



## Square Dances, Civic Problems On G.C.A. Agenda

Monday night's meeting of the Greenbelt Citizens' Association will be devoted to a large number of community problems, President Walter Slocumb announces. The meeting will start at 8 p.m. in the Auditorium of the Elementary School for all residents. Mrs. Mary Jane Kinzer, director of education for the town, will be present to explain the program planned for the next semester of night classes. Facilities for registering for these classes will be available at the meeting. Mr. Slocumb pointed out that this would be an opportune time for Greenbelters to indicate what classes were desired in addition to those already listed by Mrs. Kinzer.

### Bus Service

Transportation to Washington is expected to get some kind of action by the association. It is understood that several residents have informed the president they intend to ask support for a shelter at the Branchville transfer point and for another attempt to get a loop bus service within Greenbelt. New residents in the northern area of town will be particularly interested in this proposition.

One part of the evening's agenda will be given over to a brief analysis of the association's committee system in an effort to make it more effective. Several vacancies are to be filled next week, President Slocumb indicated.

Following the business meeting Greenbelters will join in old-fashioned square dancing with Howard Custer as the caller. Members of a former folk dance group in town are expected to be present, and men and women who are new to the entertainment will be mixed in with the more experienced dancers so that all may participate.

## Jeffries Appointed Assistant Manager

The appointment of Thomas B. Jeffries as assistant to the general manager of Greenbelt Consumer Services, and of James C. Mathers as acting manager of the Food Store, was announced this week by Thomas B. Ricker, general manager of the local Co-op.

Mr. Jeffries and Mr. Mathers, who have been respectively manager and assistant manager of the Food Store, assumed their new duties last Monday.

In his new position Mr. Jeffries will concentrate on the overseeing of general store operations, and will continue to remain close to the Food Store in a supervisory capacity. Mr. Mathers will take over the usual management functions of the Food Store.

This shift was made necessary because the general management of G.C.S. had become, Mr. Ricker confessed, "just more than one person can possibly handle."

## Dance Will Boost Defense Finances

Ten per cent of the net proceeds from the Citizens Association dance tonight will be turned over to the Greenbelt Civilian Defense fund according to Walter Slocumb, president of the organization.

It is planned to have the Greenbelt Band handle the refreshment room, and the cloak room will be staffed by the Hebrew Congregation.

Dancing will be from 10 until 2 a.m. in the Auditorium to the music of Jimmy Scott's seven-piece orchestra. Admission is 75 cents per person.

## No Band Practice Friday

Due to the fact that the school building will not be heated, the band will not practice this Friday evening as was previously announced. It will meet next Friday evening in the Auditorium at 7 o'clock.

## Demands May Force Federal Approval for New Store Here

By DONALD H. COOPER

Increasing demands for a shopping center or at least a store in the new defense homes area at the north end of town were seen this week as strong enough to force the hand of Greenbelt Consumer Services and the Town Administration. Over the barriers erected by refusal of the War Production Board to approve the original store plans for the northern area some makeshift may be provided as a result of pressure from new residents.

### No Funds

No structure was provided for commercial services when the new homes were built even though the present store facilities were designed to take care of a population of about 4,000. The Lanham Act which provided funds for the new houses carried only limited financial aid for community services, and Greenbelt Consumer Services, the consumer cooperative which manages all of the local stores, lacked the capital to erect the buildings needed. In addition G. C. S. was confronted with restrictions and red tape in meeting the requirements of Farm Security Administration and the Works Project Administration for construction. When these hurdles had been overcome and

G. C. S. finally obtained the necessary funds and submitted much-curtailed plans for the new store last summer WPB turned down the project.

Since then numerous steps have been taken to enlarge facilities of the existing stores, and various proposals have been considered for better shopping service for the new Greenbelters. One suggestion made by several residents who find themselves nearly a mile from the present shopping center is to have one of the existing houses remodeled for the handling of a limited stock of staples. This would require only a minimum amount of money and construction material and could be done quickly. Meats and perishables could not be handled for lack of refrigeration, but canned and packaged foods as well as Variety Store and Drug Store items could be provided for local shopping service.

### For Board Consideration

It is learned that such a proposal has been brought to the attention of the directors of G. C. S. and that if the plan proves at all feasible, it may be put into effect at an early date. Several new residents have indicated their intention of bringing the matter to the floor of the Citizens' Association meeting Monday night in hopes of securing wider support for presenting the plan to Federal authorities who will have to approve such a move.

Frank Lastner, G. C. S. president, gave the Cooperator assurances that while the management and the board of directors seem to have exhausted all possibilities to date nevertheless they stood ready to put into operation any arrangement which would provide local shoppers with the improved service they required.

