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## **Co-op Area Conference Approves**

Merger Of League And Wholesale

A prediction that cooperatives will play a more active part in American politics highlighted the Saturday night address of Tom Taylor, of the Scottish Cooperative Wholesale at the appring acceptance of the Full Cooperative Wholesale at the appring acceptance of the Full Cooperative Wholesale at the appring acceptance of the Full Cooperative Wholesale at the appring acceptance of the Full Cooperative Wholesale at the appring acceptance of the Full Cooperative Wholesale at the appring acceptance of the Full Cooperative Wholesale at the appring acceptance of the Full Cooperative Wholesale at the appring acceptance of the Full Cooperative Wholesale at the appring acceptance of the Full Cooperative Wholesale at the appring acceptance of the Full Cooperative Wholesale at the appring acceptance of the Full Cooperative Wholesale at the appring acceptance of the Full Cooperative Wholesale at the appring acceptance of the Saturday and the sale, at the opening session of the Fall Area Conference of the Eastern Cooperative League in Baltimore last weekend. Speaking on "The Effect of the British Elections on Joe Doakes," Mr. Taylor explained that British cooperatives, in contrast to ours, have been forced to take an active part in politics, since a vast amount of legislation had been passed affecting them.

The Sunday morning audience heard Helmuth Kern, executive secretary of the Potomac Cooperative Federation, review the activities and accomplishments of the Potomac Area Conference. Speaking on "Will American Co-ops Become a People's Movement?" Mr. Kern dwelt on the possibilities for cooperative expansion in the fields of housing, recreation and medicine. He discussed at length the fallacy of an attitude which would regard cooperators as "different"; instead, he said, they are average persons who have become interested in the cooperative movement.

An important step was taken Sunday afternoon, when delegates approved the merger of Eastern Cooperative League and Wholesale into one new organization to be called Eastern Cooperatives Associ-This move has been under study by structural committees of the two groups for two years. Final action will be taken at the New York Annual Meeting of ECL and ECW, to be held November 17 and 18. Delegates from Greenbelt to the New York Conference will be Lt. (j.g.) Dayton Hull, Herman Ramras, Walter Volckhausen and Samuel Ashelman. Alternates will be Mrs. Carnie Harper, Fordyce Merriam, Sgt. William Nicholas and Merton Trast.

Leroy A. Halbert was re-elected to the Board of Directors of ECL from the Washington area.

Greenbelters present at the Baltimore conference were Eleanor Ritchie, Carnie Harper, Bob Volckhausen, William and Edith Nicholas, Rita Thomas, Margaret, Kalvass, Ralph E. Miller, Dan Livingston, Beth Gibbs, Dorothy Gorham, Rachel Garner, Ruth Taylor and Mr. Trast.

#### Support War Fund

The Community War Fund The Community War Fund Drive is still on. Anyone wishing to donate may do so either to a worker in the district or to Mrs. D. J. Neff, chairman of the drive. It is suggested that money be given in a spirit of thanksgiving for the safe return of so many service people, to of so many service people, to help those less fortunate. A full report will be made next week by the chairman of the drive.

### **Veterans Chapter** Receives Charter

The Greenbelt Chapter of the American Veterans Committee has just received its charter from the national organization. The charter members of the Greenbelt Chapter are: William Harmelin, Fons Ianelli, William Nicholas, Benjamin Berkofsky, Joseph Di-Pietro, William I. Prior, Max Salzman, George R. Simmons, John R. McGee, Dayton W. Hull, Donald M. Fish, Milton A. Pogorelskin, Ira S. Solet, David Kogan, Donald

H. Cooper, and Leo Bass. The American Veterans Committee is a new organization for the men and women of this war. Membership is open to veterans of, and members of, the Army, the Navy, the Marine Corps, the Coast Guard and the Merchant Marine.

The next meeting of the Greenbelt Chapter will be held on Monday. November 5, at 8:30 in the Social Room of the Elementary School. Servicemen and veterans are invited to attend.

## **Child Care Center** Will Remain Open

The Greenbelt Child Care Center will continue in operation under the Federal Works Agency until March 1, 1946. On Monday, October 29, Congress passed a bill containing an extension of funds for the operation of Child Care Centers for the children of working mothers. The bill provides that the centers, which were to have been closed October 31, continue their services for an additional four months.

Mr. Gardner Shugart, County Superintendent of Schools, has announced that the "Board of Education of Prince Georges County will continue to operate the exist-ing Child Care Centers until March 1, 1946, or as long during this period as there is a continued need of their services."

It was at President Truman's request that a bill was introduced into Congress returning 7 million dollars to the Federal Works Agency for the continued operation of the centers, after the scheduled closing brought a flood of protests

from all over the country.

Ms. Fred McCarthy, Chairman,
Greenbelt Child Care Committee, in a statement to the Cooperator said; "I am sure that no group of mothers in the land received such wholehearted support from their entire community as we have in Greenbelt. We are deeply appreciative of the efforts of our local organizations and of the many individuals who joined with us. hope they take pleasure in the thought that their efforts have contributed to the extension of the child care program. Of course, we of the committee realize that there will be no sudden cessation of the need of the child care centers on March 1, and recognize that these four months serve as a period of grace in which to work for a As a first step in that direction we urge all possible support be given the Maternal and Child Welfare Act of 1945 which has been introduced into Congress as Senate Bill 1318 by Senator Pepper and House bill 3922 by Representative Mary Norton. Write your Senators and Representatives in favor of this

## Girl Flier Lands In Airport Tree

A lucky landing in a tree saved Miss June Hammersla, 17, 2-J Gardenway, from serious injury in an accident at Schrom Airport last

Sunday.

