



## Solve Greenbelt House Robberies

Chief Panagoulis reports that a local 15 year old has been arrested, while another Greenbelt youth has been identified and is being sought in connection with the house-breaking and robberies that have occurred here recently. The police have recovered a number of the stolen articles which are being held at the department pending identification. Out on bail while awaiting Grand Jury action, one of the pair admitted that the two had broken into over twenty homes in Greenbelt and College Park, taking money and other articles amounting to over \$500. The boys carried pistols while engaged in the robberies.

Officer Belton traced the boys through finger and "sneaker" prints left in some of the houses that had been broken into, identifying the fingerprints with those found on articles cached in the woods and various other places. Many of the more valuable items were pawned, while others were thrown in the lake.

A man held under \$2500 bond in Hyattsville for a robbery because his draft card was found at the scene has been established as a victim of the boys, who robbed him of a ring and watch.

## Co-op Promises New Bus In July

The directors of the Co-op last Friday night approved an expenditure of \$6500 to buy a second bus, adopted a resolution supporting a return to national rationing "if it becomes necessary," and voted all-out aid to the local food conservation campaign.

The new bus, a brand new VB "transit type" Ford, is expected sometime in July. Desirable features include automatic entrance and exit doors and ample headroom. Its coming will mean more regular and dependable service, according to General Manager Ashelman, the possibility of transportation for church-goers and special excursion trips for groups.

GCS will also exercise its right to renew its four months option on retaining the bus franchise, the Town Council having indicated that it will raise no bars to the continuance of an inter-town bus. This popular service, initiated here December 22, is now being operated on a very small margin for the community's benefit. Despite the fact that the present bus is second-hand, there have been only a few interruptions in the service since it began.

## Joint PTA Hears State Educators

More than 250 parents and teachers from nine communities attended the Monday night meeting of the Elementary PTA. Mrs. Wells Harrington, local president, presided and welcomed the representatives from Berwyn, Beltsville, Bowie, College Park, Glenn Dale, Calvert Homes, Riverdale, and University Park.

Mrs. Sherrod East, Program Chairman, introduced Mrs. Lewis P. Dittman, President of the Prince Georges County Council of the PTA who served as chairman of the panel discussion. Principal speaker on the topic, "Our Children in the Schools of Maryland," was the State Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Thomas G. Pullen, Jr. whose subject was "The Philosophy of Education for Maryland."

Following a question period, refreshments were served in the Social Room by Mrs. Freeland Ramsdell, Mrs. Reuben Cohen and Mrs. Russell Brown. Mrs. Donald Romer and Miss Shirley Smith presided at the punch bowls.

A number of town and county officials were among the visitors.

## Welcome To GCS

Greenbelt Consumer Services welcomes the following new employees: Dorothy Kosatka, William Hennessy III, Edward Wilkinson, Jr., Lorraine Crowthamel, Michael McCollum, Eileen Aldrich, Gene Masters, Marion Havens, Nell Johanning, Lillian Harlow, Alfred Sansone, Albert Sutton, William Miller, and Earl Gibson.

PTA Stunt Night March 30

## Fences Allowed In Defense Areas

It appeared last Tuesday that fences of a certain type are now allowed in the defense sections, following formal approval by Harry E. Walls, Assistant to the Community Manager, of the "clothesline" fence erected by the George Boohers at 3-D Plateau Place. The fence is approximately 14 inches high and is supported by stakes driven in at wide-spaced intervals.

Most sorely-puzzled Greenbelter at the present is Sgt. Boohers' neighbor Albert Alsleben, who says he was ordered by the police department last summer to take down a fence of identical character, following a complaint by Mrs. Boohers that she had tripped over it and lost several teeth. Mrs. Boohers sued for \$5000, but ended up by paying costs, the case being thrown out of court by Judge Grey of Upper Marlboro. The Alslebens say they put up the fence because Mrs. Boohers continually "cut across," beating an unsightly path through their grass, adding that she tripped on her own sidewalk. Now that the case is settled the Alslebens say their neighbors still walk across their sod, which is in a sorry state, while the Boohers' lawn flourishes.

Mr. Walls informed Mr. Alsleben this week that it was never the intention of the Administration Office to prohibit the use of clothesline fences in the defense section, and that the police department has no authority to order the removal of fencing.

Last summer a number of defense householders were ordered by Grounds Superintendent MacGregor to take down fences they had erected to protect lawns and gardens from trespassers, while Community Manager Gobel stated he could promise the war-housing tenants no hedges if the building of fences, forbidden in the Federal lease, was continued.

## Nursery Sets Up Scholarship Plan

The Executive Board of the Greenbelt Child Care Center announced that plans are under way to set up scholarships for children who need the services of the Center, but whose parents are unable to pay the full rates.

It has come to the attention of the Board that several school age children formerly enrolled are spending the afternoons unsupervised, and some pre-school children have been withdrawn because the new rates under the unsubsidized cooperative plan are higher than under the Federal Works Agency.

The fees will be lowered for all children as the enrollment grows, but at present there are families who urgently need this care, particularly some families of servicemen and veterans. A loan of \$200 has been requested from the Defense Council and if granted, will help to start the program. A series of benefits has also been planned to raise money for scholarships.

Miss Lucille Lewis, formerly Supervisor of the Prince Georges County Child Care Centers, including Greenbelt, states that the Cooperative Child Care Center has made a splendid and encouraging start and feels that no time should be lost in beginning the scholarship plan.

## Get GCA Support

Throwing its support into the food conservation program, the Greenbelt Citizens' Association will bring expert advice to local gardeners at its meeting Monday, April 1, at 8:30 p. m. in the Elementary School auditorium. "This meeting is believed to be a town service and an ultimate contribution to the hungry world," stated Association President David Granahan.

