



GMHOC Requests Early Conference With PHA Officials; Cites Policy

Michael Salzman, president of the Greenbelt Mutual Home Ownership Corporation, told a meeting of membership drive workers last Monday night that a request has been sent to Joseph Gray, area director of Public Housing Authority in New York, for a conference with PHA officials on the disposition of Greenbelt.

Mr. Salzman's letter pointed out that PHA policy provides for consultations between PHA officials and project representatives for the purpose of arriving, if possible, at mutually agreeable disposition plans. Since the Town Council has formally advised PHA that GMHOC should be recognized as the appropriate negotiating agency for the community, in all matters except those coming within the purview of municipal responsibilities, the letter expressed the hope that conferences with PHA might be considerably expedited.

In his letter to Mr. Gray, Mr. Salzman noted that one of the basic purposes in the construction of the original Greenbelt, as set forth in the first annual report of the Resettlement Administration, was that it should be sold to a non-profit corporation. GMHOC attorneys have advised that the publication of this specific objective might well answer the legal questions raised by PHA counsel as to authority for disposal of the property at negotiated prices.

A GMHOC press release on the membership drive shows that approximately 25% of all non-members have already been contacted by workers. Of this number 25% signed applications, with another 35 to 40% requesting further information. Only a very small percentage of non-members have definitely declined to join the corporation.

Reverend Eric T. Braund, chairman of the drive, advised workers to avoid salesmanship, but added that they should make it clear that GMHOC by-laws provide that at the formal offering by PHA, GMHOC membership must be thrown open to outside residents.

Greenbelt Firemen Form Association

Members of the Greenbelt Fire Department met Monday evening, March 8, in their quarters under the police station to form the Greenbelt Firemen's Association. Wearing their new fireman caps and badges, this group elected the following officers: Joe Lewis, 19-D Ridge Road, president; Paul Williams, 49-D Ridge Road, vice-president; Stanley Fickes, 60-J Crescent Road, secretary; Jim Williams, 49-D Ridge Road, treasurer; George Bauer, sergeant-at-arms.

Charter Members

Bart Finn, a former fireman now in the hospital recuperating from a service-connected disability, was included among the twenty charter members.

Charter members of the organization are: Milton Lalkin, Joseph Lewis, Stanley Fickes, Werner Steinle, Harold Buckmoyer, Alvin Allen, Richard Bates, James Sherman, George Bauer, Jr., James Williams, Paul Williams, Robert May, William Sweeney, Wayne Holien, Raymond Welsh, Earl Hampton, Albert Attick, Austin Green, George Panagoulis, Bart Finn.

NCJW Sponsors Purim Masquerade

The annual Purim masquerade party, sponsored by the Greenbelt Section of the National Council of Jewish Women, will be held March 27, in the social room of the center school. Everyone is invited, and tickets may be obtained from any member of the organization. Mrs. Nettie Granims heads the committee in charge of the party, including Mrs. Ida Tannenbaum, Mrs. Sonia Novak, Mrs. Jean Zeldin and Mrs. Fan Schein.

At their meeting on March 9, members of the group heard John Hammond of the State Department speak on the Marshall Plan.

GHA March Special

For the remainder of March the Greenbelt Health Association has announced that it will allow former members to rejoin the Association without payment of the five-dollar entrance fee. With the payment of March dues membership will be reinstated.

Church Plans Building Drive

The building committee of the Community Church voted Monday, March 8, to recommend to the congregation for consideration on Palm Sunday that the church launch a second financial campaign, beginning April 4, for a goal of not less than \$30,000. Pledges would run for two years. The committee further recommended for congregational action a proposal that, pending the success of the campaign and securing of the chosen building site, the Community Church proceed to build during the summer of 1948.

It was announced that the first financial campaign was successful, the church now having (with some pledges to be completed this month) the sum of \$14,000 toward the building. William Kincaid Newman, head of the building department of the Home Missions Council of the Congregational Christian Churches, will visit Greenbelt on Thursday to confer with church officials on the amount of aid his group can give the church. Since March 3, the Greenbelt church has been affiliated with the Washington Association of Congregational Christian Churches.

