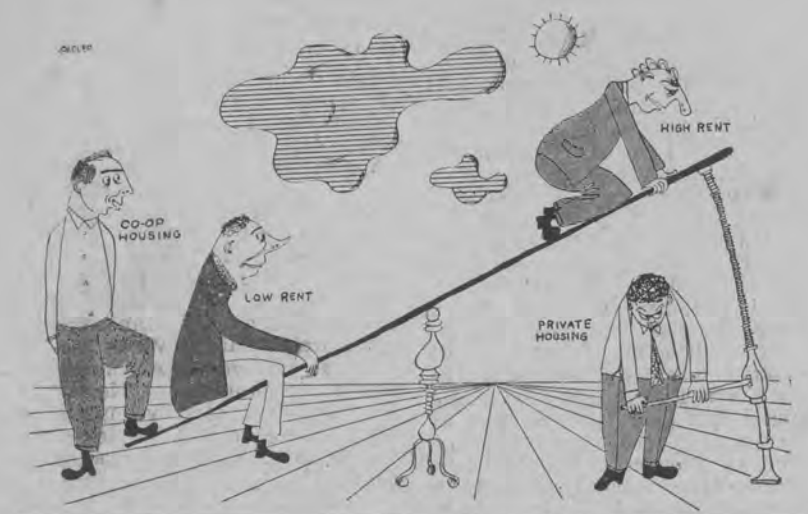




Greenbelt At The Crossroads



K. Of C. Observes Annual Field Mass

Catholic men of Greenbelt will join the Prince Georges County Council Knights of Columbus in observing their fourth annual Solemn Field High Mass at the Ritchie Coliseum on the University of Maryland campus, Sunday, November 11 at 11 a. m. Governor O'Connor of Maryland will attend with the Ninth Battalion, Maryland State Guard as color-guard and body-guard, while the Washington Fourth Degree Assembly Knights of Columbus will act as Honor Guard. The American Legion will be represented, and members of the armed services and of civic, fraternal and religious groups will attend.

Quarter Million Spent For Town

Greenbelt road improvements costing \$107,000 are 95% completed, reports Town Manager James Gobbel, who adds that this cost, plus the amount of the furnace contract, adds up to nearly a quarter of a million dollars spent on local improvements this season. The road contract includes installation of new sidewalks and re-finishing of many of the courts.

When questioned about a recent complain of the alkaline taste of town drinking water, Mr. Gobbel stated that newcomers to Greenbelt notice the difference because of the high chlorine content of the water, vitally necessary because of the town's proximity to the crowded city with its shifting population. The water, which is purchased from the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, is tested at regular intervals.

Work on the new Washington-Baltimore highway is progressing, but the decision on whether the highway will cross the nearby Glendale road by a cloverleaf turn three or four hundred yards from the Greenbelt limits, or a quarter of a mile or more away, has not been reached.

Plan Town Study By Women Voters

Mrs. Frank Garfield, past president of the Montgomery County League of Women Voters, will address a group of Greenbelt women on "Know Your Town," the topic selected as the first to be studied by the local group, at a meeting to be held at the elementary school tonight at 8:15. Mrs. Peter Lefins, the Prince Georges County president, will accompany Mrs. Garfield to the meeting, and has invited representatives from other groups in the county who want to start study projects to come and take part in the Greenbelt discussion. Room 125 has been made available for the meeting. All interested Greenbelt women are invited to attend.

8th Armistice Hop Heads Post Plans

Armistice weekend activities planned by the Greenbelt Legion Post include their eighth annual Armistice Day dance tomorrow night, attendance at special services at the Community Church on Sunday morning, and a barbecue at the Post Home on Southway Road on Monday afternoon.

Legion officials point out that this year's Armistice dance will be the first all-community dance since peace was declared, and urge widespread public support. Music will be furnished from 9 p. m. to 1 a. m. by Walter Hubbell's nine-piece band, said to be one of "Baltimore's Best". Admission fee of \$1 per person includes tax, and the dance will be held in the community auditorium.

All servicemen, discharged veterans and Post members are invited to attend Monday's barbecue at the Post home, which begins at 4 p. m.

