



Council Requests 60-Day Extension To Discuss Sale With GVHC, PHA

In a jam-packed council room, members of the Greenbelt Veterans Housing Corporation confronted the city council and asked for clarification of the council's attitude on the sale of Greenbelt, and a chance to consider other methods of purchasing the city from the Federal government. A petition is being circulated through the city by disgruntled citizens led by Councilman Steve Comings, asking PHA to stop the sale to GVHC.

Mike Salzman, president of GVHC, stated that citizens promoting the petition are declaring that a high official of PHA has informed them that 1000 names on such a petition would stop the sale. After explaining the situation to Commissioner Egan of PHA, a wire was received by Salzman which refuted the 'high official's' statement. Egan's wire said PHA would "proceed with other methods of sale" if GVHC did not buy.

Comings Acted Privately

Comings replied that he was acting privately, not as a council member, and in the interests of the great majority of Greenbelt residents who have expressed a strong desire to continue renting, even at increased rates. He declared that GVHC is acting for a minority of the residents; even a minority of its members. Those residents who wished to express their opinions against the sale would be required to pay an \$11 membership fee for such an expression, Comings added. So far, 561 residents have signed the petition, Comings disclosed, many of them GVHC members.

60-Day Extension Proposed

To help solve the dilemma, two motions were passed; the first asking PHA to delay the negotiations for 60 days until GVHC and the council could meet and ascertain the facts and develop the programs presented by GVHC, and the second, requesting a meeting of PHA officials, council members and GVHC board members to get all the necessary information about the alternatives of disposition, the various methods of purchase, the probable increased rent figures, and any additional facts necessary for a probable city referendum on the sale of Greenbelt.

A referendum, long advocated by Councilman Ben Goldfaden, would state citizen preferences: continued rent (and at what additional figure), cooperative purchase, group unit purchase, rental from another purchaser, and others. Comings declared he believed an outside purchaser would not charge unreasonable rents, seeking only a fair return on the investment; the power of the council to set the tax rate would deter outside investors from exploiting their tenants. Salzman stated that breaking the city into small units for sale would result in an additional 35% raise in costs of the homes, because of additional costs to PHA.

PHA Shoulders All Blame For Loss of Kindergartens

Results of a meeting with PHA Commissioner Egan by McDonald and Mayor Frank Lastner were reported to the council after a recess following the housing discussion. According to Lastner, Egan took full responsibility for the discontinuance of kindergarten in Greenbelt. Egan stated that there should never have been any doubt that it was PHA's responsibility, Lastner disclosed. No funds could be transferred from the budget for that purpose, Egan declared, as they do not consider any service "non-essential." Egan refused to discuss possibilities of including the kindergarten service in next year's budget since PHA may "not be in the picture at that time."

Comings asserted that reduction of a service may be cause for an appeal for a reduced rent. Goldfaden suggested that the kindergarten be set up as the bus service is now installed, with the parents paying a fee that will cover the expenses. PTA members of the North End school felt the fee necessary would be too large to meet unless the city provides some financial assistance. They promised cooperation with the city manager to work out some plan for continuance of the kindergarten.

A plea by Mrs. Joe Long, Greenbelt resident, for the reinstatement to kindergarten of a five-year-old neighbor was considered by the council at the start of the meeting. Because of illness of the child and of her mother, the child was withdrawn from kindergarten for two months. According to regulations, this disqualified her from further attendance. McDonald explained that the recommendation came from the principal, Mrs. Elizabeth Fugitt, and was in accordance with county practice.

Members of council felt the child was treated unfairly and instructed the manager to ask Mrs. Fugitt for "reconsideration and readmittance of the child to finish out the present term."

Beginning Monday, April 23, the trash collection crews will change days for collecting in some of the courts. This is being done on an experimental basis, and any changes will be announced as soon as new routes are established.

What Goes On

April 25, Friday - 8 p.m., Boys Club Boxing, Center School.
 April 26, Saturday - Northwestern Junior Prom, 8:30-11:30, Gym. Dick Stratton's Orchestra.
 April 26, Saturday - JCC Bingo, 8:30, Social room. Prizes.
 April 27, Sunday - 9:30 a.m., Center School Chorus, V.G.A.Y.
 April 27, Sunday - 3 and 8 p.m., St. Hugh's "Father Christopher's Prayer."
 April 29, Tuesday - 8:15 p.m., PTA, Center school.
 May 2, Friday - 8:15 p.m., Northwestern Hi Band, Gym.
 May 3, Saturday - 8:30 p.m., JCC Installation Dinner, Stone House Inn, Colesville and Old Bladensburg Road. Call A. Chasnoff, 5651.

