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#### **Five Cents**

## **FPHA Head Outlines Plan For Disposal Of Housing Projects at Conference**

#### By Carolyn Miller

A program of disposal of temporary and permanent war housing was announced by Philip M. Klutznick, commis-sioner of the Federal Public Housing Authority, at a press conference last Monday. While Mr. Klutznick''s statements did not directly apply

to the disposition of Greenbelt, as the whole problem of this community will be the subject of a separate study, FPHA's' plans are of interest to residents here for two reasons: first, that temporary buildings broken down into sections and readily convertible to recreation buildings, hospitals, churches, etc., will be offered for sale; and second, that the pattern followed in the sale of permanent war housing may be indicative of the way the sale of Greenbelt will be approached.

By sawing the temporary build-ings into panels, Mr. Klutznick said, it was found that they could be moved and converted for re-use. demonstration near Silver Spring, Maryland, has been scheduled for the first week in December to acquaint the public and potential buyers with possibilities for the re-use of war housing units. A replica of a typical temporary community will be on display, but the larger part of the area will be covered by "dozens of different types of structures" constructed

from panels of temporary units. Of a number of possible outlets for the purchase of the buildings for re-use, Mr. Klutznick included Federal and local agencies, institutions and organizations.

Concerning the sale of perman-ent war housing, Mr. Klutznick stated that the FPHA will consult local communities and "provided it is compatible with Federal law and responsibility, the community's judgment will govern."

Preference-holders for the pur-chase of permanent war housing were listed by the Commissioner in this order: 1. Federal agencies; 2. local housing authorities; 3. state or local governments. In the event that public bodies fail to exercise their preference, the priority sequence favors consumers rather than investors, giving present occupants first choice, and prospective occupants second choice. Veterans have preference over other prospective occupants.

Multi-family structures may be purchased by consumers, if they can form a mutual ownership corporation meeting basic require-ments of FPHA. Consumer-purchasers will be required to make a cash payment of 20% of the purchase price; mutual ownership corporations a 10% down payment. As stated above, the plans announced for the disposal of permanent war housing do not apply to Greenbelt, and may or may not

## **GCS** Directors **Elect Officers**

Election of officers and committee chairmen will furnish the main business for tonight's regular meeting of the board of directors of Greenbelt Consumer Services. George Eshbaugh, Walter Volckhausen and Mrs. Carnie Harper will resume their seats on the board with newcomer Fordyce Meriam, elected with them at the membership meeting September 26, and will serve with Lt. Dayton Hull, Edward Kaighn, Herman Ramras, Bertha Maryn, and Sgt. William Nicholas, whose terms expire in February. Replacing Mrs. Carolyn Miller as secretary to the board will be Mrs. Ruth Taylor, chosen at the board's last meeting.

General Manager Sam Ashelman, recently returned from a brief visit to the Eastern Cooperative Wholesale in New York, will discuss the forthcoming expansion program of GCS and the planned inclusion of home appliances in postwar sales plans.

Merton Trast, public relations director, was guest speaker at the weekly luncheon meeting of the Potomac Cooperative Federation held at Brookings Institution on Monday. The GCS expansion program was the subject of the discussion, which was attended by a group including Greenbelters Lt. Hull, Mr. Volckhausen, Thomas Ritchie and Delbert Mesner.

## **Mayor Suggests New Town Paper**

Charging that the Cooperator does not bring information of town-sponsored activities to the residents "in the proper manner," Mayor George F. Bauer suggested at Monday's meeting that the Council give consideration to ways of correcting this alleged situation, and that the best method might be to start another paper.

Mr. Bauer's remarks about the Cooperator came at the end of the first meeting of the new Council and followed discussion of a var-iety of subjects. Official approval of Drop Inn's Tag Day and a dance was given by the Council, and Mrs. Joe Long was appointed by the Mayor to fill a vacancy on the Drop Inn Parents Advisory Committee.

In answer to Frank Desmond's inquiry, Mr. Gobbel reported that all the street lights in town would be turned on in the next ten days. The use of duplicate key service for locked-out residents was discussed, as was the educational system of the Elementary School.

Mayor Bauer recommended new ordinances or revamping of old ordinances to permit police officers the authority to act in case of fire or other emergency in the stores, to permit the public health officer to inspect the stores and rest rooms, and a zoning ordinance giving the town "protection against post-war building."

## **Child Care Center May Remain Open**

President Truman, in a letter dated October 4, has asked Congress to return \$7,000,000 to the Federal Works Agency for the operation of child care centers until March 1, 1946. The President's letter read in part: "The recon-version of the wartime child-care program to peacetime operations under which the local communities would assume the financial responsibility requires Federal assistance for a few more months. This extension of time would give working mothers more time to make other arrangements for the care of their children and would give local communities additional time to provide the necessary State or local funds."

The centers which have been operating for the past two years under Lanham Act funds were scheduled to close October 31, but the Child Care Committee of the Greenbelt center is now encouraged to think the center will be continued for a few months. During these months the committee hopes to devise some means of putting the center upon a permanent peacetime basis, according to Mrs. Fred McCarthy, chairman. Until Congress gives definite as-sent to the President's request, the mothers of children enrolled in the project will continue to enlist the support of congressmen by letter, telegram, telephone and personal interview.

## **Citizens Meeting Hears Highway Plans, Chance To Get Hospital**

By DON COOPER

The question of Greenbelt's access to the new Baltimore-Washington super-highway must be settled quickly, Henry Walter warned residents at Monday night's meeting of the Citizens Association in the auditorium of the Elementary School.

"The right of way has been cleared right up to Greenbelt property on the south," he reported, and excavating and construction equipment is now being brought in for grading this stretch of the long-pending parkway route which will replace the present Baltimore Pike as a principal thoroughfare. Greenbelters may watch progress of the construction work by turning east from Edmonston Road at East Riverdale and on Good Luck Road."