Rev. Curtis Schumacher of New York, a staff member of the Home Mission Council, will act as financial campaign adviser, and will conduct a training session for church workers from March 29 to April 4.

Building committee officers, including John Littleton, chairman; Phillips Taylor, treasurer; and Frederick Birchard, secretary, expressed confidence that Greenbelt could produce a Community Church building this summer.

Skirts Lifted

Fender skirts were stolen last week from the parked auto of a Berwyn resident attending the Greenbelt theater, and a spare tire and wheel, later recovered, were taken from a car in a Greenbelt taken from a car in a Greenbelt police department. Another theater patron, Nor Beveruggi of 5022 Quebec Street, Berwyn, reported last Wednesday that his auto radio was missing.

Hear Speaker

Mrs. Elizabeth Whitney of the University of Maryland was the featured speaker at the Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School mothers' meeting held on March 10 at the home of Mrs. Waldo Mott. Mrs. Whitney discussed nursery schools in general and emphasized the differences existing in a co-operative school.

The group decided that the nursery school would not close at Easter time, but would end its year earlier in June than other schools, the closing date to be decided later.

Members and interested parents were urged to listen to the Group Health-sponsored program, "The Social Adjustment of the Child," on WQQW each Wednesday morning at 9:45.

The Prince Georges Bank will be closed on March 25 (Maryland Day) and March 26 (Good Friday). Henry Brautigam, manager, states. It will be open on Saturday, March 27, from 8:30 a. m. to 1 p. m.

Vacancies Filled By GCS Directors

At last Friday's meeting, the GCS board of directors filled all committee vacancies by the election of Carrie Harper to the executive committee and the appointment of Walter Bierwagen as GCS delegate to the WCFM board.

Appointments to two positions were approved by the board: promotion of Robert Morrow to the position of controller, and Ralph E. Miller to manager of the co-op bus. The appointment of Mr. Morrow verifies the job he has been doing, stated Sam Ashelman, general manager, in preparation of budgets and financial control of operations. Elwyn Wintringham, former bus manager, is presently assisting Harvey Wharton in equipment repair and maintenance.

"Good and Welfare"

Elmer Hager, a delegate from the Citizens Association's March 8 meeting, proposed to the board that it insert a "good and welfare" clause in the agenda of future membership meetings. It was pointed out that any member is guaranteed the right in the co-op by-laws of putting any item of business on the agenda, prior to a membership meeting. Mr. Hager's proposal was adopted by the board, and will be put into effect at the next membership meeting in May.

Two special meetings were scheduled, one for tonight, March 19, to hear the report of the committee on structure, headed by Benjamin Rosenzweig. The other was a meeting of interested members and directors held Wednesday, March 17, to discuss the co-op's public relations policy.

Down To Earth

Dickie Chesley of 2-N Plateau Place went out on a limb last Saturday to retrieve a kite. After discovering how far and how high he had climbed, Dickie refused to move. With the use of extension and roof ladders the Fire Department brought him down to earth. Werner Steinle and Paul Williams made the assist.

De Molay Installs Tomorrow Night

Birmingham Chapter, Order of De Molay, will hold its first public installation of officers on Saturday evening, March 20, at 8 p. m. in the auditorium of the Center School. Paul Edwin Runnion will be installed as the first Master Councilor along with the following officers:

Senior Councilor, Vernon T. Fox, Jr.; Junior Councilor, Frank M. Porter; Senior Deacon, William E. Collier; Junior Deacon, Jack M. Cooke; Senior Stewards, Walter C. Eanes, Jr.; Junior Stewards, Carroll R. Guest; Orator, Michael S. Littleton; Scribe, Ray S. Bochert, Jr.; Treasurer, Carl O. Gussio; Sentinel, Julian A. Tavenner; Chaplain, William C. Sauls; Marshal, Ray S. Sowell.

