



26 Organizations Participated in Defense Rally

A list of organizations which participated in Greenbelt's first Defense Rally presents a cross section of the town's social and civic activity. The story in last week's Cooperator mentioned only a few of the groups which contributed to the success of the defense program.

The following seem to constitute a complete list of cooperating groups which made possible the raising of the \$1000 fund for vital defense needs.

Athletic Club, American Legion, Town Administration, High School Staff, Elementary School Staff, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Latter Day Saints, Hebrew Congregation, Holy Name Society, Gun Club, Legion Auxiliary, Mothers Club, Greenbelt Band, Air Wardens, Police and Fire Auxiliaries, Womans Club, Fight for Freedom Committee, Rally Finance Committee, Defense Rally Committee, Sports Parade, Parent-Teacher Association, Homemakers Club, Greenbelt Cooperator, Greenbelt Consumer Services, and the Civilian Defense Corps.

(Editor's note: It is sincerely regretted that because of conditions beyond our control, the names of many persons and organizations responsible for Greenbelt's fine response to the Defense Rally were omitted in last week's cooperator.)

Doctors' Headquarters At Casualty Stations

Doctors will be available during possible future emergencies only through the casualty stations, according to Dr. John M. Byers, chairman of the Public Health Lay Council of Prince Georges County. All doctors have been assigned to casualty stations. Victims of disaster will receive first-aid treatment at casualty stations and sub-stations.

Mayor Gover Heads Police Boys Club

In spite of the fact he had asked to be relieved of the presidency of the Prince Georges County Police Boys' Club, Mayor E. Murray Gover, Hyattsville, was again unanimously reelected head of that organization by the board of governors at their annual election held last week in the County Service Building. Thus Mayor Gover enters his third consecutive year as head of the Police Boys' Club, the leading civic organization of the county.

Major Walker Transferred to FSA

Major J. O. Walker, assistant administrator of F. S. A., indicated this week that Greenbelt as well as Greendale and Greenhills, sister projects near Cincinnati and Milwaukee, would be transferred from F. S. A. to the new National Housing Agency in the near future.

Ticket Sales Bring \$712 in Rally Fund

Ticket sales for the Defense rally were reported last week as follows:

A Block—Dr. James W. McCarl, \$82.00.
B Block—Carl Jernberg, \$144.00.
C Block—Harry A. Stewart, \$117.70.
D Block—Leo R. Mullen, \$125.60.
E and F Block—Cyril Turner, \$89.10.
J Block—Mrs. Herbert Hall, \$71.00.
West Door (cash sales) G. Moore and C. Friedman, \$12.80.
South Door (cash sales) A. Morrison and D. Steine, \$69.60.
Total \$712.40.

G. H. S. To Present All Greenbelt Night

"All Greenbelt Night" including two basketball games, the crowning of a Greenbelt High School queen, and dancing, will be presented at the Elementary School next Friday evening at 8 p. m.

Participating in the basketball games will be the Greenbelt High School team and that of Hyattsville High. The Greenbelt team has won a large margin of the games they've played this season, and Hyattsville's quintet has been advertised as a fast-scoring team, insuring a great amount of interest to fans of that game.

The "queen's" name, though known to the vote-counting faculty and the lucky miss herself, is being withheld from the general public until the actual crowning takes place Friday night. Attendants have been elected, one each from the freshman, sophomore, and junior classes, and five from the senior class. Of the five seniors, one will be the queen, another her maid of honor. Attendants are: Carolyn Tompkins, freshman; Peggy Roby, sophomore; Patty Day, junior; and Louise Burke, Helen Black, Marly Lowe, Helen Zoellner, and Mary Jean McCarl, senior.

Tickets, at 28 cents including tax, admit bearer to the entire evening's entertainment of basketball games, crowning of the queen, and dancing to the music of a favorite local orchestra.

Congressmen Train Big Guns -- On Greenbelt

Congressional opposition went to work on Greenbelt recently but the town has not yet been abolished according to latest reports.

In records published this week of hearings on the Department of Agriculture's appropriations are several references to the local community. Representative Tarter, Democrat of Georgia, declared that while "I dislike to see anybody pay any more rent than they are able to pay . . . but I do think this whole fantastic idea of trying to furnish everybody in this country with low-income decent quarters in which to live at a reasonable price at Governmental expense ought to be abandoned."

C. B. Baldwin, Administrator of Farm Security Administration, had told the House committee that the total Greenbelt investment was \$13,700,000. He said that Greenbelt was built "primarily to provide relief and secondarily to provide homes for low-income people, both Government workers and others."

Measles Cases On Decrease; Caution Urged

Although the rate of increase in the local measles epidemic is on the wane, there are still approximately 30 active cases. The continuance of precautions outlined last week was advised by Dr. William Eisner.

The Elementary school will remain closed to susceptible children until March 11, and all parents are urged to continue watching for symptoms, which are similar to those apparent in a common cold. A running nose, watery eyes, sore throat and cough, and a fever, are sufficient to warrant the isolation of the patient, according to Dr. Eisner. It was reiterated that parents should cooperate by seeing that their children not only stay home from school, but remain isolated from others for 17 days if they are susceptible.

