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Thomas Ricker Describes Southern Co-op

The Greenbelt Consumers Services Board meeting last Thursday evening was highlighted by a report on the Southern States Cooperative made by Thomas B. Ricker, manager of the Greenbelt service station, which buys many of its supplies from this concern. A thriving cooperative started in 1920 by 110 farmers living near Richmond, Virginia, it now has 98,000 members and last year did a business of over 14 million dollars. Originating as a means of producing better seed at lower prices, the co-op also deals in gas, oil and many different types of automobile accessories. Last year our service station realized a cash dividend of \$433 on its investment in this cooperative.

It was proposed that the Education Committee prepare for each new Greenbelt resident a brochure explaining the advantages of membership in the Co-op, the Health Association and the Credit Union. A suggestion was also made that a basket of sample Co-op foods be presented with the informative pamphlet.

Couple Of A Block Boys Bring 'Em Back Alive

Don Nicodemus and Dick Snyder are two Greenbelt boys who aren't afraid of smake bites. "A snake bite feels like a pin prick", says Dick nonchalantly. "Then about 30 minutes later you get sick at your stomach. I've been bitten ten times, and I'm still alive."

Don and Dick are the proud proprietors of a menagerie which at present contains ten snakes and five turtles. The former, caught barehanded by the boys, include four garter snakes of assorted sizes, three black snakes ranging from two to four feet, two hog nose snakes, and a six inch brown king snake. The turtles were contributedly neighborhood boys. Snakes and turtles live very happily together in a stout wooden box eight by four by two feet in dimension. A layer of earth in the bottom provides burrowing space, a screened window provides ventilation, and an old tree branch placed diagonally in the box acts as an exercising bar.

The black, hog nose, and garter snakes curl up together in a common hollow, the boys report. Only the king snake is exclusive, and is seldom seen except when the pen is cleaned and it is discovered in its private burrow. Furthermore, it has never been seen to eat anything, and the boys wonder how it stays alive.

Every two weeks the rest of the snakes swallow whole and kicking an average of three freshly caught frogs apiece, which take them about a week to digest. "You can see them go down", report the boys with relish. The snakes will eat only frogs. Toads are "out", the snake keepers found.

The collection once contained a bull snake brought from Nebraska by Werner Steinle, who caught it in a sack. This specimen escaped after a two months' confinement, and is STILL AT IARGE! Two years ago the boys had two 5 foot black snakes which were accepted by the Rock Creek Zoo. "They were used to a lot of freedom", reported Dick. "We used to let them out for exercise and wear them around our necks, and everything. When they got to the Zoo they used to bang against the glass window all the time."

The boys make a regular practise of letting the snakes out once a week for exercise. They are allowed to crawl and stretch as much as they please and are then recaptured. During hot spells they are released every day.

"Where do you catch the snakes?" asked the shuddering reporter. "Oh, around the houses and along the High School path. We smoked our big black snake out of a log. He was tough."

Don developed his passion for snakes while living in Wyoming and Colorado. Dick became interested when he and Don worked up a joint report on snakes for Paul Brengle, Freshman Science teacher at the Greenbelt High School.

The snakes weren't fooled a minute by the recent cold weather, the boys report, but kept as active as they have been ever since the beginning of summer.

FSA Survey Shows Ideal Population

A survey made by Farm Security Administration, September 30,1938, indicated that an "ideal" population for Greenbelt would be 2,933. Adults over 18 were to total 2060, a percentage of 70.5, High Schoolers from 13-18, 258 or 8.8%, children from 6 to 12, 347, or 11.9, and pre-school youngsters 258, or 8.8%.

Mrs. Mary Jane Kinzer indicated last week that Greenbelt is overcrowded, and that the different age groups far exceed these "ideal" quotas.

Plan to visit Greenbelt's Fair this week.

Ten Pilots Get Advanced Training At Schrom's Airport

Recent aerial antics witnessed by most of Greenbelt's residents are to be attributed to the inauguration of an advance flight training course at Schrom's Airport by the Civil Aeronautics Authority. The ten students enrolled in the course can be seen in person at the Greenbelt Variety Store, where they eat regularly three times a day. Greenbelt Consumers Services Inc., by contract agreement, has arranged to supply the pilots' meals during their training period.

The rigorous two months' training course is designed to equal the Army and Navy Flying Corps' primary instruction period. It includes a regular daily schedule of flight training, shop work, and classes in aerodynamics, engines, instruments, radio, meteorology, and celestial and radio navigation. The latter part of the course will be devoted to instruction in advances acrobatics (combat maneuvers), night and cross-country flying, and instrument navigation.

Fritz Schrom, airport owner and a crack pilot himself, is giving the instructions, with the assistance of Edward Norwood. The Government pays all expenses, and in return each pilot has agreed to make aviation his life work. The men, however, upon being interviewed, maintained that they were not obligated in any way except in the event of a declaration of war by this country.