Domchick Wins Appeal: GCS Faces Re-Trial

Last week George Domchick of Greenbelt won his appeal for reversal of a Circuit Court decision in favor of Sam Ashelman and Greenbelt Consumer Services in a slander and libel suit heard last October by Judge Dudley Digges at Upper Marlboro.

By order of the Court of Appeals, the case was sent back to the Circuit Court for a new trial.

Domchick, former meat department employee of GCS, was discharged over a year ago on a charge of "misconduct" made against him by Elmer Faulconer, George Daffan, Virgil McIntyre, Samuel Ashelman and the GCS corporation. He brought a slander and libel suit against the defendants, and was awarded damages of \$3,000 against Faulconer and \$200 each against McIntyre and Daffan. Judge Digges directed a verdict in favor of Ashelman and GCS whose communications were judged "privileged."

At a local hearing, held by prominent Greenbelt citizens a year before the trial, according to Abe Chasnoff, attorney for Domchick, several employees testified they had been guilty of misconduct. In addition to recommending that Domchick be reinstated, the committee recommended an investigation of such practices.

Chasnoff stated that in the evidence brought out at the trial it was shown that the employees had been requested to submit their charges in writing against Domchick and that, although there had been "an admission of misconduct by several employees in the meat department, no action was taken against them."

The court ruled in the reversal that there was evidence of malice because the defendants were not "obliged to reaffirm (their beliefs) by a formal paper filed in court for the whole world to see. By so doing, they furnished prima facie evidence of express malice."

The suit filed against Ashelman and GCS claims damages in the sum of \$150,000.

JCC BINGO

The Jewish Community Center will hold its first Bingo party of the year on Saturday, April 26, at 8:30 p.m. in the social room of the Center school. Prizes will include electric clocks, TV and table lamps, hassocks, purses, wallets, and many other valuable items, as well as cash prizes and a big Jackpot prize. Admission is free.

PHA Permits 30-Day Extension; Outlines Future If Sale Fails

Invitational Boxing Show Here Tomorrow

County and D. C. junior Golden Glove champions will display their skills this Friday evening, April 25, starting at 7:45 p.m. in the invitational Greenbelt Boys Club Boxing Show at the Center School gym. According to Coach Woodrow Page, "this show has the finest card ever presented at Greenbelt." In the 12 matches scheduled, fourteen champions will perform in the weight divisions, which range from 45 lbs. to 80 lbs.

In addition to the five champions from Greenbelt, others from the Bladensburg, Colmar Manor, Lanham, and Riverdale Boys Club will vie for the winner's medals now on display at the GCS drug store. The match between Jimmy Gardner of Greenbelt and Sonny Hickerson, junior Golden Glove champion from Lanham, is expected by coaches to be a high spot at the show. A few weeks ago Jimmy was awarded the trophy for being the outstanding boxer at the Lanham Boys Club annual show in a match with another youth.

Tickets for the show may be obtained at the door on Friday evening or in advance by calling 3481 or 6396. This will be the current season's final indoor boxing show.

Comings Tells Of Petition Background

Reached by telephone at his home before the council meeting Monday night, Councilman Steve L. Comings told a Cooperator reporter that "speaking for myself I'll take my chances" on the future if GVHC does not qualify to purchase Greenbelt.

Those who signed his petition to PHA to stop the sale of Greenbelt to GVHC, did so for many different reasons and possibly have many alternative programs in mind. "Some of them are block captains (of GVHC)," he said, "and you may quote me on this."

Asked why he had waited so long to begin his campaign, the councilman said he had been waiting for some one else, or some organization, to initiate action. There has been "no word from anyone in PHA" regarding the possible influence of the petition, Comings told us, which was designed to allow what he believes is the majority of Greenbelt public opinion to state its dissatisfaction with GVHC.