High School PTA Will Meet Tuesday

The regular meeting of the high school PTA will be held next Tuesday, November 13, in the high school at 8 p. m. It will take the form of a discussion with music and refreshments as added attractions.

Taking its cue from the objectives of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, the Greenbelt PTA has chosen as its program theme for the year, "The Family Builds the Future." Each month's meeting will devote a part of its program to a discussion of the problems of the adolescent.

Committees have been appointed to investigate the possibility of securing a piano and a public address system for the high school.

Employees Of GCS Get Barbecue Meet

About 75 employees, board members, families and friends attended the barbecue held at the lake last Sunday afternoon by Greenbelt Consumer Services. Getting up at 3 a. m. to dig the pit and start the fire were Louis Boyer, who works at the Laurel Hill store, and board director George Eshbaugh.

Lending a hand a bit further on in the proceedings were "Pop" Domchick, Louie Shaffer of the meat department, foodstore manager Tom Okazaki and general manager Sam Ashelman. Mrs. Genevieve Johnson of the lunch counter department prepared the baked beans and slaw, which disappeared rapidly despite the enthusiasm with which the 60 pounds of barbecued beef rump and its accompanying sauce were eaten. Others on the planning committee for the affair were Marthella Kimball, Laura Timmons, Louise Hoera, Margaret Kalvass, Ruth Taylor, and Dayton Hull.

Council Considers Loop Bus Service

The Greenbelt Town Council will act Monday night upon a franchise for loop bus service applied for by Greenbelt Consumer Services, and a public safety ordinance intended to give the police power to inspect commercial buildings and enforce correction of fire and safety hazards. A concluding report by Thomas R. Freeman, chairman of the Defense Council, and a statement from Town Manager Gobbel concerning Capital Transit Company's plans for service for Greenbelt are also on the agenda for the meeting.

It is expected that the Council will act favorably on both the franchise and the new ordinance as no opposition was expressed at the last meeting, held October 22.

The report on the Defense Council may include an accounting of funds and materials, and will probably be followed by a vote to discharge the group which was organized as a safety measure in the early days of the war.

Town Manager Gobbel informed the Cooperator early this week that so far no additional information was available from the Transit Company other than that outlined in the September 14 Cooperator, but that a public hearing on the Transit Company's county proposal would be held in Baltimore on November 27 before the Maryland Public Service Commission.

Veterans Chapter To Elect Officers

The Greenbelt Chapter of the American Veterans Committee will vote on the adoption of a constitution at their next meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 13. Officers of the Greenbelt Chapter will be elected, and committees on veterans benefits, veterans service, local affairs, national policy, international policy, publicity, and membership will be established at this meeting.

Membership is open to veterans and members of the armed forces and the merchant marine. Regular meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month at 8:30 p. m. in the social room of the elementary school.

Marshal Hennessy Aids In Dope Raid

"She's just like all actresses," philosophizes U. S. Deputy Marshal Bill Hennessy of 4-E Ridge Road, upon whose foot Singer Grace Moore slammed her dressing room door as he attempted last Friday night to serve a summons. Miss Moore also landed a kick, but Bill tells us that she later did accept the subpoena, which charged non-appearance for a Richmond engagement scheduled by concert booker Fred Kirsch for November 27, 1944.

Bill was a shade on the sleepy side at the GCS barbecue last Sunday, relating that on Saturday night after Friday's adventure he had participated in a dope raid on Washington's Chinatown. Over a hundred suspects were rounded up, he says, one of whom was carrying \$17,000 cash money in his jeans.

Calls Swamp Board

Mrs. Elma Heinly, Greenbelt telephone switchboard operator, is considering moving her place of business to the Capital Transit Company, for all day Tuesday her board was swamped with calls from frantic Greenbelt citizens demanding to know when the bus would leave, and if not, how could they get to town? The transportation strike was felt heavily in Greenbelt, and automobiles en route to Washington were packed over capacity. Another result was the understaffing of labor crews and furnace firemen, who were unable to report for duty when the transit system stopped.

Citizens Approve Plan To Elect Nine For Action On Ownership Of Town

With a sole dissenting vote cast by Mayor George Bauer, the Citizens Association at its regular monthly meeting Monday night approved a recommendation of the special committee on housing that the Association "express itself as favoring operation of Greenbelt by a mutual ownership corporation consisting of residents and prospective residents." The mayor gave as his reason the fact that he is desirous of owning his own home, and is therefore opposed to having anything to do with cooperative ownership.