"YOUNGSTER" SELLS GCS MEMBERSHIP SHARES

Dr. George A. Treiman, who calls himself a "youngster of 78" is A and B Block's representative from the Greenbelt Consumers Services, Inc., in its current drive for paid up memberships. This spry old gentleman estimates that he has seen 50 people in all. Of this number, one new member has aigned up, eight have paid up in full on their first shares and 22 have promised to purchase second shares, applying last year's dividends.

Woodman, Bates Shoot at Camp Perry Title

At least two of the best rifle shots in this part of Maryland will represent Greenbelt at the National Rifle and Pistol Matches at Camp Perry, Ohio, September 1 to 21, with high hopes of bringing to the State one or more of the shooting trophies or championships awarded annually by the National Rifle Association and the U. S. War Department.

After a full summer schedule of 22 caliber matches

After a full summer schedule of 22 caliber matches and hours of practice on the 30 caliber range at Camp Ritchie and Camp Simms, Lyman Woodman, secretary of The Greenbelt Gun Club said today that he and Harry A. Bates, president are preparing to leave for the three weeks of shooting at the largest sporting event in the country. Their expenses to the matches are paid by the War Department, and they sincerely hope that they can show a brand of sportsmanship and skill that will make the town of Greenbelt proud of them.

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The National Matches, open to any citizen of the United States, have been conducted by the National Rifle Association, governing body of organized rifle and pistol shooting in the country, since 1873. The War Department, through the National board for the Promotion of Rifle Practice, has participated in the matches since 1902, when Congress appropriated funds for the purchase of trophies, and since has maintained an increasingly important part. Opened to civilians, as well as branches of the regular and reserve military and haval forces and federal, city and state police, by the National Defense Act of 1916, the matches have grown yearly to a 1939 high mark of 4,100 competitors and a camp of more than 10,000.

With the national defense picture as highly important as it has been in recent months, the Camp Perry matches take on added importance to civilians and military alike, and far more than last year's record attendance figures are looked for. The first week of the matches is given over to schools of training in rifle and pistol technique. Members of both National Guard and civilian teams sent from every state and territory, each a twelve man team, are required to go through the week of schooling. Those at camp for the first time are given rudimentary instruction while for those returning to the matches an advanced school is conducted.

Each man to complete the course of instruction is given a diploma by the War Department qualifying him as a competent rifle instructor.

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"Look at the way that grrass is grrowing", mourned Angus McGregor during last week's wet spell, "and we can't even get out to cut it."

Homeowners Consider Potential Architects

Directors of the Greenbelt Homeowners Cooperative at their board meeting last Friday, elected officers, held the first interview in connection with the selection of an architect, and began studying a proposed lease submitted by Farm Security Administration.

Officers elected by the directors were: Dayton W. Hull, president; Colin O. Skinner, vice-president; Walter R. Volckhausen, treasurer; and Ernest J. Wolfe, secretary. These men have been active in development of the cooperative since its inception.

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Plans for the selection of an architect were discussed and, according to Colin O. Skinner, chairw a of the Architectural Committee, the final selection will probably be made by the middle of September. The choice made by the board of directors is to be submitted to the members of the cooperative for a ratification. At least nine architects are to be invited to submit their qualifications together with plans of homes they have designed, and to appear before the board for an interview.

Although arrangements for architectural services are still in the tentative stages, it is definitely planned that home builders will have several personal conferences with the architect. This will provide ample opportunity for individualized homes designed to meet the needs and preferences of the different members. The architect's fee will include preparation of working drawings for each home, conferences with Federal Housing Administration, and Farm Security Board, as well as supervision over the actual construction. Costs are tentative but Mr. Skinner states that architectural advice will be obtained for substantially less than six per cent of construction cost which is customarily charged.

Walter R. Volckhausen and Edward Walther have been designated to study the lease proposed by Farm Security and by the time this item appears, it is expected that final negotiations for a lease will be under way.

Since it is probable that lots will be obtained only for members, those who wish to become members and build within a year, are urged to see one of the directors of the cooperative so that they may be assured of obtaining a lot for the home they plan to build.

SCHOOL STAFFS TAKE ON NEW TEACHERS

The Greenbelt Elementary School has two new teachers in its ranks, Mrs. Beulah Wall and Mattie Mae Williford.

Earl G. Becker and Alma E. Marshall are newcomers to the teaching staff of the High School.

GHA Purchases New Sinus Machine

The Greenbelt Health Association recently purchased a combination suction-spray machine for treatment of sinus disorders. It is a small, compact machine equipped with an electric vacuum pump which is especially designed for draining sinuses. The pump in reverse is used to spray medications into the far corners of the nasal cavities.

The great majority of sinus cases, according to the doctors, will respond to far simpler methods of treatment which they can prescribe upon consultation. Due to the prevelance of sinus trouble in this section of the country, however, there are frequent difficult cases for which this new piece of equipment will prove very useful.