In his report Mr. Walter stressed the need for speed if the local community is to carry any weight in the location of the highway through the Greenbelt area. Fred W. Tuemmler, director of public roads planning for the Maryland Park and Planning Commission, is

### **War Fund Drive Organized Here**

Mrs. D. J. Neff, chairman of the Community War Fund Drive in Greenbelt, gave campaign material to the volunteer workers who attended the meeting Monday night at the Elementary School, and announced block captains as follows: Parkway, Mrs. George E. Clark; Parkbelt, Mrs. Carl W. Hintz; "A" Block, Mrs. Lawrence Fern; "B" Block, Mrs. Louis Gerstel; "C" Block, Mrs. Louis Gerstel; Block, Mrs. Louis Gerstel; "C Block, Mrs. Walter B. Cutsail and Mrs. Joseph R. Trinko; "D" Block, Mrs. Charles East; "E" Block, Mrs. Mary Heeter Rupert; "F" Block, Mrs. Mrs. Harry F. Stage; Upper Ridge Road, Mrs. Reuben Cohen; Upper Hillside Road, Mrs. Wayne Dennis; Consumer Services Merton Trast: Consumer Services, Merton Trast; Town Office, Mrs. Bessie Dickson. The High School and Elementary Schools are conducting campaigns under the direction of the teaching staffs.

Miss Mildred Alexander, secretary of the Social Service League for Prince Georges County, spoke at the meeting.

said to have indicated that the route of the new road has been determined for its entire length with the exception of the Greenbelt stretch. The right of way will parallel a portion of Ridge Road near the new maintenance building. Mr. Walter held out some hope that community opinion here might be instrumental in determining whether the road is a few hundred feet or several thousand feet from existing Greenbelt homes.

Another factor yet to be determined, citizens at the meeting were told, is whether this town will be connected directoly to the highway by a cloverleaf access road, or whether the Glendale Road will serve as Greenbelt's connection.

No test of opinion on these pos-sibilities was made at Monday's meeting, but the problem of arousing community interest and securing additional information which would make a decision possible is now in the hands of the Citizens Association executive committee. It is expected that the Town Council will be asked to study the entire matter and to take steps to safeguard community interest in construction plans. Final decisions on the route and approach roads will be made by H. J. Spelman, district engineer of Public Roads Administration.

Mr. Tuemmler of the Park and Planning Commission is scheduled to speak at a future meeting of the Citizens Association.

A preliminary report on the fu-ture of Greenbelt housing was given to the Association at Mon-day's meeting by W. R. Volck-hausen. A full story covering the information in his report is print-ed separately, in tonight's Coopera-tor tor.

tor. The possibility of a clinic or small hospital for Greenbelt was also pictured by Mr. Volckhausen as he reviewed information sup-plied by Ludwig Anderson, Wash-ington representative of National Cooperatives Inc., who is specializ-ing in surplus properties, and Dr. Clarence Josephson, of the Surplus Property Board in the Department of Commerce. of Commerce

A supply of building materials and equipment sufficient for a thousand medical centers, clinics, or hospitals is to be released to communities now lacking such facilities, according to the report. No charge is being made for these supplies other than packing and shipping costs. The U. S. Public Health Service has been allocated funds to help organize a program for distributing these surpluses on a basis of proven needs. Those present at the Citizens Association meeting voted unani-mously to ask the Town Council and the town manager to investigate the chances of this community in obtaining a medical care unit.

be adopted as a result of the proposed study.

### Adult Education Schedule Changed

Director of Adult Education Mary Jane Kinzer announced this week several changes in the schedule of classes. The Aeronautics class under Mr. Adamson will meet in Room 201 of the Elementary School on Mondays. Mr. Smith's class in either American or English literature is now scheduled in Room 221 on Fridays. Both classes begin at 8 p. m.

Three classes need more registrants if they are to be continued: Sewing, meeting Tuesdays at the High School and French and Spanish in the Elementary School on Fridays in Room 222 and 223 respectively. Anyone desiring to enter these classes should enroll on the scheduled night.

A class in Folklore has been proposed by Merton Trast. Those interested in this course should meet in the Home Economics Room Wednesday, October 17 at 8 p. m. Registration for Mrs. Shiren's class in Art or Sculpture for school-age children will be held at 7 p. m. Monday, October 15, in the Arts and Crafts Room. The class will meet on Mondays from 7 to 8 p. m.

reation building to be built as a memorial for World War II veterans

Veteran Memorial

On October 26 and 27, the Drop

Inn will inaugurate a drive to

raise funds for a community rec-

**Drop Inn Plans** 

The program will open in the Town Center on Friday, October 26, at 8:30 p. m. with selections by the Community Band immediately followed by a few words by Town Manager Gobbel and Mayor Bauer. The members of the Drop Inn on the Tagging Committee will then take over for the rest of the evening accepting contributions for the fund.

The main feature of the Saturday evening program is a street dance, also in the center, open to all those who are wearing tags showing they have made a contribution to the drive. Refreshments will be on sale on Saturday night. Town residents are asked to be generous with their money on this occasion so that a real start can be made towards raising the necessary quota. It is hoped that other organizations will follow the example of the Drop Inn and help raise funds for this project.

The members of the committee for the tag dance are June Brittingham, refreshments; Jo Ann Rogers, tagging; Robert Link, pub-Adults assisting the memlicity. bers of the Drop Inn are Mr. and Mrs. Leon Benefiel, Mrs. Brittingham, Mrs. J. L. Rogers, Mrs. Lillian Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Downs, Mrs. John Murray and Mrs. John Cook.