Although at first Comings, who has lived here for 8 years and has been twice elected to council, was reluctant to state his specific objections to the mutual housing group, he expressed his displeasure "with the conduct and results of the last 4 meetings." He has "no confidence in a successful operation," and is especially concerned with non-member residents "who have to put up \$11 if they want to vote" on GVHC issues.

"If I fail," Comings said, "if a majority does not sign the petition, I intend to put up my \$100 in (GVHC) if the required 533 sign up. I am not buying elsewhere. I am not connected with any real estate or insurance company. I have traveled 140,000 miles back and forth to work in order to stay here for the last 8 years."

PHA Commissioner John T. Egan and his staff, meeting yesterday afternoon with members of city council and GVHC directors, granted Greenbelt a 30-day extension of the good-faith payment deadline. The joint committee, set up in accord with a council resolution passed Monday night, was further assured that PHA will not continue to operate the city and will sell elsewhere if GVHC does not qualify.

If the sale to GVHC should fail, PHA will start processing a rent increase the day after the deadline. The staff has already determined that, under the fair net operating income formula established by the Office of Rent Stabilization, an average 26% rent increase would be allowable. Any purchaser, including GVHC, would be entitled to this rental.

Salzman told the Cooperator that an as yet unofficial schedule for the 30-day extension period sets aside April 30-May 10 for resident deposits; May 11-May 20 for residents who wish to switch units; May 21-30 for non-residents to deposit and state preferences.

Present at the meeting were Mayor Lastner, City Manager McDonald, Councilmen Canning and Wolfe, as well as GVHC directors Salzman, Ritchie, Long, Thomas, Bowman, Buzkin, Bordenet and Burgoon.

According to a statement from Mike Salzman regarding the meeting, any new formulae of sale—such as by small units, courts, etc.—would have to be proposed by GVHC. Egan pointed out that, in considering changes in program, PHA would have to determine whether GVHC qualified under the statutes for the altered terms. Furthermore, prices would have to be based on the latest appraisal figure, which is a million dollars more than that now offered to
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GVHC To Offer Homes In Week-End DC Ads

Greenbelt homes will be publicly offered to non-residents this weekend in Washington newspaper advertisements, it was announced by Bruce Bowman, secretary of Greenbelt Veterans Housing Corporation, at a board meeting Monday.

This action was taken to assure completion of Public Housing Administration's requirement of 800 applications by April 30.

Non-residents signing up will be required to pay a \$1 application fee, a \$25 membership fee, plus a deposit of \$100.

The board directed the public relations committee to prepare a flyer for town-wide distribution this week to clarify the program of GVHC, and point up the advantages to Greenbelters of participating in the plan.

Board members said that the rate of deposits had fallen off appreciably since the circulation of the petition by a group headed by Councilman Steve Comings.

The finance committee was directed to meet with bankers to draft a plan for assistance to members in meeting their down payments.

Effective tomorrow, deposits will be received at the office, 40-A Crescent instead of the Greenbelt bank.

The board voted to tighten up its procedures for minutes and financial reports and approved prices for detached homes on Woodland Way.



Greenbelters lined up as the bank opened Monday, April 18, to deposit their \$100 good faith payments as members of Greenbelt Veterans Housing Corporation. First-comers received high priority on the membership list in future selection of dwelling units.

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Letters To The Editor

"Snide Remarks" —

Tears came to my eyes when I read this week's editorial in re our humble public servants on the GVHC board being set upon by the despicable ingrateres of this community. I'm sure these men have given endless time and energy for the welfare of all of us, receiving no compensation and having no eye to anything in the future. And all we scoundrels do is make snide remarks and act balky when told what's best for us.

It's obvious to the most cautious of us that buying these homes is a shrewd move—certainly preferable to renting them from a large and experienced corporation. And if it take a certain amount of high pressure and arm twisting to convince the wary ones, then that is what should be done. A good business proposition seldom sells itself.

I wish, at this time, to commend the Cooperator for its undying efforts, through its substantial propaganda, on behalf of the great GVHC movement, and for the welfare of us all.

Mrs. Elizabeth Walker

Housing Authority

Curious and strange is the belief held by some people in Greenbelt that their monthly charges will be less if the community is sold to outside investors than if the people themselves buy it. And along with this thinking is the belief that Greenbelt would continue to enjoy its present beautiful surroundings.

