



Retirement Plan Recommended, NE Store Knocked By GCS Board

Unanimous approval in principle of a retirement plan for employees of Greenbelt Consumer Services was given last Friday by directors of the cooperative at a special board meeting. The program will be offered for membership approval at the GCS annual meeting April first, as it may involve changes in the corporation's by-laws concerning reserves and patronage refund.

Other business taken up by the board included the coming annual meeting, all-day voting for election of directors, and operation of the North End food store.

Two-Part Fund

The retirement plan for GCS employees, exposition of which took up most of the meeting, would require all eligible employees coming to work for GCS after the plan takes effect to contribute five percent of their earnings after two years' service. The corporation would pay in annually ten percent of the net savings (difference between gross sales and cost of operations). The plan will be elective for present employees, and will permit those presently wishing to participate to pay in sums for retroactive coverage for years in which they would have been eligible to participate had the plan been in effect.

Heretofore the annual net has been divided first to reserves, as required by the by-laws (here the amendment may be required to put the retirement contribution into operation); then to interest on capital stock held by members; then the required taxes on these sums are computed and set aside, and the remainder is distributed to member-patrons on the basis of

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Mercury Perks, Drops And Spurts

By William H. Klein

Unusually large fluctuations in temperature during the past week reminded Greenbelters of Mark Twain's famous remark about New England, "If you don't like the weather - wait a minute."

After reaching a minimum temperature of 22 degrees F on Thursday morning, February 19, 1953, the local thermometer climbed to a record high of 75 degrees at 3 p.m. Saturday, February 22. By 7 a.m. the next morning the mercury plunged to a low of 34 degrees, a drop of 41 degrees in 16 hours!

On the next morning, Monday, February 23, the temperature in Greenbelt was 18 degrees, the low point for the week, but within a few hours it climbed to a maximum of 52 degrees, recorded around 4 p.m., Monday afternoon.

JCC Purim Ball Set for March 7

The annual Purim masquerade ball of the Jewish Community Center will be held Saturday, March 7, at 8:30 p.m. in the social hall of the Community Church.

Costumes are optional and the program will include dancing, games and contests. Prizes will be awarded for the best costumes, and a king and queen will be crowned. Refreshments, including the traditional Haman-taschen, will be served.

Arrangements for the ball are under the direction of Ethel Gerring, GR. 3-3141. The Community Church social hall will be decorated in cabaret style, and an entertainment program is scheduled. Everyone is invited to attend.

Greenbelt Entertains Norwegian Cooperators

Four members of the Norwegian cooperatives were guests of Greenbelt Consumer Services last Saturday. They are members of a team brought here by the Mutual Security Administration to study cooperatives and retailing developments in the United States.

The leader of the team, Sverre Nilssen, is president of the board of twelve cooperatives and also headmaster of a Norwegian cooperative school at Trondheim. GCS board member George Davidsen and General Manager Sam Ashelman showed them around and answered their questions. They are completing a trip which included visits to Akron, Columbus, Kansas City, Chicago, and Duluth.

During the war many of the towns of the northern part of Norway were destroyed by the German occupation army when it left. As a result it has been necessary to rebuild entire towns.

Until September 1951, only one retail cooperative store was permitted in each community. The law has now been changed, and as rapidly as possible a chain of stores is developing, building around the various urban communities. For this reason the team members were particularly interested in the Greenbelt-Takoma Park type of organization, and they expressed themselves as being very pleased and impressed with the GCS stores.

Air Force Honors Greenbelt Boy

A Greenbelt boy last week was named "Airman of the Month" by the Webb (Fla.) Air Force Base Motor Squadron. He is A/2C Walter W. Herbert, son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. Herbert, 24-L Ridge.

Herbert was graduated from Greenbelt High School and enlisted in the Air Force last March. He was assigned to his present duty immediately after completing his basic training at Sampson Air Force Base, New York.

