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Capital Transit Co. Seeks Price Hike, Lowered Service

Hearings were resumed this week in Baltimore on Capital Transit's request for dropping the Beltsville line and for increasing fares in outlying Maryland counties. After Capital Transit reduced its estimate of loss on the Beltsville line from \$50,000 to \$35,000, Paul L. Holland, chief engineer of the Public Service Commission, claimed that excessive charges had been made against the line in the transit company's figures, and that correct figures would show a loss of only a "few thousand dollars."

Fare Increase

Expected in yesterday's session was presentation of evidence supporting the plea for upped fares. The increase formerly asked would eliminate transit passes, make uniform zone fares of 5 cents a mile, and set zone distances at 1½ mile each. Present cost to the daily commuter from Greenbelt to downtown Washington is \$2.25 for a weekly pass. Under the proposed increase, the weekly transportation figure would be \$4, or an increase of nearly 100%. This figure is based on six 1½ mile transit zones—two from Greenbelt to Branchville, four from Branchville to the District line—plus 10 cents straight fare each way within the District.

Building Committee Plans Meeting

On Thursday, January 15, at 8 p. m., the Church Building Committee of the Protestant Community Church will meet in the home economics room of the center school for the election of officers. The agenda also includes a financial report and a discussion on policy-making.

Fulbright Hits At Federal Oleo Tax

Senator J. William Fulbright, Democrat, of Arkansas, has introduced a bill to repeal all Federal taxes on oleomargarine on grounds that they are "directly opposed to the spirit of free enterprise."

He said the taxes and license fees on margarine are the only case where a Federal tax "is levied on one domestic product for the benefit of a competing product."

—ECI Cooperator

Hands Up!

If privately owned, monopolistic corporations shouldered the responsibilities that are morally bestowed upon them along with the conferring of the monopoly privilege, there would be no danger in such bestowal.

The double-barreled gun which Capital Transit is now leveling at the public—lower service, higher rates—is no inducement to that public to applaud private control of utilities, when they see the successful operation of them by governments in Canada and other countries.

Can Capital Transit be actually unaware of the irresponsible nature of its requests? The development of any area depends on transit facilities as much as on any other single factor. People who welcomed the Beltsville line, considering it an inducement to build or buy in that section, are told that they can use the Greyhound line on the Baltimore-Washington Boulevard. Their method of getting to the Boulevard is left up to them. Greenbelters who work in Beltsville—and there are many—are expected to use the same facilities, although the Greenbelt bus goes to the Boulevard only during rush hours.

Such a proposal, linked with a rate decrease in the interests of fighting the inflationary trend, would indicate interest in the public welfare. If improved service elsewhere, or the maintaining of current rates, accompanied the request, it would be a logical, businesslike move, a little easier to believe as a necessary, make-ends-meet proposal. However, combined with the huge rate hike proposal, it makes more and more attractive the idea of utilities and public services owned and operated by the "wasteful, inefficient" government.

Resident Wins Right To Homestead

Robert Harrison, 19-S Ridge Road, is one of 400 veterans who were declared eligible for a drawing which was held in Cody, Wyoming, on January 6.

Veterans had first priority and made application for the farms through the Department of Interior. Mr. Harrison was notified last week that his application had been approved.

Near Yellowstone

This drawing offered forty 100-acre units. They are located on the Shoshone Irrigation Project, 40 miles from the east entrance of Yellowstone National Park, near Cody.

The 40 lucky veterans will be required to go to Cody to select their farm units. The usual requirements for homesteading require three years residence, but in this project, two of the three years required are waived, providing the veterans has had two years' service. At the expiration of one year, he will automatically receive the title to his property.

Charges Dropped In Helgren Case

Dick Helgren has withdrawn the charges against the four Greenbelt youngsters who assaulted him on Christmas Eve. The Hyattsville court found two of the offenders guilty of disorderly conduct and fined them with 10 dollars each. According to police sergeant Albert Attick, the four boys will pay the hospital and doctor bills for Wallace Nelson, whose hip was fractured when he tried to protect Dick Helgren. Mr. Helgren's address was incorrectly given in the Cooperator last week as 33-M Ridge Road.

Holy Name Meeting To Hear McDonnell

At its January 14 meeting, St. Hugh's Holy Name Society will be honored with its first guest speaker, Lawrence J. McDonnell, president of the Washington section of the Holy Name Union. Mr. McDonnell will give an eye-witness account of the consecration ceremony of Archbishop O'Boyle.

All men of the Parish are invited to attend the meeting on Wednesday evening, January 14, at 8 p. m., in the social room of the center school.