1. Outside investors would buy Greenbelt for only one reason - to make money. Under current Office of Rent Stabilization regulations, they are entitled to make a fair return on their investment. That means that Greenbelters would help the investors buy the property and give them an additional profit.
2. Any developer will substantiate the fact that within the developed area of Greenbelt there is too much open area which could easily be built up to reap great profits. But what does this mean to Greenbelters? It means that the freedom of space and beauty which we and our children enjoy would no longer exist, and that the existing developed area of Greenbelt would fast become as dense as most other cities.

3. Some Greenbelters feel that as long as they control the City Council, and that the City Council can levy taxes, outside investors would think twice before undertaking the purchase of Greenbelt. Investors have met this same situation in other places by merely inserting a clause in the lease that any increase in taxes would immediately increase rentals by the same amount.

4. The purchase of Greenbelt by G.V.H.C. is the only feasible and practical, and the most economical, method for the people of Greenbelt to buy their homes. Remember that Greenbelters will control the operation of their homes and their organization.

5. Join now, make your deposit—and control your housing—before it is too late.

Mike Salzman
President - GVHC

"An Accountant's View"

There is so much hullabaloo going around about the purchase of

Greenbelt by GVHC that a little clarification seems to be in order. As I am not an official of the organization I do not have an axe to grind. I am presenting my point of view in the hope that it will be of some help. Personally I cannot see any merit in discussing the intrinsic value of the properties, at the present time; all I want is a place to live. In the long run the purchase of Greenbelt will insure the continuance of our present rents, with which I am assuming we are all satisfied. This statement needs an explanation as we all know our payments to GVHC will be approximately \$20 a month more than we are paying at present. That \$20 however is just about the amount of monthly equity that we develop which goes to our credit in GVHC. Thus the 13% down payment that we will make is to be added to every month, almost the same as a savings account. Compulsory, but nevertheless a savings. It occurs to me that if you are saving the increase in payments you cannot be spending it. Thus your costs are not \$20 a month more because you are actually saving that amount. The main hardship is getting the 13% down payment. From what I understand GVHC will return all your savings, if you leave Greenbelt, a year or two after it takes Greenbelt over from the Government. This statement may not be accurate but for all practical purposes it can be assumed as fundamentally correct. (You can use your equity as a down payment for a house outside of Greenbelt at some future time.)

I have heard any number of individuals criticize GVHC for pushing the purchase of Greenbelt. Why don't they leave well enough alone? I would agree with that point of view if we could leave well enough alone but that cannot be done. At least PHA will not leave well enough alone even if we did. We all received notices last year about the impending rent increases which were to average approximately 15%. I am not sure that PHA will be satisfied with an increase of 15% a year or two later. They will certainly want a larger increase in rents which will raise our rents above our payments to GVHC. Thus your choice seems to be between paying GVHC or PHA approximately the same monthly payments. With one you save some of your payments; with the other it all goes down the drain. This is on the assumption that PHA does not find a buyer. By law PHA must find a buyer, Congress has ordered them to do so. If GVHC, a corporation that we control, does not buy, PHA will find another buyer, whom we will not control. When that happens I feel sorry for the renters of Greenbelt.

No doubt some of my facts, figures and assumptions will be subject to criticism. I am not presenting them as final or accurate but as aids in developing a common sense approach to a problem with which we are all concerned. If my logic is in error I would appreciate comments personally or through the pages of the Cooperator.

E. don Bullian

Thank God We Are Alive!

All this talk of "SALE" and these signs of "SOLD" must be very disturbing to great numbers

of children. Their world and the security of their homes, and friends must seem very shaky these days. For their comfort at least, I want to venture a simple prediction: "There'll always be a Greenbelt!" We are talking of the sale of houses, not children; real estate, not families.

I hope those of us who are older and supposed to be wiser will keep this in mind, and the proposed sale in its proper perspective. I do not for a minute think or believe that the rental or purchase or sale of a house is the most important thing that can happen to a family or a community. Had it not been for good doctors and some wonderful miracle drugs, we might have seen this past winter what a real calamity looks like. When tempers run hot and exasperation takes the place of understanding, let us remember what has been happening to thousands of our fellow citizens and their houses in the Mississippi River Area. Thank God we are alive, our children in happy good health, our houses standing snugly secure amid flowering trees, singing birds and the good green grass. Life and God have been good to us!