## **Board Approves Okazaki** Position

By unanimous vote, Tom Okazaki's appointment as foodstore manager was approved by the GCS board of directors September 28, and Dan Livingston was assigned to supervise the Laurel Hill store in addition to continuing as meat buyer.

Tom, as he is known to all in Greenbelt, joined the foodstore staff as assistant manager at the end of March of this year. When Tom Jeffries resigned as manager, Livingston took over but Dan continued to do the buying for the meat department. Tom Okazaki has had the responsibility for the rest of the store since that time.

#### **Credit Union Hours Changed This Week**

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union held Monday, October 8, it was voted unanimously to change the office hours of the credit union to Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. This has been done in order to improve the service to the membership by eliminating the "long week-end" (Thursday to Tuesday) during which time the office has been closed. The several members who were interviewed on this change all agreed it would improve service generally. The Credit Committeee will continue to meet as usual on Wednesday evenings.

Also at this meeting the board authorized the expenditure of funds up to fifty dollars to be used in advertising the facilities of the credit union through the medium of the Cooperator, with the purpose in mind of bringing to the attention of the residents of Greenbelt who are not at present members, the availability of the credit union for their requirements in the savings and loan field, particularly in connection with the installment purchase of durable goods which will soon be on the market again.

It was also revealed that educational supplies might be obtained on the same basis for schools, kindergartens, or nurseries in communities which can demonstrate a sufficient need.

One other problem brought to the attention of the Citizens Association was a complaint by W. H. Hunt that the local water supply, tested at the Beltsville research center, showed a pH reading of 8.4 alkilinity. Normal water sup-ply, said Mr. Hunt, shows a slight acid reaction when tested with a standard Beckman pH meter. This matter was referred to the Association's improvement committee as an item to be taken to the town manager.

Completing 'the meeting were motion pictures obtained by Nathan Shine, education committee chairman for the organization.

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#### Just Ask Us

The proposal made by the new mayor at Monday night's council meeting that another newspaper be started in Greenbelt to give proper coverage to town activities was received with gleeful approval by the Cooperator staff Tuesday night, and gave rise to a lot of wishful thinking about how much easier a reporter's lot would be if there were some other sheet to take over a part of the burden. The responsibility of giving unbiased news coverage to a one-paper town gets to be an awful strain sometimes.

There is, after all, only so much that can be done by two dozen part-time, unpaid, volunteer workers who have a deadline to contend with, and they appreciate Town Manager Gobbel's comment that it is easier to get things in the paper if they are prepared properly and sent in on time. A notice is being sent out, as soon as the staff gets it to-gether, which will help considerably in getting things printed the way they should be. All club and church news will have to be in on Monday night, to give us an idea of how much space we can allow ourselves on news stories, and to give the printer a chance to space his work more evenly. We will be glad to give His Honor a few tips on that score, if and when he gets another paper started; till then, the Cooperator will continue to do its best to print the news as fully and fairly as possible.

## OUR NEIGHBORS

By JUNE WILBUR

Mrs. John P. Murray, 6-N Hillside Road, is in Georgetown University Hospital resting after an appendectomy performed Thursday.

Lt. Glen Wilbur is taking it easy at the Bethesda Naval Hospital after parting with his appendix

Monday afternoon. Latest news of the Robert St. Clairs: From the center of New York City they have moved out to 1019 California Place, Island Park, Long Island, where the whole family is thriving. Bob is a full-time student at New York University, specializing in foreign trade.

Former Health Association physician Sam Berenberg has opened an office in New York City as a child specialist, according to an-nouncements received by his nouncements received h Greenbelt friends recently.

understand that former Navy Symphony cellist George Fair has accepted a position with the Pittsburgh Symphony Orch-estra and will no longer be with us.

Mrs. Darlene Leknes, who taught Groups 1 and 2 in the Greenbelt school for the past three years, is moving to Los Angeles this week. Her husband, chief specialist photographer Elbert H. Leknes, USNR, has been released from the Navy and will work for Paramount Pictures on the West Coast.

If you can ge to the outdoor art exhibit in President's Park beginning the 15th, be sure to look for the work of local artist Ben Abramowitz.

Old Greenbelters who were revisitors to town were John cent and Penny Vachon and Jo and Eileen Sherriff. Neither couple long enough to visit all stayed their old friends but did have chats with several of them.

The Dr. Max Rubin family is va cationing at home in New Jersey. The Joseph Nusinovs are bring-

ing their new son home today to 21-B Parkway, where Ethel's family are on hand to greet the newcomer.

#### Community Church Catholic Church

Sunday at the Community Church the Reverend Wilmer P. Johnston will preach on "Some Things We Can Teach Our Children That No War, or Depression, or Atomic Bomb, or Discovery of Science Can Render Obsolete." The music will be under the direction of a new director, with Mrs. Hester Neff at the organ. Mrs. Katie Barili will be in the vestibule to welcome all children whose parents desire to leave them while they worship in the main auditorium.

Sunday night at eight o'clock the Board of Deacons and Deaconesses will meet in the Pastor's study at 8-B Parkway.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held last Sunday night the following officers were chosen to serve for the coming year: chairman, Allen D. Morrison; secretary, James Wolfe; financial secretary, Freeland Ramsdell; and treasurer, William H. Blew. By virtue of his being chosen as chair-man of the Finance Committee, Mr. Morrison becomes a member of the building committee, to serve with Dr. James McCarl, Dr. E. L. Love, William H. Blew, George Goodreau, Jr., and Ray Stevens, as the building commit-tee for the new church. The committee will be completed next Sunday night when the chairman of the Board of Deacons and Deaconesses shall be elected. As soon as the building committee is completed, they will meet and possibly make some announcement concerning the new church.