Miss Hammersla, according to witnesses, was coming in for a landing at the local airport, when her Aeronca trainer suddenly lost altitude, bounced off the roof of one parked automobile and damaged its landing. one parked automobile and damaged its landing gear against the side of another. The plane then soared to a height of about three hundred feet, lost momentum and side-slipped into a tree at the edge of the field.

The young pilot, who has been soloing for most of the summer, sustained a broken nose and lacerations about the face. One of her first actions on leaving the hospital, according to her parents, will be to take a plane up for another flight.

## Publishing Assn. Elects Directors

Five new directors were elected at the annual meeting of the Greenbelt Cooperative Publishing Association held last Saturday Elected to the board were Anne Hull, Edith Nicholas, Carolyn Miller, Eleanor Ritchie, and Donald Cooper. The business meeting, which took place at the home of Lee Fink, 16-C Crescent Road, was followed by a Halloween party with games, dancing and re-

Attending the annual party were Don and Edith O'Reilly, Sherrod and Dorothy East, Tom and Eleanor Ritchie, Edith and Bill Nicholas, Lillian and Bill Harmelin, Joan and Vin Agar, Peggy and Cal Winegarden, Lil and Sam Stutz, Carolyn and Ralph Miller, Elisa East, Don Cooper, and Lee Fink, who acted as hostess.

The business meeting will be resumed next Thursday night at the home of Carolyn Miller, 6-C Cres-

## Halloween Parades **End With Parties**

Witches and goblins, dancers and ghosts, cowboys and Indians, par-aded Greenbelt's streets by the light of day Wednesday as the elementary school children staged their annual parades and Halloween parties. One parade left the center at 1:45, marched down through the center, and from there to Braden Field. Even the clerks and customers hurried from the stores to watch the colorful dis-play. At the field the children marched around and formed circles from which they watched an exhibition staged by a group of boys and girls from Helena Knauer's tumbling class. The school auditorium was the next stop, where a program was presented including songs by the lower groups and the reading of original poems; Roberta Crawford and Donald Walker gave a tap dance, accompanied at the piano by Ann Smith who also played a piano solo, as did Beverly Blan-chard. High spots of the program were the ghost dance and the skeleton dance, which were realistically performed with almost no pre-liminary rehearsal. (Incidentally, the face behind that African witchdector's paper mask was that of Miss Maxine Batie!)

The northend school children circled the upper end of town following a route laid out by Officer Buddy Attick and the patrol boys to avoid automobile traffic. Some of the home-made costumes were very ingenious, and Mrs. Harmelin's class received special notice because of their paper bag masks. After the parade the children returned to their own rooms, which they had previously decorated, to enjoy their parties. Mrs. Whittaker and the teachers wish to express their appreciation to the mothers who assisted in serving refreshments and supervising games, contributing greatly to the success of the parties.

#### Women Voters To Study Community

Mrs. Peter Lejins president of the Prince Georges County chapter of the League of Women Voters, was the principal speaker at a meeting held last Wednesday evemeeting held last-Wednesday evening for the purpose of organizing a study group in Greenbelt. The topic suggested for study was "Our Community." Mrs. Lvdalu Palmer introduced Mrs. Lejins and other members of the League, who outlined the League's program for the Greenbelt women present at the meeting. The next meeting of the group will be held in the social room of the elementary school, November 9.

#### **Book Fair A Success**



Mrs. Sherrod East, program chairman, Mrs. Wells Harrington, PTA president, and Ways and Means Chairman, Mrs. Clifford Woodward managed a successful book fair at the Center School Auditorium October 22. Proceeds will go towards organizing a County memorial library in honor of the men and women who lost their lives in World War II.

Visitors to the Fair were assisted in making their selections by Mrs. Catherine Reed, Miss Margaret Brown, Mrs. Harrington, Mrs. Archie Foggat, Mrs. Irene Sovik, Mrs. Marjorie Muir, and Miss Dorothy Broadbent. The Book fair was planned by Mrs. Sherrod East.

## **Auto Accident** On Southway Rd.

A bus and two passenger vehicles, all proceeding in the same direction on Southway Road just outside the town limits, were involved in an accident last Saturday evening.

The last automobile, in an attempt to pass the other two vehicles was forced to swerve back in line to avoid hitting an oncoming automobile and smashed into the car ahead, causing the latter to run into the rear of the

No one was injured and no serious damage was incurred, according to Greenbelt Police who arrived on the scene shortly after the accident.

#### Miss Black Talks On Child Problems

Miss Dorothy Black, social work-er for Greenbelt, will be guest speaker at the regular monthly meeting of B'nai B'rith to be held Wednesday, November 7 in room 222 of the elementary school at 8:30 p. m. Members and prospective members are urged to attend with prepared questions on children and their problems for Miss Black's counsel.