Northwestern PTA To Meet March 4

The regular monthly meeting of Northwestern Senior High School Parent-Teacher Association will be held in the school cafeteria on Wednesday, March 4, at 8 p.m.

A representative from each of the student organizations within the high school will report on the activities and aims of that unit.

NCJW To Meet

The Greenbelt chapter, National Council of Jewish Women, will observe Council Sabbath tomorrow evening in the social room of the Center school, at 8:30 p.m.

Rabbi Waldman will conduct special services. All council members and husbands are asked to attend these services. Traditional Haman-taschen and tea will be served at the close of the evening.

What Goes On

Thursday, February 26 - GVHC membership meeting, 8:15 p.m. Greenbelt theatre.

Friday, February 27 - Cub Scout Pack 229, 7:30 p.m., social room. GCS board meeting, 8 p.m., GCS office. GVHC board meeting, 8:15 p.m., maintenance building.

Sunday, March 1 - Dedication of Fellowship Center, 2:30 p.m., Community Church.

Monday, March 2 - City council meeting, 8 p.m., city office. PTA study group, 8 p.m., room 222, center school.

Fellowship Center Dedication Sunday

Dedication ceremonies for the new building at the Greenbelt Community Church, to be known as Fellowship Center, will be held at 2:30 p.m. next Sunday afternoon. Among the guests invited to assist in the celebration are the Reverend Joseph Stein, superintendent of the Middle Atlantic Conference of Congregational Churches; the Reverend Frederick E. Reissig of the Washington Federation of Churches; the Honorable Frank Lastner, Mayor of Greenbelt, and City Manager Charles T. McDonald.

Others participating in the ceremony will be Harold Hufendick, superintendent of the Church School; Scott Sandilands, chairman of the board of deacons; Robert Bonham, chairman of the board of trustees; and Lloyd Moore, chairman of the building committee.

Awards for winning entries in the name contest sponsored by the Church School will be presented at this time, according to the Reverend Eric T. Braund, minister of the Community Church.

Children of the Church School are expected to attend the dedication, as well as boys and girls of the several scout organizations who will make use of the Fellowship Center.

Designed as a much-needed addition to the Community Church plan, the building was erected at a cost of \$15,500.

Ferrara & McLeod, architects of the main church building, planned the new building which is an independent unit, complete with rest rooms and a separate heating system.

A covered-dish luncheon in the church social hall will be served next Sunday following the eleven o'clock service. Out-of-town members and friends and new-comers to Greenbelt have a special invitation to bring their contributions of a covered dish to the luncheon, and remain for the dedication ceremony, Mr. Braund said.

PTA Considers 'Belongingness'

By Miriam G. Johnson

"Children teach each other more than any classroom teacher can hope to teach them," according to Dr. Gerth Morgan of the Institute of Child Study, Maryland University, who addressed the Center School PTA meeting Tuesday night. Whether such learning is good or bad depends in large measure, he said, on the purposes of the group. These purposes (to play ball? to socialize?) dictate the type of activities engaged in. In turn, the activities indicate the type of contribution made by each individual participant, which then establishes his role in the group whether that of leader, clown or so-called fall-guy. This role determines his status and prestige.

Such group "belongingness" (Dr.

Farm Bureau's Herb Evans Speaks To GVHC Annual Meeting Tonight

With the closing of nominations at 5 p.m. last Monday, 16 persons had announced their candidacy for the board of directors of Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation. Election of a new board will take place tonight at the annual meeting which opens at 8:15 p.m. in the Greenbelt Theater.

JCC Sets Schedules For Work On Center

A report on the progress of the new JCC building, a speaker who reported on the attacks on the public school system, and nominations for officers highlighted the JCC meeting last Saturday night.

In a report to the membership, Abe Chasnoff outlined plans for resuming work on the building in the near future. A committee has been organized, he said, to assign and distribute work to members. It is contemplated that each man will be asked to contribute at least eight hours a month, from now until the roof is in place. The entire building is being built with volunteer labor contributed by members and non-members in Greenbelt. At present the building is approximately 20 percent completed, and it is hoped that the structure - less plumbing, electric wiring, heating and interior decorating - will be done by fall.