Standard Bearer, William A. Turner; Almoner, Duane E. Leifur; First Preceptor, George E. Lewis; Second Preceptor, William S. Neff; Third Preceptor, Henry K. Brandau; Fourth Preceptor, Arthur E. Krause; Fifth Preceptor, Edward C. Baker; Sixth Preceptor, Edward M. Halley, Jr.; Seventh Preceptor, Walter L. Hamnum; Organist, Gilbert L. Brady.

The public is invited to this occasion. Dancing will follow the installation ceremonies and program. Birmingham Chapter, Order of De Molay was instituted on February 18, when 28 young men were initiated in the first class. It will meet on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at the Masonic Temple, Beltsville, Maryland.

Manager Given Vote Of Confidence; Minority Report Filed By Three

Confidence in the management job being done by Town Manager James Gobel was expressed by the Town Council last Monday night, when in a four to one vote the town fathers asked Gobel to withdraw his resignation.

Both support and vociferous protests came from the large audience at the council action. Two members of the Investigating Committee, Joseph L. Fitzmaurice and Bernard Bordonet, dissented from the report of the committee. Councilwoman Betty Harrington also submitted a minority report in which she concurred with the majority on most points, but stated that Gobel's resignation should be accepted.

This action climaxed the long drawn out hearings by the council and four representative citizens of charges of maladministration which had been leveled at Gobel and George Panagoulis, director of public safety.

After a brief resume of the majority report and a short summary of points taken in the minority reports, Mayor Thomas Canning refused requests from spectators to read any of the reports in full, explaining that their aggregate length would take too much time, and that a copy of each is available during office hours at the town office for the convenience of anyone wishing to study or copy them.

As reported in last week's Co-

operator, the majority report stated that evidence against George Panagoulis, director of public safety, did not substantiate charges made against him, and placed responsibility upon Gobel and members of the former town council for not legalizing salary reductions with required salary ordinances.

Councilman Harrington's primary exception to the majority report was based on the charge that Gobel permitted overpayment of salary to himself in the face of an appropriation ordinance which specified the lower rate, even though the salary ordinance had not been changed to conform and still showed a higher rate of pay. It was this latter ordinance which was the basis for Gobel's salary payments. (At the time the salary payments were changed to the lower rate, at Gobel's request, according to testimony in the hearings, the manager had not actually received sufficient money during the year to equal the lower rate, and so legally had not received more than had been appropriated, although his monthly payments were at the higher level.)

Wesley Darling and Milton Williams, the other two committee members who signed the factual majority report, told the Co-operator Wednesday that they did not consider that the facts, as found by the committee, exonerated either Mr. Gobel or Director Panagoulis.

New Best Seller By Local Author

By JUNE RINGEL

Many thousands of Government workers have written to the U. S. Civil Service Commission, requesting Pamphlet No. 50 concerning the new retirement law. It is safe, however, to assume that Lyman L. Woodman of 20-G Hillside Road hasn't written for the booklet, since he wrote it.

Government columnists in Washington have commented favorably on their radio programs and in their newspaper columns on this booklet, which explains the benefits gained by Government workers and their dependents under the Langer-Chavez-Stevenson Act of February 28, 1948.

Mr. Woodman, an editor in the Information Division of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, wrote an earlier pamphlet on retirement last year, has written a pamphlet on the Federal employment of physically-handicapped persons, and as his "regular assignment" writes two Commission employee publications, the "Employee Bulletin" and the "Letter."

Mr. Woodman has recently had published in "The American Rifleman," the official publication of the National Rifle Association, an article on the use of military target ranges by civilian gun clubs for .30 calibre marksmanship practice.

Another article recently written by Mr. Woodman and accepted by "Alaska Life Magazine," is the history of the ship "The Bear," which was used by Admiral Byrd in two polar expeditions and which served in the Bering Sea Patrol for 40 years.

Progress Slow In Red Cross Drive

The 1948 drive for Red Cross funds has been slow in getting under way in Greenbelt and throughout the County, according to Mrs. Ralph Neumann, Greenbelt chairman. However, she expressed her confidence that the next two weeks will see the community make its quota.