## **Nursery School Raises Tuition**

The Cooperative Nursery School Parents Board held its monthly meeting last Friday at the home of its president, Mrs. Dorald Romer, 73-T Ridge Road. Mrs. Wavne Dennis and Mrs. Adelbert Long acted as co-hostesses and served refreshments.

Mrs. Sherrod East set un an exhibit in the Romer living room of the books which had been part of the PTA Book Fair. She outlined the values of some of the outstanding books there and accepted

orders for them. The membership approved a proposal to raise the monthly tuition fee from \$5 to \$6, starting January, 1946.

#### 66 Cubs Organize

Parents of boys aged 9 to 12 years are invited to attend the organizational meeting of Greenbelt Club Scout Pack 202, to be held in the Home Economics Room of the elementary school on Thursday, November 8, from 8 to 10 p. m. At present, there are 66 Cub Scouts from Greenbelt in the Berwyn Pack. A representative from the Greenbelt organization which will sponsor the Pack will be present at the meting, as well as Scout speakers from Washington and Berwyn.

#### Policemen Address **School Assemblies**

Safety rules and bicycle regulations were the subjects of talks given this week by police officers Panagoulis and Attick before assemblies at the north-end and center schools. Officers Panagoulis and Attick spoke at the north-end school Thursday, and at the center school Friday.

Officer Attick also spoke to assemblies at the no ter schools on October 24 and 29 on the past history of Greenbelt and the surrounding countryside. Mr. Attick, whose long residence in and around Greenbelt has given him detailed knowledge of the background of our town, spoke for nearly an hour, then answered many questions of the children, who took a lively interest in the early history of Greenbelt. His talk pointed up in dramatic fashion the theme of study for this year, "This Changing World."

The north-end school held a singing assembly of groups 1 and 2 at 2 p. m. Friday. The groups have learned a number of new songs which they sang under the direction of Mrs. Whittaker. Although handicapped by the lack of a piano, the children enjoyed the opportunity of getting together and plan to repeat their song-fest.

#### Citizens To Hear Housing Report

The Greenbelt Citizens Association meet Monday night at the elementary school audi-torium to hear the report on torium to hear the report of housing made by a committee selected at the August meeting. The meeting will start at 8 p. m., and all residents are invited to come and join in the discussion.

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#### Give 'Em A Hand

Last week's annual meeting of the Greenbelt Cooperative Publishing Association served to introduce to the oldtimers a group of new staff members whose ability promises great things for the future of the paper. A vote of thanks is hereby tendered each of them for their interest and their willingness to assist in getting the Cooperator out to Greenbelt doorsteps every Friday. Too often the editors are credited with results produced by their associates. Every staff member who volunteers his assistance regularly and faithfully on the job, whether it be telephoning, carrying material to and from our printers and engravers, or working in the office on publishing night, deserves the appreciation not only of his colleagues but also of the town.

There is always room for anyone else who wants to help, and there is always another job to be filled. Anybody—and we mean ANYBODY!—can join us in our labor of love and share in our fellow-feeling of community service. Tuesday nights, from eight-thirty till the paper is ready to go to the printer, we work in the basement of Number 8 Parkway. A standing invitation awaits all residents of the town who are interested to c'mon down and see how it's

### Just Wondering ...

Our postwar visions have been brightened in the recent past by hopes of two innovations which promised to make life easier for all of Greenbelt: first, the long-awaited bus transportation which was to link the outlying sections with the center and make visiting a pleasure instead of a major operation; second, the prospect of a baby-parking lot somewhere in the business area to provide safekeeping for youngsters while mothers went about their shopping.

Well, how about it? We know that the bus itself has not materialized yet, because of production difficulties, but we understand that the parties to the bus deal have not yet reached a final agreement nowithstanding the passage of time since the arrangement was decided upon. On the second subject nothing further has been said either by the stores or the town office. We think both the ideas are wonderful and wish something concrete would be done to bring them into reality.

#### Community Church

Sunday morning at the Community Church the annual Thanksgiving communion service will be celebrated with Rev. Wilmer P Johnson officiating. The music will be furnished by a choir under the direction of Thomas B. Ritchie, accompanied at the organ by Mrs. Hester Neff. Mrs. Katie Barili will be in the vestibule at 10:45 o'clock to welcome the children while they worship in the main auditorium. Billy Sauls and five of his schoolmates will assist in the

ushering and receive the offering.

The Finance Committee will meet Sunday night at eight o'clock in the Pastor's study, 8-B Parkway.

The Women's Guild, under the direction of its new president, Mrs. Hester Neff, will meet Tuesday, November 6 at two o'clock at the home of Mrs. Frederick D. Birchard, 2-S Laurel Hill Road.

#### Catholic Church

Sunday Masses: 7:30 a. m. and 9:30 a. m. in the Greenbelt Theatre; 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

Novena Devotions: at Berwyn every Wednesday evening at 8

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.

An armored battalion requires 17,000 gal. of gasoline to move 100 miles under ideal conditions.

#### Lutheran Church

"Life never says, 'Please'," is the sermon topic of Rev. Edwin E. Pieplow for this Sunday's services to be held in the Home Economics Room of the Elementary School at

12:30 p. m. Sunday Sunday School will begin promptly at 11:45 a.m. Friday evening at 8 o'clock in room 221 of the Elementary School, Pastor Pieplow will conduct his regular ass mental doctrines of the Bible. Adults as well as teen-age children are cordially invited to attend.