Robert E. Wester, horticulturist with the Bureau of Plant Industry, will tell how to get real production. Definitely geared to the needs of this area, his talk will summarize the best in gardening. Full natural-color slides will feature the presentation.

Gardeners with specific questions and problems will have an opportunity to fire them at a panel composed of Mr. Wester, Hans Jorgensen and W. J. Mead. Soil tests of all major Greenbelt garden areas are being conducted by Mr. Jorgensen who will announce the results at Monday's meeting.

## Greenbelt's First British War Bride

By DONNA ROMER

Ex-sergeant Joe Kosisky of 2-E Laurel Hill Road is one of the six G. I. grooms living in the Washington area who missed meeting his bride when she arrived in Union Station March 1 because of the unfortunate slip-up in Army and Red Cross information. Attractive Mrs. Kosisky arrived on our shores tired and ill from a cold she'd caught during the crossing but very happy to be here at last. After a few days' rest in Greenbelt she recovered her voice and her health and was ready to explore the new country.

One of the first things the English girl wrote home about was the modern houses in Greenbelt. It's amazing to her that a government project should be "so nice." "I wrote to my mother and told her about the wonderful sinks and the running hot water. It's unbelievable. In London we have very few houses with modern fittings."

When Joe took his new wife downtown shopping she was thrilled to be able to buy cosmetics so easily. "In England one can only buy lipstick when the stores happen to get a shipment and then one must bring an empty tube to have refilled." No underwear can be bought without paying exorbitant prices, except the utility grade, which Audrey declares is "deplorable."



MRS. KOSISKY

Audrey is astonished and confused by the traffic rules and regulations in Washington. She can't understand, for example, why part of the automobile traffic is allowed to proceed when the signal on the corner says "walk." "In London," she says, "when the signal is green all traffic comes to a complete stop for pedestrians." She finds Washington a fascinating place, however. She wrote home that our capital is a town of shoes and hats, and never has she seen as many of either since she was born. "Of course we have 'smart' hat shoppes in London," she smiles, "but they don't have these, what you call 'cute' hats, all ribbons and feathers. It's wonderful." She is amazed at the quantity of shoes displayed, and that all should be so stylish. "At home we buy what the store has to sell and often have no choice whatever, because there will be only one pair of shoes in stock of your size."

Audrey sums it up with "America is grand, Washington is so white and new, and Greenbelt is wonderful." At present making their home with Joe's mother, she and her husband have their names on the waiting list and hope very soon to get an apartment here.

## Help! Help! Help!

Once again lack of help may close the school cafeterias if more mothers do not offer their help. Some mothers are coming two and three times a week. Others offer to come but fail to show up, not even bothering to notify those in charge, general chairman, Mrs. Donald Romer reports.

Mothers who can arrange to help once every week or two weeks are urged to call Mrs. Alfred Sansone at 4622 for the North End School, or Mrs. Alton Bowman at 4926 for the Center School.

## B'nai B'rith Meet

B'nai B'rith members are asked to bring canned goods for overseas relief to next Wednesday's meeting. An election of officers is scheduled.

## Neighborhood Canvassers To Call With Food Saving Suggestions

Greenbelt housewives may expect a call in the next few days from a neighbor in the interest of the town-wide food conservation program. They will be asked to sign pledges to conserve food to aid the starving people abroad, and upon signing, will receive stickers for their kitchen windows. A menu reference card will be distributed to each home and a petition may be circulated asking for a resumption of rationing if necessary in the famine emergency.

## What Goes On:

- March 29—Drop-Inn Bingo Dance.
- March 30—High School PTA Stunt Night at 8:30 p. m. at the elementary school. Baltimore Co-op recreation evening, 17 E. Franklin St., Baltimore.
- April 1—Greenbelt Citizens Association meets at 8:30 p. m. at the elementary school to hear gardening talk. ERCO bands meets at Riverdale elementary school at 7:30 p. m. Town Council meets at 8 p. m. in room over Variety Store.
- April 2—All-Greenbelt forum on pre-school child, social room, elementary school.
- April 3—Ping Pong Tournament, at 8:30 p. m., elementary school gym.
- April 5—Organization meeting of dramatic group, at 8:15 p. m., elementary school. Bingo at American Legion Home.

## Churches Answer Pleas Of Hungry

Direct relief to the starving is not being side-tracked by Greenbelt's interest in food conservation. Church groups continue to answer the appeal of the stricken countries and as the need becomes more urgent, effort is intensified.

The Catholic Church has set up a basket at the entrance of 10-B Parkway where canned food can be deposited, and next Sunday the sixth collection of money will be taken for the Bishops' War Relief and Emergency Fund. The collection is nation-wide and the funds will be spent largely through the Vatican to buy food, medicine and clothing. In the recent canned food drive, the Catholic Church in Greenbelt collected 850 cans which were distributed through the National Catholic Welfare Council.

B'nai B'rith is conducting a program in cooperation with the Joint Distribution Committee which handles shipments from Jewish people in America to Jewish needy abroad. The Greenbelt group has been sponsoring card parties with an item of clothing, food or "comfort items" as the admission fee. "Comfort items" include articles like adhesive, soap, hooks and eyes and razor blades.

The adoption of a French family by the Society of Friends in Greenbelt was written up in a recent Cooperator. Besides adopting individual families the Friends accept money for the American Friends Service Committee, which maintains active relief centers abroad. Canned foods and clothing are sent to a warehouse at New Windsor, Maryland, where the contributions are packed in bales and loaded on freight cars. Last week seven carloads were shipped from New Windsor to New York. The warehouse is under the direction of the Federal Council of Churches for Overseas Relief which acts for all Protestant churches in America.