To Be Installed As Archbishop

Monsignor Patrick O'Boyle, former executive director of the Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of New York and Archbishop-elect of the new Archdiocese of Washington, in his episcopal robes of office. Monsignor O'Boyle will be consecrated in St. Patrick's Cathedral by Francis Cardinal Spellman of New York on Wednesday (January 14) and installed as Archbishop of Washington in St. Matthew's Cathedral, Washington, D. C., on Wednesday (January 21) by Most Reverend Amleto Giovanni Cicognani, Apostolic Delegate.



MONSIGNOR O'BOYLE

Community Chorus Preparing Concert

The Greenbelt Community Chorus will give their first concert on January 19, at 8:30 p. m., in the Center school auditorium. The chorus, under the direction of Dr. Harlan Randall, will present a varied program of choral music. The program includes a group of piano solos by Mrs. Gordon Finlay and a duet by Dr. and Mrs. Randall.

Mrs. Sig Leifur, program chairman, will have several high school girls serving as ushers during the program. Decorations for the evening's entertainment will be under the direction of Mrs. Daniel J. Neff. Mrs. Irving Oring has charge of tickets, which are on sale by all members of the chorus and at the door.

Among the posters around town advertising the chorus's program is one by cartoonist Doti Fairchild which is on display at the drug store.

Dancing Classes Offered Teen-Agers

A ballroom dancing class is being organized for the teen-agers of the town. The class will be open to any Junior and Senior High School student, and instruction will be given at the town youth center. Any teen-ager interested should contact Miss Eileen Mudd at the Recreation Office.

A list of at least ten boys and girls will be necessary before the time and day of instruction will be decided upon.

No Heat—Cold Feet

Residents of the 73 court of Ridge Road were without heat from 9 a. m. to 3 p. m. last Monday, January 5. A steam pipe which runs through the court broke over the week end. In order that the pipe could be repaired, the heat was turned off.

AVC Plans Party

The Greenbelt Chapter of the American Veterans Committee will have a party at the home of Benjamin Goodman, 21-N Ridge Road, tomorrow night. All members and their wives are invited.

Gobbel Explains Salary Payments As Administration Hearings Resume

Town Manager James T. Gobbel denied Wednesday night that he had made overpayments to himself in his 1947 salary, as charged by Town Treasurer Mabel L. Kandler. Dropped were charges brought in a signed statement shortly before council elections by Elliott M. Sines, superintendent of public works for the town. Mr. Sines had accused Mr. Gobbel of electioneering. Two other complainants, former police officers Robert Dodge and John Belton, were not present at Wednesday night's hearing.

Salary Question

In answer to Mrs. Kandler's repetition of charges outlined at a special pre-election council meeting, Mr. Gobbel explained that while the budget for 1947 included salary for the town manager of \$6500, there were actually in existence town ordinances setting his salary at \$8151. The ordinances cited were passed in 1946, blanketing town employees with cost-of-living raises and bonuses.

Refuses To Talk

Defense Attorney Abraham Chasnow attempted to question Mrs. Kandler, but was refused an answer because, according to Mrs. Kandler, he had been "rude" to her.

Hearings Tonight

Further hearings are scheduled for tonight and tomorrow. Expected to testify tonight are former mayor, George F. Bauer, and Robert Dodge. Wednesday's meeting was the third held by the nine-man committee, five members of which are the members of council. Mayor Thomas J. Canning, who was present at the special pre-election meeting, promised at that time that a new council would investigate any charges brought against administration.

PTA To Present Penrod And Sam For School Kids

By DORIS ISRAELI

The Greenbelt Parent-Teachers' Association of the elementary schools will present the motion picture interpretation by Booth Tarkington, as a special show for children on Saturday morning, January 24 at 10 a. m.

One reason for the outstanding success of Booth Tarkington, whose writings are cherished by millions of American readers, was his talent for illustration. A love for caricature and an eye for color were his chief characteristics. His brilliant style shows clarity, understanding and wit.

Wins Pulitzer Twice

The Pulitzer Prize was twice awarded to him: first in 1919 for the "Magnificent Ambersons," and then in 1922 for "Alice Adams."

Booth Tarkington's career is by no means of an ivory-tower author. At one time he was in the thick of politics, having been elected to the Indiana legislature.

At Princeton University he was a popular student and took an active part in social life there.

Tarkington's many-sided genius included a gift for musical composition. He did well as an actor and wrote many successful plays.

Tried For 8 Years

Tarkington's career illustrates the need for persistence in striving for one's goals. Before acceptance of any of his stories by magazines, he wrote solidly for eight years.