LATE FLASH

The Council is reported as planning to take up the housing group election at Monday night's council meeting, office above the variety store. Any suggestions to offer?

Hare System Topic Of Mon. Meeting

Sherrod East will lead a discussion centering about the Hare system of proportional representation before interested members of Greenbelt Consumer Services, at a special meeting on next Monday night, November 12, at 8:15 p. m. in the home economics room of the elementary school.

"Too much emphasis has been placed on the complications of vote-counting," said Mr. East recently, "and not enough on the philosophy of representative government and the important issue, which is the question of which system gives an adequate representation to the voter. The Hare system," Mr. East added, "is the nearest practical approach to the old 'town meeting,' and hence closest to giving each individual a voice on the governing body."

The meeting has been called by GCS president Dayton Hull for the purpose of acquainting members with the voting systems, in preparation for voting on a proposed by-law amendment at the next quarterly GCS meeting on November 28. The amendment, one of several to be considered, would change the GCS voting system from the Hare system to a plurality plan. The Hare system has been used by GCS since its inception.

Juke Box Dance Saturday Nov 17

Delegates from the elementary school P-TA to the Maryland Congress of P-TA's at the State Convention in Annapolis on November 14 and 15 are Mrs. Rowena Whitaker, Mrs. Wells Harrington and Mrs. Donald Romer. Mrs. Elizabeth Fugitt, Mrs. Catherine Reed and Mrs. Lewis Ditman will also attend.

Membership in the elementary school P-TA has reached 419, according to John Collier, chairman of the membership committee. 272 of these members joined as a result of the plan of having the pupils take home membership envelopes that were returned to school with 50c per person dues enclosed. The remaining 147 persons joined at the September and October meetings. The present membership exceeds last year's by 13. 500 members by Christmas is the P-TA goal.

A juke box dance will be sponsored by the P-TA, Saturday, November 17, from 8 to 11 p. m., in the elementary school auditorium. Admission will be 25c per person. Co-chairmen for the dance are: Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Woodward, assisted by Archie Fogatt, Mrs. Edward Schurr and Mrs. Mary Rupert.

Scouts Have Party

Led by Mrs. Lowen Matheny, Girl Scout Troop No. 62 held a costume Halloween party on October 29 in the Girl Scout Room. Halloween games were played and refreshments were served.

The full recommendation included provision for a town election to be held by the Town Council for a committee of nine to study the feasibility of local ownership in Greenbelt, through mutual housing or other systems, and to take preliminary steps to achieve such ownership if found practicable. A recommendation that the election be held by proportional representation was included in the approved report, and an amendment proposed to change it to a plurality system was overwhelmingly defeated.

The report of the housing committee covered the three possible types of ownership of Greenbelt, state ownership, private (resident) ownership, and investor (real estate firm) ownership. The first was held unlikely; the second was considered undesirable since control of management, rents, and so forth would be in the hands not of the residents but of private owners whose first interest would be the maximum profit possible to derive from the town. While resident ownership is possible either by each individual owning his own home or by means of a mutual housing association, it was pointed out that the physical layout of the town, with attached dwellings and unified heating and other facilities, together with the tremendous job the government would have dealing with 1800 individual prospective purchasers, would be almost overwhelmingly disadvantageous to the first alternative. As control of each dwelling unit would reside in the individual tenant under the association plan, while the management, including financial transactions such as mortgaging, repayment, accumulation and transfer of equities, and the like would be the joint responsibility of all residents carried out by a democratically elected board of trustees, directors, or other officers, the mutual plan was decided upon as the most desirable by the committee and approved by the Citizens Association meeting.

The report was presented to the audience of about 100 residents by the committee chairman, Thomas Ritchie, who also answered questions on points not covered by the six-page report, which was furnished to all those attending. (David Granahan, president of the Association, states that more copies of this report are available and will be sent to anyone who wants it.) It was brought out in the discussion that 1200 families will be required to form a mutual housing association, and that outside people or prospective residents may be included if there are not a sufficient number found in Greenbelt. It was also learned that the improved area of Greenbelt proper covers only ten percent of the incorporated area.