In the forthcoming issue of the GREENBELT HEALTH NEWS which will be distributed at the Association booth at the Fair, the medical staff has published an article on sinus trouble.

Braden To Attend Convention In Colorado Springs

Town Manager Braden left for a month's vacation last Saturday. He plans to motor to New Orleans, El Paso and finally to Colorado Springs, where he will attend the International City Managers' Convention from September 22 to 26.

Shirley Friedman Wins Scholarship

Shirley Friedman, recent Greenbelt High School graduate, has been awarded the Metropolitan Area scholarship to Columbus Junior College in Washington which offers a two year course.

For the three years she has attended Greencelt High School Shirley has made an "A" average in her studies. She has decided to take up secretarial work at Columbus.

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Greenbelt Parasites

It is surprising what a small part of this town's population takes part in its civic and social life. The same names are prominent in organization after organization; the same person is president of this secretary of that, and treasurer of still another

A large number of our residents never turn up at Town Council, or Citizens' Association meetings; you don't find their names on the rosters of the different clubs, nor do they perform committee work for any

of the other town organizations.

They live here with us, enjoying all the advantages Greenbelt offers, and they contribute nothing in return. To put it bluntly, they are parasites. And oddly enough, this group seems to be the source of most of the carping criticism and gossip, which goes on in our town. In fleeting moments this idle half or three quarters, or whatever it is, may be the object of envy in the eyes of some conscientious leader who feels worked to the bone. Maybe the parasites are smart to take it so easy. Then they may remember, if they've ever had occasion to find out, that idleness is usually the mother of boredom and irritation and feelings of gosh-what-a-world, and that a person who is out only for what he can get, doesn't get much of a kick out of life.

This blast is not directed at busy mothers, or people who continually work overtime at their jobs, or those poor duffers going to night school.

If it stirs up even a little resentment or slight activity in the ranks of the phlegmatic it will have served its purpose. It is with similar hopes that most editorials are written.

The Greenbelt Cooperator welcomes Mr. and Mrs. David Breerwood, new tenants who moved in August 17. The following people have moved away from Greenbelt during the past month:

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Swailes, Mrs. Lochia Barnes and son William, Mr. and Mrs. Telmo Araujo, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roshon, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Margell

ILLEGAL FOODS SEIZED UNDER FOOD-DRUG ACT

The Food and Drug Administration reports an increased number of seizures during August of foods, drugs, and medicinal products violating the Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.

Foods seized because of decomposition included cream, frozen eggs, frozen fish fillets, butter, crab meat, mushrooms, canned tomato puree, and tomato catsup.

Inset

Insect infestation, filth, and other forms of contamination accounted for the seizure of large quantities of flour, coffee substitute, dried apples, canned crushed pineapple, huckleberries and blue-berries, candy, corn meal, peanut butter, and canned grapefruit juice. Because of excess lead spray residue 109 bushels of apples were also confiscated.

Short weight, deceptive labeling, and packaging, and the presence of dangerous drugs were factors influencing other seizures of foods, drugs and cosmetics. Included in the list of actions was the seizure of 9 cartons of lash and brow coloring which contained toluylenediamine, a poisonous, unpermitted coal-tar color.

The current summary reports the termination of 4 criminal actions which resulted in fines by courts. These actions involved violations of the old Food and Drugs Act and the new Food, Cosmetic Act and were reported terminated against the following defendants: Joe Grillo, San Pedro, Calif., olive oil adulterated with cottonseed oil, fine \$400, payment of the fine was suspended and defendant placed on probation for 3 years; The Beckman and Gast Canning Company, St. Henry, Ohio, de-composed tomato puree, fine \$100; The Fairmont Creamery Company, Omaha, Nebr., partially decomposed and diseased dressed poultry, fine \$75 and costs; American Medical Specialties Company, Inc., New York, N. Y., adulterated and misbranded drugs in ampuls, fine \$1200.

Letters to Editor

MUTTLATED ARGUMENTS

TO THE EDITOR:

Much as I regret it, I feel impelled to object to the form in which my letter in this column was printed last week. When I agreed to a few cuts, so long as the argument remained essentially the same, I did not have in mind the mutilation which turned what I considered a rather cogent argument into a string of unsupported assertions. Had I been consulted, as I feel I should have, I certainly would have withdrawn it or rewritten it to conform to your regulations as to length, regulations I had considered were no longer in effect, since I have noticed a letter now and then which seemed to me much longer than 250

Personally, I have no objection to such a limitation, provided it is applied to all. In fact, I think it a good thing, and appreciate your efforts to rework my letter to bring it within the specified limit instead of rejecting it as you might have. My only protest is against the results, and I make the earnest suggestion that in all future similar cases you either present the person concerned with the changes, which seems to me to be within his rights, or send the letter back and ask him to rewrite or send the letter back and ask him to rewrite it himself, which certainly is within yours.