Volunteer workers will visit each home in the community. Those who wish to contribute and who have not been personally contacted should call Mrs. Neumann at 6416.

War Homes To Get Inside Painting

PHA painters have finished the interior of old Greenbelt homes in "D" block and are beginning on "E" block, reports PHA manager Charles M. Cormack. According to plan, all homes in the original Greenbelt project which have not been repainted since 1940 and have had continued occupancy since that period will be painted.

The defense homes are scheduled for a paint program, Mr. Cormack said, although no definite date has been set.

The maintenance office is gradually replacing window shades in the order of receipt of requests.

High School PTA Discussion Held

"The Problems of Youth"—the family car, hours, associates, earning and spending money, and family decisions—were outlined on a panel discussion held in the High School Auditorium last week by the High School Parent Teacher's Association. Dr. John W. McKay was moderator. Janet Robey, Helen Miller, John Gates, and Jimmy Williams presented their views as students. Parents participating were Dr. Theodore Byerly, John Littleton, Mrs. Helena J. Haines, and Mrs. Orville Slye.

Pencils were presented to the boys who helped to sell refreshments on All-Greenbelt Night. After the business meeting, refreshments were served.

GHS Students Join Honor Society

The following Greenbelt High School students have been taken into the Greenbelt Chapter of the Senior National Honor Society: Evelyn Smith, Margaret David, Janet Roby, Charles Hartman, Joanne Slye, Bill Dotson, Joanne Therrell, Dick Trast, John Mowitt, Marilyn Underwood, Elaine Scott, Michael Littleton, William Collier, Hamilton Killen, Ray Sowell and William Busbey.

Students inducted into the Greenbelt Junior National Honor Society by the McArthur Chapter of the Oxon Hill High School were: Richard Cooper, Betty Hanum, James Klinenberg, Eleanor Bogan, Norma Evans, Stanly Simmons, Beverly Houlton and Lou Ann Darling.

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O. K. Gov. Lane!

Governor W. Preston Lane, Jr., of Maryland is to be congratulated on the stand he took in last week's meeting of the Conference of Southern Governors.

At the meeting, called to discuss President Truman's civil rights program, eight of the governors favored joining in solid opposition to the program. Governor Lane did not speak in favor of the revolt, nor did he vote for the revolt.

The Governor based his non-participation on the grounds that this is a party matter and should be decided upon only by the State Democratic Committee. The significance of his statement lies in the fact that he will rely on the broad foundation of public opinion before committing the State of Maryland.

We believe that Governor Lane will find that his party and his State have gone too far along the road to a mature civilization to support the backward-looking program which the "white supremacy" governors of the Deep South are pushing from behind the usual false front of "state rights."

—R. W. C.

We're Glad It's Over

The completion of the investigation of the police department and of administrative procedures has caused high tempers, confusion, gratification—and most of all, relief that the whole thing is over.

Nine people (of which five were council members), after several months of investigation, have reported their findings to the town council. Four of the five council members have interpreted the majority report as an exoneration of Gobbel and Panagoulis, and have asked Gobbel to withdraw his resignation.

While we are glad to see an end to the suspense, we had hoped for a more clear-cut decision. Betty Harrington, the member of council who neither signed the report nor voted to retain Gobbel, entered a minority report, as did Bordonet and Fitzpatrick. Darling and William, the other two committee members, did sign the factual report, but did not agree that the facts exonerated either Gobbel or Panagoulis.

The question of the legality of the manager's salary payments seems clear. Dissenting legal opinion that Sec. 51 of the Town Charter was violated is based on the provision that no money be drawn in excess of the budget's appropriation ordinance. Salary checks in early 1947 were drawn on a monthly basis which, if continued for 12 months, would have exceeded the appropriation ordinance. However, they were drawn on that basis for only a few months, and overpayments were refunded.

The question of ethics is not so clear-cut. Moral error, as contrasted with legal error, depends greatly on motives and extenuating circumstances. In Gobbel's case, his motives are not known. Obviously they were not of a strictly pecuniary nature, as a town manager of his ability and experience could easily get a much higher salary elsewhere than he has ever received here. Extenuating circumstances included a hostile council from which Gobbel apparently expected little cooperation.