9:30 a. m. in the Greenbelt Thea-tre; 7:00 a. m., 9:00 a. m. and 11:30 a. m. at Berwyn. Confessions: Saturday from 7:30 p. m. on at 10-B Parkway in Greenbelt; Saturday at Berwyn

from 3 to 5 p. m., and from 7:30 p. m. on. Novena Devotions: at Berwyn

every Wednesday evening at 8 p. m.

Choir practice will be held every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in Room 225 of the School. Newcomers are invited; male voices are especially needed. Practice for the Christmas Mass will begin immediately.

#### **Sodality Conducts Telephone Bridge**

Throughout the week beginning October 5, Our Lady of Sorrows Sodality conducted a "Telephone Bridge." Members of the Sodality held, in their own homes, games of contract and auction bridge, pinochle and five hundred. At the end of each evening's play the hostess telephoned to Mrs. Frank J. McConnell, chairman of the committee for this event, the name and score of the player with the highest tally. When the results are complete, the scores will be tallied and a grand prize awarded to the high-scorer in each of the categories.

IN UNIFORM

#### THE ARMY

T/5 Charles Maschauer is now stationed in the Leyte Islands. Pvt. John Frank is home for the

first time in 13 months from Turner Field.

Cpl. Charles Hart is now in Shanghai on his way home from the CBI-he hopes. Sgt. Bill Schoefield is with the

occupation troops in Germany. Pvt. Paul Lung is now in Berlin and hoping he will be home for

Christmas with the gang. Buck Walter is still on furlough. He arrived back in the States with

medical unit which had been stationed in England. Pfc. Sammy Rolfe has been transferred to Austria.

Pvt. Roy Holbrook has been on a 15-day furlough from Shepherd Field, Texas.

### B'nai B'rith Will Sponsor A School

Heading this year's community service program the B'nai B'rith plans to sponsor a Hebrew Sunday School. Plans are now being laid, and a meeting will be held shortly for all parents interested in religious training for their children. Miss Sara J. Gossman of District Five's B'nai B'rith spoke on "Postwar Aims" at the organization's regular monthly meeting held October 3.

## **Greenbelt Girls** Win Scholarships

It was announced this week that Miss Patricia Brown of 58-F Crescent Road has won a \$400 scholarship to Maryland University given through the Helen Aletta Linthicum Scholarship Fund. Miss Jo-anne Scott, 7-K Crescent Road, is the winner of the \$200 scholarship made possible through the same appropriation. Highest ratings in several competitive examinations held throughout the State determine the winners of these scholarships. Miss Brown tied for first place in the examination for Prince Georges County, while Miss Scott ranked second. Both members of the National

Honor Society, the girls graduated this past June from Greenbelt High School, where they were active in school organizations. Both had already entered Maryland University in September, Pat in the College of Education and Joanne in the College of Arts and Sciences.

## **Nursery Employs Gift Equipment**

The 30 young enrollees of the Cooperative Nursery School today completed their second week under the direction of Dorothy Broadbent

and rotating mother-assistants. Items of school equipment recently donated by mothers of the Nursery Set include Indian headdresses and ring-peg games pre-sented by Mrs. Donna Romer, books and doll beds donated by Mrs. Frank Watson, and a play-house contributed by Mrs. Julius Piece Mrs. Dontre Unit Pines. Mrs. Dayton Hull gave the school a child-sized locomotive and a rocking horse, while Mrs. Carl Hintz presented a "Cal's Colt." Miss Broadbent says she would

welcome any contribution of old clothes the children could use for dress-up games. Pets such as turtles or goldfish are also being considered.

Mrs. Thomas Callanan and Mrs. Samuel Ashelman of the Greenbelt group recently reported on a trip to the Colonial Village Co-op Nursery School in Arlington, Va.

#### Housewives Meet

The first fall meeting of the Housewives Club was held at the home of Mrs. Fan Schein last Wednesday. The most important decision of the evening was the plan to invite a representative of the League of Women Voters to address an open meeting in Green-belt on the workings of the League. The club will discuss the possibility of establishing a branch here.

## **Veterans of the Armed Forces**

14 out of 16 discharged veterans are dropping their National Service Life Insurance according to the Veterans' Administration. This would be a serious mistake for you to make in the opinion of insurance experts. Here are only three of the reasons why:

1. National Service Life Insurance rates are lower than you can secure elsewhere.

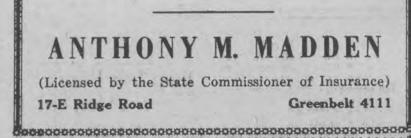
2. If your health is impaired, your weight below or above certain limits, or your occupation hazardous you may be unable to obtain private insurance, or you may be charged extra rates by private companies. Your government insurance covers you regardless of the condition of your health or weight, or your occupation at no extra charge.

3. If you cannot afford to carry your full \$10,000.00 government insurance, you can reduce or convert it to an amount you can afford.

If you still have your National Service Life Insurance, keep it. If you have dropped it, Congress has provided means for you to reinstate it! The undersigned will gladly furnish you with official government regulations

concerning the continuance, conversion or reinstatement of your Service insurance, as well as personal advice on your own Service insurance problementirely without charge or obligation of any kind.

Sponsored as a public service to returned veterans by:



Sunday Masses: 7:30 a. m. and GREENBELTERS

#### **Methodists Meet** Sunday Evening

The regular Sunday evening Methodist service will be held at 7:45 Sunday evening, October 14, in the Home Economics room of the Elementary School. The ser-mon for the evening will be delivered by Dr. Cromer, District Superintendent. The regular Methodist midweek meeting will be held Thursday, October 18, at 8 p. m. at the home of S. Burton Fisher, 2-G Northway Road.

#### **Hebrew** Congregation

Services will be conducted by Morton Chwalow this evening at 9 p. m. in the Social Room. As the Sunday School project has been taken over by the B'nai B'rith, plans are being made for an advanced Hebrew class. This class will prepare the older children for Confirmation and will be conducted two or three nights a week.