Sincerely yours, Ed. Walther.

NOTE: The editor regrets the inevitable mutilation of sense that occurs when an overlong letter must be cut. Owing to the lateness of the hour when the pruning occured, Mr. Walther was not "let in" on the result.

PLACES AWARDED IN "GREAT" CONTEST

TO THE EDITOR;

In this Great-grandmother contest I gladly concede first place to Mrs. Mary Taylor, second place to Mrs. Clarence Heath, and humbly take third place myself. However, all three of us must grant first place to Mr. Clarence Heath as the only great-grandfather in Greenbelt. Anyway, it is a great honor to even be in the race, because in this field there are very few qualified contestants.

-Harriet Wentworth.

IN APPRECIATION

TO THE STAFF OF THE GREENBELT HOSPITAL: This is to advise that we appreciate the kind and

efficient services rendered to our daughter Mary Jo during her recent stay at the hospital.

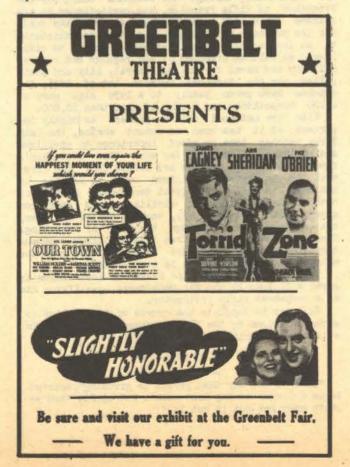
Mary Todd Joseph N. Todd

IT IS RUMORED—BUT DON'T QUOTE US

THAT Roy Braden, manager of this community, is about to issue a general letter to the residents warning them not to use the sidewalks but to walk on the grass. The sidewalks are unsafe due to the bicycles.

THAT children climbing on the garages have never been known to bounce more than twice, although the parents are standing in the backyard watching and

THAT we have a speed limit of 25 miles per hour that all of us would like to obey, but the children and grownups without the benefit of motors make it impossible for us to maintain higher than first gear speed.



Community Health

S. R. Berenberg, M. D., Director BEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

HEALTH AND TEETH, Part 2

Americans cannot escape being tooth conscious if they read popular magazines or listen to the radio frequently. Both types of advertising stress one reason for the care of teeth, appealing mainly to the vanity of individuals. The lyrical intensity of such appeals exaggerates a very important reason for the care of teeth. The face that reveals clean, well formed teeth as it curves into a smile is proof enough of the desirability of healthy teeth. may be concealed by cosmetics, lustreless hair may be tucked under a hat, unkempt; nails may be covered with smart gloves, but teeth can never be hidden as long as speech is a human talent. Jobs and popularity may hinge upon the impressions made by dental hygiene. A prospective employer may turn down a capable person because he deems unpleasant breath an indication of carelessness and slovenliness. New acquaintances may never overcome the distaste of the first impression which was marred by discolored and deformed teeth.

The advertisers stand on the solid ground of truth before they soar into the realms of eloquence about "glistening teeth". "Pink toothbrush" is not a figment of the advertiser's imagination, but indicates a condition which will interfere with the pro-

per functioning of the teeth,

Teeth were designed to begin the process of food digestion in the mouth. Solid foods must be chewed well and mixed with saliva before swallowing. Some foods will not be properly digested unless they have been broken down by tooth action. The stomach will have extra work to do if the teeth have not func-tioned perfectly. Since the human body is an integrated machine which depends upon the harmonious inner play of all organs, the failure of one part to work properly means a strain on the rest of the parts. Teeth also are a vital part of the speech mechanism and deformed teeth interfere with distinct

Dr. Samuel Berenberg is on vacation till September 15. He plans to attend the American Public Health Convention in Detroit, Michigan during the second week in October.

If you should chance to see from one to three black kittens around town, they probably belong in the barn where our police force keeps its horses.

The three out of town life guards who were here all summer, John Picco, Robert Kranich, and Walter Welch left August 31. The local life guards will maintain the swimming pool until the end of the sea-

Sydney Henes, popular economics teacher, arrived in Greenbelt September 1 in a new (1936) Ford. Mr. Henes spent the summer studying psychology in Columbia University, in New York.

GREENBELT'S NEW BABIES

Mr. and Mrs. Price Hartley of 19-C Ridge Road are the parents of a baby girl, born at 4:33 P.M., Labor





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To Plan Winter Program

The first fall meeting of the Book Club will be held in the library, Tuesday, September 10, at 7 P.M. All members are urged to attend in order to plan a winter program.

Everyone who is interested is welcome to attend any meeting of this club.

Greenbelt's Second Annual Fair opens today.

