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Youth Canteen Holds Open House; Town Officials Give Key To Teen-Agers

All town residents are invited to the opening of the new Youth Canteen tomorrow night, May 3. The new youth building is located behind the theatre parking space. Promptly at 7 p. m., Community Manager Cormack, Town Manager Gobbel and Mayor Bauer will present the key of the building to Jimmie Williams, chairman of the teen-age group. Rev. Eric T. Braund will dedicate the new project.

After the formal services, the building will be open to the community for inspection until 9, after which the teenagers will take over with a dance until 12 p. m. No charge will be made for the open house. The snack bar will be open all evening with ice cream, drinks and potato chips available. A group of volunteer boys and parents have taken over the building for the past two weeks and have completed the entire interior painting.

Last Monday night a large group of parents interested in serving as hosts and hostesses met in the main room. Jeanne Kasko, chairman of Jr. Hostesses, and Jack Likens, chairman of the House Committee, told the group of their committee plans. Rev. Braund and Mrs. Sansone, chairmen of hosts and hostesses, spoke on their duties as hosts and hostesses.

Beginning Wednesday, May 7, the canteen will be open for regular operation with the afternoon shifts from 2:30 to 5:30 and the night shifts Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday until 11:30 and Sunday open from 7:30 to 10:30. Regular membership will include single boys and girls who are residents of Greenbelt, between the ages of 14 (or in 9th grade) through 19. Special membership will include single boys and girls who are residents of Greenbelt and are out of high school through 25. Both groups will be permitted to come in in the afternoons, while Wednesday night will be reserved for the older group and Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights reserved for the regular membership. Applications will be distributed at a meeting of teen-agers this Monday afternoon, May 5. Those who meet the membership requirements and are approved by the Planning Committee will be issued membership cards next Wednesday.

Victory Day Group Plans Memorial

A memorial to honor Greenbelt veterans of World War II will be ready for dedication to the town within 30 to 60 days, according to plans of the Victory Day Committee. A statement issued by the Committee reads as follows:

"At a recent meeting of the Victory Day Committee by motion it was decided to erect a Memorial not to exceed in cost the amount of cash they have on hand in the sum of about \$950.00.

"A committee was elected to prepare plans, design, place, inscription and dedication day. From a general discussion it was the opinion that the Memorial should be placed just across the road from the business center about where the Xmas tree has been placed.

"An opportunity will be given different organizations to place articles inside the stone work. The minutes of the meeting will be placed inside the Memorial with all members of the Committee signing them. Also a list of all veterans who served from Greenbelt.

"These funds were obtained by the holding a carnival in 1943 when a committee was formed by the five members of the then Town Council and Town Manager and six members for the local American Legion Post.

"The committee was composed of Mayor George F. Bauer, Leon G. Benefiel, Jennings B. Craig, Fred A. DeJager, Paul Dunbar, Bart J. Finn, Edward C. Kaighn, Francis J. Lastner, Dr. James W. McCarl, Allen D. Morrison and David R. Steinle."

GCS Expansion Needs More Votes

A third mailing was sent out this week by Greenbelt Consumer Services in order to secure the necessary ballots for the expansion of the cooperative.

GCS Secretary Frank Lastner states that only 730 votes have been cast. He said a total of 1497 are needed to increase the authorized capital stock, and to take other action vital to the development program.



Taken in happier days (just after the last council election) this picture shows Mrs. Bertha Bonham, then town clerk; Councilmen Paul Dunbar, John Cain, Joseph Rogers; Town Manager Gobbel and Mayor Bauer; and Councilman Allen Morrison.

GCS To Discuss Theater Prices

The Greenbelt Theatre will be the subject of a special membership meeting of Greenbelt Consumer Services next Wednesday at 8:15 p. m. in the center school auditorium.

Called at the request of 125 interested members, the meeting is expected to lead up to a ballot on raising the admission price of the theatre.

Members at the February 26 meeting voted to return the admission price to the present level. Since that time additional operating figures reveal that labor costs, repairs, and film expenses are mounting. Margins have been declining.

A statement sent out to members on April 17 shows the downward trend in margins throughout 1946. The month of March 1947 shows a loss of \$312 of 8.3%.

Meanwhile the theatre has been inaugurating special children's programs. Last Saturday 1412 children and 407 adults saw a special puppet show "The Goolibah Tree" and a number of cartoons. Tomorrow a morning showing of "Young Tom Edison" has been arranged by Manager Paul Linson in cooperation with the Children's Matinee Advisory Committee, Mrs. Clyde Stripling, chairman.