Booth Tarkington will go down in the history of American literature as one of the foremost 20th century authors.

The committee in charge of this presentation of "Penrod and Sam" include Dr. Nathan Israeli and Mrs. Doris Israeli. Paul Linson, manager of the Greenbelt Theatre, is cooperating with it.

Mrs. Fugitt To Be On Executive Council

Mrs. Elizabeth Fugitt, principal of the center school, who was elected chairman of the Southern Maryland Regional Council, is now on the newly-created executive council of the Department of Elementary Principals of the State of Maryland. Mrs. Fugitt, who was instrumental in organizing the agency, represents the southern part of the state, consisting of Prince Georges, St. Mary's, Calvert and Arundel counties.

The purpose of the agency is to advance professional growth in the teachers, and to improve educational opportunities for the children of the elementary schools. Miss Mildred Hickman, principal of Seat Pleasant, Md., is the new treasurer of the Southern Maryland Regional Council.

Mrs. Fugitt announced that Mrs. Emma May Morgan, a first-grade teacher at the center school, has transferred to a school in Montgomery County where she has moved recently. Mrs. Curtiss Barker is substituting for her until a permanent teacher arrives.

Plywood Interiors For Youth Center

Town workmen are putting plywood surfaces on interior walls in the Youth Center, according to town manager James T. Gobbel. The plywood will give the walls, which have been mainly composition, durability and strength.

Number, Puh-leeze

The 1948 Greenbelt Town Directory, published by the Greenbelt American Legion Post No. 136, will soon go to press.

Although the response from organizations and individuals on listings has been very heavy, the committee on publication urges anyone who has not done so to turn in any listings by tomorrow.

The committee appeals to all organizations who desire to be included to mail a list of their principal officers to Chester H. Tucker, 13-P Ridge Road. Also, homes with more than one family who desire additional listings are requested to submit this information to Mr. Tucker. New telephone numbers, and any changes since last year's directory should also be given the committee by January 10 so that they may go in the directory.

Red Cross Sends Thanks To Town

The Women's Club of Greenbelt recently received a letter from the Prince Georges County chapter of the American Red Cross, thanking Greenbelt for its Christmas contributions. The Women's Club contributed 40 wrapped Christmas gifts. The Red Cross distributed all kinds of gifts to the following agencies: The U. S. Soldiers' Home, The St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Ft. Belvoir Regional Station Hospital, U. S. Naval Air Station, Patuxent River, Md., and Andrews Field. Toys and food were sent to indigent families in the county through the Home Service Department.

Class Postponed

The journalism class scheduled for tonight in the Cooperator office has been postponed until Friday, Jan. 16, at 8:45 p. m.

Correction

Last week the COOPERATOR stated that Mrs. Lillian Keilsohn Eisner was "the only woman lawyer in Greenbelt." It has been learned since that a new resident in town, Mrs. Jane L. Simpson, 8-L Parkway, is also an attorney at law.

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Good Luck, Tom

The letter below from departing Food Store Manager Tom Okazaki causes mixed feelings of pleasure and sorrow. We are extremely pleased that Greenbelt did not join in the national war-time hysteria that brought unwarranted misery to so many loyal Americans of Japanese ancestry. Anything that confirms a citizen's belief in the superiority of democracy seems to us the very essence of that much-banded phrase, The American Way.

It's too bad that the practice of our ideals is rare enough to elicit comment.

Greenbelt will miss Tom Okazaki. He took a place in the community as well as in Greenbelt Consumer Services that will be difficult, if not impossible, to fill.

Editor:

Most Sincerely

To the People of Greenbelt:

It is with regret that I say good-bye to Greenbelt and to the many friends I have made during my three years' stay here. Living and working in Greenbelt has been a rewarding and unforgettable experience, one which I have enjoyed and shall always remember as the happiest days of my life.

Your acceptance of me as an individual and a citizen, during an extremely trying and disillusioning period of my life, restored my faith and confidence in both myself and our nation.

I am greatly indebted to Greenbelt and its citizens and to the management and fellow-workers of Greenbelt Consumer Services, who made my stay possible. It has been my pleasure and privilege to serve and live among you.

If only Oregon were closer, my leaving might be a little easier. In all sincerity, and with sadness in my heart, I will always remain, ever grateful.

Most sincerely,
TOM OKAZAKI

'Book-Ays'

To the Editor:

I wish to express my appreciation to customers of the PTA Book Fair for their patience and understanding in connection with the late arrival of their books. One shipment reached Greenbelt as late as December 14, and another, the largest of all—three cartons containing over 250 books—was in Washington for five days before we learned of its whereabouts on December 19 through wires and long distance calls.