Danger To Schools

Milton J. Esman, representing the Washington Council of Education, gave an illuminating address on the nation-wide attacks on the public school system. He spoke convincingly and dramatically on the dangers which face the public school system across the country from indiscriminate attacks levied by irresponsible elements. "The public school system", he said, "is the bulwark of democracy."

Nominations for six officers and four board members were received. These included: Abe Chasnoff for president; Martin Bickford and Irving Gerring for vice-president; Murray Ryss for financial secretary; Bernard Trattler for recording secretary; Ethel Rosenzweig for corresponding secretary; Bessie Gold and Frances Miller for treasurer; Larry Miller, Morris Cohen, Murray Schweitzer, Larry Fink, Ben Perelzweig, Nettie Steinman, and Sidney Feldman for board of trustees.

Oops!

The photograph in last week's Cooperator of the signing of the dedication papers was taken by Paul Kasko, staff photographer. The Cooperator regrets the omission of his name from the caption.

Eight of the nine present board members are candidates for reelection. Eight others have expressed willingness to serve if elected. Their qualifications were briefly outlined in last week's Cooperator, except for one, Fred Carr, who was last to file.

Carr is a welfare specialist for the Federal Civil Defense Administration. He did undergraduate and graduate work at the University of Chicago. From 1947 to 1950 he was an analyst for the Bureau of Public Assistance, FSA; later he was a welfare adviser in Japan. He is a member of a number of cooperatives in the D. C. area and is a director of Bannockburn Cooperators, Inc., a housing enterprise. He has one child, and moved to Greenbelt recently.

Evans To Speak

Principal speaker of the meeting will be Herbert Evans, vice-president and general manager of Peoples Broadcasting Corporation, substituting for Murray D. Lincoln, president of Farm Bureau Insurance Companies, who is unable to be present because of illness.

Well-known to old-time Greenbelters through his work here in helping to set up the cooperative stores, Evans has spoken to many local audiences.

Evans joined the Farm Bureau in 1942, and prior to his present position was vice-president of personnel for the company. For five years previous to October 1942 he was vice-president of the Consumer Distribution Corporation in New York, which was organized by the late Edward A. Filene of Boston, merchant and philanthropist, to aid in the development of cooperative enterprises. Evans spent sixteen years on the staff of Columbia University, as counsellor to students and faculty. While at Columbia he was associated with Lou Little, Columbia football coach and utilized his hobby in the field of photography by taking all the coaching motion pictures of the University's games.

Development Plans

The agenda includes a report by the group which is planning to See GVHC, Page 4

GVHC Discusses Financial Matters

Financial matters were the primary concern of the Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation directors at their special meeting last Friday night.

It was voted to have a balance sheet audit as of December 31, 1952 and a complete audit as of February 28, 1953. Arrangements had previously been made to have an audit at the end of each quarter. The board's action Friday moved the date of the first quarterly audit from March 31 to February 28, 1953. It will cover a two-month period, with the next audit covering four months.

The reason for the change in date, according to Paul Campbell, manager of GVHC, is to show that everything is in order at the time of the change in responsibility from the board to the management.

The board also discussed the timing of tax payments to the City of Greenbelt, and the membership will be consulted on this matter at tonight's meeting, Campbell said.

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Breathing Space

Greenbelt's city government is now faced with a space problem, requiring additional office room. Consideration is now being given to purchasing the present fire and police department building from the federal government with the view toward consolidating all municipal offices. This would require adding another story on the present structure. In order to finance this venture a bond issue would be required; such a bond issue could be made only after consent of the citizens is expressed in a referendum.

(The fire and police department building was not dedicated to the city, although it was fought for by the city manager and council.)