In addition to the Elementary School, the Nursery School, the Nursery School has been closed until March 11, according to Mrs. Millicent Vachon, president of the organization. Although the epidemic started among the first-grade pupils of the Elementary School, it spread, in its later stages, to children both above and below this age-limit.

Latin American Luncheon Featured

The regular monthly meeting of the Greenbelt Woman's Club began with a Latin American luncheon at the home of Mrs. Leon Benefield, Thursday, March 5, with Mrs. Joseph Rogers and Mrs. Cyril Turner assisting. The menu was typically South American: Papaya juice cocktail, un tortillas, Rice a la Quatemala, Guacomola salad, un corn sticks and pineapple.

Each place was marked with a miniature airplane made from candy with chewing gum wings. Place cards were suitcases filled with nuts, and bearing each traveler's name.

Following lunch the members went to the Pan American Union in Washington where they were met by Paul M. Murphy, chief of special events, who conducted them on a tour of the building and presented an afternoon's program on the Latin American Republics.

Dr. Hugh A. Bone, 6 Woodland Way, of the University of Maryland political science department addressed the University Park Women's Club on Monday.

Greenbelt Blackout a 100 Percent Success; Wins County-Wide Praise

Winning the approbation of town and county defense officials, Greenbelt, in its first all-night blackout Tuesday, was 100 per cent blacked out, except for street lights and the occasional glare of headlights. Safety Director George Panagoulis, in expressing his appreciation of local co-operation, said that only a few warnings of minor infractions were necessary, and that no evidence of gross negligence was apparent.

Wardens Keep Watch

The entire Air-Raid Precautions personnel, including 20 firemen, 20 policemen, and approximately 75 air-raid wardens posted throughout the town kept Greenbelt under observance through the ten-hour period. A note of reality was added by the beam of searchlights from Schrom's airport.

Robert Sherwood, director of Prince Georges County Defense Council, announced that total cooperation was also obtained throughout the section of the county that was ordered blacked out. Only 180 square miles, or the metropolitan area, of the total 500 square miles in the county were affected. This territory, however, contains approximately 70,000 of the 100,000 Prince Georges County residents. That section of the county considered as "metropolitan" extends from Berwyn to Oxon Hill, including Greenbelt.

Sherwood Expresses Thanks

Approximately 1500 air-raid wardens and 217 police auxiliary men were on duty in Prince Georges county, according to Mr. Sherwood, and he added that he wished to express his thanks for the cooperation on the part of all A. R. P. personnel, as well as the residents. Mr. Sherwood, commenting on the fact that quite a number of people, instead of using blackout material over their windows, merely kept their lights off for the entire period, said that this was an effective measure as far as keeping light from guiding the enemy was concerned, but not what was desired. He explained that, to the best of their ability, everyone should conduct their affairs in an every-day manner, which is impossible without the use of lights.

He added that he advised several local restaurants that they might keep their lights on and windows darkened, and carry on their business in a normal manner. Mr. Sherwood asked that anyone with inquiries regarding county defense activities contact him at Hyattsville 0270. The local Civilian Defense Corps can be reached by calling the fire-house.

County Heads Seek Decontamination Service From D. C.

An effort is being made to obtain the assistance of the decontamination service of the District of Columbia in event of an enemy attack here. If this can be accomplished, it will save the taxpayers of this county the greater part of the \$10,000 that would otherwise be necessary.

This statement was made yesterday by Paul H. Kea, Hyattsville architect and chairman of the County Defense Council's public works division.

The organization of decontamination squads has not progressed beyond the planning stage due to the great expense involved for equipment, according to Mr. Kea. It is estimated that in following the recommendations of the national office of Civilian Defense it would require at least 100 men to properly cover the county, at a cost of not less than \$100 per man for special equipment.

Mr. Kea emphasized the importance of demolition and clearance work and reported progress in organizing the crews. However, he emphasized that such crews may be needed in every community, and urged any section wishing to organize to call Warfield 1700 for instructions.

Why Reporters Get Grey Hair -- Or Blackout Blues

By SHIRLEY LEVINE

Came Tuesday, the Editor of this paper (my boss to you) suddenly was struck with the idea that, next to licking the Japs and Hitler, it was imperative to make known to all readers that pottery making, a fine and noble art of clay and mud, is being taught in our town. Your reporter was supposed to report on the progress of this class. All I can say is that there wasn't much progress this week. In fact, it was a complete "blackout."

I groped my way out of the apartment and succeeded in getting out without my wrecking the furniture, because my husband, who preceded me, crashed into it before I could get the chance. When we stepped into the street, I had to wait for him until he could out-race the wind to retrieve his hat. Then, we made a bee-line on the crooked pathway toward 21 Parkway (potters' haven).

Just A Warden

Nary a lonesome dog nor even a dog's flea did we pass on the way, except for a solitary air-raid warden who said "Hello." Finally, as we neared the classroom, my hopes for a front-page scoop turned into blackout disappointment. The blackout had postponed the pottery class and also my story. As though that wasn't enough, I stepped into a puddle of mud on our return to the office.