**Methodists Meet** Sunday Evening

The Methodist regular Sunday evening service will be held at 7:45 p. m. in the Home Economics Room of the Elementary School. Kermit D. Watson will be the speaker of the evening.

The mid-week prayer service will be held Thursday, November pheus E. Tavenner, 19-R Ridge 8, at 8 p. m. at the home of Al-A cordial welcome is extended to all.

#### Hebrew School

Regular classes of the Hebrew Sunday School will begin at 10:45 a. m. Sunday, at the Elementary School. Chaplain Shoop, school superintendent, will present text books and work books to the children. There will be four classes for children aged 5 to 13 years in addition to the kindergarten. Regi-strations will be accepted Sunday. The Hebrew Sunday School is sponsored by the B'nai B'rith.

At the war's end, supplies were being flown into China by the United States Army Air Forces at the rate of almost two tons a minute around the clock.

## OUR NEIGHBORS Has New Leader

Six-month-old Mimi Salvan, of 16-Z-3 Ridge Road, underwent a mastoid operation on Saturday, October 27, at Children's Hospital. Her friends and neighbors all wish her a speedy recovery

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Slye have as guests for a few days Mr. and Mrs. Dean J. Slye and daughter Deanne who are on their way to Massachusetts, Mr. Slye having recently been released from the army after five and a half years of service.

Dave Steinle is home from the hospital. His quick recovery, he says, was due to two shots of pen-

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Mrs. George Lang of Whitefield, New Hampshire, who has been visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Don Chittenden, 18-B Parkway, returned to her home, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fons Iannelli, of 4-F Parkway, are the proud parents of a 7½ pound baby boy, born Tuesday morning, October 30.

Betts and Frank Watson write to say they're sorry they didn't have a chance to bid good-bye to all their friends in Greenbelt. The moving company hurried them out on a few hour's notice. They've promised to answer all letters sent to their new address: 10940, N. W. 2nd Avenue, Miami, Florida.

Anne Hull, Cooperator News Editor, has been very ill, but is feeling much better now. The staff missed her sorely Wednesday at about 2:00 a. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph DiPetro and family are visiting Mrs. Di-Petro's mother in Virginia.

June Blatter of 6-A Crescent has returned with her two children, Carolyn and Jimmie, from a visit

to Montana.
Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Salmon, of 6-E Crescent, are proud parents of a fifth child and fourth boy, Richard Otis, born October 10 at Leland Memorial Hospital in Riv-

Laurie Wilbur entertained seven little friends at a Halloween party last Wednesday afternoon.

#### To The Editor Thanks, Folks

The "Drop Inn" Tag Day was a success—socially and financially. More than 1,000 tags were sold, and today there is a credit to the

"Drop Inn Building Fund" of \$203.
The center dance was enjoyed by young and old. Before the closing hour, however, it grew cold, and everyone took advantage of the opening of the Drop Inn, where there was dancing and fun until

11:30 p. m. The planning committee and the advisory board thank everyone who helped to make this event one that will long be remembered. Special thanks to the fifty boys and girls who sold the tags. Records show that one ambitious lad sold 167 tags and turned in \$31.92. Thanks, also, to the Council and Mr. Gobbel, the many friends who helped, the Community Band and many other local organizations, the Food and Drug Stores, the Co-operator, the Department of Safety, the Recreation Department, the High School faculty, the apartment residents who bore up through the noise, and the thousand friends who, believing in the youth of Greenbelt, contributed more than \$203 to start the ball rolling.

-Drop Inn Planning Committee and Adult Advisory Committee

#### **Scouts Give Party**

Leaders of Girl Scouts and Brownies in Greenbelt are giving a party for all parents of Girl Scouts and Brownies in the community. The party will be held in the social room of the Elementary School, Friday, November 2 and 8 p. m. Mrs. E. Cory, commissioner of Prince Georges County Girl Scouts will be guest speaker and will conduct the investiture service for new leaders. Mrs. Philip Crofford, chairman of arrangements. has planned a number of games and her co-workers will serve reand her co-workers will serve re-freshments following the candle-light service.

#### B'nai B'rith Has Halloween Party

All members of B'nai B'rith are invited to come and bring their husbands to an old-fashioned Halloween party to be held Friday evening, November 9, at the elementary school. Ducking for apples and other treats are promparty will begin promptly at 8:30.

## Scout Troop 202

Jacob H. Moeser replaces John Waldo this week as Scoutmaster of Troop 202, Greenbelt's only Boy Scout troop. New chairman of the troop's sponsoring committee is Horace "Chick" Turner, former Scoutmaster of Troop 252 in Greenbalt Greenbelt.
These changes and others were

announced this week in prepara-tion for the troop's annual Charter Night observance on November 13, Night observance on November 13, Tuesday evening in the Legion House on Greenbelt Road. Parents and friends of the Scouts will meet at 7:30 to enjoy a program presented by the Scouts and to see the presentation of next year's charter by Frank H. Riley, commander of the Greenbelt American Legion Post which is the sponsoring organization for Troop 202. A feature of the program will be the investiture ceremony for several new Scouts.