What Goes On

Friday, May 2—Eastern Cooperatives, Inc. district meeting for all cooperators in Potomac Area, Friends Meeting House, 2111 Florida Ave., N. W., 8:00 p. m. Bus leaves from tobacco store 7:00.

Saturday, May 3—Shamrocks vs. Rockville at Rockville, team leaves from swimming pool 1 p. m. Gun Club match, rifle range 1 p. m. Legion Jrs. vs. Snyder-Farmer-Butler Post, 3 p. m. at Braden Field.

Monday, May 5—Annual meeting, election of directors, Greenbelt Mutual Housing Assn., center auditorium, 8:15 p. m.

Wednesday May 7—GCS membership meeting on theater policy, center auditorium, 8:15 p. m.

Friday, May 9—GCS style show, Greenbelt theater, 3:30 p. m. GCS board meets, office over drugstore, 8 p. m.

Town Clerk To Offer Sunday Registration

Town Clerk Winfield McCamy plans to schedule a Sunday afternoon registration period in the near future for the benefit of working residents who can't make the daily 8 to 4:30 hours at the Town Office.

About 14 new residents have now signified their intentions of voting in the town election this fall.

To vote, a resident must have lived in Greenbelt six months and in the state a year.

Officers Installed At Spring Luncheon

The Woman's Club will hold installation of officers at their annual spring luncheon to be held at "The Little Tea House" in Arlington, Virginia, May 8 at 1 p. m. Mrs. Walter E. Kriel, former president of the Maryland Federation of Women's Clubs, will install the officers. Mrs. James E. Gobbel has been elected to succeed Mrs. S. Hartford Downs as president. Other officers are: vice-president, Mrs. E. Leland Love; recording secretary, Mrs. Orville M. Slye; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Freeland Ramsdell; treasurer, Mrs. James W. McCarl.

Following the luncheon the group will visit the Lee mansion in Arlington National Cemetery.

Committee on arrangements for the affair is headed by Mrs. Love, assisted by Mrs. George E. Clark, Mrs. Gobbel, Mrs. David Granahan, Mrs. Slye and Mrs. Phillips Taylor.

Nursery Parents To Meet Thursday

Mrs. Kay Mitchell, kindergarten teacher of the North End School, will speak to the parents of the Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School on "What the Kindergarten Teacher Expects of Our Children" at 8:15 on Thursday, May 8, at the home of Mrs. Norman Olsen, 4 Forestway.

Parents whose children are enrolled for next year are especially urged to be present, as the program will include election of next year's officers, discussion of plans for expanding the school, tuition rates, and reports of the work of officers and committees active during the year.

Co-hostesses for the meeting are Mrs. Elizabeth Rowse and Mrs. Frances Willoughby.

Fire Adds Fuel To Bauer-Gobbel Row; Council Gives Firemen Separate Fund

By SALLY MEREDITH

Monday night's fiery Town Council meeting resulted in the passage of a motion that Greenbelt fire equipment answer "any and all calls from the Prince Georges County Fire Control Board." A resolution was also entered to grant the fire department a separate budget. The town office was crowded with members of many prominent town organizations who came to make plans for a July Fourth celebration.

According to Town Manager James T. Gobbel, the motion sponsored by Councilman John Cain and insisted upon by Mayor George F. Bauer merely confirmed the policy already guiding the Department of Public Safety.

A two-hour display of political fireworks was touched off by Mayor Bauer's remark that "they" (Mr. Gobbel and Safety Director George Panagoulis) were "passing the buck" to Council with regard to last week's fire on Edmonston Road.

No Funds Provided

Mr. Gobbel had estimated \$1700 as the cost of equipment requested by Werner Steinle, representing the volunteer fire squad, in his plea for an organization, authority, and a separate budget for the firemen.

Praising the squad's success in keeping fire loss over a period of ten years to \$1,000, Mr. Gobbel observed that, much as the equipment was needed and deserved, there had been no appropriation made for it in the latest town budget, and no other funds were available. He then pointed out that final responsibility for budgetary matters rests with the Town Council. It was this remark which led to Mr. Bauer's reference to "buck-passing."

Edmonston Fire Call

Prodded by Mr. Gobbel for clarification of his charge, Bauer read a letter stating that a call to Greenbelt for equipment to put out a house fire on Edmonston Road had not been followed up until a Greenbelt policeman arrived on the scene in a police car and made a second call.

Mr. Cain then said that he had checked with the fire control board and learned that Greenbelt had been called by the board.

Mr. Gobbel advised Mr. Cain that he could have received complete information from him upon request, and proceeded to relate in detail what had occurred.