Now this is not an appeal to softness in debate or toning down of sharp inquiry for facts. We have a great deal of fuzzy thinking and ostrich-like mentality and it is not limited to any one group or set of people. Indeed, is there one among us who has all the answers or who would presume to play God? Let him stand forth!

Most of us have been sitting in the grandstands watching the City Council or the GVHC Board as though they were the "visiting team." We have booed more than we have cheered. But much of the time we are bored and not even watching them. Admit it, Brother Greenbelter, most of us have watched TV fights more hours by far than we have watched Council or worked with GVHC or any alternative. If there were a choice tonight, would it not be the Easy Chair and good old channel four?

It is a shame that we have to make decisions! There are, of course, conditions and conditions where you need make none. Indeed, you would not even have to decide which TV station; the government would do it all for you. No worry as between Kefauver, Taft or Ike; just mark 'X' for plain old Joe! But that is not yet America!

Let us welcome opportunities for decision, whether the answer be yes or no. It is the American way, freedom's way. It is indecision that fosters suspicion, promotes dual ulcers, and causes us to smear techniques, name-calling, unneighborly conduct. In the state presently upsetting many of us: "to buy or not to buy", no one should be surprised that the air is a bit tense. Have patience; hold on to your hat; once the decision is made, whichever way, neighbors hors will still need neighbors!

On behalf of the trust and confidence of our children, our own dignity as Americans, as citizens of a beautiful community, let us give the other man, the other position, the benefit of sportsmanlike conduct.

Whether a civic leader or the "head of the house," our job might well be likened to the work of the car radiator: Stay out in front and keep the motor cool! There'll always be a Greenbelt!

Eric T. Braund

No Place like Greenbelt...

Real estate and appraising is my business, and has been for years. I have lived in Greenbelt for a number of years and hope to stay and would like to speak my mind in this, the sale of Greenbelt.

For years there has been no place as reasonable in rent as right here; in fact you could rent at figures lower than owning your own home. But now that the worm is beginning to turn, we still are favored with a bargain. Yes a bargain, the cost of these homes. Where can you go and duplicate these prices? You can't possibly find a home like the one you are living in today for the price asked, and I don't care where in Greenbelt you are living. And as far as financing you who are not veter-

Facts vs Feelings

"there are reports circulating the community that a high official in PHA has told this group if they get 1000 signatures in Greenbelt, Greenbelt will not be sold to GVHC — in fact it will not be sold at all. I sent a wire to the Commissioner this morning telling him this . . ." —Mike Salzman, at city council meeting Monday night, April 21.

MICHAEL H. SALZMAN
GREENBELT, MARYLAND

YOUR TELEGRAM 4/21 SR-MD
-6 AND MC-18111 GREENBELT.

THE STATEMENT TO WHICH YOU HAVE CALLED OUR ATTENTION IS NOT TRUE. PUBLIC LAW 65 DIRECTS US TO SELL THE GREENTOWNS AND WE PROPOSE TO DO SO AS SPEEDILY AS POSSIBLE. IF FOR ANY REASON SALE TO GVHC IS NOT CONSUMMATED WE PROPOSE TO FORTHWITH PROCEED WITH OTHER METHODS OF SALE.

JOHN TAYLOR EGAN
COMMISSIONER, PHA

ans, can you today get 25-year-4% money? Of course not!

Now there are those who would challenge these statements, and to you I say go out of Greenbelt in any direction—it doesn't matter. If the prices were a third more I would reserve the right to compare locations, but try to find a comparative house to the one you are living in at present and ask the price; don't be satisfied with one—go to ten or twenty or fifty if it takes that long to satisfy you; then and only then will you be ready to make your decision.

I am of the opinion that be ore this campaign is over, and besides the regular gossip, there will be groups in action with petitions requesting people not to buy. Acquaint yourself with all the facts if you are interested in a home before you make any decision; find out for your own benefit how much those who talk to you know about real estate.

Are you acquainted with the outside rental picture? Just in case you make up your mind to rent here or elsewhere, remember this: THE HONEY MOON IS OVER.