The Community Church is collecting canned foods for shipment abroad which will also be sent through New Windsor. The Fidelity Bible Class has adopted a French family.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints contributes money to buy and ship food, and Czechoslovakia has been designated to receive contributions from the Washington Stake.

## Drop - Inn Dance

The Drop-Inn is holding a dance tonight from 7:30 to 11:30, with music by Jack Waldo's orchestra. Admission is 25c for members and 50c for non-members. Free bingo is included in the price of admission, while "Pappy" Hawkins will have home-made cakes and sandwiches for sale.

The Greenbelt Food Conservation Committee is sponsored by eighteen local organizations and its work based upon the President's appeal to the nation and the releases of the Famine Emergency Committee.

The meagerness of the average European menu in contrast to the abundant and nourishing diet of the average Greenbelt family was brought out dramatically in the foodstore display early this week which showed spread out on one side of the table a typical European meal, consisting of bread (limited quantity), and one vegetable (choice of carrots, turnips or cabbage). Milk was only for children under three years old; meat was available once a week; there were no potatoes. The Greenbelt diet had meat (choice of any kind or cut), potatoes and a wide selection of other vegetables; milk, coffee or tea; bread or rolls; butter or oleo; salad; dessert of fresh fruits, pastries or ice cream.

A display in the drugstore window showed the countries facing starvation unless they could be provided with a minimum of wheat products and fats in the next 120 days. Represented by cut-out maps and accompanied by suitably dressed dolls, the countries were Austria, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Italy, Yugoslavia, Romania, Bulgaria, Greece, Poland, the Netherlands, Belgium, France and Germany. The display was planned and executed by Rachel Garner and Henry Meyer.

At its second meeting Monday, March 25, the Food Conservation Committee heard Mrs. Carroll Rinehart, manager of the cooperative in Westminster, Md. (pop. 6,000) describe how her community, in cooperation with the Church Committee for Overseas Relief in New Windsor, Md., is sending two or three carloads of food and clothing overseas every week. Westminster is also sending heifers abroad to supply milk, and furnishing personnel for UNRRA cattle boats. She said the Brethren Service Committee had turned their center into a food and clothing depot, manned by volunteer help, and that waste fats are turned over to the youth groups to make into soap.

Greenbelt Food Conservation chairman Carolyn Miller has set up the following sub-committees and chairmen: Publicity and Printing—William Nicholas; Kitchen Card—Carolyn Miller and Mildred Mesner; Pledges, Stickers and Canvassing—Rose Rothchild, Helen Salzman; Food Displays—Bertha Maryn, Rachel Garner; School Activities (essay contests, posters)—Lloyd MacEwen, Mrs. MacEwen, and PTA representatives; Adult Essay Contest—Citizens Association; Menu Contest—B'nai B'rith; Collection of Food and Money—Martha Mott and Mildred Mesner. The committee chairmen and Merton Trast form the executive committee.

Organizations are asked to submit names of volunteers for committee work to Mrs. Miller, 5478, who states that suggestions for furthering the work of the Committee will be welcomed.

## GCS Board Backs Conservation Plan

The following resolution was adopted by the Board of Directors of Greenbelt Consumer Services, at its meeting on March 22, 1946:

Resolved that the Board of directors of Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., express support of a nation-wide food rationing program, if it is necessary, in order to effectively save food for aid to the starving people of other countries; and that this resolution be given publicity and forwarded to the proper Government agencies and Congressional representatives; and

Be it further resolved that it is recognized that food rationing is not a substitute for voluntary conservation programs now carried on in Greenbelt and elsewhere, and that every possible support will be given to the local committee work.



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## The Invisible Guest

The most important single fact in the world today is that half a billion people abroad face death by starvation in the next four months. We cannot remain apathetic in the face of this knowledge because there are many ways in which everyone of us, both as individuals and as members of groups, can help alleviate the situation.

If the public buys less wheat, bread and other baked goods, the bakers will order less flour and fats from the producers, and there will be more of these stocks so vitally needed abroad. We can all contribute food and money to the churches and other organized groups that are sending relief abroad. Herbert Hoover's suggestion that every American family adopt an "invisible guest", a starving European to imagine at the family board, is a sobering but salutary idea.

Because there are those among us whose humanity and intelligence cannot see beyond grabbing and hoarding for their own family circles, we can urge our Congressmen for a return to compulsory rationing of goods that should be shipped abroad. This rationing would work no hardship on us, the best-fed nation on earth, as we have any number of foods to substitute for those we'd go without.

Let no one think that civilization would long endure on the basis of hungry, disease-ridden populations abroad. Every minute, hour, and day that passes is precious, for the outcome of the next four months determines the fate of humanity for the balance of the century.

A.H.

## TO THE EDITOR

### Much Unsaid By Speakers At PTA

To the Editor:

Monday night I went to the PTA meeting hoping to get some information on the laws and functioning of Maryland schools. I listened for nearly an hour to our State Superintendent of Schools deliver an oration on the importance of an enlightened and well-educated citizenry. It soon became apparent, however, that Dr. Pullen needs to brush up on his own education. Our State Superintendent informed us it was up to us to pay more taxes if we want to raise our teachers' salaries; but he did not know what portion of our tax money is spent on education. He gave us \$111 as the amount spent per child per year; but could not give a straight-forward answer as to how the figures compare for white and negro children other than to state that white and negro teachers will be getting the same salaries about one year from now.

I discovered that our State Supervisor of Elementary Schools believes that report cards mean nothing; yet Miss Alder had nothing to say as to how a teacher who has to conduct conferences with at least 30 parents can keep a very close relationship between children and parents. Nor was there any mention of standards of achievement for either school or child.

I discovered that only 60% of the children of high school age attend high school. Mr. Devilbiss, our State Supervisor of High Schools had much to say about making high school more attractive to these children; but no mention was made of any law compelling children to attend high school.

