



THE OUTWARD MOVE IN HOUSING—The ever-expanding area of Metropolitan Washington shows its most dramatic growth in new homes. Here a

community of houses is going up in formation style at Springfield, Va., near the Shirley Highway.—Star Staff Photo by Paul Schmick.

## Training School System Rapped

BALTIMORE, May 27 (AP)—A comprehensive report critical of the State's handling of young offenders and urging sweeping changes will be given tonight to a Legislative Council committee studying Maryland's training schools.

Circuit Judge Herman M. Moser drew up the five-page report based on his experience in Youth Court and recent visits to all of Maryland's reformatories and male training schools.

Judge Moser reports: 1. That young offenders in the 16-to-18 age bracket have accounted for more than half of the cases tried in Youth Court. Yet, he said, there is no institution "that is not a prison but still provides reasonable security and provides the best possible academic and vocational training, with adequate psychiatric and psychological services."

2. That Maryland State Reformatory for Males at Breathersville, established to afford such a program, is badly overcrowded and "seems to have no well-planned program for the youthful offender."

3. That the four State training schools are not in a position to provide needed security to the 16 to 18-year-olds who, "though they are still young, have committed serious offenses or have already established patterns and habits of delinquency, and contempt for authority."

4. That the 16-to-18 group is not wanted by the Department of Correction and does not belong in the training schools.

5. That serious consideration be given to establishment of the reformatory for males as an institution exclusively for the 16 to 18 age group.

6. That youth courts be created in all counties of the State. Judge Moser said he realized many older youths in the reformatory would have to be shifted to the House of Correction under his proposal. But he said he expects to come up later with a suggestion to eliminate crowding at the House of Correction.

## Ernest Lyons Heads Democratic Group

Ernest L. Lyons, a utilities personnel officer, last night was named to head the Arlington County Democratic Executive Committee through the July 12 primary.

Mr. Lyons, who was vice chairman of the group, was chosen as presiding officer after the resignation of Leo Urbanski, Jr. Mr. Urbanski resigned in an unsuccessful attempt to win nomination by the Arlingtonians-for-a-Better County to a county board seat.

A new executive committee will be elected July 12. Mr. Lyons is manager of service operations at the Washington office of the General Electric Co.

**Dr. Blackwell to Retire**  
SALISBURY, Md., May 27 (AP).—Dr. J. D. Blackwell, 70, president of Salisbury State Teachers College since 1935, will retire July 1. He will be succeeded by Dr. Wilbur Devillbliss, dean of the College of Education at the University of Maryland.

## THE METROPOLITAN VIEWPOINT

### Home-Building Trend Tells Suburbia Story

By JOHN V. HORNER

The trend in home building dramatizes what is happening to the National Capital.

For every dwelling built last year within the city limits of Washington, 24½ others were built in the suburbs just outside.

These are the exact figures for new single-family units in 1954: 724 in town, 17,034 in nearby Virginia and Maryland.

During the last three calendar years, the neighboring cities and counties gained 40,489 detached homes while the District was adding just 2,622. Thus the suburban construction accounted for 93.5 per cent in the area's total.

These statistics help explain why—for the first time in history—a majority of the 1.8 million metropolitan residents now live outside the city.

#### Four Factors Cited

The outlying development is due to four principal factors: an increase in the birth rate, the outward movement of urban families, greater land availability and the attraction of new residents from distant places.

Despite the spectacular suburban growth, the Washington population also continues to rise. This is due primarily to two factors: the higher birth rate and in-migration of Negroes.

Fifteen years ago, only 28.5 per cent of the District population was non-white. By 1950, however, the figure had risen to 35.4. The experts now estimate the city's non-white percentage will jump to 47.1 by 1960.

The suburbs offer a striking contrast.

Non-whites represented 13.8 per cent of their total 1940 population. In 1950 the figure was only 8.7 per cent. It is expected to drop to 7.7 per cent in 1960.

Besides shooting into the lead numerically, the suburbs have acquired a population younger than the District's. Here are the latest official percentages for four different age brackets:

District	Outside
65 years up	7.0 4.4
45-64 years	21.6 15.2
20-44 years	45.7 45.4
Under 20 years	25.7 35.0
Total	100.0 100.0

Authorities estimate that, within five more years, a whopping 41.7 per cent of all the suburban population will be younger than 20. This will compare with 29.1 per cent for the same age bracket in the District.