Ho hum, I guess my story is just another grey hair!

Greenbelt To Have Eleven New First Aid Instructors

Eleven new instructors in first-aid have been obtained for Greenbelt classes with the passing last week of the entire class of local students of the instructor's course at Hyattsville, under instructor L. Allison. According to Mrs. Allen Arness, one of those completing the course, an agreement was made by all of the eligible instructors to teach first-aid when called.

Two new classes are started every two or three weeks, staggering them so that space can be provided for the classes. Both standard and advanced courses are now in progress, and since instructors may teach the instructors' courses by two weeks' further study after teaching one week each of the standard and advanced courses, it is presumed that Greenbelt might have its own instructor's course in the near future.

What, No Door Prize? No, No Door Prize

Maybe it was the weather or perhaps local residents stayed home to prepare blackout curtains—anyway only five Greenbelters showed for Monday night's meeting of the Citizens Association.

Monday night, April 6, another attempt will be made.

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"Dear F. S. A."

Dear F. S. A.:

Don't mind us—we just live here.

From time to time, we have raised a lot of hell, and we know that occasionally we have caused you embarrassment by some of our actions.

Tenants are always critical of their landlords, and we have done our share of griping. That's what happens to landlords, you know, so we hope you don't mind too much. All in all, you have been pretty decent to us, providing us with these houses in the first place, and then building the swimming pool, the ball fields, the picnic grounds, helping us plant gardens, and everything. We have kicked about some of the regulations, and we do not have much sympathy with the rental policy, and we are kind of sore about the way the new housing is being handled, but we are backing you up just the same—especially when southern "democats" in Congress begin taking pot-shots at you.

When Senator Byrd starts protesting that poll taxes were paid with F. S. A. funds, and Representative Tarver labels Greenbelt a "fantastic idea" we know what they are aiming at and we don't agree with them.

We regret that you did not follow our suggestion that rents here be adjusted to incomes of the tenants on a sliding scale. This would have placed you in a stronger position to meet Congressional criticism. However, you set your policy, and that is that. Any possible increase in receipts from Greenbelt is out; a lot of our neighbors are out too. But on the whole we think you are pretty good. We just live here, and don't count much, perhaps, but we thought maybe you would like to know how we feel about this.

Sincerely yours.

Don't Write, Don't Telegraph--Just Don't

One of our citizens handed us a letter just five minutes before we drew a similar one from our own P. O. box. But for the fact that it was headed "Luck of London" it was identical with dozens of others that we have received in the past headed "Luck of Flanders", "Luck of this and that". In fact we have filed so many of them that we have had to empty our waste baskets too often.

Returning to the serious side of chain letters—we have found little sympathy for the writers of these absurdities in the past and find even less now in this time of paper shortages and congested mail service. To believe that the continuation of such a chain could bring good fortune or luck is a betrayal of a mental level comparable to that of darkest Europe. To continue such a chain letter today would only help to bog down the mails, waste paper and add to the general confusion. In fact, enemy agents wishing to sabotage and delay could find very few better means than to start a large number of these chain letters. Therefore it is up to us to ignore completely the receipt of the same, and if possible, report the writer, to the Post Office Department for prosecution under existing postal laws.

Satisfied

We are all thoroughly satisfied with Greenbelt's Tuesday night blackout. Only two residents had to be reminded that there was a war going on and that Tuesday was blackout night. That, in a population of 4000, is the kind of a record we expect from a democratic community where each individual assumes his share of group responsibility.

To our wardens who stood patrol duty during the night we owe a special measure of gratitude, as they join the plane spotters, first aid instructors, and other groups who are stepping closer to active duty.

The 10-hour demonstration gives us a certain measure of assurance that we shall meet with calmness and efficiency the air-raids which may come in the months ahead.

For every ten men employed in making steel, about five are kept at work supplying the raw materials.