I left the meeting with many questions still unanswered. Not only did Dr. Pullen talk so long that the other speakers were forced to cut their remarks short; but he gave such redundant answers to questions raised from the floor that only six people had the opportunity to ask questions.

I'm beginning to believe that the "free" state of Maryland is notable for the "freedom" it gives its citizens to go without the essentials of education.

—MRS. CHARLES EAST

### Driver Outlines ABC's Of Safety

When we were children, we were taught our ABC's along with our three R's, either by our parents, or by our teacher. And now that we are grown, and are parents ourselves we sometimes laugh, when we recall the numerous humorous incidents, associated with our learning those fundamentals of primary education.

Now that we have assumed the responsibility of becoming parents ourselves, we face a far more greater fundamental of education, and that is the ABC's of Safety. The safety of ourselves, and for our children on the streets of our town, is a responsibility that we must face; one so great, that we cannot afford to let it go unheeded. Greenbelt is supposed to be one of the safest communities in the country for children, in their years of play life, and to date, has fully lived up to its reputation. I will admit that there are not enough facilities for the conduct of safe play around the home, such as gates, hedges and sidewalks, but where there are such facilities, and the parents refuse to take advantage of them, then they are only courting disaster for their children, and certainly heart-break for themselves. We all know that sidewalks were made to be used for the safe travel of pedestrians, yet on Ridge Road, between Northway and Research Road, one may see any number of mothers wheeling baby carriages in the road, when not three feet from them, there is a sidewalk providing safe travel for them and their carriages.

To those parents who practice this dangerous habit, I ask, "Are you so oblivious to the danger of doing so, that you become oblivious of the drivers of cars traveling that particular section of road, or are you one of those who think that: I am on this road, let the drivers look out for me," thereby showing a gross inconsideration for your own safety along with the safety of your children, not to mention the safety of the driver who may possibly wreck his car and cause injury to himself. If so, then it is about time that you took stock of yourself and learned that the ABC's of safety demand that you show a little more consideration of others.

Take my word for it, a little

## Art Class Meets Sat.

The children's art classes conducted by Mrs. Sari Shiren now meet Saturday morning from 10 to 11 a. m. at 1-C Laurel Hill Road instead of Monday evenings.

## More Of The Same

To the Editor:

It appears that the remarks or questions made by me two weeks ago regarding Mr. East have upset the equilibrium of a couple of people. Why not criticize Mr. East when he arises at a special meeting of the Council and speaks for the citizens because he happens to be a member of a Special Committee of the GCA and also have a decided interest in the topic he discussed? Was he representing any organization when in his remarks he expressed the opinions of the majority of the people? Was he fair in speaking on Mutual Housing at such a meeting when there were no advance plans arranged for a discussion of this nature? Our citizens like to have constructive planned statements issued to officials representing the Federal Government on this problem of Mutual Housing. Do Mr. Woodman and Mr. Walter give you any facts that pertain to the questions of the previous issue, no, because they are trying to sidetrack the issue with a lot of double talk by inflating Mr. East.

Of all people in our town why should Mr. East come forth with the subject of Mutual Housing when he has a home that is remote and separate from the Greenbelt Homes? He would have an excellent opportunity to purchase a fine home with a few acres of ground if a Mutual Housing Plan were to be adopted because he, as resident, would have first option to purchase his present home due to its location it would be sold separately at a remarkably reasonable price.

It is natural for Mr. Woodman, who is not a resident of the town, to speak for Mr. East as he is probably accepting shelter in his spacious mansion. Mr. Walter, you may remember, is the person who fought against proxy votes at a recent Co-op meeting but turned around and voted one himself. His statements about me not knowing what benefits Mutual Housing could give me must be considered with the same value as his other statements because the biggest decision on the whole program is can Mutual Housing or Group Ownership assure you, the tenant, all the facilities and services you now have at your present rent without any increase and any additional personal taxes.

Let's not jump at a lot of conclusions like certain people do, because they believe in certain policies, but let's study these things and give all the people all the information, then let them voice their opinions and if it is favorable to Mutual Housing or any other plan submit it to the Town Council at a special meeting for that purpose alone. Let's not try and sandwich this item in with other business.

—LESTER M. SANDERS

(Due to the amount of interest shown in this subject, the Co-operator is planning a series of articles on the local housing problem.)

## Spare That Brush

To the Editor:

I wish to protest the useless cutting down of young pines and other undergrowth in the strip of woods between Parkway Road and the children's playground between Parkway Road and the children's playground at the foot of the statue in the Center. This playground, while necessary, is very ugly with its bare ground underfoot, and detracts from the beauty of the town. Why spread such ugliness for the sake of children who don't need it—they have several adequate playgrounds already. Why not spare this wild beauty—the unique thing about Greenbelt—for the older people living along Parkway who enjoy its beauty every day?

If any improvements need to be made, I would suggest picking up and salvaging the apparent tons of waste paper carelessly thrown down all over town. In fact, a pick-up campaign could well be started by teachers and parents for the small fry of Greenbelt, and for the larger fry on their own account. It's spring now, when the town should be at its best. Pick up, don't throw down. Plant, don't pull up or cut down. If you just have to thin out, pick on the wild onions!

—MARGARET BEAUFORT

consideration for others may be that little time element between life and death. So, dear parents, please, for safety's sake, as well as for the sake of your own, and the drivers' of cars peace of mind, won't you cooperate, by always keeping the first rule of safety foremost in your mind, the fundamental ABC of safety, Always Be Careful.

—WALTER M. PENDLETON

Hi-jinks and stunts tomorrow night at high school PTA stunt night.