Assisting Mrs. McConnell in the project were Mrs. John Traski, 11-P Ridge Road, who had charge of the bridge games; Mrs. Edward Castaldi, 11-V Ridge Road, pi-Castaldi, 11-V Ridge Road, pi-nochle; and Mrs. Edward Grace, 4-G Hillside, five hundred.

## **Health Survey Starts At School**

The weighing and measuring program for children at the Cen-ter School is now in progress, and the examinations will begin at the North End School the early part of next week. The following of next week. The following mothers are assisting Mrs. Stouffer: Mrs. Lowein Matheny, Mrs. Wallace Nelson, Mrs. Joseph Trin-ko, Mrs. Robert Harrison, Mrs. Charles East, Mrs. Phillip Crof-ford, Mrs. William Ruppert, Mrs. C. F. Dross, Mrs. Orville Slye, Mrs. Bernard Tratler, Mrs. Josenh Kar-lin, Mrs. James Herbert, Mrs. Ed-mond Getzin, Mrs. John Norvell, and Mrs. Edward S. Turner.

Pvt. Harold Maw is expected home this week-end. THE NAVY

S 3/c Bill Stewart is on his way home from Pearl Harbor. S 2/c Walter Hughes is now on

a transport bringing back troops. Allan Johnston is now in Japan

with the Merchant Marine.

Lt. Gene Hesse is in Japan with the Marine Corps.

Lt. Curt Barker, assigned duty as Records Officer on the staff of the Chief of Naval Air Primary Training, with headquarters at the Naval Air Station, Glenview, Ill., has been transferred to Corpus Christi, Texas, for duty on the staff of the Chief of Naval Air Intermediate Training.

#### GREENBELTERS OUT OF UNIFORM

Paul Dunbar is back in Greenbelt after 4½ years in the Ameri-can Air Force Communication He was stationed in Service. Canada most of the time at the Alcan Highway. Mrs. Paul Dunbar arrived in Greenbelt two weeks ago from Canada as Paul was sent on to Shepherd Field in Texas for his discharge from the service. Charley Dunbar, S 3/c, received his discharge from the Navy last Saturday and has reported for work at Schroms Airport. Paul and Charley hadn't seen each other for over four years so the family had quite a reunion.

#### **Best Wishes to the**

## **Community War Fund**

## For a Successful 1946 Campaign

# **GREENBELT CONSUMER** SERVICES

#### Study Home Play

"Home Activities" was the topic of study for the primary groups at the elementary school this week, special attention being given to home recreation. For subject matter the children were asked to bring games, books, and records from home. from home.

#### **Heads Home-Makers**

Miss Ann Underwood, a junior at Greenbelt High School and a resident of Beltsville, was elected president of the Future Homemakers of America at a ceremony held at the University of Maryland last Saturday

**STILL ON** 

RECORD

#### **Unclaimed Items On Hand At School**

Mothers who came to claim items from the Elementary School's lost and found Monday found the floor of the Home Economics Room literally covered with galoshes, rubbers, shirts, pants, shoes, sweaters, jackets, caps, mittens, and even coats. Since none of the remaining items are labelled and hence cannot be returned to their original owners, Principal Elizabeth Fugitt urges anyone who has had difficulty ob-taining any of these scarce items to call her at 6336.

#### **70 Points And Out** By SGT. BILL HARMELIN

Q. I am insured for \$10,000 of National Service Life Insurance. My 25-year-old wife is my benefici-In the event of my death. ary would she receive the full \$10,000 in one lump sum? A. No. National Service Life

A. No. National Service Life Insurance provides for payments to beneficiaries who are under age 30 at the rate of \$5.51 per month for each \$1,000 of insurance for a period of 240 months. Therefore, in your case, your beneficiary who is under age 30 would receive \$55.10 per month for 240 months or a total of \$13,224.00.

Q. What is the monthly base pay of General of the Armies of the United States?

A. The monthly base pay of General of the Armies of the United States is \$1,125.00.

Q. How much rent would an enlisted man of the first three grades pay if he were granted quarters on the Army Post for his family?

A. There would be a charge of ninety cents (90c) per day for

such quarters. Q. Following a finding of death of a person who had originally been declared "missing in action, what benefits are available for the dependent?

A. Death gratuities and insur-ance benefits then become payable to those entitled to them.

Q. Are honorably discharged former members of the WAC entitled to the benefits under the GI Bill of Rights?

A. Yes. All honorably discharged former members of the WAC are entitled to all benefits provided for veterans.

Q. Must I pay premiums for my National Service Life Insurance on a monthly basis??

A. No. You can pay premiums every three months, every six months, or every year and save at the rate of 3% per year over the monthly premiums by doing so.

## **Riverdale Defeats Greenbelt Packers**

On a wet soaked field, the Greenbelt Packers were defeated 21-6 via the air in a pre-season football game with Riverdale. Although Greenbelt had an edge

on the ground, the backfield was no match for George Fuller as he passed Riverdale to victory, giving them a 14-0 lead in the first period. Greenbelt's one and only score came in the early part of the third period on a long touchdown pass by Fisher to Rhine. For a while it looked as though the Packers were going to pull the game out of the fire, but the fire died down.

In the final period Fuller set up Riverdale's last touchdown with another pass to Gentile who was stopped on the three. Two plays later Fuller scored making the final score 21-6 in Riverdale's favor. Next Sunday Greenbelt plays host to Berwyn on Braden Field in the league opener, and the boys promise to profit by their mistakes of last Sunday.