Gobbel Gives Details

With frequent interruptions by Mr. Bauer to the effect that "when a life is at stake no matter where, Greenbelt should answer the call," Mr. Gobbel explained that on Tuesday, April 22, he overheard Mrs. Robert Dove take a fire call over the town switchboard. She immediately gave the description and location of the fire to Mr. Panagoulis, who was nearby. Deciding that the house was outside Greenbelt's jurisdiction, Mr. Panagoulis instructed her to report to the fire control board. The operator there replied that other equipment had been sent and that the situation was "well in hand." Mr. Panagoulis then sent a police car to the scene.

Upon arrival, the policeman learned that additional equipment was needed and radioed the fire board, which then called Greenbelt to request their equipment, which was sent to the scene. According to Mr. Gobbel, it was apparently the first call by the individual which was mentioned in Mr. Bauer's letter and the latter call which Mr. Cain had spoken of.

Mr. Panagoulis said that, in his opinion, the house could not have been saved "if we had been called a half-hour before the fire and waited there to put it out."

Cain Complains

Mr. Cain complained that neither Mr. Gobbel nor Mr. Panagoulis had mentioned the fire to him when he saw them Wednesday. Mr. Panagoulis remarked that it was not the fire department's policy to discuss every fire with council members.

18 Up For Board Of GMHA Monday

Nine members of the board of directors of the Greenbelt Mutual Housing Association will be elected at the annual meeting on May 5. The election of directors from a slate of eighteen names suggested by the nominating committee will be the principal item of business at the meeting, to be held next Monday in the center auditorium at 8:15 p. m.

Nominated by the committee were Abraham Chasanow, Vladimir Chavird, Ralph Cox, Wesley Darling, Sherrod East, A. J. Granger, Carrie Harper, Wells Harrington, Sig. Leifur, Paul Linson, Robert Morrow, Waldo Mott, Cyrilla O'Connor, Thomas Ritchie, Michael Salzman, George Sheaffer, Walter Volckhausen and Adelaide Weidberg. To this list will be added any member's name which is indorsed by at least four of the membership. Other matters of business proposed by members may be discussed.

Church Site Change

A change of site of the planned Community Church from Ridge Road to the northwest corner of Hillside and Crescent was approved Sunday morning by the congregation.

Thomas P. Berry, chairman of the building committee, informed the gathering that the committee had voted to change the site mainly because of the development of Schrom Airport and the express highway.

"The airport is to be used as a terminal for large cargo carriers, and when the wind is right these heavy planes would pass directly over the church at a low altitude," Mr. Berry said. "The lot at Hillside and Crescent has been approved by the architects as highly suitable for the new church," he stated.

Approximately \$19,000 has been paid or pledged to date. Mr. Berry said that the committee is hopeful of beginning construction a year from now.

Little Theater Plans

"Night Must Fall"

The Legion Little Theatre will hold open try-outs for its next production "Night Must Fall," a mystery melodrama by Emyln Williams, in the center school auditorium, Tuesday night, May 6, at 8 p. m.

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A Dead Memorial

We find ourselves totally out of sympathy with the war memorial planned by the Victory Day Committee. As envisioned by the 12-man board, this memorial will be a large stone set in some conspicuous spot near or in the Center. It may have a bronze plaque affixed to it, on which will appear the names of Greenbelters who fell in the war. In a steel box to be sealed inside the boulder will be a list of all World War II veterans, together with a copy of the minutes of the last meeting of the Victory Day Committee. A fence will keep children from clambering over the memorial.

The committee is prepared to pay \$950 for this lifeless, unproductive project, a veritable gravestone.

We do not know if the committee's decision is final, but we wonder what the reaction will be to this type of memorial on the part of the families and friends of World War II veterans here.

On the west coast funds are being appropriated to finance rental housing projects; the money is being given in memory of those who died in the war. In our own county a memorial library has been established to honor World War II veterans. The books will reach a large part of the population of Prince Georges County which has never had access to a public library before.

The income from an investment of \$950 could be awarded annually to an outstanding high school student.

How do Greenbelters feel about this?

Out On A Limb

It is unfortunate that so much time had to be taken up, at last Monday's council meeting, with what appeared to be a "grudge fight."

The charges brought against Town Manager Gobbel by Mayor Bauer and Councilman Cain fell of their own weight. The issue at stake was a minor one, of no vital concern to our citizens. One wonders, in view of the coming election this fall, why the two council members got out on such a precarious limb.

No Sidewalk Sales?

One item of business brought up at the last Council meeting was an ordinance prohibiting sidewalk sales. Presented for a "first reading," this measure will presumably be voted on at the next regular council meeting on May 12.