Also taken up at the meeting was the Capital Transit plan to change its present transportation system so that the bus would go only as far as the trolley tracks, connecting there with a streetcar going to downtown Washington, which plan was disapproved strongly by the meeting. Several alternative proposals were advanced, one to have an express bus from Greenbelt to the District, another to have a bus routed from Washington through Greenbelt to the Beltsville research center and back. Mayor Bauer cited the Prince Georges Civic Association as being interested in working against the proposed change.

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A Picture Of P. R.

The Monday night symposium on proportional and plurality voting ought to be of compelling interest to all residents who attended last Monday's Citizens meeting and heard one of the group confess that although he was satisfied that the Hare system works pretty well, he wanted to know exactly how it does work.

For many Greenbelters, their experience with proportional representation in the different cooperative associations here in town has been their first, and they find themselves surrounded by loud and loyal exponents of the system without quite getting down to the bare facts; explanations offered during the course of crowded membership meetings have been either too short or too involved for easy comprehension, and they see the minority representation and approve it without comprehending its workings.

One able student of the system has offered a more or less illuminating explanation of it, which is passed on here for the benefit of those absolutely in the dark as to what the fuss is all about. Under the ordinary or plurality system of voting, a candidate with the mostest votes is the bestest and where several are in the running for several positions the winners are selected in the order of number of votes received. Votes cast for the losers are disregarded entirely, and minorities lose out with no representation at all. Imagine, however, a room full of people with their candidates at intervals along the wall. Everybody is instructed to stand by the one they prefer as first choice. Inevitably, one or two have far more people surrounding them than they need to be elected . . . but are the extras disregarded? Not under proportional voting, where excess votes then go to the second choices, who may on the second count have enough supporters to get elected. As for the less popular candidates, when they are seen to have too few supporters for a prayer at the election, their supporters can transfer themselves to a second choice, who may acquire by the redistribution sufficient votes to be elected. The transferability is the chief asset of the system, and the diametrical opposite of the plurality system where your vote is counted once, irrevocably and forever.

Discontent has been expressed with the length of time it takes to get a result during the counting of proportional votes, but the delay is just one more manifestation of the democratic procedure and needs no apology. Transferring votes takes time, and people who understand the method prefer to wait and have their choice count for something.

Just Wondering . . .

Now that nearly everybody is on shorter hours, and with all the talent there is in Greenbelt, why isn't there a dramatic group functioning to give enjoyment to both the participants and the townspeople who have had so much fun at programs featuring community talent?

Community Church Catholic Church

Sunday morning at 11 o'clock at the Community Church, Armistice Sunday will be observed. The American Legion, Post No. 136, and the Women's Auxiliary will attend in a body, and Chaplain Edward C. Kaighn and Commander Frank H. Riley will both be on the platform and participate in the service. The Navy Wives Club and the Army Wives Club have also been invited to attend. The address will be made by Chaplain Clifford M. Drury, past commander of an American Legion post in Idaho. The music will be rendered by a voluntary choir directed by Thomas Ritchie, with Mrs. Hester Neff presiding at the organ. Mrs. Katie Barili will be in the vestibule at 10:45 o'clock to welcome the children whose parents wish to leave them while they worship in the main auditorium. James McCarr and five of his friends will assist in the ushering and receive the offering.

The Board of Deacons and Deaconesses will meet on Sunday evening, November 11, at 8 o'clock in the Pastor's study, 8-B Parkway.

The representatives of the Finance Committee will be in the Pastor's study from 5 to 7 o'clock on Sunday, November 11 to receive reports from the Every-Member Canvass.

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 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.

Scouts Get Charter

The social room of the Elementary School instead of the American Legion house will be used for Boy Scout charter night next Tuesday evening, Scoutmaster Jacob Moesser announced this week. The program will begin at 7:30 p. m.

Troop 202's charter for the coming year will be presented, and several new boys will be given a formal investiture ceremony. A short program will be offered by the Scouts. Parents and friends of the troop are invited.

OUR NEIGHBORS

Mrs. Matthew M. Fontaine returned from North Carolina Sunday, where she was called by the illness of her mother.