All these changes—in population, housing, racial distribution and age groupings—affect the community profoundly. But the sociological, economic and political impact cannot yet be measured.

As has been noted, people move into and out of the city for numerous reasons, some affirmative and some negative. Either they aspire to better themselves or they seek respite from objectionable conditions.

In the new surroundings, unfortunately, the grass is not always so green as it first appeared. Moving families don't necessarily find what they expected.

But one thing everybody has

discovered: A lot of other people had precisely the same idea, and about the same time.

Consequently, mass movements and rapid expansion have created for suburbia some of the very conditions which were to have been left behind. The young communities also face some new and unanticipated problems.

#### Needed Water, Schools

When hundreds of thousands of residents flocked into the area after World War II, they needed water supply, sewer systems, sidewalks and streets. For their children they demanded more and more classrooms, more teachers, more playgrounds.

Their automobiles choked every existing highway. They tied traffic in ever-tightening knots. The people complained about public transportation. They howled about do-nothing office holders.

Some of the older, established residents howled back. As natives, they were satisfied with what they had had. They did not welcome the swarm of low-taxpaying invaders.

Local governments were unprepared to cope with the monstrous demands for service. Even those most willing to act in an obvious emergency could not put up new schoolhouses overnight, or plan and finance multi-million dollar road programs in a week.

#### Friction Was Inevitable

Friction between old-timers and newcomers was inevitable. A determined and articulate group, the Johnny-come-lately crowd, organized and began to exert political pressure. In time they achieved some of their goals.

In the process, the cost of government rocketed.

Fairfax County got by in 1940 with a budget of \$1.3 million. Its budget now is \$13.8 million. In the same 15 years, Arlington and Montgomery have increased their budgets from \$3 million to \$23 million and \$26 million, respectively.

The people soon learned they had to foot the bill. They absorbed successive tax raises and upward valuation of property to boot. In Prince Georges, for example, the basic rate has risen in 10 years from \$1.82 to \$2.35 per \$100 valuation.

The situation is similar in the other jurisdictions, Falls Church and Alexandria.

#### City Has Its Troubles

The District has been having troubles, too. The city budget was \$70 million in 1945 and is \$175 million now. Still the Commissioners cannot meet all the demands for service. Among the problems is one caused by the population shift: The average income level is declining at the same time, more money must be spent in public assistance and for other activities.

Though the Federal Government makes Metropolitan Washington click, it also imposes financial hardships. In the District alone, its extensive installations occupy 12,703 of the 44,000 acres of land here. It is tax free. If this and federally held property nearby were in private hands, the various local and

State governments would collect millions of dollars annually in sorely needed revenue.

#### Need For Grants

This is why Congress is asked to make grants in lieu of taxes to the Metropolitan cities and counties.

Those are financial problems. Every community has them, along with other problems peculiarly local.

But all communities of Metropolitan Washington also share many common concerns. They are confronted with interlocking questions about roads, traffic, parking and transportation. They must solve still more questions about schools, zoning and park reservations. They must face integration.

#### Tendency to Pessimism

Insofar as the District's future is concerned, there is a tendency in some quarters toward pessimism. The fear is expressed that heavy concentration of people in the surrounding residential areas will lead to downtown stagnation. The reasoning is based on the fact that many suburban housewives find it more convenient to shop in the new developments than to battle city traffic congestion and parking.

Not everyone, however, is pessimistic. A substantial element of businessmen and civic leaders are confident the local problem can be licked.

One person who speaks with considerable authority because of his experience as the former Engineer Commissioner here is Maj. Gen. Louis W. Prentiss.

#### Reasons for Moving

"I have the personal thought," he said, "that people are moving out primarily in order to get away from something rather than to get something."

"Often, what they find is conditions that are no way. They will only go so far away. They have to consider the time and transportation to get from home to their jobs and back again."

"When they get there, they ask themselves, what do they have?"

Gen. Prentiss, now commanding officer at Fort Belvoir, believes the time is approaching when redevelopment of many old sections of the District will be economically feasible for investors. Then, he says, people will begin leap-frogging back into the city to enjoy the convenience of proximity to their work.