Mr. Waldo's resignation as Scoutmaster was accepted when he explained to the troop committee

explained to the troop committee that he expected to leave Greenbelt in the near future and thought that he should not wait until the that he should not wait until the last minute before a replacement was secured. It was Mr. Waldo who brought together a group of interested civic leaders in the summer of 1942 and re-established scouting in Greenbelt after both earlier troops had been suspended due to a lack of leadership and of a meeting place. He accepted the

due to a lack of leadership and of a meeting place. He accepted the Scoutmastership of the re-established Troop 202 and has served in that capacity for three years.

Mr. Moeser has been serving as an assistant Scoutmaster on the troop staff. Other assistant Scoutmasters for the coming year are Donald H. Cooper, Howard B. Owens, Allen R. Plitt, and Richard D. Althaus. Besides Mr. Turner, the new sponsoring committee will include Sidney Diebert as treasurer, Joseph W. Taylor as secretary, Charles Wainscott, Dale Charles, and James Gobbel. Mr. Waldo will also serve on the troop committee for the remaining time he is in Greenbelt.

Although nearly all of the old

Although nearly all of the old troop members are re-registering for the new year, Mr. Moeser announces that new applications will now be accepted as there are vacancies in several patrols.

#### Improvement Ass'n **Meets Second Time**

The Greenbelt Improvement Association met Monday night at the Elementary School, with about 50 members of the new civic group in attendance. Those present were urged by Mrs. Margaret Carmody to attend the Citizens Association meeting to be held next Monday meeting to be held next Moncay in the elementary school auditorium to review the housing situation. Other matters under discussion were the Improvement group's attitude toward the cooperative stores in town, and expressions of opinions on the recently-voted support of the Potomac Cooperative Federation by Greenbelt Consumer Services.

#### **Inventory Control** For Variety Store

Installation of a new inventory control system for the Variety Store was approved by a unanimous vote of the Board of Directors of GCS, at last Friday night's meeting. Mr. Lang, area supervisor for Butler Brothers, variety wholesalers, explained the workings of the new system, which will ings of the new system, which will provide an accurate statement of stock on hand and represent a con-

#### **New Work Sheets**

The teachers of the upper primary groups of the center school met Thursday to prepare work sheets to be given each student, outlining the work for the coming months on the theme, "This Changing World." The plan of study was evolved at the recent assembly of the upper primary assembly of the upper primary groups, and the work sheets are based on ideas and suggestions of the children given during class

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## ARMISTICE DAY NOTICE

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DRUG STORE-Open 12 noon until 10 p. m.

TOBACCO STORE-Open 9:30 until 10 p. m.

SERVICE STATION-Open 9 a. m. until 6 p. m.

THEATRE-1:00 p. m. Mat. and evening-Continuous as usual BEER STORE-Usual hours, 7-10 p. m.

Shop early to avoid the Saturday rush

Greenbelt Consumer Services

Several members of the Greenbelt Women's Club attended the semi-annual meeting of the Prince During 1944 the U. S. produced as much oil as the whole world did in 1935.

Georges County Federated Women's Clubs at the University of The Women's Club of Greenbelt Maryland Agricultural Auditorium last Tuesday. Delegates from Greenbelt were Mrs. D. J. Branch, Mrs. Lloyd Nelson, Mrs. E. Leland Love, Mrs. George Clark and Mrs. Samuel Houlton. Other Green-belters present were: Mrs. Walter Bierwagen, Mrs. George Dom-chick, Mrs. Herbert Hall, Sr., Mrs. Paul Hawk, Mrs. Frank J. Mc-Connell, and Mrs. Joe Rogers. Lunchen was served by the University Park Club.

#### Songbirds To Have Innings At Show

Prince Georges bird fanciers and hobbyist breeders are preparing to enter the Grand National Bird Show to be given by the National

Show to be given by the National Capital Canary Club, Nov. 10-11, at Odd Fellows Hall, 419 7th st., N. W., Washington.

In the county group will be Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hines, who operate the Three Oaks Bird Farm on Edmonston rd.; Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Murray of Cottage City, Gordon W. Meyers of Mt. Rainier, Mrs. Emily Suess of Hyattsville and A. T. Duffield of Laurel.

The public will see the best of

The public will see the best of type and color in American canaries, Yorkshires, Norwiches, Borders, Red Factor canaries, parakeets, finches, tanagers, doves and many wild exotic birds.

Everyone is invited to attend the

Everyone is invited to attend the bird show, which will be open from 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. Lectures are a feature. There will be no admission charged.

#### **DAR Chapter Seeks** War Service Data

Toaping Castle, Hyattsville's newly-organized chapter of the D.A.R., held its second fall meeting on October 26 at the home of Mrs. Robert Rector in Silver Spring. Mrs. Irvine L. Miller, chapter regent, gave members a report of the Maryland State Board meeting in Baltimore.

The members are asked to place on file with the D.A.R. National Archives, war service records of their families. Mrs. Thompson E. Woodward asked for contributions of clothing to be sent to the Tennessee and Georgia mountain schools maintained by the D.A.R.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Lorraine Young in Hyattsville on Friday, November 30, at 8 p. m. Toaping Castle, Hyattsville's

#### **Auxiliary Meets**

The Greenbelt Branch of the UFWA-CIO Auxiliary will hold a card party on Sunday night for both men and women, at the home of Mrs. Larry Fink, 16-C Ridge Road. There will be tables for poker, pinochle, bridge and rummy. Admission is 35c, and, of course, refreshments will be good.