Calendar of Events

Friday, March 6		
Band Practice	6:30 P. M.	Auditorium
Feeder Band Practice	6:30	Hobby Room
Stringed Orchestra	7:00	Room 123
Fire Auxiliary	7:30	Fire House
Spanish Class	7:30	Room 222
Community Church Choir	8:00	1-C Southway
Hebrew Congregation	9:00	Music Room
Saturday, March 7		
Fire Auxiliary	2:00 P. M.	Fire House
Confessions	7:30	27-A Ridge
Sunday, March 8		
Catholic Sunday School	8:30 P. M.	Theater
Catholic Mass	9:00	Theater
Community Church Sunday School	9:30	Elementary School
Community Church Service	11:00	Auditorium
L. D. S. Sunday School	11:00	Home Ec. Room
Police Auxiliary	2:00 P. M.	Pistol Range
L. D. S. Priesthood	6:30	Home Ec. Room
L. D. S. Service	7:00	Home Ec. Room
Community Church Young Peoples Group	7:00	Elementary School
Community Church High School Group	8:00	18-C Parkway
Monday, March 9		
Girl Scout Troop 26	7:00 P. M.	Room 223
Sewing Class	7:30	Home Ec. Room
Typing and Shorthand	7:30	High School
Home Mechanics	7:30	High School
Police Auxiliary	7:45	Fire House
Fire Auxiliary	7:45	Fire House
Motor Corps	7:45	Fire House
Catholic Choir	8:00	Music Room
Council	8:00	Council Room
Tuesday, March 10		
Pottery Class	7:30 P. M.	21 Parkway basement
First Aid Class (new)	8:00	Room 225
*Nursery School Board	8:15	Home Ec. Room
L. D. S. Ladies Relief Society	8:30	18-U Ridge
Hebrew Ladies Auxiliary	8:00	14 Parkway basement
Wednesday, March 11		
First Aid	2:00 P. M.	Music Room
Brownies	3:30	Music Room
Pottery Class	7:30	21 Parkway basement
Police Auxiliary	7:30	Fire House
Girl Scout Troop 15	7:30	2-G Eastway
Girl Scout Troop 18	7:30	Room 223
First Aid	7:45	Room 225
Midweek Meeting	8:00	Music Room
Thursday, March 12		
L. D. S. Primary Group	4:00	Music Room
Boy Scout Troop 202	7:00	Hobby Room
Girl Scout Troop 17	7:30	Room 123
Pottery Class	7:30	21 Parkway basement
First Aid	7:45	Music Room

*Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School.

The Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School, housed in the basement of 14 Parkway, was organized and opened in April, 1941. Their first teacher was Mrs. Charlotte Wagner, who is being replaced by Mrs. Ruth Lebergott when school reopens on March 11. Nursery School opened originally with two daily classes, but due to a recent re-organization will carry one morning class only. Hours are from 9 to 11:30 A. M. and the classes limited to fifteen children; monthly tuition is five dollars and ages from three to five.

The school is governed by a Parents Board composed of the parents of all children attending. Mrs. John Vachon is president and Mrs. C. M. Howell, secretary; offices of vice-president and treasurer to be filled at the next regular monthly meeting which occurs on the second Tuesday of each month in the school room at the 8 p. m. Cordial invitations to attend are extended to interested parents.

The aims and purposes of the Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School are summed up in these words from their by-laws: "The purpose of the Nursery School shall be to provide, under skilled guidance, opportunities to the pre-school child for co-operative play, creative activity, and social adjustment; to promote parent education and co-operation between home and school."

Lo! The Lowly Employee

Last week saw the shouting down in Congress of a proposal to suspend the 40-hour working week in private industry for the duration. At this writing, this blessing of the working man has still been untampered with—in private industry. However, this week did see the near certainty of an eight-hour day, six-day week being placed on Government employees; not by Congress, but through the arbitrary decisions of bureau and department heads, while Congress turned a polite head.

There is not one Government employee would not work his heart out in the war effort or lay down his life in defense of his country. Why should these public servants, the backbone of the war effort, be treated as a working outcast, without a voice to protect their rights? The morale of government workers is not aided by continual protection of the men in the mills, without like protection for themselves.

Throughout government history the public employee has been a football, the meat of many a political campaign, held up for unjust criticism. He is the first to be cut in salary in bad times, the last to receive a raise. He is never considered a human being, as is the man who pays his salary.

If we may borrow a few lines from some famous scribes of the past and change them around, "Do we not suffer the same ills as the rest of the human race? Do we not bleed when we are cut? Do we not have our prides and shames? Do we not have our joys and sorrows? Do we not have our loves and hates? Do we not, in a small measure, resemble a human being?" Then why must we always be "First in war (to have our hours of labor increased without compensation), first in peace (to have our salaries cut), and last in the hearts of our countrymen at all times?"

Community Church

"I'm Not Going to Church Today" will be the subject upon which Reverend Wilmer P. Johnston will preach next Sunday morning at 11 a. m. at the Community Church.

The Church School will meet at 9:30 a. m. with classes for all. The school is equipped with a corps of teachers but due to the ever changing conditions of Greenbelt and the increasing number of those who have to work on Sunday the Sunday School is in need of teachers. Anyone willing to teach in the Sunday School should notify Elmo Reno.

The Young Peoples Societies will meet at the usual time, 7 p. m., in their respective rooms in the Community Building.

The religious and social welfare Committee will meet Sunday at 8 p. m. with Reverend and Mrs. Wilmer P. Johnston at their residence at 8814 Edmonston Road. A full attendance is requested as plans for Easter must be made at this time.

At 8 p. m. Wednesday the regular Mid-Week meeting will be held for all those who wish to become better acquainted with the members and friends of the Community Church. After a short religious service there will be a social hour. This Wednesday all those living on Southway are invited as special guest of the Church.

The members of the Guild and their husbands are to be the special representatives for the church on this occasion.

The Choir will meet tonight with Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Neblett, 1-C Southway.

Civil Service News

Motor transport has assumed such vital role in defense activity that the United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination for instructors in over ten branches of the automotive industry. The instructors are needed by the Quartermaster Corps of the War Department. Salaries range from \$2,600 to \$4,600 a year. There is excellent opportunity for advancement, since the policy of the Quartermaster Corps will be to fill higher positions by promotion from lower grades whenever possible.