Greenbelt Consumer Services, to avoid congestion in our already crowded stores, has on occasion sold sugar outside the foodstore. This happened when sugar was short, and large numbers of persons had to "queue up."

Counters have been set up outside the Variety Store to facilitate bargain sales.

Many organizations have raised money through bake sales held underneath the arcades.

We have never heard any objections to these practices. It is not as if our sidewalks were already crowded with vendors.

We would like to see the town council try to frame some statute to regulate those ubiquitous door-to-door peddlers who will make the housewife's lot miserable this summer.

To The Editor:
Wanted: Good Movies
Dear Editor:

The large crowd drawn to the movie theatre last Sunday to see "Till the Clouds Roll By" should be a forceful hint to the manager that the best way to show a profit is by booking Grade A pictures.

The habit of timidly showing poor quality movies will always be a deterrent to large attendance. I hope this point is particularly emphasized in the May 7 GCS meeting devoted to the theatre problem.

"DISGRUNTLED"

\$5 Starts Fund To Buy Snack Bar Equipment

A fund to purchase cooking utensils for use at the center school was started last week by a five-dollar contribution by the Boy Scouts.

In cooperation with Robert Howey, janitor of the school, Robert F. Dove is asking all groups who use the cooking facilities at the school to make a contribution. If enough money is raised, table utensils and dishes may also be purchased. Mr. Howey has agreed to keep all articles purchased under lock and key when not in use.

OUR NEIGHBORS

By DOROTHY MCGEE
Phone 3667

The music that's been going round and round the town, whistled and sung by our small fry, is from the puppet show "The Goolibah Tree," enjoyed by so many last Saturday at the theatre. Here are the words, which bear repeating, as near as we can remember them: "Oh, the Goolibah tree is everybody's tree. There's goolibahs for you, and goolibahs for me. So you help me; and I'll help you. And we'll get some goodies, goody, goody, goodies. We'll all get some goodies from the Goolibah Tree!"

Private Robert J. Burke of Greenbelt is on occupation duty in the Tokyo-Yokohama area. Overseas since December, 1946, Burke is serving with the 7th Cavalry Regiment as a member of Headquarters Troop. He wears the Victory and the Occupation ribbons. Burke, a former student at Greenbelt High School, entered the Army in October, 1946. His parents Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Burke, live at 60-D Crescent Road.

Reverend Eric Braund will leave for Chicago where he will represent Greenbelt at the National Convention of Community Churches. Mrs. Braund will accompany him to Ashtabula, Ohio, where she will visit her sister.

Recent weekend visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Isadore Russ 3-B Eastway, were Mr. Russ' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Max Russ and his aunt Mrs. Rebecca Weinstein who motored down from New York. Accompanying them were Mr. and Mrs. Harry York and Reuben York who were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam York, 19-J Ridge Road.

Mrs. Fred Blackett and her small son, Bobbie of 22-B Crescent Road left yesterday by plane for a month's visit in Kansas. They will divide their time between Bobbie's two sets of grandparents.

Last Friday Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Castaldi 11-V Ridge Road celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary in the Embassy Room of the Statler Hotel in the company of their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Schmidt and Mr. and Mrs. Seldin Pinnero. The Schmidts have been the house guests of the Castaldis since April 15. Both Otto Schmidt and Seldin Pinnero are musicians in Ted Strater's orchestra, playing now at the Statler Hotel. On Sunday, the Pinneros came from Washington for dinner with their friends, winding up a pleasant weekend's anniversary festivities.

Little Paul Green, 3-K Eastway spent last weekend recovering from a tonsillectomy performed on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stepuro with their two boys, Stanley and Kenneth of 26-D Ridge Road have spent the last month with their folks in New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Berkofsky and their son, Martin of 9-L Ridge Road were in New York last weekend.

On April 22, a surprise birthday party was given for 11 year old Sonya Friedman, 7-C Hillside Road at the home of Mrs. Charles Ritter, 6-P Hillside. Three of Sonya's friends made the ice cream and birthday cake for the eight who attended. The following Saturday, Sonya entertained the birthday guests by taking them to the puppet show at the theater and later to her home for refreshments.

Mr. and Mrs. John Collier of 26-B Ridge Road and their children are spending this weekend in Pennsylvania attending the wedding of Mrs. Collier's brother.

Karen Miller's first birthday was celebrated last Sunday with a lawn party at her home, 10-B Plateau Place. Three year old sister, Betty and her friends played games and enjoyed watching some home shown movies. Karen and Betty's grandmother, Mrs. Rose Berger and their aunt, Miss Noma Berger came from Philadelphia to spend the weekend.