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This morning a neighbor called to ask my advice relative to her recent purchase of one of the new encyclopedias that have again found their way into our community, via the aid of high pressure salesmen. In the hope that more would benefit by my sad ex perience I venture the following.

Encyclopedia Tale

Two years ago I unfortunately purchased one such set, and it was only after consulting experienced school librarians, that the poorness of my selection became unquestionably evident. However, it was too late; I was stuck with my 'bargain," and had just been made

a vicitm of "booklegging."

During the past summer session at the Catholic University of America, the Reverend James J. Kortendick, Reference Librarian of the University, spoke on the above subject to about one hundred teachers and librarians gathered in a public seminar. We discovered that the practices con-demned in 1937 by the Supreme Court and the Federal Trade Commission as fraudulent and deceptive are still being used with but slight variations. Books of doubtful value (with premiums, reference service, year books, etc.) are offered as a great bargain, when in reality the full list price of every article in the accumulation represented adds up to the same, or less than the total price paid. Once you become the owner of the supposedly outstanding literary acquisition, you are asked for a letter recommending it. And so it goes—second and third rate reference tools slowly dislodging accepted standard works.

The present campaign is directed chiefly at parents, but school ad-ministrators, teachers and even librarians are being exploited. Library and educational journals have, from time to time, warned us against the salesman who assumes the questionable role of philanthropist, but evidently more is to be written on the subject. In selling encyclopedias the basis of competition should be the proven standard classification of the book, not a series of proferred gifts. It is easy for the prospective pur-chaser to determine what is best. Let him call the reference desk of the public library for notes on standard works, or seek the advice of an experienced librarian. Let him check the files of "Subscription Books Bulletin' published by the American Library Association.

Remember to be on the alert

when salesmen promise "gifts" in the course of an interview—chances are that a demand for an endorsement will soon follow in exchange. Time limits on sales are usually but a hoax. Take time to investigate. Good salesmen of good merchandise welcome investi-gation; the others suddenly lose in-

terest at the suggestion.

—JACQUELINE M. COUNTS, 13-Y Hillside Road (Editor's note—Mrs. Counts is Reference Assistant at the Mullen Library of Catholic University.)

#### FBI GRADUATE



SGT. ROSCOE SINES In charge of the Hyattsville Police Station, was a graduate of the 30th session of the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy. In this picture, Sgt. Sines is at work at the Washington FBI Laboratory, weighing chemicals preoratory, weighing chemicals pre-paratory to making a solution to be used in the preparation of la-tent fingerprints.

In a raid against the Japanese homeland, it is estimated a B-29 Superfortress—operating from a island in the Marianas—consumed about 6.000 gal. of 100-octane aviation gasoline as a single mariana. tion gasoline on a single mission.

### 70 POINTS AND OUT

By SGT. BILL HARMELIN

Q. Where a pension is payable to dependents-widows, children, dependent parents-because of the death of a veteran connected with World War II service, what are

World War II service, what are the rates payable?

A. The following are the rates payable per month: Widow and no child, \$50.00. Widow and one child, \$50.00 (with \$13.00 for each additional child). No widow and one child, \$25.00. No widow but two children, \$38.00 (equally divided) (with \$10.00 for each additional child; total amount to be equally divided). Dependent mother or father, \$45.00 (or \$25.00 each). As to the widow, child, or children, the total amount payable may not exceed \$100.00.

Q. Is the Secretary of War or the Navy empowered to make an allotment to pay to a landlord?

A. The Secretary of War or Navy may prescribe and order an allotment, in a reasonable proportion, for the payment of rent of premises occupied by the wife, children, or other dependents of a person in service.

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premises occupied by the wife, children, or other dependents of a person in service.

Q. What is the additional pay prescribed for special awards for distinguished service in the Navy?

A. Naval officers are not given a gratuity for special awards received either as an officer or as an enlisted man. Naval enlisted men are entitled to receive \$2.00 per month for each of the following medals awarded to them or each bar or other suitable device in lieu of such medals: Medal of Honor, Navy Cross, Distinguished Service Medal, Silver Star, Distinguished Flying Cross, Navy and Marine Corps Medal.

Q. I have heard something of a World War II Victory Medal. Would you kindly tell me who is eligible for that medal and give a brief description of it?

A. Pending publication of a War Department Circular, the World War II Victory Medal may be awarded to all members of the Unitad States and the government of the Philippine Islands who have served honorably on active duty at any time between 7 December 1941 and a date to be announced later. Description: A red center ribbon with narrow white border flanked

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with narrow white border flanked by narrow double rainbows in juntaposition, based upon the design of Victory Medal of World War I.

Q. Is it true that members of the land and naval forces of the United States who have served honorably on active duty in the continental limits of the United States since December 7, 1941, for an accumulative period of one year, are eligible for the American Campaign medal?