Instructors will conduct classes in the following branches: automotive parts; automotive electrical and carburation; body finishing and upholstery; automotive machinist; tire recapping and sectional repair; fender, body, and radiator; Diesel engines; internal-combustion engines; motorcycles; blacksmith and welding; and general. They will plan the courses in these subjects, and prepare and revise text and related instructional material.

Certain background education or experience is required, such as study in a college or Diesel engine school or experience as a journeyman mechanic. Experience as instructor of organized classes in one of the optional branches is also prescribed. Certain experience of a supervisory nature acquired in the automotive industry may be substituted for part, and in some cases all, of the instructional experience. For the higher positions (\$3,800 and \$4,600) the supervisory experience need not have been directly connected with the automotive industry. No written test will be given. The age limit is 60 years. Applications will be accepted until further notice.

One Year Ago

(From the Cooperator of March 7, 1941)

The Co-op Board asks increase in maximum dividends—Citizens discuss income limits for residents—Open forum meets in spring—Airport shifts forestry service—Maryland students invade Greenbelt in quiz blitz—Co-op pays \$985 cash dividend, guesser wins by nose—Home Owners Co-op makes national news—Co-op discrimination—Braden makes surveys of housing problems for U. S. Defense Commission—Co-op trains for national defense—Nearby riding academy opens—Hospital Auxiliary holds St. Patrick Day supper—Nazi aggression affects co-op movement.

Customer: "Remember that cheese you sold me yesterday?"

Grocer: "Yes, madame."

Customer: "Did you say it was imported or deported from Switzerland?"

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OUR NEIGHBORS

By SALLY MEREDITH

Hello, Greenbelt:

Aren't you proud of our town? I am. The complete cooperation of patriotic Greenbelt Americans in the blackout Tuesday, on top of the phenomenal success of the Defense Rally a couple of weeks ago, convinces me all over again that we aren't all a bunch of softies, waiting for the raining of bombs before we awaken to the dangers we may have to face. In spite of the enemy's propaganda to the contrary, voluntary co-operation seems to beat that obtained under pressure!

Miss Lu Lu George, secretary to Mrs. Mary Jane Kinzer, has been sick this week with flu. Hope she's much better by now.—Proctor Twitchell, Greenbelt Consumer Service employee, had a spinal tumor removed at Johns Hopkins Hospital, in Baltimore. Now in a complete body cast, Proctor will be moved to his home in New York by ambulance and train, as soon as his recovery has reached the necessary stage. We hope his recovery will break all records for swiftness.

Greenbelt is well represented ever month with birthdays. The last days of February saw the birthdays of Dorothy Custer, February 27, (whose little boy has the measles); Priscilla Richie, daughter of Comly Richie, who was three years old the same day; and Patsy Dunbar, 13-D Ridge Road, who entertained 11 of her playmates on her sixth birthday, February 23.

We're losing another standby in Greenbelt community life this week. Sol Shub, the hard worker of the Transportation Committee, is leaving National Airport Sunday at 8:40 on the "Sun Pacer" for Chicago. He's been transferred to that city's field office of the Federal Public Housing Authority. Speaking of Sol and airplanes reminds me that he said a Navy pursuit plane landed at Schrom's airport a couple of weeks ago, the largest plane to land there. I wish I'd seen it. I'd like to get a close look at one of those babies.

Thirteen members of the Community Church visited Bob Kinch-elo at his home near Baltimore last week. I hear Bob has a lovely log cabin with a private lake in his back yard, so to speak. The lake, however, was not the only object on display. The baby, weighing about 26 pounds, made an appearance, to the delight of the guests.

We've about given up, as far as the editor and his p-a-r-t-y are concerned.

The Drug Store has installed a new 29 cent photo finishing service. Same quality but a real low price, any 6 or 8 exposure roll for 29 cents, leave at cigar counter.

Hi, Neighbor!

Again we welcome new neighbors to our town. They are: Rex H. Jule, 18-Z3 Ridge Road; Milton R. Evans, 16-P Ridge Road; Ben G. Jones, Jr., 18-Z1 Ridge Rd.; Clarence J. Taylor, 25-A Ridge Rd.; Raymond L. Bachelder, 11-D Southway.

Ervin C. Staples, 11-B Southway; Irvin Henry Knigge, 7-B Southway; Eugene W. Swank, 3-E Crescent Road.

Hi, Neighbors!

Good-Bye, Good Luck

We are sorry to say Good-bye to old friends who will no longer be with us. They are: Philip Strell, 11-E Parkway; Frank J. Eisenhut, 1-E Parkway; Frances Yoke, 5-L Eastway; John G. Messner, 33-K Ridge Rd.; D. Hook Barrington, 4-C Ridge Rd.; Edward L. Eisenbaugh, 39-G Ridge Road.

Good Luck!

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HighSchoolChatter

By JOAN McNAMARA

Ah! What is more thrilling than sitting in a dentist's chair, gazing into a beautiful pair of pincers and digging fingernails into the dentist's arms? If you want the answer, I'll tell you. . . Math class on a Monday morning . . . even with the forgetting of the previous assignment!