A daughter, Barbara Ann was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gus A. Bealor, Jr., 13-E Hillside Road on April 15 at Leland Memorial Hospital.

A delightful surprise is in store for three year old Sandy Johnson of 13-F Hillside Road when he returns from visiting his aunt and uncle in Chicago. He will be greeted by a brand new baby brother, Gary Emmett, born to Mr. and Mrs. Jack Johnson on April 26 at Leland Memorial Hospital.

Pat Bell, one of the younger bowlers of Greenbelt, who has been bowling with the Research Laboratory Mixed League, received the top prize of \$10 for the highest

Lutheran Church

Sunday, May 3—
11:30 a. m.—Sunday school class and adult Bible class.

12:30 p. m.—Church service in the home economics room of the center school. Rev. Pieplow will conduct the service.

Separate PTA's Voted Down 34-19

Separate PTA meetings for the two elementary schools in town were rejected by a vote of 34 to 19 at the elementary PTA meeting held April 28. Officers for the coming year will be installed at the next meeting.

Mrs. Wells Harrington presided in a panel discussion of "What I Would Like the School To Do for Our Children," with Mrs. Sherrod East, Mrs. Arthur Wetter and J. Warren Smith as speakers. In a group discussion following the panel, parents offered ideas to improve methods in the schools.

Construction Begins On Super Market

The first construction work at the site of the new cooperative super-market will be the drilling of a well.

GCS Manager Sam Ashelman said that bids would go out this week and that work might be started within two weeks.

On the basis of wells in the area, it is expected that at 250 feet the water table will be reached.

The main purpose of the well will be to supply air conditioning needs of the theatre, drug store and tobacco store. In time, Mr. Ashelman hopes the super-market will be air-conditioned, but "this may have to wait a year or two," he said.

Child Care Center Plans Annual Meeting May 6

The Child Care Center announces that the annual membership meeting will be held at 8:30 p. m. on Tuesday, May 6 at 14 Parkway.

All parents of children now enrolled at the Center, and parents who expect to enroll their children within the next six months, are invited to attend.

A new Executive Board will be elected at this meeting. A nominating committee, consisting of Miss Elizabeth Cameron, Mrs. Leo F. Weber and Mrs. George Kaufman will present a list of nominees. Other nominations may be made from the floor.

Miss Cameron announces that she is now taking applications for the position of housekeeper, which will open June 1.

game rolled by the fair sex, a neat 135. Congrats, Pat.

The Sidney Deibert family recently said goodbye to their home of 10 years to pioneer a new government housing project outside Tokyo. Mr. Deibert, a War Department economist and statistician, has been in Japan for over a year.

Mrs. Deibert taught at the center school for several years. Leonard, a freshman at Greenbelt High School, plans to resume education next fall at a school for Army youngsters in Tokyo.

Friends of Mrs. Deibert attended a bon voyage party in her honor on April 23 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Schonberger, 6-E Parkway. Well-wishers include Margaret Gwynn, Maxine Batie, Bill Grimm, and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mitchell.

Community Church

Saturday, May 3—
10 a. m.—Bake Sale at the Co-op drug store, sponsored by the Fidelis Sunday School Class.

Sunday, May 4—

9:30 a. m.—Church School.

Thomas Berry, Superintendent.

10 a. m.—Class in Church Membership taught by Rev. Braund.

10:50 a. m.—Church Nursery.

11 a. m.—Church Worship. Beginning of National Family Week.

The Pastor will speak on: "Secrets of Happy Living." The choir will be led by Mrs. Milton Wiksell with Mrs. Daniel Neff at the organ.

Tuesday, May 6—

2 p. m.—The Day Guild meets at Mrs. Mattie Blake's home.

Wednesday, May 7—

8 p. m.—Choir rehearsal.

Tickets for the Guild-sponsored movie, "Wake Up and Dream," at the local theatre, May 14 and 15, may be purchased now from any member of either Guild. This movie won the award for March from Parent's Magazine.

A new class in church membership is being formed to join church on Pentecost Sunday May 25.

Those interested are invited to phone the church office, 5001.

The Church School this year has again set aside \$100 for scholarships for young people to Camp Kanestake, Pennsylvania, an outstanding inter-denominational Christian youth camp.

Sam Reports On Nova Scotia

"They're wonderful people!" This is Sam Ashelman's reaction to the Scotch-Catholic communities of Nova Scotia. The general manager of Greenbelt Consumer Services recently returned from a lecturing assignment to St. Francis Xavier University. As a visiting expert Sam delivered a series of talks to a University class on "Trends in Retail Merchandising in the United States."