As there was no illegality; as there is absence of proof that any action was unethical; and as James T. Gobbel is an asset to Greenbelt by virtue of his unique understanding of the town's problems and reason for being, we feel that the town council was justified in not accepting his resignation.

Singing Is Fun

To the Editor:

There are probably many people in Greenbelt who would join the Community Chorus if they did not have the mistaken idea that they cannot sing well enough. The only requisites are a liking for music, the ability to carry a tune, and the modest amount of intelligence that it takes to learn position reading under a good conductor. A good singing voice is not necessary. Most members of amateur singing clubs would sound ludicrous in solo roles, but when their voices are blended in a

chorus the over-all effect is pleasing.

In Europe in the tranquil days before the first world war, cities of 50 to 60,000 population supported stock grand opera. One recalls descriptions of choral clubs meeting in the open air and waiting motionless, in spite of mosquitoes, for the signal to begin. Such philosophical appreciation of music is difficult to attain under today's hectic conditions, but the Greenbelt Community Chorus can nevertheless be a means of relaxation and recreation to many more than at present.

—A. J. McDERMID

OUR NEIGHBORS

By DOROTHY MCGEE

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Hoopskirts in a high wind are not easy to carry, as you will discover if you see any of the pretty high school girls on their way to the operetta rehearsals. The March wind is having a merry time with the billowing skirts which the girls clutch frantically to keep them and themselves from being blown aloft.

A daughter was born March 11 at Prince Georges Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Springman of 36-C Ridge Road.

Mrs. S. Hartford Downes is a patient in Garfield Memorial Hospital.

Frequent visitors here are Mr. and Mrs. Walter D. Perry of Philadelphia. They were the house guests last weekend of Mr. and Mrs. John Kenestrick of 1-A Crescent Road.

Mrs. Roland Roby entertained the Laurel Hill Sewing Club Tuesday evening at her home, 1-A Laurel Hill Road.

Mrs. Harry Brautigam of 3-B Parkway Road underwent an operation on Tuesday at Leland Memorial Hospital.

Harry Cohn came down from New York last week to join the family reunion at the home of his son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Sam York of 19-J Ridge Road.

Among the Greenbelters at the impressive opening last Thursday of the E. A. Filene Co-op Department Store in Shirlington, Va., were the Merton Trasts, the Tom Ritchies, Waldo Mott, Sam Ashelman, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Volckhausen and Mr. and Mrs. Dee Fairchild.

Mrs. Ben Berkofsky of Ridge Road is spending the week-end in New York. During this past season, Mrs. Berkofsky was a seven-time winner of concert tickets, awards in a Washington radio musical quiz program.

There were birthday parties last weekend for Alan Levine of 6-B Crescent Road and for Bobbie Chittenden of 45-R Ridge Road, who was seven on Saturday. "Skipper" Shinn of 45-Q Ridge Road will celebrate his fourth birthday with a party tomorrow afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Perry have moved from 6-G Crescent Road to 2-G Northway.

John B. Littleton, of Greenbelt, pledged Delta Tau Delta social fraternity at Duke University this week. He is the son of John W. S. Littleton, 1-C Westway.

George Warner, one-time mayor of Greenbelt and editor of the *Cooperator*, is the author of a soon-to-be-published history of Greenbelt. Mr. Warner visited here last week-end to bring to date his study, which covers Greenbelt from the time it was put on paper as an idea to the present.

Batie-Grimm

Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Batie, 108 Grand Avenue, Cumberland, Maryland, announce the engagement of their daughter, Maxine Caroline, to William David Grimm. The wedding will take place Saturday, March 27, at 7 p. m. at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church in College Park.

Kids See Pinafore At Reduced Rates

High School Principal John P. Speicher invited the North End and Center Schools to attend the first performance of the High School presentation of H.M.S. Pinafore on Wednesday. The special performance was given at reduced rates so that more elementary school children could see the operetta.