## Housewives Urge Housing Inquiry

At their meeting last Thursday night, the Housewives Club welcomed several new members who came to hear Sherrod East speak on "Dual Government in Greenbelt" and remained to join the club. A resolution was adopted urging the Town Council to consider the proposal of the Citizens Association that the council hold an election to select a Housing Committee to study the merits of the various forms of housing possible in Greenbelt.

\$4 was collected for the publicity campaign of the Food Conservation Committee and all members present pledged their cooperation in the canvassing of Greenbelt homes. A resolution was adopted urging the return of enforced rationing. Mrs. East, chairman, reminded those present that those desiring to send clothes to the Spanish Loyalists in France could bring them to 56-K Crescent Road.

The next meeting will be held on the third Thursday in April, the program and place to be announced later.

## Catholic Church

Sunday Masses: 7:30 a. m. and 9:30 a. m. in the Greenbelt theater; 7 a. m., 9 a. m., 10:30 a. m., and 11:45 at Berwyn.

Confessions: Saturday from 7:30 to 9 p. m. at 10-B Parkway in Greenbelt; Saturday at Berwyn from 3 to 5 p. m. and from 7:30 to 9 p. m.

Novena Devotions: at Berwyn every Wednesday evening at 8 p. m.

Religious instruction for children is held every Tuesday at 3:30 p. m., 10-B Parkway.

## Community Church

The public is cordially invited to be present at the Community Church, Sunday morning to hear guest speaker, Rev. J. E. Smith. The music will be furnished by a choir under the direction of Thomas Ritchie, with Mrs. Hester Neff presiding at the organ. Mrs. Frederick D. Birchard will be in the vestibule to welcome the children whose parents desire to leave them while they worship in the main auditorium.

The Church School meets at 9:30 Sunday morning under the direction of the Rev. Frederick D. Birchard.

The Community Church Guild will meet on Tuesday, April 2, at 2 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Ralph Neumann, 71-H Ridge Road.

The Board of Directors of the Greenbelt Community Church will meet on Thursday, April 4 at 8 o'clock in the Pastor's study, 8-B Parkway.

## Lutheran Church

A cordial invitation is extended to the public to hear Rev. Edwin E. Pieplow whose sermon topic is entitled "A Young Woman's Wooing," Gen.24:58. The church services are held every Sunday at 12:30 p. m., in the home economics room of the elementary school, preceded by Sunday school and adult Bible class that begin promptly at 11:45 a. m.

On Thursday evening, April 3, at 8 p. m. in room 224 of the elementary school, Rev. Pieplow will deliver another Lenten message with "The Voice of Desmas" as the subject, Luke 23:42.

Confirmation class will meet at the usual time, 4:00 p. m., Saturday at 35-L Ridge Road.

## Methodists Meet Sunday Evening

Sunday evening preaching service will be held at 8:00 p. m. in the Home Economics Room of the elementary school.

Mid-week prayer service will be held Wednesday, April 3, at 8:00 p. m., at the home of Rev. Chester Craig, 6007 Calvert Court, Baltimore ave., Riverdale.

The Women's Society for Christian Service meets at 1:30 p. m. at the Fisher Home, 2-G Northway Road, Friday, April 5.

Sunday School will be at 10:00 a. m. at the Watson Home, 16-K Ridge Road. A cordial welcome is extended to all.

Stating that other wholesalers had refused to sell to them, a committee from the Union of Automobile workers (CIO) at the Tarrytown General Motors Plant came to the New York office of the Eastern Cooperative Wholesale to buy food for its members. ECW filled orders for soup, cereals, vegetables, and other goods for distribution to strikers and their families and for use in their soup kitchen.

Remembers the High School PTA Stunt Night, March 30!

## OUR NEIGHBORS

Mrs. Frank Donoghue wishes to thank all her Greenbelt friends, including GCS employees, who sent cards and flowers during her recent illness.

Richard Duter of 47-C Ridge Road celebrated his 12th birthday, Tuesday with a supper party for 6 Boy Scouts, which was served by candlelight around a miniature campfire made up of small logs. Present were Leonard Diebert, chief of Den 5, from which Richard graduated to the Scouts; Billy Dove, Billy Donahue, Richard Binder, Frank Alvey, Raymond Diphoye and Cub Lee Duter.

Lt. Howard Haines was in town last weekend visiting old friends. He is now out of the army and is returning home to Hoosick Falls, N. Y.

Lt. Comdr. Rasebuck of 9-R Research rd. has returned to duty at Coast Guard Receiving Station, Ellis Island, N. Y. to await further orders.

Dick Palmer of 1-D Eastway is home for the spring holiday from Western Maryland College.

Private Herbert W. Hall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hall, Jr., of 28-B Ridge Road, is in Germany with the 45th Air Supply Squadron, 45th A. D. Pvt. Hall graduated from the Greenbelt High School in 1942 and was employed by the Naval Gun Factory in Washington prior to enlistment.

Jack Gale, a student at North Carolina University, is home visiting his parents at 1-A Woodland Way.

Miss Jessie Palmer visited her nephew, James Rising, and family, 9-E Research Road, to get acquainted with the new member, Jay. It was also farewell, as the Risings are soon leaving for Lima, Peru.

Mrs. Carolyn Costa, 3-B Research Road, has entered Sibley hospital to undergo an appendicitis operation.

The Raymond Taylors, 56-E Crescent Road, entertained members of the Bow and Knot Sunday School class of National City Christian Church of Washington, on Saturday.

Former FWA tenant selection officer Fred Ryser recently returned from the service.

Claude W. Benson of 6-F Ridge Road celebrated his birthday last Sunday by inviting all the children in the court to a festive affair, as is his annual custom.

Mary Clare England left today for the University of Kentucky, where her husband, Dr. James England, has accepted a position with the History Department.