Well, let's get down to facts: more pleasing to the ear . . . about school. Gee, we almost won the Gold Cup Tournament for the basketball season. You've probably heard the results of the games, which were played nearly to perfection by both our teams. The tournament was held at the gym of the Hyattsville High School on last Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.

On Thursday, the local males played Surratsville, and the local females played Maryland Park. When Saturday rolled around, the other teams began to get sort of jealous and the fatal blow came as our boys were defeated by Hyattsville, whose team is still in the possession of the gold cup for the third time in succession. (Incidentally, this game was lost by a mere five points, so, we'll get 'em next year.)

The student body of the school selected the attendants for the "High School Queen," last week, and in doing so, they automatically selected the queen. It's a deep dark secret who the queen is to be and will remain a secret until she marches up to be received by her court next Friday night at the "All Greenbelt Night." The attendants chosen were as follows: freshman, Carolyn Tompkins; sophomore, Peggy Roby; junior, Patty Day. The seniors, one of which is to be queen and another the maid of honor, are as follows: Louise Burke, Helen Black, Mary Lowe, Helen Zoellner and Mary Jean McCarl. Let's hope the best one wins! Anyway, we all think they're tops, and that's why it's so hard to choose.

How 'bout you coming over to see the "All Greenbelt Night" next Friday, 8 p. m. at the Elementary School? The evening will feature two basketball games between Greenbelt and Hyattsville and the crowning of our queen. A well-spent evening is assured. Admission is 25 cents plus 3 cents tax.

Darn it—my tooth hurts!—See you next week—bye. Good-bye!!

The charm club held a meeting on Wednesday. Frances Marcus, June Hammersla, and Theresa Clark talked to the members on the various ways to improve the skin. Miss Ellen Smith, advisor, spoke about the using of different face creams. At next week's meeting, the usage of rouge, lipstick, face powder, mascara, and make-up foundation cream, will be discussed.

At the close of the meeting, a collection was taken up as the dues for the semester.

Don't say I told you, but—

Ah, Spring! (So we smell)—I hear that Mr. Daniel Cupid has taken up residence in Greenbelt, (just like all other defense workers), temporarily, anyhow. For instance—he was at the local movie house Tuesday night and shot one of his arrows straight in the heart of Anne Childress and the tall, dark, handsome stranger sitting beside her. (So I'm told). —Poor Mary Lou! Her own flesh and blood cousin has been beating her time with one of her beaux. Oh, well, we can't have everything, not even Don.—Hey, Cakes, don't forget to bring your money for your identification tags next week—It would be just too bad if someone found a stray arm or leg without knowing it was yours, wouldn't it, now? (Gruesome me).

Wanted: A Feeder Beater

The Feeder Band has announced that it is in need of a bass drummer. Any strong armed local youth desiring to learn to play a drum is asked to get in touch with Mr. S. H. Downs at the Elementary School this evening.

Balancing the Budget

By BERTHA MARYN

Buying Canned Foods

"When I use a word," Humpty Dumpty said, in a rather scornful tone, "it means just what I choose it to mean—neither more nor less."

"The question is," said Alice, "whether you can make words mean so many different things."

"Ah," smiled Humpty Dumpty, "you should buy a can of lima beans."

"Lima beans? My goodness, I was supposed to buy a can of lima beans. But where can I buy lima beans on this side of the Looking Glass?"

"Over there," Humpty Dumpty pointed, indicating a great blaze of neon lights.

"Thank you," Alice said, and she walked over to the store, nodding to the White Queen who was emerging with a market basket.

The store was as dazzling inside as it was out. There were black and white enameled panels everywhere, and not a speck of dust. Foods glowed under colored lights that brought out their most appetizing tints. Just waiting for a clerk, Alice became ravenously hungry.

Finally the clerk appeared.

"I want a can of lima beans," Alice said to the clerk.

"Yes, Madam," the clerk responded. "A can of select lima beans?"

"Select lima beans sounds fine," Alice nodded. "There are no lima beans choicer than select, are there?"

"Well," said the clerk, "we have superb lima beans."

"Pardon me," Alice stammered apologetically. "Superb lima beans would naturally be better than select lima beans. If I weren't so serious-minded I would say superb will suit me superbly. Since they are your best lima beans, give me some of them."

The clerk cut her off as if her were short of temper. Alice, his manner indicated, was acting stupidly. "Superb aren't necessarily our best lima beans at all. Of course we have select and superb lima beans, but then we have superior lima beans, and supreme lima beans, too."

"Oh, dear me," Alice cried, "I just can't get this straight. Superb, select, supreme, superior. They all seem to me like they must be the very best."

"Very best," the clerk interrupted. "We have them, too."

Alice suddenly reached into her purse for the piece of cake she always carried with her. Nibbling on it, she immediately became very small, small enough to disappear through a crack in the floor. And without any delay, that was what she did. It was all too confusing.

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"Humph," said Mrs. Noall after reading the above, "I don't get confused. I buy by brand name and then I know I get superior quality."