NOTICE

Votes on amendments to Articles 6, 7, and 9 of the Charter of Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., and on the resolution to authorize a mortgage contract will be officially cast by me at 8:30 p. m., March 26, at the reconvened membership meeting of February 26, 1947, to be held at the office of the Corporation. Attendance of members is not required since this action has been authorized in writing by the required number of members. Any member who wishes to attend is, of course, welcome to do so.

PAUL R. KASKO, Secy.
Greenbelt Consumer
Services, Inc.

Community Church Protestant

March 21, Palm Sunday: 9:30 a. m., church school; 10:50 a. m., church nursery; 11 a. m., church worship. The Sacrament of Baptism will be given to infants and a number of boys and girls.

Wednesday, 3:30 p. m., Junior Choir Easter rehearsal. 7:30 p. m., Senior Choir rehearsal, all members.

Thursday, 8:15 p. m., Pageant, "The Last Supper," will be portrayed by members of the Men's Bible Class.

Friday, noon to 3 p. m. A continuous service of "The Seven Last Words," with guest ministers and soloists.

Easter Sunrise Service, 5:59 a. m. Easter Sunday morning.

Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church

Minister, Raymond W. Cooke
Sunday, March 21: 9:45 a. m., Sunday school; 11 a. m., morning worship; 7 p. m., membership class; 8 p. m., evening worship.

Monday, March 22: 8 p. m., Mowatt Memorial Methodist Men will meet at the church to elect officers.

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.

Community Church Protestant

TWO SPECIAL HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Holy Thursday, 8:15 p. m.

The Men's Class will present "The Twelve Soliloquize," a pageant of the Last Supper, preceding the Holy Communion service, conducted by the Reverend Eric T. Braund.

"The Twelve Soliloquize," a reproduction in living voice and personality of Da Vinci's great painting, "The Last Supper," was done several years ago and will be given by popular request again this year. During the play each Apostle, dressed in full costume to portray the original picture, tells of his personal life with Christ. This pageant is a moving drama, done with great simplicity. All are welcome.

Good Friday, 12 to 3 p. m.

Beginning at noon, Community Church again offers Greenbelt a service of "The Seven Last Words." The continuous service will have intervals of organ music between sections. The following ministers will each conduct a section: Reverend Milton Crist, Potomac Heights Community Church, Washington; Reverend Raymond Cook, Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church; Reverend Eric T. Braund, Greenbelt Community Church; Reverend William P. Anna, St. John's Episcopal Church, Beltsville; Reverend Edgar Wells Beckett, First Methodist Church, Hyattsville; and Reverend John F. McClelland, Silver Spring Congregational Church. Each section will include a soloist and a hymn. Worshippers are invited to come and leave when they must. It is recognized that many people are unable to remain for the three hours.

Holy Week Services

MARCH 21-28

St. Hugh's Parish, Greenbelt

PALM SUNDAY—Blessing of Palms before 9:30 Mass and Distribution to all present.

WEDNESDAY—Miraculous Medal Novena at 8 p. m. with Benediction.

THURSDAY—Holy Thursday Mass at 7 a. m. with Holy Communion. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament all day. Devotions at 8 p. m. Night Prayers and Sermon in the Chapel.

FRIDAY—Good Friday. No Mass or Communion. Veneration of the Cross at 8 a. m. after unveiling of the large Crucifix.

Stations of the Cross and Meditations on the Seven Last Words at 1 p. m., at 4 p. m. and at 8 p. m. with Veneration of the Cross. Please return all Mite Boxes properly signed on Good Friday as your Lenten Self-denial act.

SATURDAY—Holy Saturday. Solemn Blessings begin at 7. Mass and Holy Communion at 8 a. m.

Easter Water for home use in blessing the house and food may be had at the Chapel, 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. Confessions, 5 to 5 and 7 to 9:30. Visiting priest will help.

SUNDAY—Glorious Feast of Easter. Masses in the theatre, 7:30 and 9:30. The last Mass will be a High Mass with special music by our Choir. All are urged to receive Holy Communion on Easter Day.