The metropolitan transition constitutes the new civic challenge. It is going to require citizens in all the communities to think tall.

This is the last in a series of articles on problems created by the tremendous growth of the Washington Metropolitan area.

## SEE HOME BUYS IN THE STAR FIRST

When you shop The Star real estate section first you get a head start in your important week-end search for just the house you want. The widest variety of real estate offerings for sale in the Washington area appear in The Star every Saturday.

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## Thousands Quit Area for Holiday Of Outdoor Fun

### AAA Anticipates 300 Road Deaths Over Week End

Thousands of holiday week-enders began heading for the beaches and scenic trails today, as the three-day Memorial Day period drew near.

By tonight, the get-out-of-town movement was expected to be in full fruition. Railroads expected a 25 per cent increase over normal week-end traffic; airlines prepared for 15 per cent more than last Memorial Day, and the highway traffic was previewed as downright fierce.

The American Automobile Association figured 59,000 cars will carry about 177,000 people out of the area. As a consequence, many highway accidents and fatalities were feared—more than 300 deaths were anticipated.

AAA and the Keystone Automobile Club stress two things are necessary to reduce this toll—precautions to put cars in tip-top mechanical shape and more than average caution on the road. Patience should be the by-word for drivers, they said, urging normal traffic speed by all.

#### Nixon to Speak

While the beach revelers and picnickers are busy elsewhere, a full schedule of memorial events are on the local calendar. Focal point will be Arlington Cemetery and its amphitheater and the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

In the principal services there at 11 a.m. Monday, Vice President Nixon will place a wreath from President Eisenhower at the marble tomb. Later he will give the main address at the services held annually by the Grand Army of the Republic Memorial Day Chapter.

On the program is music by the University of Maryland choir and the Marine Corps Band. Between 10 and 10:30 a.m., and 15 minutes after the services, music will come from the Amvets carillon played by Dr. Alexander McCurdy of Princeton, N. J.

Earlier at the amphitheater, the 17th solemn memorial mass for all American war dead will be sponsored by the Washington General Assembly, Fourth Degree, Knights of Columbus. Many military and service organizations will attend.

#### Place Wreaths

Following the services, nearly 100 of the organizations will place wreaths at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the St. John's High School Cadets propose an escort.

Celebrating the mass will be the Rev. Daniel F. Meehan, Catholic chaplain at the Quantico Marine Base. The Rev. Dr. James A. Magner, procurator of Catholic University, will preach.

The Fleet Reserve Association's 31st annual services at 10:30 a.m. Monday at the Water Gate will feature a flotilla of Sea Explorer ships and a floral anchor to be cast overboard from the USS Hartford. Albert Pratt, assistant Navy secretary will speak.

Other memorial services planned Monday included: First Infantry Division, at the division monument, New York avenue and Seventeenth street N.W., 11 a.m.; speaker, Maj. Gen. Cliff Andrus, retired, former division commander.

Joint Memorial Association, wreath-laying on grave of Charles H. Houston, 9:30 a.m.

#### Judge Will Talk

Cissel-Saxon Post, American Legion, front of Silver Spring National Guard Armory, 11 a.m. Speaker, Judge Elmer B. Christensen of Peoples Court.

Among the week-end events offered by National Capital Parks is a historical tour around the new Marine Corps Memorial near Arlington Ridge road and Arlington boulevard. A historian will tell the story of the flag raising atop Mount Suribachi, which the memorial portrays.

At 2:30 p.m. Sunday, the Prince Georges County Free State Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will have a memorial service at the Veterans Monument, Seventy-first avenue and Annapolis road, Lanover Hills, Md. The band of the Baltimore, past national VFW commander, will speak and the Air Force Ceremonial Band will play.

## D. C. Man Fined In Fiery Crash

A Washington man whose car struck a police cruiser last December causing it to catch fire and burn a policeman was fined \$100 in Alexandria Police Court yesterday on a charge of drunk driving.

Raymond Joseph Henley, Jr., 29, of the 300 block of Eleventh street S.W., was convicted by Judge James N. Colasanto. Henley also was given a 60-day suspended jail sentence and was put on probation for one year.