The city pays out \$5,700 in rent to the federal government for the office space it now uses. This is expense not formerly encountered in its budget under government ownership. It might well be a saving for the citizens if we owned our own building, instead of paying rent each year to the federal government or to any future owner who purchases the commercial property.

The city now owns the community building, of course; but it is not considered proper at this time to take over any space from this building which is used as a school. The county school system has problems enough providing space for school children, and we would be creating additional burdens for the board of education in an area where it would affect our children profoundly.

The possibility of selling the community building to the board of education is now being explored. This would provide the city with funds to construct an office building to house all the municipal needs - plus community needs, we hope. This seems to be a fair proposition. The school system would be getting a building at a price far below the cost of constructing a new one, and we would be getting a true community building in return.

We should remember, though, that it is still possible for the federal government to dedicate more property to the city—perhaps the fire and police department building could be transferred in this manner after further consideration by the federal government.

City officials and most residents recognize that the building is properly municipal property, having been used as such for the major life of the city.

ST. HUGHS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Saturday: Confessions from 3 to 5:30 p.m. for children and in the evening from 7 to 9:30 p.m. for adults.

Sunday: Masses: 7:30, 8:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m. Nursery care for pre-school children during the 11 o'clock Mass. This is Holy Communion Sunday for all members of the Sodality, senior members at 7:30 a.m. Mass and Junior members at the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

Baptisms: Sunday, 1 p.m. Anyone wishing to have a baby baptized should notify Father Dowgiallo beforehand.

Mission for the men: The Mission exercises are at 8 o'clock every evening this week for the men. The morning Masses for this week will be at 6 a.m. Mass (Mission Mass) and the parish Mass at 7 a.m. The Mission for the Men of the Parish starts Sunday, March 1 through 8.

Wednesday: Miraculous Medal Novena followed by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament at 8 p.m.

MOWATT MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

C. R. Strausburg, Minister

9:30 a.m., Sunday School Session; 10 a.m., Teen-Age Membership Class taught by the Pastor; 11 a.m., Worship Service - Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. All Sunday Services are held at the North End school, Ridge Road.

COMMUNITY CHURCH PROTESTANT

Eric T. Braund, Minister

Thursday, 8 p.m. - Lenten service. Speaker, Rev. John Esaias of Branchville Methodist Church.

Sunday, March 1 - Church School as follows: 9 a.m., Primary and Nursery; 10 a.m., Juniors through Adults; Men's Bible Class; Fidelis Bible Class; 11 a.m., Kindergarten, Beginners, and Nursery. Morning Worship, 9 and 11 a.m. - Joash Chest, Holy Communion, new members received. 12:30, Covered Dish Fellowship Luncheon; 2:30, Dedication of Fellowship Center.

Monday, March 2 - Board of Trustees, Church study, 8 p.m., Evening Guild, social hall, 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 3 - 12:30, Afternoon Guild luncheon and meeting.

HEBREW SERVICES

Rabbi C. H. Waldman

Services will be held in the social room of the center school Friday evening at 8 p.m. Candlelighting time 5:36.

The festival of Purim will start Saturday, February 28 at sundown. The story of Purim (Magilah) will be read Saturday at 8 p.m. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Rosenzweig, 4-E Crescent. Purim commemorates the defeat of Haman's plot to massacre the Jews. All are welcome to attend the reading.

Caution Sounded On Fluoridation

Artificial fluoridation of drinking water not only may not prevent tooth decay in children, but may in the long run actually damage both their teeth and general health, warns the February issue of Harper's Magazine.

An article entitled "Go Slow on Fluoridation!" by James Rorty, well-known science writer, cites evidence to show that American towns and cities that are fluoridating their water supplies may be endangering the health of all their citizens, both young and old. Some three hundred towns and cities with a total population of about three million are adding fluorine, but there is growing opposition to the program throughout the country, the article states. Hartford, Connecticut, and Lincoln, Nebraska, recently voted against fluoridation.