"And I buy the most expensive and so of course I'm sure I get the best," put in Mrs. Nomore.

Sorry to disillusion you, ladies, that may or may not be true. Most packers or canners put out different grades of the same product under the same label. That is a well known practice in the trade; and very often we may find two stores side by side selling the under the same brand name two different grades of the same product. If the merchandise you buy is not graded how do you know whether you are getting your money's worth?

Perhaps you have been buying grade C products and paying Grade A prices. If you've been buying Grade A vegetables to use in soup or stew or if you've always bought Grade A fruit for every occasion because you thought that nothing short of Grade A was good enough for your family perhaps you haven't been buying as wisely as your budget permits. Perhaps like Alice you now find all this "too confusing."

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Timely Facts for Consumers

Intelligent Consumption Makes for Better, Happier Living.

Vacuum Cleaner Care

Vacuum cleaners are one of the many things you may not be able to buy a year from now. Here are some suggestions on how to take care of yours:

1. Pick up sharp bits of glass, pins, or tacks which may damage your cleaner before you run it over the rug.

2. Empty the dirt bag at least once a week. Keep brush free of thread and hairs.

3. Keep the cord out of the path of the cleaner. Running the cleaner over the cord will injure the insulation.

4. Follow the manufacturer's instructions about oiling your cleaner. Some have hermetically sealed motors you never oil; others need regular oiling.

5. For effective cleaning, be sure the nozzle is adjusted at the proper height above the rug. Manufacturer's directions will tell you how. If you have a rotary-brush type cleaner, adjust it so that the bristle tips touch the rug, for maximum cleaning efficiency.

6. Look into the possibilities of sharing your vacuum with your neighbors to get the widest possible service from the cleaners we now have.

No Reason for Canned Goods to Rise in Price

There is no excuse for prices on canned foods to rise, said Price Administrator Leon Henderson February 13. There are plentiful supplies of canned fruits, vegetables, fish, milk, and other necessities, he said. "Normal supplies are available, and they should be bought normally by consumers for current needs only."

True, the War Production Board has ordered a 40 per cent cut in the use of tin by canning industry. But this will have no effect until the 1942 canning season begins. And the cut will be made in things that do not need to be put up in tin, such as beer, dogfood, oil, etc.; Henderson stated that the canning of peas, tomatoes, beans, corn, fish, evaporated milk, baby foods, and other essentials will be unrestricted.

Pork High

Don't buy pork; buy chickens and eggs instead, is the advice of Agriculture Secretary Claude Wickard. Hog prices are practically double what they were a year ago. The government itself has stopped buying pork for lend-lease, in an effort to hold the price in check.

Poultry production is increasing faster than anything else in the food line at present, says Mary Hornaday of Christian Science Monitor.

Make Shoes Last Longer

First rule for making shoes last longer is: Polish them regularly. Polish feeds the leather, makes it pliable and protects it.

Winter snow, slush and mud shorten the life of many a shoe, particularly the children's. Rubber overshoes or boots that keep the leather dry are the best protection. But when shoes do get wet, it's important to dry them properly if you want to preserve them. The right way to do it is: Wash off all the mud with a damp cloth and wipe the shoes as dry as possible. Oil them lightly with castor oil, rubbing it in well all over. Straighten counter, heels, toes and vamps.

Save Those Tires! They're Your Last

The need to conserve tires is so great that we publish again a check-list of ways to make your tires last longer:

1. Drive at moderate speed. Your tires wear out twice as fast at 60 as they do at 35.

2. Use your brakes with care. Jamming brakes and fast starts are sure to scuff the tire, leave precious rubber on the road.

3. Take curves slowly. Your tires and you will both live longer.

4. Look out for bumps. Stones, ruts, and rough roads are tough on tires. Bruising and scraping against the curb are bad medicine.

5. Keep your tires properly inflated. See that the air-pressure recommended for your tires is always there. Check the pressure at least once a week. A pound or too much air is better than not enough. Check valves to prevent leakage.

6. Keep your brakes equalized. Unequal braking shortens tire life by causing unequal wear.

7. Keep your wheels aligned. Unequal alignment should be checked every six months.

8. Cross-switch your tires. Wheel-to-wheel changes help tires wear longer. Shift them every 5,000 miles, keeping the spare in use.

9. Repair promptly. Cuts, leaks, breaks and bruises need quick first aid to prevent permanent damage.

10. Keep your car and tires under cover as much as possible. Sun and air ruin rubber.

LOW COST MENUS

Here are some dinners, suggested by Consumers' Guide, that can be made from the low-cost marketing list prepared by the Bureau of Home Economics to help people get more wholesome meals for the money they have to spend.

Dinner No. 1 Beef and vegetable stew, dumplings, potatoes in jackets, whole-wheat or enriched bread, stewed dried fruit, cookies, milk for children.

Dinner No. 2 Fried salt pork, milk gravy, mashed potatoes, pan-fried kale, cornbread with syrup, milk for children.