V. V.

Personals

At a celebration dinner held this week by the Prince Georges County agents of the Farm Bureau Insurance Companies, Anthony M. Madden was commended for having written 225,500 life insurance policies during the anniversary month of February, and also for having written over a million dollars of life insurance during the year 1950 and again in 1951.

The City Desk

By Charles T. McDonald

Public Safety: Police department had a busy weekend dispersing unauthorized picnic parties at the Lake Park. The fire department has been extremely busy answering calls on grass and woods fires. Fire wardens of the State Forestry Department are urging special care and attention to these areas because of the great danger of serious fires at this season of the year.

Public Health: There are a number of cases of measles in the community at this time. The Tuesday clinics are still well patronized.

Recreation: BASEBALL, BASEBALL, BASEBALL, and that is literally what is getting all of the attention in the Recreation Department these days. Saturday at Braden Field it is a sight to behold baseball players almost too numerous to count.

Public Works: Road shoulders and road-patching have been top priority during the past week. Weather permitting, the grass-cutting crew will be out along the roads this week. For the next few weeks the suction leaf-loader will be gathering leaves along the roadways and in public places on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays. Residents are urged to put out piles of leaves early on those days.

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GVHC as a non-profit organization.

Deputy Commissioner Roy Little affirmed that private ownership in Greenbelt is impossible because the row housing does not meet building code specification for a partition fire-wall between units. Breakdowns by court, however, might be worked out under GVHC, although at increased cost.

Local Cancer Drive Under Way

The 1952 drive for funds in Greenbelt for the Maryland Division of the American Cancer Society is under the direction of Mrs. Ralph Webster, welfare chairman of the Women's Club, assisted by Mrs. Charles Orleans and Mrs. John Elder who will be responsible for Block Captains; and Mrs. O. M. Slye, in charge of publicity.

Block captains assigned to Mrs. Webster are: Mrs. Thomas Callanan, Mrs. James G. Flynn, Mrs. John Colliver and Mrs. Richard White; those serving under Mrs. Orleans are: Mrs. Frank Lastner, Mrs. Frank Galvin, Mrs. George Clinedinst and Mrs. Seymour Levine; those assigned to Mrs. Elder are: Mrs. Jesse Ard, Mrs. Robert Davenport, Mrs. Robert Coleman. The Girl Scouts will assist Mrs. Clinedinst and will canvass wherever needed.

Each captain will direct the volunteers in her neighborhood in the collection of funds for promoting research into the cause and cure of cancer, and in the distribution of literature to the townspeople to help educate them to the necessity of detecting the disease in its early stages where—in 90% of the cases—it can be cured.

Free cancer-detection clinics have been set up in Baltimore, and in Upper Marlboro. Appointment must be made in advance and may be done for Baltimore by writing or calling the Maryland Division of the American Cancer Society, 1950 St. Paul Street, Baltimore 18, Maryland; telephone Lexington 4002. It is emphasized that the clinic is free, is for well persons and is limited to one examination per person.

CONSTABLES CORNER

By David Reznikoff

A sure sign of spring is the outbreak of brush fires, lost children, firing BB gun, sling shots; complaints of boys playing ball; and lost bicycles . . . An autoist driving down Ridge Road had his headlight shot out by a boy firing a BB gun (these things are dangerous . . . Mrs. G. Long reported a Cancer Fund container left out on the counter at the Post Office and the police took it into custody . . . An abandoned car was found by police on the Water Tower Road and the owner notified to move it . . . Officer Green, very reluctant, had to stop a man from digging up sod on Ridge Road. It's very well indeed to want to improve your lawn but not by robbing Peter to pay Paul . . . The Fire Department was kept busy putting out brush fires during the past week. A little more instruction by parents to their children would help to remove this danger from our community.

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April 27, Services held at the North End School. Session of the Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. Louis M. Tierney, superintendent. Classes for all ages. Worship and sermon by the pastor, 11 a.m. Sermon topic, "People and Pigs." Special music by the choir.

At Mowatt Chapel on Woodland-way at 5:30 p.m., reception will be given to the new members of the church. Musical and literary program will be given. Refreshments will be served. Our members and friends will find a cordial welcome.

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RESPONSIBLE child care - children any age. Reasonable rates. Mrs. Rita Jones, 55-J Ridge. 7201.