"A Holy and Happy Easter to All"

—Father Dowgiallo

St. Hugh's Catholic Church

Confessions: Saturday afternoon from 4 to 5 for children and in the evening from 7:30 to 9:30 for Palm Sunday; Masses, 7:30 and 9:30 in the Theater. 9:30 a. m. Mass: Communion Sunday for children of the Parish. 8:30 to 9:15 a. m. Catechism classes in theater for Catholic children attending public schools.

JCC Services

Friday night services of the Hebrew Congregation of the Jewish Community Center will be conducted by Rabbi H. Sandhaus at 8 p. m. Following the services, the first of a series of discussions will be held on the American Jew. Tonight's discussion will be on historical background.

Lutheran Church

Pastor, Edwin E. Pieplow

Phone Hyattsville 0383

or WARfield 0942

Services 12:30 p. m. in the home economics room of the Center school building.

Sunday School, 11:30 a. m.

Tuesday—Deeper Spiritual Life conference in Mount Rainier, 8 p. m.

Wednesday—Lenten Services at Mount Rainier, 8 p. m.

Thursday—Lenten Services at 8 p. m., home economics room, Center school.

Sunday, March 21—Confirmation Reunion Banquet at 5 p. m., auditorium of Trinity Lutheran School in Hyattsville. The Annual Roll Call service also at the school will follow the banquet at 8 p. m.

Sunday, March 28—Holy Communion will be celebrated on Easter Sunday. Register with Miss Roetger after the Sunday service.

TEEN TALK

By JOE HASPIEL

Events again are leading to what must become a distasteful situation between the teen-agers at the drug store and the folks running the place. Jack Coleman, manager of the luncheon counter, is sympathetic and so is Sam Ashelman, general manager of Greenbelt Consumers, but it is obvious that the growing gatherings must be directed somewhere else. On being questioned, the boys displayed complete dissatisfaction with the Drop-Inn. All pro's and con's not withstanding, the Drop-Inn must begin to function as an attractive center for the youth of Greenbelt.

Another Letter

Mr. Haspiel:

The Hyattsville Teen-Age Center is fast becoming the night spot of Greenbelt teen-agers. Greenbelters there numbered 15, compared to the 33 at the Drop-Inn which is 8 miles closer.

Besides the usual band, the performers for the evening included tap dance routines by Ronda Bibler, Sonya Freeman and Rosalie Fleischer. Majorette novelties were performed by Carol Day, Ronda Bibler and Carol Howard. The Greenbelt Elementary School tumblers also gave forth with a good performance. Climaxing the events that night were Dick Contino, the accordion star who has won \$4,000 on Horace Heidt's talent show, and Harold Peck, a dancer with the Heidt show. Dick comes from Fresno, California, where he is a member of a teenage club boasting a 3,000 membership, while Harold, also a Californian, hails from Hollywood. Both boys are eighteen. Next week Joe Dosh, the popular disc jockey, will entertain.

If Hyattsville, why not Greenbelt?

CLYDE EANES

Dance Class

The ballroom dance classes for teen-agers will continue for an additional five weeks. Jan Markanich and Nancy Harding have been instructing in the waltz and basic jitterbug. Classes are held 7:30 to 8:30 p. m. every Monday. Fee is 50 cents a lesson.

Drop-Inn Party

Following the basketball games between Oakland and Greenbelt, the Drop-Inn played host to the players and their followers. A total of 150 youngsters overran the club house, stuffing themselves on doughnuts, cokes and hot dogs. Dancing, pool and ping-pong helped them to come back for more. Thanks are extended to Greenbelt Consumers for contributing the doughnuts and cokes. The parents are thanked and commended for donating hot dogs and their services.

Women Voters Meet

The Greenbelt chapter of the League of Women Voters will hold a membership meeting at the home of Mrs. Joseph Berkenbilt, 13-S Ridge Road, on Thursday, March 25 at 8:30 p. m. Members will discuss the program of the local group and that of the Prince Georges County chapter. Election of officers will be held.