Congress Investigates

Rorty points out that a Congressional body, the Delaney Committee to Investigate Chemicals in Food, held extensive hearings on the fluoridation program and then unanimously reported, "a sufficient number of unanswered questions concerning the safety of this program exists to warrant a conservative attitude."

Rorty says that endorsement of the program by the American Dental Association and the backing of the U. S. Public Health Service have tended to obscure the fact that it is vigorously opposed by both leading research dentists and by biochemists and nutritionists of high standing.

Dr. Robert S. Harris, director of the Nutritional Biochemistry Laboratories of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, testified before the Delaney Committee that there is evidence that fluorine in the drinking water interferes with enzyme systems which are involved in the growth of bones and in the functioning of nerve tissues.

More Decay After 21

Professors Margaret and H. V. Smith, biochemists at the University of Arizona, who are co-discoverers of the fact that naturally fluoridated water in the Southwest aided in preventing cavities in young children's teeth, testified before the committee that the low incidence of cavities in young children in that area increases sharply after the age of twenty-one; moreover the decay of fluoridated teeth is exceptionally severe and difficult to repair, and that the percentage of extracted teeth in all age groups is high.

Rorty says that the most striking evidence that artificial fluoridation does not reduce decay comes from Canada, where comparative studies were made in two towns, one where the water is artificially fluoridated, the other naturally fluoridated. The studies reveal that after six years of artificial fluoridation, the number of decayed, missing and filled teeth among children in the 9-11 and 12-14-year-old groups was nearly twice as many in the town where the water is artificially fluoridated as in the town where the water is naturally fluoridated.

LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Saturday, February 28 - 11 a.m., Junior Choir rehearsal.

Sunday, March 1 - Sunday School and adult instruction in Christian Doctrine, 9:45 a.m. Divine Worship, 11 a.m. Sermon by the Vicar on 1 John 5: 4, "Victorious Faith." 3:30 p.m., Walther League at the Drop-Inn.

Wednesday, March 4 - 8 p.m., Lenten Service. Sermon on Isaiah 53, 5, "Christ's Suffering and Our Relief."

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Girl Scouts Observe Annual Friendship Day

There was standing room only at the Girl Scouts' annual International Friendship Day program Sunday at the Center School auditorium.

The program opened with a flag ceremony by Troop 88, and a short address of welcome by District Chairman Adelaide Weidberg.

Participating in the afternoon's entertainment were the Girl Scouts and Brownies of the following troops: Troop 49, representing the United States; Troop 77, Mexico; Troop 116, Japan; Troop 18, Hawaii; Troop 42, Ireland; Troop 15, Germany; Troop 109, England; Troop 16, France; Troop 146, Italy; Troop 128, Norway; Troop 35, Switzerland; Troop 66, United States.

Hostesses for the afternoon were scouts of Troop 88.

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their purchases during the year, as represented by sales slips turned into the office.

The fund made up of employee and GCS contributions would be administered by three trustees, one elected by the employees, one by the managers, and one by the board of directors. Employees would be able to designate how they wanted their own contribution and half the corporation's invested, in any of three categories - government bonds, GCS securities, or a list of selected investments.

General Manager Sam Ashelman strongly urged approval of the plan as presented with some amendments, citing the advantage to employees of having a retirement plan and the benefit to the organization of the employees feeling they had a stake in larger earnings.

Annual Meeting

After extended discussion the board voted to dispense with the gala social variety of annual meeting and to hold a "primarily business" meeting in Greenbelt, rather than at the University of Maryland where a banquet-forum type of meeting was suggested by the management.

The board voted against a recessed all-day vote for members of the board of directors and audit committee, similar to that planned by the Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation for its annual meeting tonight. The committee planning the GCS annual meeting will explore this possibility further, however.