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10:00 A.M.	Archery for boys and girls
1:00 P.M.	Horseshoes for boys
1:00 P.M.	Archery for Women
3:00 P.M.	Championship Softball Game (Women)
4:00 P.M.	Acrobatic Revue by Miss Doris Dungan's
	Girls' Class
6:00 P.M.	Semi-finals of Tennis Tournament
7:00 P.M.	Opening Exercises of Evening Program
8:00 P.M.	Organ Recital by William Neblett

ERIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6th

9:00 P.M. Vocal Solo by Byron Roshon

	FRIDAL, SEPTEMBER OUR
10:00 A.M.	Archery for boys and girls
1:00 P.M.	Horseshoes for boys
2:00 P.M.	Field events and boys! Softball Game
4:00 P.M.	Acrobatic Revue by Miss. Doris Dungan'

6:00 P.M. Semi-finals of Tennis Tournament Women's All-Star Softball Game Fashion Show—Courtesy of Hecht Co. (*) 8:15 P.M.

9:15 P.M. Selections by the Greenbelt Glee Club, Men's Class-Community Church 9:45 P.M. Dances by Lloyd MacEwen

Selections by the Greenbelt Glee Club, (*) Starting at 7:30 P.M. the Athletic Club presents

its gala dedication of the new Field and Club House. First event on the program is the Track and Field Meet. This includes Base Running, Ball Hitting and Throwing, by representative Block Teams. At 8:15, the annual East-West All-Star Softball Classic climaxes the program.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th

10:00	A.M.	Archery for Men
11:00	A.M.	Horseshoes for Men
2:00	P.M.	Finals of Tennis Tournament
3:00	P.M.	Men's Baseball Game
		Men's Softball Game
4:00	P.M.	Marionette Show by Frank Harper Co.
7:00	P.M.	Acrobatic Revue by Miss Doris Dungan's Girls' Class

8:00 P.M. Musical Specialties by the Orchestra of John H. Walker

9:00 P.M. Dance Contest 9:00 P.M. Presentation of Awards, Trophies, Prizes for competitions, contests, tournaments. SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th

4:00 P.M. Water Carnival at the Pool NOTE: This program has been compiled by the Publicity Staff of the "Fair of "Forty," and printed in the Cooperator for your convenience. Official Fair Programs are obtainable at the Auditorium.

Paul Brengle, . Greenbelt High School Science Teacher will occupy an apartment at 11-B Parkway this

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Photo Contest Has Novel Prizes

President Levi Pittman of the Camera Club announced today the complete plans for the Club's Fair exhibit, which this year will stress the small cost of equipment needed to produce photographs like those on exhibit at the club's annual salon. The common belief is that to make pictures one must have all or at least part of the equipment shown at the Fair last year. The club realizes that this must have frightened a good number of people with a halfway desire to start the photographic pastime.

In addition to the three cash prizes in each of the two contest classes, contact print and enlargement, there will be a prize of the "man bites dog" news class. It is customary to give prizes to the contestants and exhibitors of a fair, but the Camera Club plans to give prizes to the visitors consisting of all the photographic equipment on display. This includes a developing tank, a camera, film, paper, an enlarger, printing frame, etc., in fact, everything and more to produce an enlargement equal to those on display. Simple books of instructions will accompany each object. The total value of the equipment is about \$30.00 and this sum will be awarded to the person who writes the best letter of 25 words or less stating why he woted for the picture he liked best in the exhibit.

HEBREW CONGREGATION NEWS

The Greenbelt Hebrew Congregation regrets deeply to announce the bereavement of its president, Mr. Benjamin Goodman, in the death of his mother, Mrs. Pauline Goodman, who passed away on Friday, August 30, at George Washington University Hospital at the age of 59.

Interment was on Sunday, September 1, in the Elesevetgrad Cemetery, Anacostia, D. C.

Rabbi Schenker, guest of the Greenbelt Hebrew Congregation, delivered an inspiring sermon last Friday, the subject of which was "Israel's Destiny". Bernard Trattler will conduct services tomorrow

LATTER DAY SAINTS NEWS

Dr. Louis Madsen, who just returned from a vacation in the West, will be the speaker at regular Sunday evening services.

A Stake Leadership meeting will be held Sunday, September 8, for all officers and teachers at the Washington Chapel, 16th and Columbia Road, from 2.15

A Church Welfare meeting will be held Thursday, September 12. The speaker will be President J. Rew ben Clark, former Ambassador to Mexico, whose speech will be directed to the Welfare workers of the new

The last Summer meeting of the Ladies Relief Society will be held Wednesday, September 11, at the home of Dawson Hamblin, 2-G Northway.

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Those Greenbelt citizens who claimed so vehemently that we should not write our Congressmen about how we want them to vote should read an article in the current Reader's Digest by Bruce Barton, entitled "How to Write to your Congressman".

I heartily commend the article to everyone's attention. I hope you will all read it, but for those who don't, I shall here pass on a few of his points

and advice. First, the points:

The Congressmen who keep their seats are not those who make the best speeches, but those who are conscientious in their committee work and who do not neglect their mail. One who has been in Congress over 20 years credited his success to the fact that he read every letter from his constituents and answered them all within 24 hours, if possible.
Congressmen rely heavily on their mail for support

and guidance. Our letters have kept them in session this summer, in spite of the election. In the 12 issues that have brought heavy mail, they have heeded our advice nine times.