Charges of reckless driving and destroying private property were continued until the probation period is up.

Henley was the driver of a car which crashed into the rear of a police cruiser December 2 on Shirley highway. Police said the crash threw the cruiser into the rear of a truck and the police car burst into flames. Police Pvt. Charles Gallagher was hospitalized for several weeks from burns suffered in the accident.

## Flat 10-Cent Fire Tax Sought in Montgomery

By CHARLES L. HOFFMAN

Montgomery County Councilman Wilbur N. Baughman last night warned that next year he would press for a flat 10-cent tax rate on a county-wide basis for fire protection.

His statement was made as the council gave the new Laytonville fire tax area more territory presently belonging to the Sandy Spring Fire Department.

Mr. Baughman added that under his proposal all volunteer fire departments "would have a budget and come before the county council with it just like every other department."

"We'll be more ready for it next year," Mr. Baughman said. He added he had been surprised at the number of fire companies that have expressed support of the plan. The Silver Spring company "will go along with it," he said.

The volunteer fire companies now maintain their own outfits, usually handled by a local fire board. Some companies levy taxes on their residents while others are supported entirely by voluntary contributions.

In the past fire companies have bitterly fought attempts to bring them under control of the council.

#### 4 Other Bills Pass

The council last night also passed four other bills.

One would give the council authority to adopt a leash and muzzle law for dogs and cats and require residents to keep dogs off school grounds.

Another abolishes the necessity of the council passing bond authorization legislation annually. The third would cancel out authorities granted in past years. Another would change the chief of police title to superintendent of police.

The council last night also heard the County Personnel Board and the Police Association go separate ways on a bill to revise the police retirement system.

Sergt. Robert Dutrow said the police association would go along with the proposed increase from 2.5 per cent to 5 per cent of police contributions. He said the association opposed a move to

establish a minimum retirement age of 55.

Sergt. Dutrow supported proposed amendments being submitted by Councilman Robert T. Snure that would increase widows' benefits from \$80 to \$125 and benefits for children of deceased officers from \$20 to \$25 monthly.

#### Mrs. Dinwoodey Testifies

Mrs. Edith Dinwoodey, personnel board member, urged the council to act to make the system financially sound. She said present benefits, according to a 1952 survey, would require that the county and the police each put up 16 per cent of the total payroll to make it sound.

Obligations, according to the study, amount to \$3.9 million while present payments into the fund will hit only \$562,000, she said.

The council also heard the Rockville City Attorney urge that the city be refunded money its residents pay the county for library services.

Library Director George B. Moreland said if rebates are granted, services provided in the city should be abolished and Rockville residents barred from using other county libraries.

#### Backs Town Service

C. D. Gull, vice president of the Rockville Library Association, said the association felt it could provide better services than the county. He added that with a \$20,000 budget, plus a \$6,000 outlay for a bookmobile, the association planned to increase its library hours from 26 to 40 a week and provide bookmobile services throughout the town.

A bill to bar county employees and officials from receiving gifts from persons doing business with the county "was not intended to cast any aspersions on any county employ," County Manager M. L. Reese said.

"It is more of a protection than a penalty," Mr. Reese added. He said the bill was rare in that it also provides penalties for persons offering such gifts. The council did not vote on it last night.

The council will meet at 1 p.m. Monday and again Tuesday in Legislative Session.

## Virginia Milk Hearing Asked

RICHMOND, Va., May 27 (AP).

Four Arlington legislators, seeking the removal of controls on retail milk prices, have asked the State Milk Commission for a public hearing on their proposal.

State Senator Charles R. Fenwick of Arlington said today that he and Delegates Harrison Mann, J. Maynard Magruder and Katherine Stone have sent the following telegram to the commission:

"We, the members of the Arlington delegation, hereby request a public hearing to discuss the elimination of commission retail price fixing in the Arlington area, thus permitting open competition in the sale of milk to consumers."

Senator Fenwick said the request was not a move to abolish the commission or to do away with minimum prices paid producers, but would only affect price fixing as far as the consumer was concerned.

He said he had received numerous complaints from persons in Northern Virginia who could not understand why milk could be sold in the District of Columbia in gallon containers at a substantially lower price than milk sold in Arlington.