## Greenbelters in Head-on Collision

Bud Zoellner and Vance Harrison are recovering in the Naval Hospital at Bethesda from injuries sustained early Christmas morning when the car in which they were riding collided with a trailer-truck on the Baltimore Pike near College Park.

Mr. Zoellner, who was driving, received a broken leg, and Mr. Harrison sustained a shattered knee, fractured jaw, and cuts.

The accident occurred between 2 and 2:30 a.m. as the two men were returning to Greenbelt after attending midnight Christmas Mass in Hyattsville.

The car and truck collided almost head-on in a strip of fog which had settled over the highway. The left front ends of both vehicles were badly smashed by the impact. The accident was termed "unavoidable" by Hyattsville police who made the investigation.

"Both men are out of danger and are getting along fine, though they will be in the hospital for some time yet," Mrs. Oscar Zoellner stated this week.

## Minute Men Resume Regular Drilling Night

After a two-week recess for the holidays Company 924, Maryland Minute Men, resume their Tuesday night drills next week on January 5, Captain Harry Bates announces.

During recent periods of extreme weather the Greenbelt company has been supplementing its regular drill, field maneuvers, and rifle practice with motion pictures of various subjects in the military training program.

Captain Bates revealed that due to enlistments in the regular armed forces and other transfers out of Greenbelt there are vacancies in the local "home guard" company. Volunteers should report Tuesday night at 8 o'clock at the company headquarters next to the boiler room of the Elementary School.

It was stressed by Captain Bates that the Minute Men will be called to duty only in case of extreme emergency such as an invasion or sabotage threat, and that service would be in the home community. The program was organized at the direction of Governor Herbert O'Connor last spring as a third line of American defense made up of volunteers who would serve while carrying on their regular jobs and other community activities.

## Classes for Adults Begin Spring Term Week of January 18

The spring session of the adult education classes sponsored by the Department of Education will begin January 18, according to Mary Jane Kinzer, director.

Classes in Spanish, typing, shorthand, industrial arts and woodwork, cooking and nutrition, and sewing were offered during the fall session and will be continued, providing 15 persons indicate a desire to sign up for the classes. Interest has also been shown in classes in French, pottery, public speaking and citizenship. If 15 persons indicate their interest classes in these topics or any others will be authorized for the spring session.

Adult classes meet for 12 weeks and cost each member \$1. Most of the classes meet either Monday, Wednesday or Friday evenings, and in some cases they meet two evenings a week.

Inquiries will be received in Mrs. Kinzer's office. A complete schedule of classes and further information will be announced in the next two weeks.

## Toboggan Slide Will Be Ready for Next Snowfall

Assurances were given this week that the toboggan slide would be checked for safety before the next snowfall. The wooden bridge at the bottom of the slide had rotted into disrepair during the last summer and autumn months.

Town Officials said directions for repair of the little bridge had been given some time ago but that shortage of labor had delayed work on it.

The slide parallels a pole line and drops sharply in a 250-yard run from the tip of A block in the west end of town to the east inlet of the lake. New residents can find the slide behind the houses of 3 Crescent Road, or by going out Crescent Road and turning left at the tip of the lake.

## Town Officials Ask Re-opening Of Greenbelt Hospital; Funds Believed Available Through FWA

Reopening of the Greenbelt Hospital became a possibility this week in the light of the recent hospital survey in the Washington area by the War Production Board. Operating funds are thought to be available under provisions of the Lanham Act.

## Credit Union Changes Hours

Beginning January 1 the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union will be open on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. as has been the case in the past, but the Saturday afternoon hours will be discontinued. Instead of being open on Saturday the Credit Union will experiment with opening Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:30.

The change in hours is made necessary by the fact that both the treasurer and the assistant treasurer are affected by the increased hours in the Government service.

It was announced at the same time that the annual meeting of the Credit Union membership will be held some time in January, the exact date to be announced as soon as the arrangements can be made for the hall.

## Morgan Makes It Three Rifle Wins In Row for Town

For the third successive year a Greenbelt resident and a member of the local Gun Club has won the annual championship of the U. S. Aggies Rifle and Pistol Club of Washington, D. C. and Beltsville Research Center.

This year's winner is Sergeant Freeman Morgan Jr., Company 924, Maryland Minute Men, Sgt. Morgan tied but outranked C. G. Brown, also a Greenbelt and member of the local Gun Club, with 397 out of a possible 400 for 40 shots prone at 50 feet. The contest was held December 18 at the National Rifle Association range.

In 1941 Harry Hesse was high man with a score of 395 over the difficult outdoor "Dewar" course. Mr. Hesse is now a range instructor with the rank of staff sergeant in the Marine Corps stationed at Quantico, Virginia.