Virginia Bonham, with the WACs for 2½ years, is now out of the service and attending Vanderbilt University in Nashville, Tenn.

The Bill Nicholases and Tom Dolgoffs were among the couples celebrating wedding anniversaries last weekend.

Paul Hennessy said farewell to his tonsils last Wednesday.

Lt. Don Kern is back from the war; he is visiting with Lyman Woodman.

Former Beauty Shop Manager Mary B. Holland and Lt. Harry Eugene Hesse were married Wednesday evening, March 20 at the Hyattsville Methodist Church. The couple will make their home in Greenbelt.

Former resident Dudley Peeler, now of Birmingham, Alabama, visited his brother here last week.

Mahlon Eshbaugh's buddies at Camp Peary, Virginia asked him about the "Co-op" mark on the boxes sent from home. New board director George Eshbaugh is sending his son Co-op literature along with Mrs. E's famous confections.

Sweet breath of Spring note: the Variety Store sign announcing a sale of electric heaters.

## Frances Stouffer Lauds Cafeteria

Public Health Nurse Frances Stouffer credits the hot, nutritious lunches served at the school cafeterias for the "very favorable" level of health maintained by Greenbelt's school-age population during the past winter and early spring months.

No new cases of chicken pox were reported last week, but a new crop broke out this week to blight the record.

When the family doctor has diagnosed a contagious disease or when anyone in the household suspects the presence of a contagious disease, the town public health ordinance requires that the health department be notified. (Call 6111 between 8 and 9 a. m.) Mrs. Stouffer will establish a quarantine if necessary, and explain regulations governing the various infections. A child returning to school is required to bring a slip from the health department.

After writing his first novel Sinclair Lewis quit his advertising job. Now he says: "Since then, I've never done an honest day's work. Writing novels is an easy life—don't let any writer tell you how hard it is."



## Women's Bowling

On Thursday, the 21st, the ladies resumed their battling for the bowling crown of the year as the league leading Robots maintained their lead by taking two from the Widgets. Those heavy rollers were on the line as the Rioteers cleaned up the Allies and the Raiders stopped the Zombies cold, as Andestad rolled a 135 game for the winners, and Johnson tossed a 119 game for the losers. The remaining games were a two and one split with the Triflers knocking off the Deuces and the Co-op snaring the Atomics. The Bombers edged out the Victors despite the fine game of 117 by Bradley. The Anchors whipped the G.I.'s, although Holmes had a 114 game, and the Commandos dropped the Pioneers.

## Men's Bowling

Well, it's four weeks to go, and those maples will cease firing for this season. On Tuesday, the 19th, those Rummies with Eshbaugh chucking a 335 set took the odd game from the Pickups, despite Gray's 333 set. The Legionnaires continued in second place with a two-game win over the Seahawks, as Lastner had a 347 set and Cain had a 138 game for the winners, while Galvin came up with a 351 set coupled with Morgan's 334 set for the losers. The heavy shooters got into action as the Aces with Peeler's 348 set and Smith's 339 set smothered the Greenhorns. The Commandos with Allen rolling a 366 set, along with a 337 set by Drass, knocked off the Scorpians. The Defenders overcame the Spoilers in all three contests, when Macchio came up with a 332 set. The South East Glass edged out the Co-op two to one and the Redskins with Andestad having a 361 set took two from the Piddlers. The Eagles headed by Scully with 336 set, and Sansone with a 334 set, nabbed the extra game from the Emanon despite the 356 set by Wolfe.

United States has 8,337,25 more people now than in 1940. Census Bureau announced that around October 1, 1945 the population had passed the 140,000,000 mark.

## PLAY BALL

By LES SANDERS

Well folks, the date is set for the big Ping Pong Tournament at the Elementary School gym at 8:30 p. m. on Wednesday, April 3. The Recreation Department, in conjunction with the Athletic Club, have arranged what appears to be a good evening's entertainment in sports.

The feeling is running very high on both sides, especially at the Athletic Club where the five representatives for their team have not been selected. It's an up and down affair as Blanchard heads the list followed by Comings, A. Bowman, Reamy and Prior. The Drop Inn is showing a very formidable team that is sure to be heard from with Gurney, Slaughter, F. Bauer, Fox and Havens.

If your neck needs exercise this is the game to watch by following that little white ball. You can realize that the interest is there when kids see their fathers playing against fellow club members. Locally, this is the first major association of youth and adults in competitive sports.

As usual a board of strategy has been meeting to settle all the details pertaining to the rules and ensure both sides the best playing conditions. I hope to see you next Wednesday as this encounter gets underway and may the best team win. Prizes will be furnished by the Athletic Club.

## Co-op Recreation

The last of a series of cooperative recreation evenings led by Ruth Norris of the Eastern Cooperative League and sponsored by the Baltimore Cooperative will be held Saturday evening, March 30, at 8:30 in the Automobile Workers Union Hall at 17 E. Franklin St., Baltimore. Greenbelters are welcome, and may phone Ruth Taylor, at Greenbelt 2231 if they can provide or want transportation. The charge is 55c per person.

Signs in the reading room of Boston Public Library: "No loose dogs allowed" and "Only low conversation permitted."

## Uncle Sam Says:

By LYMAN L. WOODMAN

By the time the Cooperator material was sorted out Tuesday night, the Civil Service Commission estimated that 52,000 Stenographer Typist exam announcements had been distributed to interested persons in and around Washington. How many competitors will pound typewriters and make pothooks in the tests next month is anyone's guess right now, but it seems not unreasonable to estimate at least 40,000 will participate. Of this Washington number, probably only 1200 or so will be non-Federal employees, and the rest will, in effect, be competing for retention in the service on a permanent basis. The light dribble of application cards from persons not now employed by Uncle Sam confirms what we have known all along—the stenographer labor market in this area is still very tight. It is estimated that 3,000 stenographer vacancies exist in Washington today.