I am grateful especially to Bobbie Solet, who cut the stencils for the order blanks, and Tillie Wetter, Betsy Woodman, and Thelma Darling who carried more than their share of responsibility.

Thank you, everyone.

DOROTHY EAST,
PTA Book Fair Chairman

Thanks Neighbors

To the Editor:

Through the pages of the Cooperator I wish to express sincere gratitude to the many friends and neighbors who came to my assistance during the sudden illness of my husband, which came at the same time as my children's bout

OUR NEIGHBORS

By DOROTHY MCGEE
Phone 5677

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Martin of 6-Q Plateau Place left on Sunday for Prescott, Arizona, where they expect to stay for a month.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Spindel were hosts at a New Year's Eve party at their home, 22-A Crescent Road.

Mrs. Anna King, 3-H Plateau Place, attended the wedding of her son on December 27 in Tomahawk, Wisconsin, the home of the new Mrs. James Robert King. The couple will make their home in Arlington, Va.

A son, Albert, was born December 29 at Doctors Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Julius Pines of 13-Z-3 Hillside Road. They have two daughters, Maida and Carole.

The Bassett Fergusons held the traditional New Year's Day open house on Sunday at their home, 18-C Ridge Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Spector had as their house guests during Christmas week, Miss Claire Rubin of New York City and Mrs. Spector's brother, Lester Singer.

We extend our deep sympathy to Mrs. Frank Hargy of 2-B Laurel Hill Road whose father, Harvey Utz, died in Washington, D. C. last Sunday. Mrs. Hargy's friends and neighbors are sending, as a memorial, a CARE package to Europe.

Miss Berenice Schurr of 4-A Crescent Road spent the New Year weekend in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ritter of 6-P Hillside Road spent Christmas in New York.

The Bernard Feigs of 11-J Ridge Road gave a New Year's Eve party for their friends.

Mrs. Leo Levine of 6-S Plateau Place had her sister as a house guest last week.

Ben Berkofsky of 9-L Ridge Road was in New York recently on a business trip.

Little Richard Barr of 10-H Laurel Hill Road was taken to Leland Memorial Hospital December 26 suffering from a very painful earache.

Kathie Winegarden of 6-Z-5 Hillside Road celebrated her birthday on New Year's Day. She missed out on the birthday celebration which was to have taken place the following Saturday because of illness. She has been down with the flu for several days. We hope she'll be well very soon and have a double celebration with Daddy Winegarden whose birthday is the day before hers.

Recuperating from successful operations at Leland Memorial Hospital are Mrs. Silas Pearson of 19-D Parkway Road, Mrs. Robert Fish of 7-D Parkway and Mrs. C. J. Chapman of 10-G Southway.

Recent patients at the same hospital were George Krouse, 19-K Hillside Road, Claude Benson of 6-F Ridge Road and Mrs. Jane Dove of 3-E Plateau Place.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Irvin Lenge's daughter, May Elizabeth, paid them a 10-day holiday visit. May returned to school last Saturday. She graduates in June, and will be back with her folks then.

Friends and relatives will join in an informal social to be given by Mrs. Anna Rosenthal at 24-C Crescent Road on Saturday, January 10, at 8 p.m. in honor of the engagement of her son, Harold Rosenthal, to Miss May Feuerstein, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Feuerstein of Arlington, Virginia.

Mr. and Mrs. H. James Kennedy have announced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Edythe Louise Kennedy, to Lawrence D. Leyh, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence D. Leyh, Sr., of Berwyn Heights, Maryland.

Herbert Hertz, 1-D Research, underwent an operation Tuesday morning at Georgetown Hospital, and is now convalescing. Hope you're feeling better soon, Herbert!

Girl Scout Council To Meet Jan. 9

The annual meeting of the Girl Scout Council of Prince Georges County, and county residents interested in Scouting, will be held on Friday, Jan. 9, at the Mt. Rainier Christian church beginning at 8 p.m.

Mrs. C. E. Nordeen, commissioner of Prince Georges Girl Scouts, has announced that Mrs. Harris Franklin, of the Washington, D. C. Council, will be guest speaker.

Council chairmen will report on their committees' work during the past year, and senior troops 8, 53 and 14 will participate in the flag ceremony and will offer a program of singing.

Community Church Protestant

Saturday, January 10—
8 p.m.—Meeting at Calvary Methodist Church, 1459 Columbia Road, for Young Adults. Dean Nelson of the Howard School of Religion will report on his trip to India.