Lt. and Mrs. Sven Gormsen entertained friends at bridge Saturday night at their home at 4-N Gardenway.

Mrs. G. J. Cummins, formerly of Greenbelt, spent a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Clark en route from Syracuse, New York, to Kenbridge, Virginia.

Mrs. Leon G. Benefiel is going to work sporting a sling to ease a broken hand suffered when she slipped and fell while at her place of employment.

Stanley Fickes is at the Washington Sanitarium, Takoma Park, suffering from a blood clot which formed in his arm following an injury to his shoulder incurred while playing football.

Ruth and Ira Kirschbaum of 13-Q Hillside are enjoying their new baby sister, Joan, born October 14 at the Leland Memorial Hospital.

Mary Jane Townsend, Greenbelt High '45, is the only freshman on the debating team of the Texas College of Arts and Industry, where she is majoring in Journalism. She is soon to go on tour with the other three members of the team, who are juniors and seniors. Mary Jane recently pledged the Delta Theta sorority.

Mrs. Robert Maw has been visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Maw of 2-C Woodland Way, for the past two weeks, and was on hand to greet Pvt. Maw upon his recent discharge from the service. Mr. Maw left town Monday evening to accompany his mother on her trip back to Salt Lake City, Utah, where he plans to do some family visiting.

Lutheran Church

Rev. Edwin E. Pieplow has chosen for his sermon topic this coming Sunday, November 11, "The Startling Lessons of the War," Ps. 46:9-11. The church services begin at 12:30 p. m. in the home economics room of the elementary school preceded by Sunday School at 11:45 a. m. Parents are urged to bring their children and attend adult Bible Class in charge of Miss Olinda Roettger, while the children attend their respective age group class.

At 8 p. m. tonight the Pastor will hold his weekly class, teaching the Doctrines of the Bible in Room 22 of the elementary school.

Saturday afternoon at 4 children 12 years and older will meet with the pastor at 35-L Ridge Road for their instructions.

Methodists Offer Men's Bible Class

The Methodists will hold their Sunday evening service at 7:45 p. m., November 11, in the home economics room of the elementary school. The regular Methodist mid-week meeting will be held Thursday, November 15, at 8 p. m. at the home of Alvin E. Allen, 19-U Ridge Road.

The Methodist Church School will get under way Sunday, November 11, with Kermit D. Watson teaching the Men's Bible Class at his home at 16-K Ridge Road at 11:00 a. m. All men not affiliated with a Church School are cordially invited to join this group. A Women's Bible Class and classes for children of all ages will be organized in the near future.

company his mother on her trip back to Salt Lake City, Utah, where he plans to do some family visiting.

Little Dennis Wayne (Danny) Wagner, 2-C Westway, had a run of bad luck last Friday morning when he fell from the bottom of the slide at the center playground and broke his arm—last spring he fell from the top of the same slide and didn't get a scratch. Even that wasn't all, for when he woke up Tuesday morning he had something else—the mumps.

Ned Herr, 2-N Laurel Hill Road, who is a student at Greenbelt High, fractured three vertebrae in a football game Sunday.

The entire court of 57 Ridge Road celebrated Halloween last week with an open-air neighborhood costume party, planned and directed by "Aunt Maggie" Aitchison and Aline MacCaully. A fortune teller's tent, refreshments, contests, dancing in the parking area, and grab bags for all highlighted the evening.

As a forfeit for not being home "beggars night," Mrs. Madeline Zounnek, leader of Brownie Troop 109, entertained the girls with a Halloween party last week.

Mrs. Wilfred H. Steward, Jr. has resumed teaching kindergarten at the North End School, where she taught last year. At the end of the term she accompanied her husband, Lt. Steward, to Camp Adair, Oregon, but he has recently been transferred back to Camp Pickett, Va. "Oregon is a beautiful place with gracious people," says Mr. Steward, "but I'm really very glad to get back to Greenbelt."

Holiday Turkeys To Be Plentiful

Meat department manager Dan Livingston of the food store foresees the prospect of a turkey in every Greenbelt oven this Thanksgiving, if present conditions prevail. Both in consideration of the size of Greenbelt ovens and the hope of satisfying a larger number of patrons, Mr. Livingston is trying to get a large number of smaller turkeys, rather than a few large ones.