Now, the advice:

1. Write short letters; write enough to show you know what you are talking about, and to indicate the reasons for your opinions.

Do not bother to sign and mail already pre-pared (mimeographed or printed) statements.

3. Do not bother to sign petitions; if you are really in favor of the subject of the petition, tell your congressman directly. Petitions have been pret-ty thoroughly discredited, because it is so easy to get people to sign them.

4. Telegrams and special delivery letters are not preferable to ordinary letters; telegrams are even less desirable, since they lack signatures.

5. Write about specific bills and actions and sign your name and give your congressional district. 6. Be sure to address your letter to your own

congressman; the one in Congress-not the has-been. Now I take leave of Mr. Barton and add a comment of my own. There is no question that it is we, the voters, who are potentially the strongest lobby, because it is we who determine the future of the Congressmen. There is also no question that if we do not assert ourselves, the so-called "pressure boys", with their lush expense accounts and their ingratiaing personalities, will have a clear field. All sorts of vested interests spend untold sums trying to convince Congress that we want what they want. It is up to us to say what we really want.

Of course, that means we must know what we want. And that means we must use our eyes for more than reading the cartoons, and our heads for more than estimating the chances of the Yankees. Dictators rule men who are blind, unassertive followers. Democracies require men who are well informed and self-

assertive.

- Howard C. Custer

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WITH THE REPS

By John Murray

The downfall of the Reps at Ballston is now ancient history so we will only mention the affair lightly. For a team in its second year of competition Greenbelt has traveled a long way. The District Tournament was composed of the vicinity's top teams, and to be listed among them was a feat in it-The brand of battle they presented against I. B. M., the ultimate tourney winner, is not to be denied. It took 15 innings to subdue them, and a nohit no-run performance by Temple Jarrell at that. Two hits by East and Beale were doubtful and labeled errors by the official scorer, making Jarrell a paidup member of the Hall of Fame.

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Greenbelt - Yellow Cab Greenbelt - Navy Yard RAIN * * * * *

Eight teams are listed in the 1940 edition of the Prince Georges Softball Tournament, with the opening games listed for Sunday, Sept. E. The Reps, as defending champions, and recent winners of the P.C. C. League, are favorites, but the road will be tough with such teams as Carr Bros., Dixie Tavern and Com-munity Business Men barring the way. The opening games of the Tournament are set for Sept. 8. The schedule follows:

AT GREENBELT 2:00 P. M. Comm. Bus. Men

3:00 P. M. Greenbelt Reps

VS Kane's Transfer

VS Heinieckes Market

AT MAGRUDER PARK

Hyattsville Bus. Men Carr Bros .- Boswell BV

VS Dixie Tavern

House of Meyers

Greenbelt tennis activities slowed down the past week because of rain. In the Interburban League the local team is in second place, with a chance of catching the leading Interior (S) team for the second half title. Two matches remain to be played. Interior(S) at Westover on Saturday Sept.7 -2:30 P.M. Interior(F) at Greenbelt on Sunday Sept.8-10:00 A.M.

* * * * * Three Greenbelt entries in the Prince Georges County Tennis Tourney went down swinging in the semifinal matches played last Sunday. Bill Blanchard bowed to Childs, the 1939 champion, 6-1, 3-6, 4-6, and later, paired with Ben Goldfaden in the doubles, succumbed to the combined efforts of Childs and Kitchener, 10-8, 4-6, 6-8. Murray and Sidlinger, tournament darkhorses, after winning their quarter final match against Painter and Rupard, 4-6, 6-4, 6-4, went down before Koch and Fitzimmons in the semifinals, 6-3, 5-7, 6-8.

BOY'S FIELD DAY TODAY

In conjunction with the Fair, today was set aside by the Recreation Department as Recreation Day for the Boys of Greenbelt. Many field events were run off, most of them listed below. There was also a softball game to decide the champion of the Boys Softball League.

A BLOCK Throwing Contest Tommy Caton Bill Longford Bill Leary Joe Cashman

C BLOCK Throwing Contest Donald Freeman Tommy Freeman Herbert Hall Bobby Hall

Batting Contest Bob Egli Mike Loftus Renny Ward

Batting Contest Buddy Westfall Dan Jones Richard Coulter

Running Contest Melvin Shoemaker Tommy Caton James Kitchen Louis Hedges

Running Contest D. Lones B. Barnes D. Fitzhugh H. Fitzhugh

D BLOCK Throwing Contest Lynn Buck Walter Stienle Frank Bauer Stanley Fickes

E BLOCK Throwing Contest Harold Estes James Corneal Jack Gale

Batting Contest Jack Brewer Bill Bonham Richard Bishop Robert Burke

Batting Contest J. L. Dameron Dick Palmer Paul Strickler A. Manna

Running Contest Donald Brewer George Bauer Mahlon Eshbaugh Jimmy Scordelli

Running Contest Blake Palmer Leroy Clark Summer Cragen Fred Reed

What became of that contest between the Shamrocks and the Reps?