North End Store

On Friday's agenda was the recurrent question of the North End food store, but feeling was expressed by both management and board members that any discussion or action on the problem of the loss operation, which is at the same time a service to North End residents, should be based on other GCS plans for the future in Greenbelt. The management requested that any talk on this point be carried on in executive session.

In reply to questions on the North End food store operation from board members Harry Zubkoff and Morris Solomon, Ashelman pointed out that more money could be spent to keep it cleaner, but that would merely add to the loss. "I don't take visitors to see it," he added.

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May vote for Directors all day Friday in Theatre Lobby from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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John F. Jarboe

Funeral services were held Monday for John F. Jarboe, 24-Q Ridge, who died February 20 after a long illness. Born in 1903 in Arlington, Virginia, Mr. Jarboe was a resident of Greenbelt for fifteen years.

He is survived by his wife and two daughters, Mrs. Mary Lou Jordan and Jean F. Jarboe, of Greenbelt; also one sister and four brothers.

The funeral service was conducted by the Reverend Eric T. Braund, with burial at Washington National Cemetery.

Boy's Club Activities

By Link

The Midget basketball team of Greenbelt again came through to make a record, won 5, lost 1, by defeating Green Meadows 35-26. Bob McGlothlin was high scorer with 15 points, followed by Berry Petroff with 12.

The Intermediates of Greenbelt defeated Holy Redeemer 48-23 in a well-played exhibition game last week. Mike Stripling was high with 14 and close behind was Mike Canning with 12.

Greenbelt Juniors remained undefeated by winning its opening game of the second half of the county championship by decisively whipping Mt. Rainier's "B" team Monday night by a 93-25 count. The winners were led by Joe Ashley who converted with 25 points. Thursday, the 19th, they played on their home court and again came through by defeating Green Meadows 44-28, Joe Ashley with 12 and Carl Caruso with 8 points.

The Seniors of Greenbelt were defeated by Green Meadows 35-28. Jerry Brittingham, Bill Moore, and Lee Duter were high scorers with 6 points each for the Seniors.

PTA Study Group To Meet Monday

The joint Parent-Teachers Associations study group will meet Monday, March 2 at 8 p.m., in room 222 of the Center school, according to an announcement by Mrs. Nelson Holton, area chairman.

The topic for the evening will be "Are Our Children Progressing Under the Modern System of Education?" Mrs. Catherine Reed, of the staff of Prince Georges County board of education, will lead the discussion.

Garden and Flower Seeds

The Co-op Department Store reports many packets of seed have been sold over the last weekend. Now is the time to touch up those bare spots in the lawn with grass seed. Start your tomato, pepper and other vegetable plants indoors. Handy bags of potting soil are on sale to give your plants a healthful start.

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Sewing Starts

Come in this week and look over the new April Simplicity Pattern Book. Yards and yards of interesting sewing materials are being received each week. Just as this is being written, a new shipment of embossed cottons is being put on the counter. This is the new fabric which withstands many washings and requires little or no ironing. (Some of the new bathing suits are made of it.) If this material was on bolts the regular selling price would be around 79c. The dress and skirt lengths sell for only 59c per yard.

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Our Neighbors

By Dorothy McGee, phone 8083

Mrs. Bertha Bonham, one of our earliest residents, having lived here since 1937, left town three weeks ago to make her home in California. Mrs. Bonham was employed for eleven years by PHA and has been transferred to the field office in San Francisco. On her way west she stopped off to see two daughters in Kentucky. We wish you good luck, Mrs. Bonham, and feel sure you'll love "Frisco."

Joan York, 3½-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George York, 14-U Ridge, has a new baby brother, Bryan Howard, born February 16 at Prince Georges Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Borsky and their three children came down from New York to spend the holiday weekend with their old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Murray Ryss, 33-S Ridge.

Mike Salzman and his younger son, Stevie, returned Tuesday from a vacation at the home of his folks in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Russ are moving on the 28th from 2-E Eastway to their new home at 9107 Locust Spring Road in College Park. They lived here for ten years; their friends will be happy to know that they will be only about four or five miles away.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Levsky, 60-J Crescent, had as their house guests for the weekend two old school chums, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Croll and their two sons, of New York City.

