.

The membership committee, headed by Director Clifford A.

Moyer, is being assisted by Allen Lovejoy, a food store employee, who has had considerable experience in promotional activities. Neighborhood nights, or small discussion group meetings, are being planned for the newcomers where they may be told about the cooperative and have their questions answered.

### For the Holidays In Hollywood



FOR HOLIDAY PARTIES in Hollywood, Louella Parsons, hostess of Columbia Network's "Hollywood Premiere" series, prefers sophisticated black with a touch of color and jewels. Here the popular columnist wears a becoming black velvet halo hat, banded in blue and trimmed with swirled egrettes. Her jeweled necklace and matching earrings lend a brilliant note to the simple black crepe frock and flat caracul coat she is wearing.

"Comparing ourselves with certain nations we find the difference is so startling as to make us feel this country is truly blessed. And yet, when we study the facts cold bloodedly and not boastfully, we find that at least three-fourths of the people in the United States do not have what can be called good diets by any reasonable standard. At least 40 million people in the United States are suffering from very bad diets."

Henry A. Wallace  
From Consumer's Guide



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IN THE COOPERATOR  
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SOON AS POSSIBLE



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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13 — 2 to 4 and 7 to 9  
 SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20 — 7 to 9 P. M.  
 —VARIETY STORE—

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PERFUMES in Fancy Boxes  
 10c, 25c and 49c

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 Whitmans Fairhill ..... \$1.00 and \$2.00  
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Yardley's English Lavender  
 \$1.00 and \$1.65

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 PERFUME ..... \$2.50

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Early American "Old Spice"  
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