An abundant supply of fruits and cranberry sauce is also anticipated, unless a possible threatened sugar strike in Philadelphia materializes.

TO THE EDITOR

Valid Objection

To the Editor:

In the story headed "Court Frees Man in Death of Vet" on page 4 of the November 2 issue of the Greenbelt Cooperator, you mention twice that the defendant in the court case was a Negro. A Cooperator story several weeks earlier of an unknown handbag snatcher from a Greenbelt beauty operator also designated the man involved as "Negro". I realize that some American newspapers in the South do use the word "Negro" in newspaper stories, but I am surprised that a newspaper like the Cooperator, that prides itself on its impartiality and fairness as well as its practice of principles of American democracy, should use this term. We do not say "Jewish" or "Scandinavian" after names of people in the news; use of the word "Negro" is no more logical nor sensible, and sometimes can do considerable harm. When the individual involved has done some wrong, labeling him "Negro" in the newspaper story by implication casts blame on the whole group the word "Negro" is supposed to denote.

Cooperative principles include neutrality in race, religion and politics. Use of terms like "Negro" does not support this neutrality. Democratic, cooperative and Christian practice exclude labels that damage by innuendo. I hope Cooperator reporters will revise their usage in this respect.

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Miss Leona Milton of the Center School and Mrs. William Harmelin of the North End School were the Greenbelt representatives at the

three-day art workshop in Olive Street School in Hyattsville, conducted last week by Mrs. Victoria Bedford Mitchell, representative of a manufacturer of art materials. The three-day session was the concentrated equivalent of a normal 6-week course.

Home Ec. Room, Elementary School

Sherrod East will explain the Proportional Representation (P.R.) and the Plurality systems of voting for Directors. All members are cordially invited. *

Vince Polchowst, head of the Recreation Department, is sending out a general invitation to all men of the town to come out for the basketball tournament to be held at men's gym. The games will be played during the recreation period held every Thursday night in the gymnasium from 7:30 to 10:30 p. m. with practice on these nights until the league starts. Any resident of the town above high school age is eligible, and more players are needed to make the tournament interesting. If the response is sufficient, the league will begin playing November 29.

Ping-pong, badminton, shuffleboard and other recreational facilities are still available for those who prefer them.

Greenbelt Consumer Services had 110 employees at the beginning of June and 114 by the end of October. Office records show that new employees were taken on at the rate of 18 in June, 12 in July, 16 in August, 16 in September and 14 in October.

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Lt. Hesse of 6- JHillside is now in Tokyo with the 5th Marines, acting as military secretary to his commander.

Another name for the town Honor Roll is that of William H. (Billy) Goodman, of 21-H Ridge Road, who has enlisted in the Army and will report tomorrow to Ft. Meade.

More and more Greenbelters are out of uniform these days: T/Sgt. Robert E. Queen of 9-H Laurel Hill Road has received his discharge.

Marie Krouse of 2-A Southway is celebrating Sgt. Krouse's recent discharge.

Lt. William F. Hagans, 2-G Laurel Hill Road, was discharged last week after 20 months overseas duty with the Navy, and is now vacationing in New York with Mrs. Hagans.

Lt. (j.g.) Arthur L. Stewartson has received his discharge from the Navy and is expected home this weekend. Mrs. Stewartson is employed in the town office.

GCS director Bill Nicholas got his discharge Thursday morning.

The social dancing class offered by the Recreation Department for teen-age beginners, previously scheduled for Friday afternoon, has been shifted to Tuesday afternoons at 4:15 in the social room because of the crowded Friday program. The class, given by Helena Knauer, will consist of instructions in correct dancing position and the basic steps of the waltz, two-step, rhumba and others. Anyone interested in this class is requested to contact Miss Knauer at the recreation office, and those already signed up for the earlier scheduled class are invited to join the Tuesday afternoon group.