Small Motors Defeat Shamrocks in 10th, 6-5.

Shamrocks Trounce Capitol Cafe

Four costly errors in the ninth and tenth innings by the local lads enabled the visiting Small Motors team to defeat the Shamrocks here last Sunday by a 6 to 5 score. This was the Shamrocks sixth defeat in 26 games.

Coasting into the minth with a comfortable 5 to 2 advantage, the Greenbelt boys suddenly blew up, allowing their opponents to push across three runs and tie the score, although they only made one hit. Two errors and two free trips to first did the trick. Then in the tenth, Small Motors scored the winning tally without getting a hit, as the Shamrocks again made two miscues.

The locals only serious scoring came in the very first inning, when 3 hits, a walk, and an error resulted in 4 runs. They picked up another marker in the sixth to take a 5 to 0 lead, but that ended their scoring for the game. All hits, 6 by Small Motors and 7 by Greenbelt, were singles, and .each team committed four errors. Boggs relieved Holochwost in the ninth and was charged with the defeat.

Monday morning, Labor Day, it was a different story, as the Shamrocks went to work on the Capital Cafe nine in the rubber game, and trounced them by a 10 to 2 score. This was the third meeting of the two teams, each one having won one of the previous games.

In the first inning, Balsuir, Capital Cafe pitcher, issued 6 base on balls, hit one batter, and his shortstop made one error, to give Greenbelt 4 runs without making a single hit. Led by Holochwost, Boggs and Zerwick, who accounted for 7 of the locals 10 hits, Greenbelt added 5 more runs. Boggs kept the visitors 8 hits well scattered, retireing eight via the strike-out route.

				BOX	SCOR	E					
GREENBELT	POS	AB	HR		CAPIT	AL C	AFE	POS	AB	H	R
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McDonald	LF	3	0 1		Cady			CF	5	3	1
Cain	LF	1	10	1	R. Wr	enn		3B	4	2	.0
Uhrinak	SS	4	01		Hanne	man		C	3	1	1
Moore	18	4	01	-	Jeffr	ies		LF	4	0	0
Berwick	3B	3	23	1	Vital	e		SS	4	1	0
Andrus	CF	2	10	1	Nance			1B-P	4	0	0
Holochwost	RF	4	31		M. Wr	enn		RF	4	0	0
Todd	C	4	01		Balsu	ir		P	3	0	0
Boggs	P	4	21		Chumb	ris		P	0	0	0
Totals		34	9 1	0	T	otal	8		36	8	2
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Capital Car	fe .	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	
Greenbelt		5	0	1	0	0	1	1	2	X	
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	GREENBELT	POS	AB	H	R	F. SMALL MO	r. POS	AB	H	RO
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	McDonald	LF	3	1	1	Cogan	CF	5	1	0
	Uhrinak	SS	2	1	1	Chappalear	LF	5	0	0
	Moore	1B	3	0	0	Bendure	P-RF	5	1	0
	Cain	2B	3 2	0	0	A. Tucci	3B	5	0	1
	Boggs	CF-P	5	1	1	Mosely	C	5	1	0
	Mullen	C	5	2	1	Lenkhardt	SS	3	0	2
	Andrus	RF	4	0	0	Coppe	18	4	1	1
	Zerwick	3B	5	2	1	Z. Tucci	RF	1	0	0
	Holochwost	t P-CF	4	0	0	Stant	P	2	0	2
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Capital Cafe 2

Greenbelt 00010000 Small Motors TOTALS -Greenbelt

Horseshoe Tourament Results

Three matches were contested in the Men's Horseshoe Tournament last week, J. Sollner defeating R. Bell, Sr., W. Horn losing to S. Olsen, and R. Pell, Jr. victorious over J. Sherman. There are still several matches to be played this week, with the finals scheduled for September 7.

In the Boy's Horseshoe Tournament only one match has been played. In this match Leonard LeMire defeated Frank Bauer.

Tennis Tourament Pairings

Play has reached the quarter-final round in the Men's singles of the local tournament. The pairings in the quarter-finals are Hull vs Skinner, Fulmer vs the winner of the Blanchard-Smith match, Murray vs the winner of the Silagy-Sidlinger match, and Weath-erly vs Goldfaden. The finals in singles will be played Friday evening or Saturday afternoon.

In the Men's doubles, Goldfaden-Holochwost are in the finals against the winner of the Blanchard-Murray, Sidlinger-Howey match.