He said one of the persons writing him had figured that by buying milk in the District of Columbia at the lower price he could save \$100 a year.

John W. Owen, commission secretary, said "there were a number of letters from Northern Virginia, some of them addressed to the commission, some of them referred to the commission from the Governor and from Representative Brophy and some telegrams, but due to the fact that yesterday's hearing was prolonged the commission members did not have an opportunity to go into that particular matter."

"The commission expects to consider the entire matter at its next regular meeting scheduled June 9, or earlier, if the members find it possible to arrange a meeting."

## County Board To Consider Stand

Alvin F. Kimel of the Arlington County Board plans to ask that body at its meeting tomorrow to concur in the request of the county's legislators for a milk commission hearing on elimination of retail price fixing.

## CHARITY TO GAIN ON SALE OF MILK

Charity stands to gain from the current drive against minimum retail milk prices in nearby Virginia.

Advertisements by High's in today's newspapers announce a policy of contributing to charity the 20-cent difference between the 74 cents it charges for a gallon of milk in the District and the 94-cent minimum fixed by the Virginia Milk Commission.

## Plan Proposes Road Changes In Maryland

### Park Commission Calls for Revision For Nearby Area

Twenty-nine revisions—most of them minor—have been proposed by the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission in its master plan of highways for nearby Maryland.

The commission yesterday announced public hearings on the proposed changes will be held at 4 p.m. June 22 at Calvert Mansions, Riverdale, and 4 p.m. June 23, at the Liquor Dispensary Building, Silver Spring.

Among more important revisions in the master plan are: 1. Movement outward from the District of the outer county circumferential route for better grades, alignment and less property damage. Outer belt presently felt to be too close to inter-county belt highway.

2. Inclusion of the southeast leg of new Route 240 previously left off the master plan.

3. A move to the east of the northern parkway in the north part of Montgomery County.

4. A move to the east of Riggs road between University lane to old Laurel road to straighten out road.

5. Extension of the George N. Palmer highway to provide a truck route leading toward the Baltimore tunnel.

6. Addition of a west leg of U. S. 29 from the White Oak area to Old Bladensburg road at Kemp Mill road to provide a cross-county link between White Oak and Wheaton.

7. Four-mile realignment of Belts Mill road in Montgomery to straighten road and improve grades.

8. Two-mile realignment of Nuby road as a major highway between Allentown—Friendly road and Indian Head highway.

The changes also propose reclassification of a number of highways including several in Montgomery and Prince Georges from major to controlled major highways.

The reclassification will provide for use of more service drives to get better traffic movements. Reclassifications are proposed for:

Montgomery—New Hampshire avenue; Coleville road; Wilson lane; Corcoran road; Wisconsin avenue; Connecticut avenue and Georgia avenue.

Prince Georges—Rhode Island avenue; River road; Edmonstone road; Lanham-Bowie; Intercounty belt highway; Largo-Mariboro road; Central avenue; Defense highway and Cross County highway.

The Virginia State Department of Highways soon will install a traffic light at the intersection of Arlington boulevard and Graham road where Fairfax County officials have been seeking a light for two years.

J. P. Mills, Jr., traffic and planning engineer for the highway department, told The Star today that a recent survey of traffic conditions at the intersection shows a traffic light is needed.

A survey by The Star, with the co-operation of Fairfax County police, showed that 20 crashes had occurred at the intersection this year—eight involving personal injuries.

Fairfax County officials also have been seeking a reduction in the 55 mile per hour speed limit along a four-mile stretch of Arlington Boulevard between Gallows road and Seven Corners. The Graham road intersection is one of 23 along that stretch. The State plans a new traffic check to see if a lower speed limit is justified.

## THIS SUNDAY'S BEST READING

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**AUTO STRIKE THREAT**—The period between now and June 7 is a crucial one for the booming auto industry. The United Auto Workers and the two biggest manufacturers are cloistered in contract talks in which the "guaranteed annual wage" is the issue. An evaluation of the situation is given by William Hines in an Editorial Section article.

**GROWTH OF UNHURRIED FAIRFAX**—Read Star Staff Writer George Flynn's full-page illustrated feature on the community of Fairfax in nearby Virginia—where the old and the new blend well in a town that believes that contrast needn't mean conflict.

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