The other afternoon activities sponsored by the Recreation Department have been well attended. Records show Monday afternoon girls' tumbling class has an attendance of over 40, and the Wednesday afternoon rhythmic classes number 12 in the younger group and 30 in the older girls' class. Ten or more boys have been taking advantage of the boys' tumbling class held on Friday and the 30 boys and girls in the Thursday afternoon arts and crafts class are making Christmas gifts. Under the guidance of Eileen Mudd, instructor, the boys and girls are working to complete their project of making a Christmas gift, a greeting card and wrapping paper, and then attractively wrapping the gift.

All classes for the elementary school boys and girls, with the exception of the younger rhythmic class, begin at 3:30 p. m. and are held in the gymnasium. The younger rhythmic class begins at 4:15 p. m. and is also held in the elementary school. All classes are open to interested boys and girls.

In a two-out-of-three game set Edith Levin's volleyballers came out on top against Frances Holloway's nine and the Browns took two from Jean Purnell's girls. This was the opening of the women's gym volleyball tournament which will run for the next two months at the regular Wednesday night sessions in the gymnasium. The girls elected their captains and those interested in playing in the tournament were divided up to make the four teams. The tournament is broken up into halves with the first half ending November 14.


A ladder tournament in badminton doubles and table tennis is also under way with Margaret Gwynn and Frances Holloway on the top rung in badminton and Lucille Lushine heading the list in table tennis. Positions on the ladder were determined by drawing numbers and can be maintained only by defeating any challengers.

Women's gym is held every Wednesday from 8 to 10:30 p. m. in the gymnasium and women residents above high school age are welcome to come.

Two of the three members of the Greenbelt Voting Commission, Mrs. John Walker and James Wolfe, have announced that plans are in progress to conduct voting next year at the fire station in the Center, rather than out on Southway Road, so that more people will find it convenient to register and vote hereafter. Thomas Freeman, third member of the board, could not be reached for comment.

Mr. Wolfe, Democratic representative, had 24 declarations of intention to vote; Mrs. Walker Republican, had two new registrations. It was estimated that 850 Greenbelt citizens were previously registered, a small percentage of our population of over 8000, even with the constant turnover. However, it is hoped that when the polls are moved to a more convenient location, the number of registered voters will increase.

Miss Jean Elizabeth Burton, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth D. Singer, 4-C Ridge Road, will be married tomorrow to Major James Monroe Miller of Colonial Beach, Virginia. The wedding will take place in the Bethlehem chapel of Washington Cathedral. The couple will make their home in Spartanburg, South Carolina, where Major Miller is now stationed.



MONTAGNE

Traiteur

The words, "Montagne, Traiteur," used to appear, and I hope they still do, over the door of a rather simple exterior in Paris. The word, "traiteur," at first disturbed us, until we learned that it means, in French, the "keeper of an eating-house."

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Girl Scouts Meet By Candlelight

At a candlelight investiture service for leaders of Girl Scouts in Greenbelt last Friday night, Mrs. E. N. Cory, commissioner of Girl Scouts in Prince Georges County, complimented the women for the fine work they have performed in the community, pointing out that they had a real opportunity to help better conditions throughout the world by teaching the children of each community to get along with each other, with the children of neighboring communities and neighboring states and finally with the children of neighboring countries.

Leaders and assistant leaders invested were Mrs. Winifred Croford, Mrs. G. Darling, Mrs. Edgar Hunter, Mrs. Charlotte Hawk, Mrs. LaVerne Humphries, Mrs. Louise Raynor, Mrs. John Skinner, Mrs. Phillip Taylor and Mrs. Hazel Gump. Committee members invested were Mrs. Ida Mandell and Mrs. O. M. Slye.

Mrs. Lloyd Nelson, chairman of the Greenbelt district organization, received a gift from the members and leaders in recognition of the services she has performed for the group the past two years. Mrs. Nelson encouraged the mothers present at the party to offer their services to the leaders, pointing out that there are also places open in the district organization for those interested in scouting.

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RATES—for classified advertising: 3 cents per word, minimum 50 cents. Phone 4151 or bring to basement of 8 Parkway Tuesday night.

WASHING MACHINES AND VACUUM CLEANERS—Sales and service. Pick-up and delivery. James T. Chenault, 6210 Rhode Island Ave., Riverdale, WA. 4433 and WA. 4662.

RADIOS REPAIRED—Expert work and modern equipment. William E. Bell, 20-F Parkway Road.