Thirteen-year-old Charles Kennedy has been recovering from numerous bumps and bruises suffered when he fell from the roof of his home at 13-D Laurel Hill on Sunday night. He was at Prince Georges Hospital overnight for observation and x-rays. No bones were broken but it was, nevertheless, a very painful accident.

Sidney Rubin, 6-A Hillside, is conducting a weekly tax program over WCFM on Thursday at 7:30 p.m. The program started several weeks ago and will continue through March 12.

Band Gets Ready For Season Opener

By Joseph W. Taylor

The Greenbelt Band has tentatively scheduled its first concert of the season for the latter part of March at the Greenbelt Theater, according to Mike Ronca, band director.

All instruments of the band have now been issued, but additional musicians are welcome and their names will be placed on a waiting list. The band lends an instrument free to each member; a \$1 membership fee plus 35c per weekly practice session are the only costs for participation in band rehearsals and concerts.

"Few parents realize what an opportunity they are giving their children until they see them marching in their first parade, resplendent in the Greenbelt uniform of green, white and gold," Ronca said.

"Our boys and girls have competed with many other young musicians and have won trips to Atlantic City, New York and Chicago," he added.

Rehearsals are held every Monday evening at the Center School. Parents are invited to attend these sessions to see their community band in action, to get a taste of the band's lively spirit, and to enjoy the music.

RedCross Reminder

In the last 35 years tornadoes have created a yearly average of 227 deaths and \$14,000,000 in property damage. We are fortunate in Prince George's County that we don't have tornadoes, but we do have other smaller disasters — your contributions to your local Red Cross provides for many emergency functions.

Over 1,300 families or individuals were assisted in Prince Georges County by the local Red Cross chapter during the past year.

"Answer The Call" promptly — have your donation ready when the Red Cross volunteer solicitor calls on you!

Md. U. Registrar Talks At Womens Club Tonite

Miss Alma H. Prinkert, chairman of national defense in the General Federation of Women's Club, will speak to the Greenbelt Woman's Club at the Center school tonight at 8 p.m. A past president of the Maryland Federation of Women's Clubs, Miss Prinkert is registrar at Maryland University.

Mrs. Stanley Edwards, chairman of civil defense of the local club, is in charge of the program, which will include piano selections by Mrs. William Mirabella. Hostess will be Mrs. Dora McNeel.

New Name Asked For GVHC Road

Oldham Road, which leads to the maintenance building, will now become "Hamilton Place" if the Maryland Park and Planning Commission accepts the request for the change from the city council which voted the name change last Monday night.

Paul Campbell, manager for the Greenbelt Veteran Housing Corporation, dequsted the name change on the basis that the Hamilton burial plot is located 100 yards from the maintenance office of GVHC and is historically older than the Oldham family, who resided nearby more recently.

GVHC is also in need of a definite street name so that a permanent address can be established for the corporation. Oldham road has never been an official name. Campbell explained that "Place" was suggested because of the small length of the road which can only be extended to the new Baltimore Parkway.

One resident urged serious consideration be given to such a name change since the philosophy of street naming in a planned community is to use names denoting natural features, rather than important personages.

Suburban Symphony At Md. U. Tonight

The third concert of the National Symphony's current suburban series will be held Thursday evening, February 26, at 8:30 p.m., in Ritchie Coliseum, University of Maryland. Jorge Bolet, famous Cuban pianist, guest artist, will play with the orchestra Rachmaninoff's Concerto No. 3 for piano and orchestra. The orchestra will also play "Concertino for Strings" by Pergolesi, and Tchaikowski's sixth symphony. The program, originally announced for February 19 ends at approximately 10:20 p.m. It will be conducted by the regular conductor, Howard Mitchell.