#### **Picnic Is Success**

More than 200 enthusiastic childen, parents and teachers partici-

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#### **Granahan Lauds** North End Walks

Citizens Association president David Granahan told the Cooperator this week that he wished to publicly thank Manager Gobbel for his part in seeing that a portion of the \$110,000 recently allocated by FPHA for road and court repair was diverted into paving the northend sidewalks which are making conditions safer for pedestrians, especially children, in this section of town. The sidewalks extend from Northway along Ridge to Research Roads, and from the Laurel Hill foodstore to Ridge Road.

The complete project of road and court repair and sidewalk con-struction, now 85% complete, was let to the Carson and Gruman Construction Company July 1 of this year. As originally set up, no ap-propriation was made for side walks. Mr. Granahan, who was chairman of the Citizens Public Improvements committee at the time, took the lead in bringing to Mr. Gobbel's attention that a sidewalk program should be included as a necessary safety measure.

#### **Thanks From Rome**

The local police department re-cently received an overseas letter from Philip Tulipan, who wished to thank "a swell bunch of guys" for their help in arranging a transatlantic phone call about a month ago between himself and his wife, who lives here in Greenbelt

When Pvt. Tulipan was offered the chance to telephone his wife from Rome, Italy, he declined at first because there was no tele-phone at his home. He later decided to try his luck through con-tacting the police station.

Officer John Belton, on duty at the time, made a quick survey and gave the operator a neighbor's number. When the operator advised there was no answer, Belton supplied a second number and the call was completed.

Mrs. Tulipan has lived here since June, 1944, and has two small children, the youngest of whom has not yet seen his dad.

Tomatoes grown in the sun on healthy plants are richer in vitamin C than those grown in the shade.

#### **Former Resident Praises GHA Rates**

Mrs. C. Wright Mills, former Greenbelter now of New York City, wrote recently to Herbert Hertz, president of GHA, express-ing her amazement at the cheapness of the non-member rates to users of GHA's services. While visiting in Greenbelt recently she and her daughter Pamela had oc-casion to use the services of GHA. In her words:

"For the sake of the Greenbelters who think the fees are high, won't you publicize my experience, which I think as far as the charges are concerned, typical for a city.

"Pamela and I both made use of the services of Dr. Wodak at a charge of \$4.00. I was amazed at the c eapness of Comparable services in rates. New York would have been as follows:

## **Slab Tabulations Of '45 Shamrocks Show Fine Season**

#### By JOE MULLER

Vince Holochwost's return to Greenbelt after a two-and-a-half-year sojourn in the Navy failed to win the county league pennant-by a single game—but, in many re-spects the Shamrocks enjoyed a very fine season. They won sixteen games against half a dozen losses. The sad part is the fact that the first



that the list thirteen were fairly easy vic-tories that prompted a smugness that proved fatal. Of the last nine the last nine games the Irish could salvage but three wins! Two of the losses were non - league (s-o-r-r-y) exhi-bitions, during

their fatal lapse.

Burly Jim "Texas" Breed got the local nine off to a good start ere departing from his native rangeland and for his great start he led the Shams in moundwork percentages. Breed pitched 28 innings to gain his perfect four record, during which time he struck out a little better than one and one-third batters per inning and walked but half a man per every three outs.

Manager Holochwost worked one more inning than did Breed but was credited with just two wins. He showed the most con-sistent control by permitting but a pair of walks during the whole twenty-nine innings.

Ray "The Razor" Glasgow won four and lost one as he, too, showed great control, franking but seven in forty-two frames. Ray whiffed twenty-two stickers and just before the first half ended, he trimmed Bamby Bread, ultimate league champions, by 11-3 in seven sessions. Glasgow accepted a job in Indiana and took leave of the Shamrocks one whole month too soon

Ernie Boggs started the season in such great hitting style that he was used in the outfield in the early going. He ran up a string of eight two-baggers by June 24 that tied Micky McDonald's team record, but never did he add that one more double. Ernie worked three great games in a row on the mound for his team's seventh, eighth and ninth successive wins, that ninth being a fine 11-4 victory over Snug Harbor and Tex Williams. The Harborites, up to that time, were deadlocked with Green-belt. Ernie later grabbed a decisive 9-0 victory over Snug Har-bor and the great Bob "Lefty" Mc-Intire, but he yielded a 4-3 ten in-ning battle to Tex Williams and the Harborites in Section A's second half final.

Following is a list of all the 1945 Shamrock games showing the local nine's score first, their opponent, opponent's score and local pitcher credited with the win or loss, as the case might be: 2 Mt. Rainier 1 Breed P. G. Athletics 2 Glasgow Maryland Park 3 Breed Riverdale 2 Breed 14 20 10 5 Breed Mt. Rainier Recs 11 Scaggsville 2 Holly Hyattsville 1 Boggs 24 10 16 11 Shady Oak 3 Boggs Snug Harbor 4 Boggs Bamby Bread 3 Glasgow 11 Cheverly 5 Holly Riverdale 0 Glasgow 12 Snug Harbor 0 Boggs Maryland Park 6 Glasgow Mt. Rainier 1 Glasgow P. G. Athletics 2 Boggs All-Stars\* 3 Boggs Snug Harbor 4 Boggs P. G. Athletics\* 3 Boggs Bamby Bread 4 Boggs Bamby Bread 5 Eick Bamby Bread 5 Boggs \*Exhibitions

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## **Change of Hours**

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## **Greenbelt Consumer Services**

P-TA picnic at the Greenbelt Lake. Among the workers at the picnic were Mrs. William Harmelin, whose pupils prepared the attractive posters advertising the event; Mr. William Atcheson who brought the drinks to the picnic grounds; and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Wood-ward, Mrs. Edward Schurr, Mrs. Ruben Cohen, and Mrs. Fred Hahn who dispensed the soft drinks and ice cream. David Granahan directed games; Chief Panagoulis and Officer Attick assisted planning for the picnic; and Mr. and Mrs. Roderick MacKenzie and Albert Alsleben furnished the music around the campfire.