Now that the first post-war stenographer exam has started to move and the time for application is ended, a lot of people are bound to ask, "When will the tests be given?" The answer is contingent upon several factors, not the least of which is getting all the test material from the GPO, segregating the employee-applicants into the 30-odd department and agency examination points, and mailing the exam admission cards back to the applicants. Your reporter's out-on-the-limb guess for the beginning of the Washington tests is around April 15. This will give some people a chance to get in a little spring training for the kick-off. You will be told well in advance of the test date just where to appear and at what time on what date.

The scarcity of rental typewriters is going to be a sad matter for stenographer applicants who are not employed in one of the agencies which plans to cooperate in the exam by furnishing machines. Your reporter has queried of several rental concerns in D. C. on this subject and the answer has been: "We haven't a typewriter available now and we don't know when we will have them." Non-Federalites who hope to compete in the forthcoming exam should make their arrangements early with friends or acquaintances to borrow the needed equipment.

## Legion Has Bingo

A bingo will be held at the American Legion Home on Friday night, April 5, sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 136. Mrs. Betty Roberts and Virgie Roberts are in charge, assisted by other members.

Besides the bingo prizes, Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Drass will also raffle a hand-knitted evening cape. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

## Ping Pong Tourney

The big Ping Pong Tournament between the Drop Inn and the Athletic Club will be held on April 3 at the Elementary School gym. The Drop Inn lineup is: Henry Gurney, Leo Slaughter, Frank Bauer, Teddy Fox, and Benton Havens. There are also some doubles with Gurney, Fox, Bauer, and Slaughter.

A report received from Andreas Juel of the Norwegian Cooperative League says that 112 new cooperatives with 10,800 members were admitted to the League during the past year. By December 31, 1945 there were a total of 832 cooperatives with 222,000 members representing nearly thirty percent of the families in Norway.

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## Scout Round Table

At the last Cub Scout Round Table meeting held at the home of Lt. (j. g.) and Mrs. D. D. Purnell, the date for the next Pack meeting was set for April 25 in the elementary school auditorium. The theme for the month of April is "Air Models."

Den mothers and cubbers present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. Beckham, Mr. and Mrs. D. Purnell, Mr. and Mrs. B. Barlow, Mrs. C. Duter, Mrs. E. Swisher, Mrs. E. Rosenzweig, Mrs. J. Jones, Mrs. J. Foor, Mrs. R. Whaley, and Mr. W. Hunt. Mr. Hunt was unanimously elected as Director of Educational Activities and Mr. Barlow as Assistant Cubmaster.

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## ERCO Starts Band

Greenbelt musicians are invited to join the band now being organized by the employees of the Engineering and Research Corporation at Riverdale. The airplane workers have already started practice sessions at the Riverdale Elementary School under the direction of Dana Garrett, leader of the Greenbelt Community Band, but are seeking other musicians to fill out their roster.

It is planned to make the band a county affair, and all interested musicians, whether they own instruments or not, are invited to attend the weekly rehearsals held every Monday night from 7:30 to 9:30 at the school house. Arrangements for transportation from Greenbelt and further information may be obtained by phoning GR. 4416.

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Meeting

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G.C.S. Office above the Drug Store

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Potomac Cooperative Federation

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## Community Dance Aids New Drop - Inn

Twenty-five local organizations are planning a dance to be held on May 4 to raise money for the successful establishment of a new Drop-Inn, tentatively planned to occupy a spot above the tennis courts in a proposed war memorial park. A building with an area of about 2400 square feet has been secured from the recent war surplus housing exhibit near New Hampshire Avenue, and present plans call for a new foundation, walls, and roof, salvaging other materials and equipment from the dismantled structure.

## Successful Party Helps Cafeteria

The "Get Acquainted Party" held at the Northend School, Wednesday, March 20, raised a sum of \$72.36 which will be used to buy equipment for cafeterias at both schools.

A variety of games were played but the most interesting feature of the party was a roll call of the states. 32 were represented with one signature from London England and one from Chatham, Canada. Many found neighbors from their home states and new friendships were started.

Barbara Smith and Richie Fonda drew names out of a basket and handed door prizes to the following: Mrs. Marvin Sayers, Mrs. Ralph Parker, Mrs. Edward Sefcik, Mrs. Louis Zimmet, Mrs. Joseph Todd, Mrs. Henry Hofstetter, Mrs. D. P. O'Leary, Mrs. Lloyd Nelson and Mrs. Lee Ellis. The awards were donated by Woodward & Lothrop, the University Beauty Shop in College Park, Larry's Dry Cleaning Co., Mrs. Wallace, Mrs. Meyers, Mrs. Plitt, Mrs. Darling and Mrs. Smith.

Northend school children, particularly those in the 4th, 5th and 6th grades, drew a vote of thanks for their help in making state banners and setting up the tables and chairs and caring for the children in the nursery. Cakes donated by Holmes Bakery, Co-op coffee furnished by GCS and cream given by a local dairy were served by a committee of Girl Scouts.