Merchandising ideas new to Canada, Sam said, are open displays, self-service, and low margins. In a typical Canadian store, stuff is "stuck away on rafters or behind the counters," he said. Customary margins are from 5 to 10 per cent.



Our visiting expert made a tour of cooperative enterprises in Nova Scotia that included retail stores, a radio station and credit unions, as well as fishing and canning co-ops. Fostered by the University's Extension Department, the cooperative movement has grown phenomenally in Nova Scotia over the past 17 years.

Co-op Radio Station

Mr. Ashelman was interviewed over the air by the Atlantic Broadcasters, co-op radio station in Antigonish. Started on \$30,000 four or five years ago, it recently spent \$40,000 of accumulated earnings on improvements. It hires 15 employees and puts on a full daily program. This station has cut out soap operas, and tries to keep advertising to a minimum. Two hundred co-op study groups have been started by the company, which furnishes a discussion leader on the air as a weekly feature.

Oldest In North America

Sam found a "frontier atmosphere" in Sydney, N. S., which used to be one of the last ports of call for wartime convoys. The tax on gasoline here was 13 cents a gallon, and horse-drawn vehicles were very much in evidence. A population mainly made up of steel workers and miners, their retail co-op, the "British-Canadian," does an annual business of 2½ million. They claim it is the oldest co-op in North America.

A unique burial co-op is one of the features of the British-Canadian. Upon the death of any employee a payment is made to the family representing 20% of the average annual purchases for the preceding three years.

\$12 Carrying Charge

Sam visited a thriving mutual housing association where the carrying charges, on a 3-bedroom house, are only \$12 per month. It was established by a community of miners who spent a year of study on the project, then hired a boss carpenter and pitched in to do a lot of the work themselves. At the time the miners had regular employment only two days a week.

Mr. Ashelman flew to Monkton, New Brunswick from New York City, thence by train to Antigonish.

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GCS Considers Traveling Store

A traveling store—traveling from court to court to sell laundry and cleaning, to sell produce and frozen foods, and to compete with the "ding-a-ling man" in ice cream—is under consideration by Greenbelt Consumer Services.

Reporting to the board of directors last Friday, Sam Ashelman, general manager, said that either the Ford bus purchased from Capital Transit Company could be converted to a traveling store or that a new truck might be acquired.

The board gave its approval to go ahead, if plans are feasible. Mr. Ashelman expressed the wish that residents voice their reactions by way of the suggestion boxes in the stores.

C. U. Shares Money Biz With New Bank Branch

Greenbelt's financial accounts and problems are now shared by two local organizations.

Fred McCarthy, president of the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union, stated his appreciation this week for the added facilities embodied in the Prince Georges Bank and Trust branch, which opened here April 15.

Only service of its kind in Greenbelt for 10 years, the Credit Union will still be on hand to help members in need. Membership applications will continue to be received.

The Greenbelt Credit Union began with eight members in 1937. This number has now increased to well over 600, with capital stock and assets over \$65,000.

The serving committees and governing groups consist entirely of members, the treasurer and assistant treasurer being personally bonded. To obtain a loan the only requirement is ownership of a \$5 share. Loans in general cost 1% interest on unpaid balances. Car loans, the lowest in Maryland, are only ¾% interest a month. Last year a dividend of 2½% was declared on all stock invested. The credit committee meets each Wednesday night to consider loans and the offices are open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evening from 7:30 to 9:30 p. m. for banking or loans.

Present directors of the Greenbelt Credit Union are: F. A. McCarthy, president; R. A. Hennessy, vice-president; R. H. Watson, secretary-treasurer; George Eshbaugh, assistant treasurer; Hugh Hawkins, Mrs. Walter Bierwagen, A. E. Tavenner, and J. F. Maffey. Credit committee members are Wayne Roberts, Edmund Getzin; supervisory committee, A. J. Folkman, E. C. Kaighn, W. J. Phelps.

Assembly Line Doughnuts

Fresh, warm doughnuts are promised to Greenbelters within three weeks' time, according to Greenbelt Consumer Services' general manager.

Mr. Ashelman told the Cooperator this week that arrangements had been made to purchase a doughnut-making machine which will be installed in the drugstore. "Making doughnuts in town will be a saving to the customer and will provide a much better-tasting product than we are able to sell now," he said.

Heurich Tops Shamrocks 12-3

The Greenbelt Shamrocks opened their 1947 baseball season last Sunday before a gathering of about 500 fans, losing to the strong Heurich nine of Washington 12-3.