#### Watch Honor Roll

High School Principal John Speicher reports that he is "very well pleased" with this year's crop of Greenbelt Elementary School graduates. Elementary School Principal Elizabeth Fugitt looks forward, as usual, to seeing many of her former pupils on the high school honor rolls.

#### Experts Eye GHS

Greenbelt High School has been selected by the State Board of Education to be one of several schools to be surveyed by a "team" of experts for a complete guidance testing program

Consultation about tonsilectomy for child, \$5.00 minimum, maybe \$10; physical for child, \$5.00; con-sultation about X-raying sinuses, \$5.00 or \$10; treatment of skin irritation, \$5.00 minimum. Total, \$20.00 minimum, maybe \$30..

"Compare this with the \$4.00 charge for non-member office calls, and be overwhelmed!"

#### Locker Lock-Out

The high school gang is hoping the County will soon come across with lockers, as the kids now have to carry every single bit of their equipment home nightly.

#### **Patrollers** To Get Raincoats, Cocoa

The P.T.A. bake sale last Friday had attracted \$60 worth of business by early afternoon, enough to outfit the 28 safety patrol boys with raincoats and to ensure their being served cocoa during the cold weather ahead.

Fire Prevention Week is being observed at the elementary schools this week with fire drills and discussions in the class rooms on the precautions that should be taken in avoid fires.

The Shamrocks scored 185 runs against but 64 for their opposition in compiling 16 wins against 6 losses. Following is tabulated the Cooperator's official 1945 Shamrock pitching records:

Pitcher	IP	ER	H	SO	BB	W	L
Breed	28	5	12	38	12	4	0
Holly	29	5	21	23	2	2	0
Glasgow	42	5	-30	22	7	4	1
Boggs	.90	10	74	69	21	6	4
Oliver	4	0	2	8	0	0.	0
Coakley	1	0	1	0	1	0	0
Eick	8	.3	11	7	3	0	1
Totals:	202	28	241	167	46	16	6

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#### **Legislative Lineup**

#### Congressionally Speaking

It's pretty painful to see so many of the promised laws of the postwar world turn into sad-sack bills with all teeth carefully removed. An excellent case in point is the Murray-Patman Full Employment Bill. Originally intended to place direct responsibility upon the federal government for insuring jobs for all either through private industry or public works, the bill —in a pitifully weakened condition has now been tabled by the Sen-

ate. The explanation for this action given to veterans, displaced war workers and others who looked to the Full Employment Bill for at least a basic guarantee against insecurity was that the bill was tabled because of the strike situation. This kind of talk from our nation's legislators is insupportable . . . when the shoe so obviously fits the other foot. Anyone who works for his or her living knows that when prices keep rising while take-home pay keeps dropping, a standard of economic security must be established and maintained. Anyone who works for his living must get pretty scared at the way Congress has been kicking around the very measures which attempt to provide that security, Anyone who works for a living can see that unless labor acts now the reactionary elements in Congress are going to push through their program of continued high profits, cheap labor market, and all the attendant ills of a free enterprise which is free for management but closes the door on labor.

#### For Immediate Attention

Concerted voters action can rescue the Full Employment Bill from its pigeonhole, and still revive its vitality, and the time to write is now . . . Unemployment Compensation (HR 3381) comes before the House minus the \$25 a week minimum but still carrying coverage of Federal workers and stranded war workers. Reactionary Representatives can shelve it or shoot it full of holes if we don't warn them not to now ... Watch for the Downey Bill, formulated by (United Federal Workers of America, CIO), providing a 20% boost in Federal government pay envelopes to compensate for losses due to the cut in hours ... The 65c Minimum Wage Bill (S1319, HR 3914), sponsored by Sen. Pepper, can be urged into passage now.

Ament the Child Core Center The Child Care Center Mothers are still working overtime to get an extension of the facilities. Throughout the District and in all suburban" communities parents have organized and are joining together in putting pressure on FWA head Fleming, Rep. Fritz Lanham, and Congressmen, and particularly on President Truman to authorize use of funds to keep the Lanham Act schools going. We can all help these mothers; 80% of whom are wives of servicement and cannot afford to stop working, by circulating and signing their petitions, and by joining their letterwriting campaigna woora v hammono Our Weekly Reminder "Tive ballon

Every day counts now for ould-be Marvland voters Declars would-be Maryland voters. Declare your intention now. November 4 will be here in less than a month. Out-of-town' voters who wish information about registration in their home towns please call Gr. 5136, 5156, 2596 or 5697.

#### Cinematters

October 12, 1945

Being a movie critic has given me an opportunity to attain a deeper insight into the cultural mores of our fair community. The conclusion I've arrived at is dismal and disheartening. Greenbelt is culturally dead. The esthetically pleasing setting belies the stag-nant state of affairs its inhabitants have sunk to. In our own town the movie theatre has offered the only form of artistic expression, yet the people have remained docile and indifferent to whatever trash is thrown at them. Excusing this as an indication of the nation at large (their attitude towards films) I looked elsewhere to see what other kinds of activity were being proferred to satisfy a hunger for esthetic stimulation and found none.

Towns of comparative size elsewhere in the country have full size orchestras and bands that give year-round performances, and with a degree of skill much more than adequate. This town should have at least one little theatre group, at least one choral society and at least one literary club. Why aren't we afforded opportunities to hear prominent lecturers on world affairs and contemporary trends? Why haven't we had recitals, and concerts by distinguished instrumentalists? Any educator will snicker at the library facilities available to a town of this size. And wouldn't the people of Greenbelt support an art fair?

I believe the spirit of Greenbelt needs an awakening. There are people within our own sphere, artists, musicians, actors, men in specialized fields, whose talents and knowledge could well be put to use. A society concerned only with Babbitry, petty politics, and commercial banterings is a crippled society. They are unfair to their children who are growing up in an atmosphere of sterile ma-terialism, with Hollywood defining their way of life. Wake up, Greenbelt!