A. Yes. They are.

## GREENBELTERS IN UNIFORM

THE ARMY

Frank Loftus received his commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the mission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Infantry at Fort Benning, Georgia, October 17. Frank is a Greenbelt High graduate, class of '39, and the son of Mrs. Winfield McCamy, former town clerk. While in Georgia, he taught a class on Sunday for deaf and durp students at day for deaf and dumb students at a Baptist Church in Columbus. Lt. Loftus reports to Camp Robinson, Arkansas, for duty after his fur-

lough. Staff Sgt. Glenn Perkins received his discharge from the army at Camp Croft, South Carolina, where

he was an instructor. Cpl. Dick Nelson is now sta-

tioned in Tokyo. Sgt. George P. Moore, who went overseas the day after Christmas last year, telephoned his wife last week long distance from Rome, Italy, to say he might be home this Christmas. Mrs. Moore, who lives at 15-A Laurel Hill Road, says she was so excited when the operator notified her the call was coming through that she didn't sleep the whole night. Sgt. Moore has a 6-month-old baby boy named after him whom he hasn't seen yet, and two other children who can't wait to see their daddy again. THE NAVY

Julius Andrus is still stationed on Iwo Jima.

S 2/c Joe Lewis is hospitalized again at Farragut, Idaho. Joe suffered a serious back injury while going into Iwo Jima last spring. Here is his new address and Joe hopes some of his old friends will write: S 2/c Joe Lewis, U. S. Naval Hospital, Ward B-3, Farragut, Idaho.

A pure affection, concentric, forgetting self, forgiving wrongs and forestalling them, should swell the lyre of human love.—Mary Baker

Avoid the crowd on the first cold day. We can

## THE ALPHABETICAL SECTION OF THE TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

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## November 26

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#### Legislative Lineup

LAST CHANCE

A quick glance at the headlines A quick glance at the headlines of any paper any day shows us that although victory is accomplished, the peace we fought for must still be won. In some parts of the world combat has begun anew. In other parts of the world, where land and people have already been drained by war, disease and famine are killing thousands. and famine are killing thousands and will certainly kill more. In our own country, despite some notable steps forward, efforts to counteract economic insecurity and so consolidate for our own and in-ternational advantage the lessons of war (including the atomic of war (including the atomic bomb), are hamstrung by a re-actionary Congress, a hesistant Ad-ministration, and a lethargic vot-ing public. Be it to our shame that in France, in the first election for nearly 10 years during which the people experienced every horthe people experienced every hor-ror of war, the electorate went to the polls in in a determined plurality we have never yet achieved!
And, dear voters, the French
people got what they wanted. We
are about ready to declare that a voter who ignores his right to vote is a traitor, especially in these times when much of the most reactionary legislation and many of the most reactionary leaders pass muster not because of an over-whelming vote for them but be-cause of lack of voting opposition

against them.

BILLS IN BRIEF

The Child Care Center mothers earn a pat on the back along with their sister groups throughout the nation for their hardwon appropriation extension which prolongs Child Care Centers until March 1, With this extra time to concentrate their forces we may yet see the day when nursery schools will be a permanent community feature. We should certainly work for the assurance that the centers will be maintained until every service father is discharged and working . . . We have a chance to repay in part the unfathomable debt we owe to the men of the Merchant Marine who voluntarily pursued their dangerous and heroic duties throughout the war. Write to your Congressman urging his support of HR 2346, the Seaman's Bill of Rights, which secures for the merchant mariner the basic privileges chant mariner the basic privileges and protection guaranteed his pal, GI Joe . . . The Veterans Subcommittee of the Senate Finance Committee is considering amendments enlarging and extending educational and financial provisions of the GI Bill of Rights . . . The Full Employment Bill is now before the House Expenditures Committee, where Chairman Manasco (D., Ala), despite constant asco (D., Ala), despite constant Presidential pressure, is skeptical of passage except in "compromise" Letters, letters, letters, please . . . Let's keep plugging for the 65c Minimum Wage Bill. As we go to press, President Tru-man's statement on the Federal government wage-price policy is yet undelivered. Analysts predict a middle-of-the-road policy.

DEMOBILIZATION

We received a call from a reader concerned over the inadequate demobilization procedure-an issue over which millions of Americans are likewise concerned. these millions have personally informed their Congressmen and leaders of their dissatisfaction, some sort of progress has been tinues against the brass-and-braid red tape, it will continue to be made. Moral: Let your Congressman know your opinion. EPILOGUE

The \$64 question for next year is: Who will be who in Congress? There are two answers and only one of them is right. Let us repeat, and repeat and repeat, it's up to us, to you and me, to furnish the answer by: (1) registering properly to vote in our voting state; and (2) voting at the right time in the right place. Questions

about registration and voting laws will be answered at GR. 5156, 5136, 5697 and 2596. This time of all times-He who hesitates is lost.

**New County Police Complete Course** 

The eight new policemen recent-ly appointed by the County Comly appointed by the County Commissioners have completed their preliminary course of instruction at the Hyattsville County Service Building. Instructors were Special Agents Meech and Hickman of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and Sergeant Charles N. Thomsen, head of the Bureau of Investigation of the Prince Georges Police. Plans are being made for another session, which will be attended by all County police.

Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves.—J. M. Barrie

### Ritchie Elected To **Board Of GHA**

At the membership meeting of the Greenbelt Health Association held last Monday, October 29, Thomas B. Ritchie was elected to the board of directors.

A discussion of the proposed bylaw amendments concluded with a vote to have copies of the by-laws mimeographed and distributed to all members, and to call a special meeting for action on the proposed changes. The date for the meeting was not determined, but members will be notified when the date has been decided upon.