Sunday, January 11—
9:30 a.m.—Church School. Teachers and adults should indicate their intentions of attending the Federation School.

10 a.m.—Men's Bible Class, Rolfe Sauls, president.

10:50 a.m.—Church nursery, guild-sponsored.

11 a.m.—Church Worship. Reverend Braund will begin a series of sermons on "Abundant Living." The first will be: "How Jesus Dealt with Temptation." Organ music by Mrs. Daniel Neff with Thomas Ritchie leading the choral anthems.

Friends of Dr. and Mrs. C. W. Richardson are invited to bring clothing which will be sent to them in Korea for distribution to needy families. Rev. Braund will read a letter from the Richardsons about their work in Korea.

8 p.m.—Board of Deacons meet, church office. All members note.

Tuesday, January 13—
7:30 p.m.—Calvary Baptist Christian School. Registratin fee will be paid by the Church and School.

Wednesday, January 14—
3:30 p.m.—Junior Choir rehearsal, home economics room.

8 p.m.—Junior Choir rehearsal, center school.

Thursday, January 15—
8:00 p.m.—Church Building Committee meets in home economics room. It is important that all members be present for election of officers, financial report and policy-making.

Friday, 8 p.m.—The Philathea Class meets at the home of Mrs. John Elder.

Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church

Minister, Raymond Ward Cooke
6-X Plateau Place

Sunday, January 11—

11 a.m.—Morning Worship.

6:30 p.m.—Methodist Youth Fellowship.

8 p.m.—Evening Worship.

Wednesday, January 14—

4:30 p.m.—Booster Band.

Monday, January 12—

8 p.m.—Women's Society of Christian Service will meet at the home of Mrs. Newlin, 62-F Ridge Road.

Gustavus A. Fick

Funeral services were held last Friday for Gustavus A. Fick, 21-B Ridge Road. Mr. Fick, a ten-year resident of Greenbelt, died suddenly at the age of 53, on December 31.

He is survived by his wife, Helen R. Fick, a daughter, Mrs. Betty Jane Hathaway, a son, Donald L. Fick, and two brothers, Paul and Charles Fick.

Mr. Fick was a charter member of the Greenbelt Post of the American Legion.

Services were held in Washington and interment was at Arlington National Cemetery.

St. Hugh's Catholic Church

Daily Mass: 7 a.m. in St. Hugh's Chapel, 58- Crescent Road.

Confessions: Saturday afternoon from 4-5 p.m. for children and from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. for adults. Sunday Masses: 7:30 and 9:30 a.m. in the theater.

7:30 a.m. Mass: Regular monthly Communion Sunday for members of the Holy Name Society and for all men of the Parish. The Mass will be offered for their spiritual and temporal needs.

9:30 a.m. Mass: Choir rehearsal after the Mass.

8:45-9:15 a.m.: Catechism classes in the theater for all Catholic children attending public schools. Instructions begin promptly at 8:45. A bus leaves the Center at 8:30 a.m.

1 p.m.: Baptisms.

Wednesday, 7:45 p.m.: Miraculous Medal Novena Devotions in the Chapel.

Wednesday, 8 p.m.: Monthly meeting of the Holy Name Society in the social room of the Center School.

The date for the all-day retreat for ladies of St. Hugh's Parish has been set for Sunday, February 8.

Lutheran Church

Pastor: Edwin E. Pieplow
Phone: WARfield 0942
HYattsville 0383

Sunday—
11:30 a.m., Sunday School.
12:30 p.m., Services in the home economics room of the center school.

Tuesday—
8 p.m., Deeper Spiritual Life conference at Mt. Rainier Church.

Wednesday—
8 p.m., Deeper Spiritual Life Conference, center school, Greenbelt, room 223.

Thursday—
8 p.m., Choir rehearsal, 6-Z-2 Plateau Place.

Friday—

Lydia Guild Meeting. Mrs. Edward Trumbule, 35-L Ridge Road.

Saturday—

4 p.m., Junior Confirmation class, at 43-D Ridge Road.

Coming events—

The religious film, "Messenger of Peace," a Hollywood production, will be shown in the Greenbelt center school auditorium on Sunday, January 18.

Latter Day Saints

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

Sunday—
Sunday School Prayer Meeting, 10:15 a.m., Social Room.

Sunday School, 10:30 a.m., Social Room.

Priesthood Meeting, 11:45 a.m., Social Room.

Sacrament Service, 6:30 p.m., Social Room.

Monday—

Children's Primary, 4 p.m., Room 120, Elementary School.