Dinner No. 3 Bean stew with frankfurters, shredded cabbage salad, whole-wheat or enriched bread, creamy rice pudding with raisins, milk for children.

Gov. O'Connor Says

Stop playing possum. Let's face reality. The time for delay and indecision has passed. Maryland is in the target area and is as vulnerable to air attack as Pearl Harbor.

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Senator Norris Advocates Co-op Power Alcohol

By JOHN CARSON

Senator George W. Norris, of Nebraska, has grabbed the banners of cooperative enterprise and pitched into a war on any forces which are stopping the production of power alcohol from farm products. Norris, in joining with Senator Guy Gillette of Iowa, long an advocate of "power alcohol", has made clear that he expects a fight with the tremendously powerful Ethyl Corporation. But as he talks of this fight, his paw sets and the old fire of battle lights in his eyes.

"We are going to get the facts about the production of power alcohol," Norris said. "Very able men have told me that the plan to produce alcohol for motor fuels is entirely feasible and I believe in what they tell me. And we are going to insist that the distilleries which it is proposed to construct under this plan shall be operated cooperatively so that the profit motive will be taken out."

The Senate Committee on Agriculture has voted to make an investigation into the feasibility of distilling alcohol from farm products. The investigation is now assured and undoubtedly both Gillette and Norris will be members of the investigating committee. Many years ago, chemists urged the government to build some experimental distilleries to convert corn into alcohol which would be mixed with gasoline to make a blended motor fuel. They insisted that alcohol could be substituted for the lead compounds which are used to make "ethyl" gas. But their projects were halted always by the declaration that "power alcohol" would be so costly it would not compete with gasoline. Gillette and Norris and their advisors say it now has been proved that power alcohol can be produced to compete successfully with gasoline.

Norris and Gillette now charge that Standard Oil of New Jersey, one of the owners of "ethyl gas", has prevented the development of synthetic rubber manufactures and Norris has added that he anticipates a fight with General Motors and Standard Oil over the power alcohol project. He says he is anxious to have the fight "out in the open", if it is necessary to fight. Some weeks ago, George E. Johnson, chief engineer of the Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District and Dr. Leo M. Christensen, research expert attached to Nebraska University, returned to Washington to tell Norris of their troubles. Norris looked over their evidence and their plans to construct five distilleries with 10,000 gallons daily capacity. Immediately he wrote to Donald Nelson, administrator of War Production Board, and urged Nelson to give them a hearing on the projects.

Johnson and Christensen did not get very far in talking to Nelson's subordinates, to whom Nelson referred them. One of the subordinates, F. M. Moffat, Jr. is a director of chemical division of Nelson's organization. He is the key man in passing on this project. Moffat's industrial experience has been associated with the friends of Ethyl Corporation and Norris has not hesitated to suggest to Nelson that one with Moffat's training should not be a judge in the present controversy. When Johnson and Christensen reported their failure at WPB, Norris remanded a hearing for Johnson and Christensen. "We appreciated that when we undertook anything of this kind, we would be in direct opposition to some of the most powerful financial influences in the United States," Norris told Nelson. He then added that by adding 10 per cent of alcohol to gasoline, they would "make tetra ethyl lead unnecessary." "I understand that chemical is controlled by General Motors and the Standard Oil Company," Norris added. "I understand the corporation controlling this has made \$14,000,000 profit during the last year with but very little investment." He added that corporations which wanted to use "ethyl gas" were compelled to submit to "unreasonable and I think, unlawful conditions." Norris asserted that Nelson and his subordinates had not heard the last of this controversy and that he would not be satisfied at all with Moffat's decision.

Norris was just as enthusiastic about having the plants owned and operated by cooperatives as

he was about getting power alcohol into production. He wants the experiment given a fair trial and he says cooperative management and the elimination of the profit motive are the best safeguards to insure a fair trial.

HCL Continues Upward Trend

The cost of living increased by 1.3 per cent from mid-December to mid-January, according to the U. S. Department of Labor. The cost of food alone increased by 2.7 per cent.

On January 15, 1942, living costs were 13.5 per cent higher than in August 1939, the month before the war began. Prices of fresh vegetables were 3.9 per cent higher in January 1942 than last year. Reason: Cold weather in South and Southwest.

Spot market prices of basic commodities changed very little during the week ending February 20. Prices of 20 out of the 28 basic commodities in the Bureau's index are now government-regulated.

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To The First-Aider

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—Dorothy Jordan

The New Yorker

Made Ten-Strike Hit

A deformed little woman of Yorkshire, Mother Shipton, convinced all England of her gift of prophecy. When the Great Fire spread over London, thousands stood idly by, believing the city's destruction certain for Mother Shipton had foretold it.

In rhyme, she prophesied under-river tunnels, tobacco smoking, and horseless carriages, before America was colonized.

"Sterling" Is Not Solid

If sterling silver were actually pure silver metal, it would be too soft for ordinary use, particularly as tableware or as coins. The United States official specifications for sterling silver are 92½ per cent silver and 7½ per cent alloy. For hardening purposes, the alloy is chiefly copper. So it is not correct to speak of sterling silverware as "solid silver" or pure silver.

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