The mixed doubles have reached the semi-final round. Blanchard-Bowman play Howey-Martone in one semi-final, and Mrs. and Mr. Plackett play Goldfaden

thletic Club haesy Comments

Due to the inclement weather last week, almost all Athletic Club activities were curtailed. In fact, it wasn't until Friday night that the Block Championship games were able to get under way. Blocks "C" and "B" tangled in a killer-diller to start the ball rolling. "C" Block went on a rampage in the first two innings, and scored 9 runs, while "B" Block was only able to push 1 run across. Alder, of the Cee men, pitched 5 hit ball, though he was very wild and in hot water most of the time. Buck Williams really played an inspired game, in fact, I think it's one of the best games Buck has caught at the local field. His direction, hitting, and general all around play was one of the main reasons "C" Block was finally able to set down the "B's" 10-8.

One thing can be said about the "B" Block aggregation, they never gave up, and were in there fight-ing to the last. Bowman pulled a couple of fast ones that can't go by unnoticed. In the fifth inning, after reaching first with a man on third and two out, he worked a squeeze play enabling the runner on third to cross the plate. Not satisfied, he immedlately stole third, and when the pitcher and catcher were in a huddle he stole home. Again in the sixth inning, with the bases loaded with "B's", and a 3 and nothing count on the batter, "Boney" walked to the sidelines, shouted to the pitcher to let him look at the ball, and when Alder tossed the ball to the sidelines, the runner on third scored. Blan-chard was really a thorn in the side of the Cee men with his sparkling play at second. He seemed to pop up from nowhere to rob batters of almost coverage. up from nowhere to rob batters of almost certain hits. The final inning found the "B's" really putting on the pressure, but "Bill Dickey" Williams nipped all their attempts by some brilliant playing at home to end a hectic contest.

The finishing touches are being put on the clubhouse, and everything is in readiness for the formal opening, Friday, Sept. 6. The public is invited to view the miracles worked by a group of voluntary and diligent workers under the leadership of Bill Neblett. Bill is to be congratulated for giving to Greenbelt such a fine spot for athletic minded sport fans of Greenbelt.

Don't forget to come up to the Athletic field to-morrow night to witness the events sponsored by the Club in conjunction with the Town Fair. 46 46

Block Games for the Coming Week. Mon. Sept. 9 J vs B Tues. " 10 E vs C Wed. Sept. 11 J vs D Thurs. " 12 B vs Above games are slated to start not later than 7:30 P.M. each evening.

The lineups for the big all-star game scheduled for tomorrow night between the Eastsiders and the Westsiders have been released by the respective managers. They are as follows;

		Eastsiders			Westsiders
Manager	-	Drass	Manager	-	Neblett
Coach	-	McWilliams	Coach	-	Turner
		Messner			Trumbule
		Goldfadden			Bownan
		Beale			Klepser
		Thompson			Blanchard
		Bauer			Therrill
		Merryman			Sanchez
		McDonald			Dennard
		Taylor			Marack
		Cockill			Henry
		Prater			Peterson,
		Labowitz			Williams
		East			Alder

ATHLETIC CLUB ENTRIES

	FOR TOWN PAIR SPORTS PROGRAM
Block	BASE RUNNING RELAY RACE
A	Don Bullion, Linehardt, Adams, Bell, -alternate, Yates
В	Blanchard, R. Trumbule, Peterson, Neale, -alternate, Sanchez
C	Abrahams, B. Dennard, I. Dennard, Wofsey, -alternate, Goldstein
D	Cockill, Brennan, East, Messner
E	Honeycutt, Hitchcock, Donahue, Merryman,
J	Cain, Beale, Jutras, Smith, —alternate, Schaff

	COMPAIT MEDANTHIC COMPACT
e .	SOFTBALL THROWING CONTEST
A	Henry, Pinckney, Schaeffet
B	Temple, Heaton, Dunbar, -alternate, Day
C	Klepser, Giersch, Lyons, -alternate, Alder
D	Uhrinak, Resnicky, Lewis
E	Todd, Platner, Reamy, -alternate, Dove
J	Taylor, Russo, Dozier, -alternate, Akelaitic

	FUNGO CONTEST
ACES	Holochwost, Therrill, -alternate, Kelliket
BADGERS	Bowman, Trumbule, -alternate, Marack
BRAVES	Allen, Taylor, -alternate, Gay
CLUBS	Williams, Holloman, -alternate, Wienerman
DEUCES	Thompson, Bauer
DODGERS	Maughan, Andaestat
ESQUIRES	McDonald, Chapman, -alternate, McWilliams
GIANTS	Soellner, Uhrig, -alternate, Sandell
JOKERS	Goldfaden, Cosby, -alternate, Armstrong
PIRATES	Cregger, Letson, -alternate, Jones

The Greenbelt Duckpin Bowling League gets under way September 17, at the University Alleys. At least 16 teams will be in the league again this year.

and Dungen in the other semi-final. All final matches will be played this Saturday afternoon, September 7.



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