Thursday—

Women's Relief Society, Room 201, Elementary School.

JCC Services

Sabbath Services will be conducted by Rabbi Sandhaus on Friday, January 9, at 8:30 p.m. in the social room of the center school. All persons are cordially invited to attend.

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GR. 4111

Greenbelt Beats Mt. Rainier, 34-26; Girls Also Win Thriller, 22-21

By JACK ZELDIN

The Greenbelt Grizzlies, Tuesday night overcame a first-half deficit to whip an experienced Mt. Rainier quintet 34-26. Score at the half was 18-8, favoring Mt. Rainier.

Fast Start

The Mounties started off fast, and, led by Rusty Feist, seemed to be headed for certain victory. The local lads, in their first county game, seemed very nervous during the entire first half. Most of the Grizzly shots fell wide of the mark, while Mt. Rainier was persistently building up its lead.

Turnabout

The second half was a complete reversal of the first half. Greenbelt started hacking away at the Mounties' lead at the outset. Quick goals by Goodall and Williams made the score 18 to 12 after only one minute. Two more goals by Goodall were partly offset by a Mt. Rainier goal, but Coach Zeldin's boys were not to be denied. They relentlessly pressed on and took the lead, which they never lost, towards the end of the third period.

Team Play

George Bauer, key man on the Greenbelt team, set up most of the offensive play and with big Jim Williams gave the local boys control of the backboards all through the second half. Dick Hause, Harry Randolph, and Ray Austin all came through in grand style for the locals. Bill Goodall was high-scoring man with 14 points.

Girls Win

In the girls' game, Esther Wolfe, Jane Johnson and Marilyn Eshbaugh came through to overcome a Mt. Rainier lead. The defense, led by June Whittaker and Ann Lastner, did stellar work in holding the visiting gals in check.

The boys and girls travel to Indian Head tonight. Next Friday, January 16, will find Bladensburg playing at Greenbelt. First game at 7:30.

Adult Art Classes To Be Continued

Announcement was made this week that the adult education class in art, held every Wednesday from 7:30 to 9:30 p. m. on the third floor of the Arts and Sciences Building at the University of Maryland, will be continued for another semester.

Originally scheduled to run only one semester, this class, instructed by Prof. George Cuneo, assistant professor of art at the University, is being continued by the popular demand of those who attended the sessions last semester.

Adults interested in art instruction are invited to attend.

Consumer Group Extends Campaign

The Washington Committee for Consumer Protection has extended its price control campaign to January 17, it was announced Wednesday by Mrs. Lil Schwimer, Area Chairman in Greenbelt. Anyone who would like to volunteer to help in the campaign was urged by Mrs. Schwimer to call her at Greenbelt 4692.

Elwin Wintringham and fellow employees on the Co-op Bus are very proud of their safety record. They have completed 18 months of no-accident running.

Kavakos To Play A. C. Squad Here

Attempting to bring a comprehensive sports program to the sports minded people of Greenbelt, the Athletic Club is bringing District area basketball teams here.

The Kavakos squad, a member of the District Sunday night league, will play the Athletic Club team in the center school auditorium tomorrow night at 8 p. m. The team is composed of college stars as well as District scholastic stars of former years.

Greenbelt Team

Lloyd LeRoy, "Spud" Clay, Bob Lindeman, Jack Burt, Yance Garner, Sonny Mothershead, Stan Provost, and Joe Congolosi of last year's squad will see lots of action for the local club. Newcomers also to see action include Lynn Buck, LeRoy Clark, Ted Fox, Don Wolfe, Rene Ward and Pete Cookson.

The Greenbelt girls, starring Ora Donoghue, Eileen Mudd and Dolores Wolfe will play the preliminary at 7:30 p. m. against the girls from Laurel. The GAC game is scheduled for 8:45.

Co-op Nursery

The regular monthly meeting of the Cooperative Nursery School will be held next Thursday, January 15, at 8:30 p. m., at the home of Mrs. Paul Borsky, 44-R Ridge Road.

Eleven UAW-CIO workers are building their own homes cooperatively near Detroit. The members of this producers' cooperative work on weekends, and have their own equipment, cement mixers, lathes, etc. One house has been completed so far and the others have been started.

State Guard To Meet

The regular quarterly meeting of the Ninth Battalion Association, Maryland State Guard, will be held at the Annapolis Armory, Thursday, January 15, at 8 p. m.

The highlights of the meeting will be the election of officers and the appointment of committees to serve during the coming year.

All former officers and enlisted men of the Ninth Battalion are invited to become members of the Association.

Entertainment and refreshments will follow the short business meeting.