FOR PLOWING of gardens - Call TO-5447.

BINGO - Electric clocks, lamps, etc. Cash prizes, merchandise prizes. Center school social room. 8:30 p.m. Saturday night.

SLIP COVERS, custom made, your choice of style, reasonably priced. Call Evelyn Green. TO-6276.

WAITRESS wanted - full or part time - Town Hall Tavern, Inc. Tower 4872.

LOST - Green Parakeet. Answers to "Mickey." Last seen in the vicinity of the 19 Ridge court. Call 3401.

WANTED - young woman as assistant bookkeeper. 5 1/2 day week. Some typing necessary. Call Miss Wiser, Tower 5200 for appointment.

Women Voters Plan Pre-Primary Meeting

Sixteen Congressional and Senatorial candidates will participate in a pre-primary candidates' meeting sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Prince Georges County on Monday, April 28, at 8 p.m. in the Cheverly American Legion Hall. Mrs. William H. Wood, president, and Mrs. Brendan O'Dwyer, voters' service chairman, will preside. The public is invited.

Invitations were sent to all of the 18 candidates who have filed for the House of Representatives for the Fifth District and to the 8 persons who have filed for Maryland's U. S. Senate seat.

COMMUNITY CHURCH PROTESTANT

Eric T. Braund, Minister
Telephone 7931

Thursday, April 24 - 8 p.m., Workers' Conference of all Church School Teachers and Officers. 8 p.m., Cloister Choir rehearsal. Saturday - From 9 a.m. on, 20 men will be working on the church grounds under direction of landscaping committee. Sunday - 9 and 11 a.m., Church Worship. Sermon, "Overcoming Despair," the second in a series of sermons on the Acts of the Apostles. At 11 a.m., the Sacrament of Baptism. Church School as follows: 9, Primary Dept. 9:50, Juniors and Intermediates through Adults. 11, Beginners Dept. 9 and 11, Nursery. 7 p.m., Junior and Senior High Fellowship at the church. 8 p.m., at the First Congregational Church, Tenth and G Sts., N.W. Washington: Dr. O. Frederick Nolde will speak on "The Christian and World Peace." Wednesday - 8 p.m., Senior Choir rehearsal. Thursday - 4:30 p.m., St. Cecilia Choir rehearsal; 8 p.m., Cloister Choir rehearsal. (All Choirs please note: very important rehearsals for Spring Festival of Music on May 25). May 7 & 8 - Middle Atlantic Conference, held this year in Westfield, N. J., First Congregational Church.

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Rev. Victor Dowgiallo
Phone 5811

Saturday: Confessions, 3 to 5:30 p.m. for children, 7 to 9:30 p.m. for adults. Sunday: Masses, 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. Nursery care for children under five during the 11 o'clock Mass. Baptisms: Sunday, 1 p.m. Anyone wishing to have a baby baptized should notify Father Dowgiallo beforehand. Wednesday: Novena services, 8 p.m.

Greenbelt Lutheran Church

Edward H. Birner, Vicar
Telephone 3703

Friday, April 25 - 6:30 p.m., The Rev. E. E. Pieplow of Mt. Rainier-Hyattsville will be the main speaker at the annual Anniversary Banquet held in the Center School dining room. Sunday, April 27 - Sunday School and adult Bible Class. Classes are held for all ages. Raymond Carriere, superintendent. 11 a.m., Church service. Sermon topic: A Leader to Follow. Special music by the Junior choir, their final appearance until fall. Services are held in the Center School. Visitors are always welcome. Nursery under the supervision of Mrs. Gronert and Mrs. Fahlfeder.

HEBREW SERVICES

Benjamin Rosenzweig
Norman Granims

Friday, April 25 - Services will be conducted by Norman Granims in the social room of the Center school at 8:30 p.m. Candlelighting, 6:40 p.m. First day Rosh Hodash Iyar. Portion of the Week, Leviticus 12:2 to 14:57. Reading from the Prophets - II Samuel 7:4 to 22:7.

Help Wanted

The Izaak Walton League is making an urgent appeal for assistance in cleaning the lake. All able-bodied men and boys in Greenbelt are asked to help in this worthy project particularly the Boy Scouts and the Lions Club. Work will start about 9:30 Saturday morning and continue throughout the day and on into Sunday, April 27.