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build homes on vacant Greenbelt land. There will be opportunity for discussion of topics suggested from the floor. In addition, candidates for the board and audit committee may be nominated from the floor.

Numerous visitors, members of other cooperatives but not of GVHC, are expected to be present to hear Evans' speech and to observe the progress of the Greenbelt housing organization.

Bruce Bowman, secretary, has also announced the entry of another candidate for the audit committee, in addition to Herbert Hertz, Sidney Feldman, and Robert Garin, incumbents who are candidates for reelection. The new candidate is James F. McCord, a resident of Greenbelt since 1942. He is father of four children and his professional qualifications include a master's degree in commercial science. He is an accountant for the Retirement Division of the Civil Service Commission, a former Internal Revenue agent and budget examiner.

Modern Dance Class Has Room For More

Modern dance classes for children from five to fourteen years old have several openings, according to Mrs. Elliott Bukzin, chairman of the Center School PTA-sponsored group.

Taught by Mrs. Edna Hicks of the Dance Playhouse, the Thursday afternoon lessons are designed to develop grace, poise and muscular tone, in addition to an appreciation of rhythm and music, Mrs. Bukzin said.

Interested persons may contact Mrs. George Panagoulis at GR. 3-4292 or Mrs. Bukzin at GR. 3-5481.

Start Sewing

During the past week 1500 yards of new cotton yard goods were received at the Co-op Department Store. Half of the shipment was in sheers, organdies, and printed batistes. The balance was novelty cottons, chintz-finish broadcloths, bark cloth and other fabrics just in time for early spring sewing. This special assortment is priced at only 49c. You will recognize many of the materials as selling at a much higher price in town.

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Gymnasium Building Ready By September

The new gymnasium at the Greenbelt Junior High School is taking shape now, with the foundation and walls of the lower level completed. It is expected that the gymnasium will be ready for use next September, according to Allan I. Chotiner, principal.

The new building will connect the main school building with the annex, and the foyer of the addition will become the main entrance for the school. The playing area of the gymnasium on the upper floor of the addition measures 71 by 102 feet. Locker rooms, office space, showers and lavatories will occupy the lower level.

The need for the building was great, Chotiner said, as one room serves at present as both a cafeteria and gymnasium. The students buy their lunches there and take them back to their rooms to eat.

The building, which costs \$169,000, is being erected by the Capitol Construction Company of Washington. Originally planned to include a stage, the County Board of Education had to eliminate this feature because of costs. The funds are a part of those received from a \$5,000,000 bond issue authorized by the county commissioners last year.

Puppet Show Due At Northwestern

Northwestern High School's Puppet Club soon will present a program to the Junior English classes. The club will present it on a borrowed stage in room 311 and a slight admission will be charged.

An hour show will be given consisting of two plays. The first play will be based on a comic strip "Pogo" and will last about twenty minutes. This play will be produced with hand-puppets.

"Pierrot and Pierrette" will be the second play. This play will be produced with marionettes made by Lee Clark.

All stage sets, puppets, marionettes, and costumes are made by members of the club, which meets every morning before school begins. The club is sponsored by Mrs. Dorothea Dawson.

"BELONGINGNESS" from p 1 family life. According to the professor, responsibilities gauged according to a child's stage of development should be given him in order to make him feel necessary. Such a program cuts down the possibility of delinquency which would result from a mere wayward overflow of excess energy.

The membership meeting also heard reports during its business session from President Marion Kuster on the celebration of PTA Founders Day; and from Janet Parker on the meeting at the University of Maryland February 18 for the establishment of funds for a building on the campus to adequately house a teacher program for pre-school and mentally and physically handicapped children.

Members were handed a four-page digest of the "Report of Maryland Commission to Study Public Education and Finances," otherwise known as the Green Bill. The bill, which provides for increases in teachers' pay, has been proposed for acceptance and is awaiting passage by the assembly.

The meeting went on record approving the bill, and authorized telegrams to state legislators urging its support.

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