#### American Veterans

Highlight of the general meeting of the Greenbelt Chapter of the American Veterans Committee last Monday night was Sgt. Bill Har-melin's discussion of the benefits of the National Service Life Insurance.

Membership participation in working out the details of the coming open meeting of the Committee will be taken up at the next business meeting to be held at the Elementary School at 8 p. m. Monday, October 15. friends are invited. Members and

#### Pack Up All Your White Pachyderms

The Elementary PTA is sponsoring a white elephant sale next Friday, October 19 between 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. in the auditoriums of both the north end and center schools. The children will be asked to bring their white elephants (clothing, games, household supplies or what-have-you) to school Thursday morning, and they will go on sale the following afternoon. The money will be used for the purchase of school equipment.

## **School Equipment** Arriving Slowly

A representative of the Federal Works Agency told the Cooperator this week that about 85% of the \$15,000 worth of equipment ordered last December 1 for the North-End School and High School addition has been delivered. Among the items now supposedly on the way from Grand Rapids are pri-Among mary tables for the Northend School. The High School received shipment of laboratory tables last weekend, and folding chairs for the Northend auditorium arrived Tuesday, FWA estimates that about 75 or 80 Lanham-financed schools all over the country are in similar straits, owing to the furniture factories not meeting the delivery deadlines specified in their contracts.

In the case of the Northend School and High School equipment delivery was contracted for by July 15, but the date was later pushed ahead a month when the manufacturers pleaded inability to comply. When school opened September 12 many items were still missing.

A few "frills" such as curtains the stage of the Northend School auditorium are being held up because of existing restrictions: the curtains will have to wait for an order permitting the manufacture of rayon and cotton velour. FWA stated, adding that while red and blue stage curtains were avail-able it was thought best to wait till green draperies could be secured, in view of the green and yellow color scheme of the Northend auditorium.

Construction of the new High School addition was awarded to the E. L. Daniels Company of Arlington, which bid \$99,224, while the Northend School bid went to of Mount Vernon, New York, which submitted a figure of \$138,-240.

#### **Principals** Meet **On** Cafeteria Plan

Proposed cafeteria service for the elementary schools was the subject of a meeting this morning of Principals Elizabeth Fugitt and Rowena Whittaker and Mrs. Wells Harrington, president of the ele-mentary P.T.A. with Miss Weagley, supervisor of cafeterias for Prince Georges County. Results of the recent questionnaires on cafeterias will determine any action to be taken by the county. Both schools are ready to go ahead with their plans for the project as soon as assistance is secured from the county, which has a fund for the purchase of needed school equipment.

Helping to raise the cafeteria project into the realm of probability was the recent arrival at the Northend School of an out-size

#### Arlene Livermore Weds Calvin Otto

Mrs. Marian Livermore, of 4-G Crescent Road, announces the marriage of her daughter, Arlene Ruth, to Calvin B. Otto on October 6. The wedding took place at the Grace and St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Baltimore, Father Corrigan officiating. Miss Jane Mills was bridesmaid and Angelo Campo best man. The bride wore a powder blue suit with fuschia accessories and a corsage of red

Mrs. Otto is a graduate of Greenbelt High School, where she was an active member of the school organizations, glee club, and basketball team. Cpl. Otto is the son of the Rev. and Mrs. Harvey Otto of Grand Rapids, Michigan. He is on a 45-day furlough from Camp Campbell, Kentucky.

The newlyweds plan to spend their honeymoon in Greenbelt. They hope to make their home in Grand Rapids.

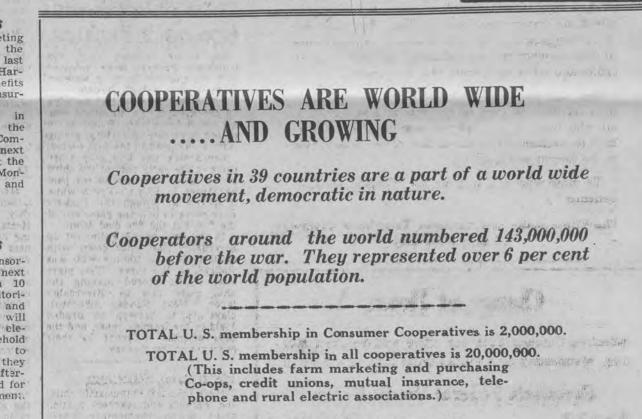
#### **Mr.** Parsons Dies

Henry W. Parsons, aged 72, died Tuesday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Parsons East. He is survived by his wife, Dora, and his two daughters, Mrs. Marion Parsons Robinson and Mrs. East. Services were held Wednesday at the Lee Funeral Home.

A former banker in Cleveland and Sandusky, Ohio, Mr. Parsons came here with his wife four years ago.

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## **Committee Thanks Town Fair Workers**

To the Editor: We want to express our appreciation to the many individuals and groups who worked with us in presenting the 1945 Town Fair. The the job alone. It had to be a com-munity project—the main value of the show was the whole-hearted cooperation shown by so large a part of the town. Of course a few failed us. We had expected and prepared, for that. There were volunteers, to take their places at the last minute. We enjoyed the Fair as any

others in Greenbelt, even though we did not get to see much of it after the show was under way.

Next year's Fair should come more easily now that the ground has been broken again. Mistakes made this time can be avoided in 1946. We are continuing our committee meetings in order to establish a sound working plan for fu-ture Town Fairs. A complete re-port will then be placed on file for whatever individuals or group in charge of next year's show.

-Planning Committee: Donald H. Cooper Fred DeJager Paul Dunbar Lester Sanders C. J. Van Camp

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