Local Teams Win In Double Header

In the first in a series of Wednesday night double-headers to be played in the center auditorium, the Recreation Department girls defeated Garvins 25-24, and the Co-op boys romped over Maryland Park 50-42.

Garvins, which is in the playoffs for the District Recreation Department championship, gave the local girls a real scare. Led by Helen Zoellner, Garvins stacked up a sizeable lead which was cut to a single point by half-time. The Greenbelt team was on top when the game ended. Ora Donoghue led both teams with 15 points, with Dolores Wolfe following with 7.

The Co-op boys had it easier, leading throughout the game. Chuck Clift rang up 13 points for the local team while Bobby Foster, a full-game man, was responsible for most of the visitors' score.

Both teams will appear on the home court on Wednesday, March 24, with Rockville as a possible opponent. The town folk are invited to attend.

All-Stars Take Youngsters, 58-39

The All-Star team, drawn from teams of the Recreation Department League, defeated the Youngsters 58-39 at the last session of men's gym. Brewer, Mothershead, and Rowell led the All-Stars, while Benefiel paced the Youngsters' attack. All members of both teams broke into the scoring column. Runnion got cheers with a beautiful one-handed set shot from the side of the court.

Easter Egg Sale

The Truman Riddle Navy Wives Club No. 59 will hold a home-made candy Easter egg sale at the theatre on Thursday, March 26, at 10 a. m. The eggs will have milk chocolate covering and either coconut or nut-and-fruit filling, according to Mrs. James K. O'Neill.

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Final Match Won By Local Gun Club

Greenbelt Gun Club won the final match of the indoor rifle season at the University of Maryland Monday night. Shooting its highest score of the year, the local team defeated Kensington Rifle Club by a wide margin. At the end of the nine matches, Greenbelt was in the running for the second-place team award. Another match may have to be fired to break a tie with the 933 Club of Mt. Rainier.

Great Books Group Launches Program

The Great Books group will meet for the first time Thursday, April 1, at 8:30 p. m. in the Center school social room. The library in the Center School is ordering one copy of each of the 16 books to be used in the first year's course. Unbound reprints of the entire list of books are available from the Great Book Foundation. It is hoped that copies can be shared.

First Concert Planned

The first concert of the Prince Georges Symphony Orchestra will be held Sunday, April 25 in the Center School. A diversified program of "pops" concert selections will be offered.

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North End Kids Get Health Exams

Easter holidays for the pupils of North End School will begin Wednesday, March 24. Lunch will be served at noon, before dismissal at 1 o'clock. School will reopen March 31.

Health examinations will be given the children of North End School by Dr. William Eisner, public health officer, prior to spring vacation. The pupils have had the Massachusetts Vision Kit test, procured for all the children in the county by the health supervisor, Mrs. Lee Quinn; and they have had their teeth checked by Dr. James McCarl.

All school children will be weighed and measured by the health committee of the PTA, around the first of April.



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Brush Fire

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According to Robert L. J. Carmody, president, the Greenbelt Democratic Club which was organized last October will meet every second and fourth Wednesday of the month. A Democratic rally will be held April 17 at the American Legion post, where Senator Tydings, Senator O'Connor, and Congressman Sasser will address the public. Mr. Carmody also made the following announcements:

1. According to Harry B. Mitchell, president of the U. S. Civil Service Commission, federal employees may be members of political clubs, as long as they do not hold any office or work on any committee.

2. Declarations of intention to vote in Maryland will be mailed out next week. Any complaints should be submitted in writing to Mr. Carmody, who will take care of them immediately.



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The program was an outgrowth of the work being done by the children in connection with their Social Studies program. Tickets were sold, and the group raised \$35.81 which will be contributed to the piano fund.

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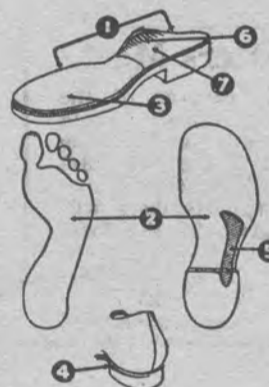
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