Yacht Basins For Bladensburg—Maybe

Such alluring prospects as yacht basins and seaport facilities—confined to their proper places—were held out by the proposal approved recently by the North Atlantic Division of the Army Engineers for flood control in the often-inundated Bladensburg area.

The plan calls for a series of levees to confine the rampaging waters of the Anacostia River and branches which have brought considerable "dampness" for years to parts of Bladensburg, Edmonston, Riverdale, Hyattsville, Brentwood, Colmar Manor and Cottage City. The proposal also calls for a navigable channel 80 feet wide and 8 feet deep to "afford navigational facilities from the foot of 15th st., s. e., to Bladensburg"—bringing to mind stories of the days when Bladensburg was a thriving seaport, and oceangoing vessels brought goods of all descriptions; including, once, British men-at-arms and ammunition for the 1814 raid on the nation's capital.

The Army Engineers figured Congress would have to appropriate an estimated \$4,531,200 for the project, and "local interests" would have to provide about \$3,396,100.

The chief item of speculation among such "local interests" this week concerned just how much of this sum would actually have to be raised if the plan were adopted, and how much of it would be provided by grants of the land on both sides of the Anacostia and its two branches; a great deal of which is already owned by State or County agencies.

Returns of the questionnaire circulated with the last issue of the Cooperator are very scant. Is it possible that Greenbelt doesn't want The Cooperator any more? The immediate return of your questionnaire is necessary before we can continue.

Ten Years Ago in the Cooperator

(Issue of January 5, 1938)

The inaugural program of the Citizen's Association Civic Forum will be held December 6 at 8 p. m. The main speaker will be Dr. Fred W. Ingvaldstad. His topic is "Shall We Get Out of the Far East"...

Greenbelt Federal Credit Union to open office in the shopping district.

Jacob Baker, president of the United Federal Workers of America and one-time head of President Roosevelt's Commission to study co-ops in Europe stated that Greenbelt offered a very fertile soil for cooperative enterprise in his speech before the Greenbelt Citizen's Association meeting, December 3.

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The COOPERATOR received a letter of congratulations from Eleanor Roosevelt.

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Tuesday, January 13	Open			
Friday, January 16	Bladensburg	Home	7:30	Boys and girls
Wednesday, January 21	Gonzaga	Coliseum, Md. U.	7:30	Boys only
Friday, January 23	Hyattsville	Away	7:30	Boys and girls
Tuesday, January 27	Annapolis	Away	3:00	Boys and girls
Friday, January 30	Blair	Home	7:30	Boys only
Tuesday, February 3	Rainier	Away	7:30	Boys and girls
Friday, February 6	Bladensburg	Away	7:30	Boys and girls
Tuesday, February 9	Annapolis	Home	7:30	Boys and girls
Friday, February 13	Hyattsville	Home	7:30	Boys and girls
Tuesday, February 17	Frederick	Away	7:30	Boys and girls
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The Whole World Their Back Fence

By "ROBBIE" ROBERTSON

The Second World War didn't succeed in bringing the rain of death to Greenbelt as it did to many other cities, but it was mighty close. Many a ship was torpedoed a few hundred yards off the coast. The V-2 was being prepared for Washington. We were lucky.

Most Greenbelts have noticed the almost too slender telephone line that hugs Southway on its way out to Hyattsville and the outside world. Probably few of us know even today that if that line had been crippled by bomb explosion, Greenbelt would still have had a dependable line of communication to Army and Red Cross emergency organizations. A small group of earnest Greenbelt men kept it open. They were the Radio Amateurs.

Tall, rangy Roy Ridgely in the instrument-lined living room of his home at 73-G Ridge Road told a little of the story to your correspondent the other night. Ridgely's was the first station on the air in the Prince Georges County defense network, and he laughed a little as he related how it took a war to get the first outdoor aerial in Greenbelt (after considerable argument). That was in 1942, when modern war was getting uncomfortably close. A few weeks later more stations went on the air. Hyattsville became the district control center, taking its instructions from the Army defense commander for the area. When in full operation the network consisted of more than twenty amateur stations tying together the emergency communication resources of several hundred square miles.