The Izaak Walton League and its members are doing everything they can, but they need help. The lake belongs to the community. Come down and do your part—it will be appreciated by all present and future generations that use it.



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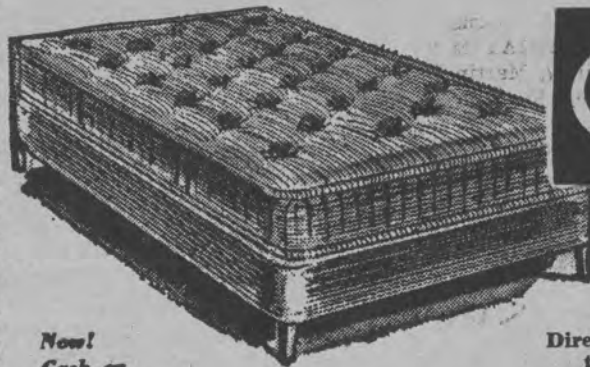
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City Manager Charles MacDonad, Mrs. Benjamin P. Goldfaden, Prince Georges County welfare worker, and Mrs. Frederick A. McCarthy, librarian for children's books at Wilson Teachers College, are to be the three panel members at the Center School PTA meeting in the social room of the Center school next Tuesday, April 29, at 8:35 p.m. Mrs. R. O. Stelzer of University Park will moderate the discussion on the subject: developing children's responsibility in the home, school, community and neighborhood. The audience will be invited to participate following the panel.

The Center School Chorus will perform on station WGAY at 9:30 a.m. Sunday, April 27. Martin Berkofsky and Betsey Fontaine will play piano solos.

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Boy's Club Activities

By Lee

WELL WELL! What do you know? Our Boy's Club basketball teams came through with **THREE** County Championships. Midgets (Undefeated), Intermediates, and Juniors! Our Senior team went right down to the wire but lost out in the final game. Here's how the playoffs went.

Midgets

The Midgets were undefeated in both halves of the season in their section (western) and went to the playoffs against the winner of the eastern section, Bladensburg. They played a best two out of three games. Greenbelt Midgets defeated Bladensburg in the first game 32 to 22; Dick Taylor was high with 15. In the second game our Midgets again defeated Bladensburg 25 to 21, Dick Taylor was again high with 10, and Rock had 7. This gave them the Prince Georges County Championship.

Intermediates

The Intermediates lost out in the first half to Green Meadows in an overtime game but came back undefeated in the second half of the season defeating Green Meadows in the final game 65 to 48; Melloy high with 19, Baker 15 and Schoeb 10. This meant that in order to go to the playoff they had to defeat the winner of the first half, Gree Meadows, again, which they did, 51 to 27. Comings was high with 13, Baker 11 and Melloy 9. This sent them into the playoff against the winner of the eastern section which was again Bladensburg. They defeated Bladensburg in the first game at the College Park Armory 55 to 26; Melloy high with 17, Schoeb 11 and Baker 8. In the second game they defeated Bladensburg at Northwestern High 55 to 28; Melloy again high with 16, Baker 14 and Freddie Schrom 8. This gave them the County Championship.

Juniors

The Juniors defeated Edmonston in two straight to win the County Championship. First game 41 to 39, Cockill high with 15 and Knott 10. Second game 44 to 32, Cockill again high with 17 and Stripling 12. The club feels that we had an excellent basketball season, and credit should go to the boys for their hard work and to the coaches who brought them along to win these crowns.

The Midget 1952 baseball edition defeated Mt. Rainier Midgets last Saturday in an exhibition game at Mt. Rainier, 15 to 1. Let's hope this is a good omen for Baker and his team.

Don't forget the fights Friday night at the Center school, 8 p.m.

Father Christopher's Prayer

The Ladies of Charity and the St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Hugh's Church will sponsor the showing of the film, "Father Christopher's Prayer", taken from the world-famous novel, "The Betrothed", which sold over two million copies. Proceeds from the showing will help in charitable works in Greenbelt for relief of the poor and distressed regardless of race, color or creed. Showings will be at 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Sunday, April 27 at St. Hugh's Church. There will be no admission charge, but a voluntary plate collection will be taken.

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