LOST—Pair of glasses in blue case. Case also contained a book of orange bus tickets. Finder please return to Frances Roby, Greenbelt Administration Office. Reward.

BLOUSES—Some slightly irregular. \$2-\$4. Values to \$6. Pollock, 5 Woodland Way. GR. 3441.

RIDE WANTED—vicinity of 18th and Pennsylvania ave. Hours 8:30 to 5:00. Phone Greenbelt 3562.

WANTED—Ad solicitor for Cooperator. Phone Cooper, 4151.

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Call Local Talent For Camp Shows

Greenbelters who long for an opportunity to show off their talents have a chance to do it in a good cause. The Volunteer Camp Shows organization is in need of singers, dancers, instrumentalists, novelty acts, comedians, masters of ceremonies, monologists, impersonators, classical artists, hill-billy bands, magicians, ventriloquists, jugglers, and entertainers of all kinds, to give a hand to men in hospitals, veterans, and the boys still in camp. Volunteer Camp Shows is sponsored by the D. C. Recreation Department and Recreation Services, Inc., which is a Community War Fund service. The town has sampled its offerings on at least two previous occasions, at the War Bond show held in the theater some time ago and during the Town Fair.

Talent auditions will be held at the Thomson Center, 12th and L Streets, N. W., on November 14 and December 12 from 9:30 to 9:30 p. m. Next Wednesday is the time.

60 POINTS AND OUT

By SGT. BILL HARMELIN

Q. I am a WAC and my husband is expected home from overseas shortly. He has sufficient points for discharge. Must I wait until he is discharged before I can be released?

A. No. For veterans married to WACs, a new authorization will speed the wife's discharge. The plan allows the G.I. to request the Separation Center to forward a telegram of the good news to his wife's Commanding Officer and this is proof enough to release her.

Q. How soon will the Marine Corps Womens Reserve be demobilized?

A. Marine Corps Headquarters has announced that under existing plans the entire present Marine Corps Womens Reserve will be demobilized by September 1, 1946.

Q. Under National Service Life Insurance, do the premiums increase with the age of the insured?

A. The premium to be paid for any form of insurance is based on the age of the person insured at the effective date of the insurance; that is, a person 30 years old will pay a higher premium rate than one 25 years of age, but after the person is insured, the premium does not increase as his age increases.

Q. What is the difference between compensation and pension?

A. Compensation is a term used to describe the monetary benefits payable on account of service-connected death or disability resulting from service in World War I. Corresponding benefits payable on account of service other than World War I are termed "pensions." The latter term is also used to describe non-service-connected monetary pensions, including those payable to World War I veterans, their widows and their children.

Q. What monetary benefits are provided for retired officers?

A. Retirement pensions are provided at 2/3 of base pay for Regular Army officers with permanent handicap disabilities, or after a certain period for specified types of service, or the attainment of certain ages, and for other officers with permanent disability of requisite degree clearly shown to have been acquired in active service in line of duty.

Navy Wives Meet

The Navy Wives Club held its regular meeting on Tuesday, November 6, at the elementary school. The guest speaker was Tech. Sgt. Bill Harmelin, secretary of the Greenbelt Chapter of the American Veterans Committee, who spoke on "Why a New Veterans Organization?"

Stores Cut Hours

All Greenbelt stores will reduce working hours from 48 to 45 per week, effective Monday, November 19, general manager Sam Ashelman announced Tuesday. The new work week will be in accord with hours of chain food stores in the area.

Two resignations affecting Greenbelt Consumer Services have been announced. Ralph G. Miller of "The Greenbelt Consumer" has resigned his editorship, and Mrs. Jean Willis has relinquished her post as manager of the beauty shop, but will continue in the store as operator.

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Greenbelt stores will be closed all day Monday, November 12 in observance of Armistice Day—except:

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

WANTED BEAUTY SHOP MANAGER

Our present Beauty Shop manager, Jean Willis, has asked to be relieved of the duties of manager.

Members will be glad to hear that Jean will remain and give full time as an operator.

Skilled operators or managers interested in this position are invited to apply at the office over the drug store or call Greenbelt 2231. Salary, \$50 per week plus commission.

Greenbelt Consumer Services

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