Members also took action to reduce the dues of non-service families where one or the other adult member of the family is not resid-ing in Greenbelt. A schedule of dues for service-member families has been in effect as a result of action taken at the annual meeting in January, 1945.

## Court Frees Man In Death Of Vet

Following conflicting medical testimony, Norman E. Woods, Negro, 32, was acquitted of manslaughter charges Tuesday in the death of Leroy Beall, 41-year-old World War II veteran by a Prince Georges County Circuit Court in Upper Mariboro.

Beall, a recently discharged veteran of Burtonsville, died in Prince Georges General Hospital on August 3, after a fight with Woods and

eran of Burtonsville, died in Prince Georges General Hospital on August 3, after a fight with Woods and a stay in two jails on charges of "drunk and disorderly."

Medical testimony introduced by the defense indicated that Beall's injuries were received after the fight with Woods.

Dr. James I. Boyd, county medical examiner, however, testified the injuries "could have" been received during the altercation.

Judges Charles C. Marbury and John B. Gray, Jr. acquitted the 6-foot-three Negro.

Testimony showed Woods and Beall were in an altercation shortly after 1:30 a. m. July 30, when Woods got off a bus and was seeking a cab.

Woods testified he hit Beall after the veteran struck him first.

Laurel police found Beall shortly after the altercation, according to testimony, and after charging him with being drunk and disorderly locked up the veteran.

About 5 p. m. the same day Beall was moved to the county jail at Hyattsville by Laurel Police Chief Edgar Brown and Officer William Linger.

At 10 a. m. the next morning

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At 10 a. m. the next morning County Police Chief Ralph Brown discovered Beall was unconscious and ordered him removed to the hamital whom he died on A income. hospital, where he died on Aug-

hospital, where he died on August 3.

Dr. N. B. Steward, Laurel, and Dr. V. S. Lambors of Washington, testified Beall died of injuries inflicted "10 to 14 hours" priors to their examinations 6 p. m., July 31.

Following the trial Louis Lebowitz, attorney for Beall's brother, Arthur R. Beall, indicated the veteran's family contemplated a suit against either the city of Laurel or the county.

or the county.

Dr. Boyd testified Beall died of a brain hemmorhage and a "severe" rupture of the abdomen.

#### Md. Defense Outfit Is Mustered Out

ANNAPOLIS, Oct. 31 - After ANNAPOLIS, Oct. 31—After more than five years of functioning, during which time it initiated or handled many types of war problems affecting the people of the State in one way or another, the Maryland Council of Defense will cease operations today, Governor Herbert R. O'Conor announced.

Maryland was one of the first states in the nation to establish a Defense Council, Governor O'Conor pointed out, the Maryland group preceding the Federal Office of Civilian Defense by some months.

"In saying farewell to the Council of Defense," Governor O'Conor declared, "I feel it only proper again to voice appreciation on behalf of our people for the patriotic and worthwhile work done by the members of the Citizens' Defense Corps. Thousands of them gave unstintingly of their time, and undoubtedly contributed vastly towards maintaining the morale and assuring the security of our people here at home."

Firemen's Minstrel Show

B.P.O. Elks Club of Waltsville Fire is sponsoring a minstrel show for the benefit of Hyattsville Fire Dept. at the Hyattsville Armory, November 16. Three door prizes of \$5, \$10, and \$25 will be awarded. Admission is \$1, and tickets may be purchased of any Hyattsville fireman or at the fire house. George M. Jones is in charge of arrangements. arrangements.

#### Co-op Profile

Rachel Garner, dietician and food demonstrator, has been em-ployed by Greenbelt Consumer Services to help customers in the food store plan meals, prepare foods to their best advantage, and cut down family food costs. Temporarily acting as checker in the food store, Miss

Garner is becoming familiar with the Greenbelt store's customers and their prob-lems, and will be in charge of food demonstrations at the main food

store on Tues-days and Thurs-days. This week has been the beginning of her work with the distribution of samples of co-op

foods at the store. Miss Garner was formerly dietician at Westown School, Pennsylvania, and has also done dietetic work for the Brethren Service Committee and the Friends' Service Committee. Prior to her arrival in Greenbelt, she attended the Co-op Institute at Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.

Transit Co., Honors **Oldest Employes** 

The Capital Transit Quarter Century Club, composed of active and retired employes of the company, held its first annual dinner meeting recently in the Grand Ballroom of the Mayflower Hotel. More than 700 of the 770 eligible members of the Club attended.

Of the 770 members of the Club, 9 active and 8 inactive members have 50 or more years of service. The active member with the greatest number of years serice present

at the dinner was John E. Mann, a foreman in the Track and Roadway Division. Mr. Mann has 54 years of continuous service with Capital Transit and predecessor companies to his credit. His car-

eer started with the Washington Railway Company. The oldest re-tired member in years of service is George P. Downey, who had 56 years of continuous service before his retirement in January of this year. Mr. Downey was unable to be present at the dinner.

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Miss Garner is one of our new food store employees who will spend part of her time developing trustworthy, informative service for shoppers and housewives of Greenbelt.

She is available also to groups or individuals interested in considering how to stretch the shopping dollar.

She can give you shopping hints that will be good for your purse. Do not hesitate to call on her.

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