Until the 5th inning the game kept the spectators on their toes, but in the 6th inning the sun went behind the clouds and the Greenbelt team decide to fold up too. An excessive number of walks and bobbles hurt the team more than the hits that Heurich received. La Vally, a newcomer at first base, showed signs of being a good stickler. In the first inning he dropped a perfect bunt past the pitcher and in the third he singled sharply behind DeShazo, the Heurich shortstop.

Castro and DeShazo led the Heurich attack with Castro getting a single, a double and a home run. DeShazo got a long triple down the right field line.

This Sunday the Shamrocks meet the Rockville nine at Rockville for their first league game. The team will leave from the swimming pool at one o'clock and town ball fans are encouraged to accompany the team on its road trip.

Greenbelt Close Second In First Gun Match

At the first outdoor match of 1947 held on the Greenbelt target range on April 20, the local Gun Club was host in a well-attended four-club match. Greenbelt competed against shooters of the U. S. Aggies team, the Prince Georges Club, and the 933 Club from Mt. Rainier. The PG's won by the shade of one point over the Greenbelt Gun Club.

Mrs. Mildred Kern had top score on the Greenbelt team with a final mark of 395 out of a possible 400. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Gardner, Mrs. Kirts, and Mrs. Klender. Thirty shooters participated in the competition. The next big outdoor match at Greenbelt will be held on May 4.

New GHS Nine Bows Twice

For the first time Greenbelt High School has a baseball team. Uniforms, bats and balls have been furnished by the school and American Legion Post. The coach and school sponsor is Dean Manifold. The team plans to play two games a week, on Tuesdays and Fridays.

In their first league game with Oxon Hill the team played hard, but in spite of their efforts were defeated 2-1. La Plata also caught the Greenbelt boys on a bad day and defeated them by a score of 10-3.

Women's Bowling

Standing of the Greenbelt Women's Bowling League shows a close race for the top position, which will be decided in the next week or so.

Zombies, w. 59, l. 28; Strikers, w. 57, l. 30; ombers, w. 52, l. 35; Robots, w. 51, l. 36; Raiders, w. 50, l. 37; oilermakers, w. 37, l. 40; G. I.'s, w. 46, l. 41; Sea Gulls, w. 41, l. 46; Triflers, w. 40, l. 47; Legion Aux., w. 39, l. 48; Commandos, w. 39, l. 48; Co-op, w. 39, l. 48; Atomics, w. 38, l. 49; Deuces, w. 37, l. 50; Five (A's), w. 32, l. 55; Widgets, w. 29, l. 58.

High team game: First—Legion Aux., 531; second—Strikers, 519.

High team set: First—Legion Aux., 1496; second—Strikers, 1475.

High individual game: First—Linhardt, 144; second—Lastner, 137.

High individual set: First—Last, 362; second—Kosarka, 357.

High strikes: First—Kosarka-Lehan, 25; second—Dulin, 23.

High spares: First—Lastner, 146; second—Linhardt, 143.

High average: First—Lastner, 103; second—Linhardt, 101; third—Kostraka, 96; fourth—Yearman-Dulin-Timmons, 95.

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Sports Stuff

By JOHN COSTA

Did you happen to see Ben Goldfaden's look of remorse after a vain search for a certain pitcher? Or Curt Barker's gleeful expression after one of his pitches caught Spud Clay in the bread basket? Or Harry Crouthamer's torn locks after the Heurich game? Also: A certain young lady flat on her face at the tennis court? The wishful thinkers eyeing the vast empty spaces of the swimming pool? The joyful anxiety of the bowlers for the coming summer league?

The perplexity of one member of the Cooperator staff to get something for his column—which came out thus?

Walton League Camps Out

Paul Lung was nominated as a delegate-at-large for the Maryland Chapter at a recent meeting of the Izaak Walton League's state nominating committee.

The next meeting of the Chapter will be held at the Center School in the Social Room on May 7.

Approximately 25 members will journey to Chopawamsic Park in Virginia tomorrow, May 3, for a two-day fishing and camping trip. All expenses of the trip will be borne by the Chapter with the exception of approximately \$1.50, which will be the food cost for the two days. A family excursion is contemplated to the same camping grounds for May 24, if enough interest is shown in the project.

Due to the efforts of Mrs. E. Don Bullian, Mrs. William Rupert, Mrs. L. Fundon, Mrs. P. Lung, and Mrs. William Schofield, the bake sale conducted by the League's Auxiliary was a success. The Greenbelt Chapter was enriched by approximately \$60.

Local Legion Club Will Play Sunday

Leo Mullen, coach of the Legion Jr. Baseball Team, announces a ball game for Sunday, May 4 with Snyder-Farmer-Butler Post of Hyattsville at 3 p. m. at Braden Field. Also, on Sunday, May 11, the Greenbelt outfit travels to Suitland, Md. for a rematch against the team that gave them a terrific game last week.