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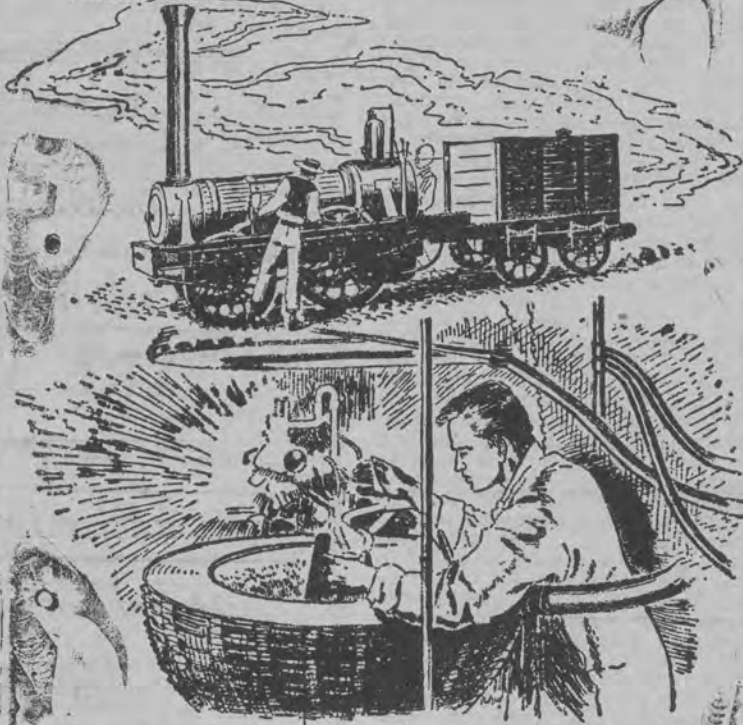
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## Einstein Advises Anatomy Of Peace

Reviewed by Walter Shine

When an eminent scientist like Albert Einstein recommends a book to the public, it behooves us to prick up our ears. Einstein, whose work provided the theoretical basis for the atomic bomb, feels a moral responsibility to inform mankind that only a strong world government can save it from the catastrophic possibilities of the bomb. He finds Emery Reves' "Anatomy of Peace" (\$2, Harper & Bros.) points the direction more convincingly than any other work, in which our statesmen's efforts must lie. For those who may not be able to read the entire book, the Readers Digest has printed summaries in both its December and January issues. Leading Americans in advertisements appearing from coast to coast have urged its reading. You can perform no worthier patriotic task.

Reves shows that the growth of governmental units from tribe to town to city to state to nation was functional, derived from the need for ever-increasing protection against broader conflicting interests. As these units developed, sovereignty—the right to control the actions of lesser governing units—was separated and transferred to more embracing governmental units to enlarge their protective ability. Once this transfer was effected, the conflicts among the lesser units ceased or were controlled without warfare. A further separation of sovereignty and a transfer to a world government whose function will be to maintain peace among national units must now follow.

Of those who would protest against any "surrender" of sovereignty or independence, Reves asks: Are our freedoms guaranteed if every 20 years war forces cen-

sorship of press and speech upon us? Are they guaranteed if every war diverts our energies and resources from consumer goods to weapons of war? Are our property rights protected if every 20 years a gigantic public debt and inflation tend to destroy our savings? And to what avail is our "independence" if we are forced into war by a decision made exclusively by the Imperial War Council in Tokyo? It is this hypothetical independence which will be infringed and sacrificed by the creation of a world government.

## Co-op Eggs Above Grade A Average

Daily spot tests on Co-op eggs sold in the foodstores have been made to check on quality by Rachel Garner, GCS Consumer Aid, who has candled several dozen eggs from each case for a period of one week. Of 552 eggs tested during a one week period, eleven were found to be 1½ ounces under weight, which is far above the government requirement for Grade A eggs stating that 80 per cent must be 24 ounces or better per dozen. The Co-op rate was 98 per cent. Consumers spend about five cents out of every food dollar on eggs.

All eggs sold on March 7 were checked before they were purchased for weight, blood spots, and placement of air cells. Of the 447 tested only six eggs were underweight. All customers were asked to return any defective eggs. To date no eggs have been returned, GCS reports.

The Cooperative for American Remittances to Europe (CARE) has leased the entire first floor at 50 Broad Street in downtown New York. CARE was established by 22 of the major agencies in the field of foreign service to provide food package shipments to war-torn Europe on a large-scale, non-profit basis.

## Theatre Becomes Mossy Underfoot

Greenbelters who attended the movies last Monday evening were the first to enjoy the luxurious feel of the new theater carpet, the laying of which lasted from 8:30 a. m. until 4 in the afternoon. A product of the Bigelow-Sanford Carpet Co. and a pleasing shade of green, the new covering was a bargain at \$653, plus \$100 for the padding and \$75 installation charges. Greenbelt Consumers Services had been quoted prices ranging from \$1200 to \$1500.

## Actors Wanted

The formation of a Greenbelt dramatic group was decided upon at a meeting called by the Education Committee of Greenbelt Consumers Services last Sunday. Co-op members interested in dramatics were invited to attend this meeting in order to lay plans for the GCS skit to be presented at the High School PTA Stunt Night on March 30, Miss Ruth Norris, Recreational Director for the Eastern Cooperative League, presiding.

After a discussion of the skit and tentative assignment of parts, plans were laid to form a dramatic group. The first meeting of the group will be held Friday evening, April 5 at 8:15 p. m. at the elementary school. Miss Norris, who has had a great deal of experience in both the professional theater and amateur theatricals, agreed to attend the second meeting of the group, Friday evening, April 12, when definite plans based on the discussion held at the group's first meeting will be made. All Greenbelters who are interested in any phase of theatrical production are invited to attend both meetings.

## PTA Study Groups

The Elementary PTA is making plans for a series of study groups for teachers and parents to be held during the first three weeks of April.

The Program Committee, of which Mrs. Sherrod East is chairman, suggests the following topics: County Management of Public Education, Child Health, Recreation, Understanding Other Races and Nationalities, The Springfield "Plan," School Curriculum and Methods, Family Relationships, The Pre-School Child, Relationship of Home and School, and The Parent-Teacher Association as a National Organization. Parents and teachers are urged to add other topics.

The chairman of the various groups will contact those interested and arrange for dates and meeting places. Further information may be had by calling Mrs. East, Tower 5184.

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