Even now Greenbelt has its radio amateurs standing ready for any emergency service. The present ones are Ridgely, 73-G Ridge Road (W3FYB); Mike Loria, 1-D Northway (W3IZL); Charles Bethard, 12-D Laurel Hill Road (W3KJF); Caldwell Baker (W3KHM); Richard Athaus, 9-E Ridge Road (W3KGD); and Walter Kennerly, 12-D Hill Road (W3GJM). There is no small tradition to keep. The recent plane crash in the Virginia mountains was first reached by a mobile amateur station which maintained complete emergency communication with another amateur at Leesburg. An amateur accompanied MacMillan to the Arctic on the schooner Bowdoin in 1923, and in subsequent years some two hundred expedition radio was the principal means have been so assisted. Amateur communication in the Florida hurricanes of 1926, 1928, and 1935; the Mississippi and New England floods of 1927; the 1932 floods in California and Texas; the New Zealand and Nicaraguan earthquakes in 1932; the 1937 Ohio River Valley flood; the Long Island-New England hurricane of 1938, and a hundred other national and local emergencies.

Five of the present six Greenbelt stations maintain mobile stations as well, and are preparing to join with Red Cross Emergency extend their services by registration along with some 25 other mobile amateur stations in the Washington area.

The local radio amateurs also

provide other services to the community. For many years a highly effective message system has been maintained under the sponsorship of the American Radio Relay League, principal national radio amateur organization. Anyone in Greenbelt is welcome at any time to drop in at a local station and request a message to be sent to almost any point in the world. United States stations have an almost unbelievable record of radio contacts.

Ridgely himself has many hundreds of acknowledgements in his files. Going over them the geography of the entire world flashes before your eyes: New Zealand, Australia, Southern Rhodesia, Gibraltar, Roumania, Venezuela, Mexico, Tanganyika, Eritrea. Literally there is no place in the world which can't be reached. The WAC (worked all continents) certificate of the American Radio Relay League proudly hangs on the wall in front of his operating position.

Some complaints are known to have been made in Greenbelt regarding broadcast interference by amateur transmitting stations. Ridgely emphasized that this is one thing which radio amateurs themselves will not tolerate. Every effort is made to keep their transmission strictly in the high frequency bands assigned to them by the Federal Communications Commission. Unfortunately, he stated, many present-day radio receivers are not adequately shielded. When a stray signal is bounced from the skies and enters on your favorite soap opera, immediately ask the amateur you believe is causing the trouble to look into the matter. In practically all cases the trouble lies in the receiver, and the amateur is more than willing—indeed anxious—to fix the trouble. After hearing the technical requirements for an applicant for a transmitting license, this correspondent was quite willing to accede that any help in this direction would be competent indeed. The first rule in the radio amateur's code states that "he will never knowingly use the air for his own amusement in such a way as to lessen the pleasure of others." "The principal thing," Ridgely remarked, "is that he is causing trouble to other fellow amateurs."

In their striving for technical progress and the fellowship of a fascinating hobby, the local amateurs are very active members in the Capital-Suburban Radio Club, which meets the first and third Friday of every month at the Berwyn Elementary School at 8 p. m. Anyone interested in radio, whether or not he has a station, is welcome to attend meetings and apply for membership.

When asked why a radio amateur becomes a radio amateur, Ridgely looked a little quizzically at your correspondent. Then he leaned forward, dug out a cigarette on an ashtray on the table just beneath the selectivity knob on his Hallicrafters receiver, jammed his hands into his pockets, and tilted his head back, trying to think. After quite a period of silence he observed, "Guess it kind of gets in your blood." You could see he meant it as his eyes roamed lovingly over the dials.

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Grade School Kids Learn Health And Safety Thru Movies

Children of the four upper grades of Greenbelt's North End Elementary School have been attending movies furnished by Prince Georges County laboratories and the Red Cross, according to Mrs. Rowena Gibbons, principal of the school.

Ten movies have been shown to date, with no expense to the school except the cost of postage. The movies are mainly aimed at providing lessons in safety and in health to the school children. Mrs. Gibbons explained. One movie was concerned with the mending of toys for the Red Cross, a project conducted by the children before Christmas.

Protect Feet

Mrs. Gibbons urged parents of school children to make sure that the children wear overshoes in bad weather.

On February 12, children of the North End School will appear over radio station WGAY in a program planned and presented by the children themselves. Further details will be announced later.

Football Champs Guests At Dinner

Berwyn Boys' Club footballers, 1947 champions of the Prince Georges County Boys' Clubs League, were feted by the Kiwanis Club at a dinner last night at Prince Georges Golf and Country Club.

Vic Turyn and Lu Gambino of Maryland University, fresh from 'Gator Bowl triumphs, were on hand to assist in the presentation of the championship trophy and individual gold footballs which the Kiwanians donated to the Berwyn boys. Other grid luminaries present were Andy Farkas, ex-Redskin, and Jim Castiglia, currently holding down a fullback berth with the Washington professional club.

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