HS Has Track Team Again

Greenbelt High School will be represented in several track meets for its second year in this sport. A meeting has been scheduled in May with Westminster University in Western Maryland. The team, which includes about twenty boys, will participate in dashes, running broad jump and running high jump events.



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"Veterans Only" Policy Gaining

By MELITA MEYER

The present policy of the Federal Public Housing Administration in disposing of permanent war housing, is to grant present occupants first priority to buy. This policy was under constant fire this week at committee hearings of the House Banking and Currency Committee. The prevailing sentiment was that first priority be given to veterans.

Among those speaking in behalf of a veterans first policy have been Chairman Jesse Wolcott, former congressman Jerry Voorhis, representing various co-op groups, and Phillip Haydon of the American Legion.

Mr. Wolcott declared that FPHA should guarantee veterans permanent war housing at reasonable payments. Non-veterans should be prohibited from going into rental units until the veteran had a chance to exercise his priority, he said.

Voorhis, Haydon

Representing the Cooperative League of the U. S. and the Cooperative Mutual Housing Association, Mr. Voorhis urged that permanent war housing be sold to mutual home ownership associations, with preference given to veterans' groups.

Mr. Haydon categorically stated that only veterans of World War II and surviving widows be given priority to buy these properties on credit terms of 10% cash and the balance in monthly installments over a period of 25 years. If no veteran agency or corporation presented bids, the properties should be sold to the highest bidders for cash, he said. He also suggested that an appraisal board composed of two real estate men, one banker, one contractor, and one building and loan executive or mortgage banker be appointed, and that some agency other than FPHA administer the sales.

Only One Supporter

Chat Paterson, national legislative representative of the American Veterans Committee, has been the only witness to give approval of the present FPHA policy. "We think these people have a right to convert their tenure into ownership if they so desire. . . . We do not feel that this policy conflicts with proper consideration of the claims of veterans. As a matter of fact, more than half the present occupants are veterans. . . . In some areas, 99 per cent of the families moving into war housing now are veterans' families."

When Chairman Wolcott asked Mr. Paterson if he felt he was adequately representing a veterans' organization, Mr. Paterson answered, " . . . I have just made clear our (AVC's) philosophy that we do feel a responsibility for the other citizens in the community as well as the veterans. We cannot set ourselves apart from the rest of the community."

Congressman William J. Miller of Connecticut testified at the request of McAdams of the Housing Association. He urged that the "present status quo be continued for another 12 months from now, say about June 30, 1948."

Defend Cash Sales

Congressmen also attempted to explain that the recent recommendation of sales for cash only would not discriminate against veterans. As summed up by Congressman Parke Banta, veterans cooperatives could finance them through FHA or other government agencies, "but we would not require the purchaser to have all cash . . . as long as there is a cash return to the Treasury."

Congressman Charles Fletcher of California criticized the 45-year amortization loan terms for mutual housing organizations, saying that "FPHA picked this figure out of the air. The FPHA has set up something we may not go along with."



Meeting with Theater Manager Linson to help arrange for tomorrow's showing of "Young Tom Edison," a Children's Library Film print, is the new Children's Matinee Advisory Committee. Reading from left to right: Manager Linson, Mrs. Margaret Turner, Mrs. Jane Andrusic, Mrs. Edna Stripling, Mrs. Bernice Nelson and Mrs. Mary Rupert. The committee is sponsoring a children's play to be presented at the theater on June 14.

Children To Model Clothes At Show

Junior clothes modeled by local children will be featured at the style show being held at the Greenbelt Theatre next Friday, May 9, at 3:00 p. m. Greenbelt High School girls will model ensembles made in Home Economics classes.

Boys and girls wearing styles from the Variety Store are Ann Murphy, Stephanie Schein, Janet Hertz, Joan and Susan Solet, Freddy Dyal Chip Hull, Stephanie Hodziedich, Marsha and Leslie Levine, Cathy Remmele, Sissy Jones, Patricia and Joan Kilroy, Arland Sandvick and Patrick Mullady.

Betty Zoe Walter, Judy Taylor, Arletta and Judy Chesley, James and Ann Matheny, Nina and Ann Gindlesperger, Rheda and Bobby Brady, Beverly and Billy Cuffley, Herbie Des Marets, and Siri Ashelman.

The pre-school children in the show will be fitted this Monday morning, May 7, at 10 a. m., in the theatre lobby; the school age children will be fitted at 3:30 p. m. Final rehearsal is the following Wednesday, May 9, at 3:30 p. m.

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