In 1940 Lyman Woodman led the way with a three-position score of 271. Mr. Woodman is now a first lieutenant in the Army, teaching at Harvard.

## 80 Employees Given \$2683 Annual Bonus

The largest bonus in the history of Greenbelt Consumer Services was paid on December 24 when eighty employees of the Greenbelt stores received a total of \$2683.49. This amount was distributed on a basis of earnings during the period from September 30, 1941 to September 30, 1942. All regular employees who had not been in the organization during that period received a smaller share.

Francis J. Lastner, president of the board of directors of Greenbelt Consumer Services, in his statement announcing the payment of the bonus, said "It gave the board a great deal of pleasure to be able to pay a bonus of this size."

Last year the bonus was paid on the flat rates of \$10 and \$5 to each employee, depending upon the length of service. The increased amount paid this year was attributed to the increased earnings of the organization.

**Closed Last Year**  
It was just a year ago this month that the town's municipal hospital closed its doors after the Town Council and Town Administration vainly sought extra funds to cover the annual operating deficit.

Designed as a 10-bed institution by remodeling of the row of houses at the east corner of Ridge Road and Gardenway, Greenbelt's hospital was opened in April 1939 and was maintained for the three years with an average patient load which neared 50 per cent of capacity. However, a deficit of \$10,000 in 1939, \$7,000 in 1940 and \$8,000 in 1941 persuaded town officials to end the enterprise after some controversy.

Last summer an attempt was made to have the Prince Georges County Hospital, being built with Federal funds, located in Greenbelt, but a site near Cheverly was finally selected for that institution on the plea that it would be nearer the geographical center of the county.

Recently Greenbelt's hospital plight has been somewhat relieved by the opening of the Leland Memorial Hospital at Riverdale.

### Federal Funds Asked

For the last six weeks town officials have been negotiating with the Federal Works Agency for funds which would allow reopening of the Greenbelt Hospital as one measure for relieving the pressure on Washington institutions.

It was pointed out that the former building, while not designed as a hospital, could nevertheless serve such a purpose during the wartime stress. Equipment now impossible to obtain is on hand for use in case the hospital is reopened. A recent inventory has been completed in connection with the current plans. Some of the equipment was rented to the Health Association last spring at a nominal figure so that it would not stand idle.

Certain restrictions would have to be complied with, one Greenbelt official revealed this week. Only obstetrical care and minor surgery would be allowed, in addition to care and treatment of certain types of illnesses. This would involve no hardship since the three-year records on file in the town administration offices show that 95 per cent of former services fell within this category.

### Expansion Required

Another requirement would be for an enlargement of former facilities. A 20-bed accommodation is expected, according to Town Manager Roy S. Braden. It was estimated by Mr. Braden that about \$500 would be required to complete necessary remodeling of the structure.

In addition more beds and some extra equipment would have to be purchased, but all persons interviewed by the Cooperator agreed that costs of the proposed reopening would be small for the community benefit for the town's increased population. Since the closing of the Greenbelt Hospital in January 1942 the number of families here has jumped from 860 to 1800. Most of these are now either in uniform or employed in war agencies.

All of the local physicians have urged reestablishment of hospital services here. Dr. S. R. Berenberg, who first came to Greenbelt in 1939 and who participated in the opening of the old hospital, stated that "The speed with which we can win the war must depend largely upon the good health of our people, which in turn depends largely on good hospitals and good medical care."

### A Municipal Project

Mayor Allen D. Morrison made it clear that a re-opened hospital here would be a municipal re-

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## Good News

A municipal hospital has always been dear to the hearts of Greenbelt residents even though for a number of reasons support ran low just before it was closed a year ago. It was always a bit difficult to visualize a planned community of 3,000 people—increased now to more than 6,000—13 miles from the nearest hospital. The Washington hospitals have become so crowded in recent months that pregnant mothers have been advised to have their babies at home. We viewed such a situation with alarm.

Now relief seems in sight as a result of efforts of our town officials and the findings of a recent WPB hospital survey for the Washington area.

The building here can never be anything but a makeshift, but it will be quite satisfactory for the duration of the war. After that, with the experience acquired in another period of operation, perhaps we will be ready with more permanent plans. A community of 6,300 people should find little trouble in keeping a 20-bed hospital in capacity use, especially if the institution can be so well-managed as to merit the trust and respect not only of local residents but of neighbors in nearby communities as well.

From past experience we have undoubtedly learned several lessons which should make a re-opening more successful.

Certainly prospective parents will welcome the apparent success of current negotiations with WPB and FWA. There are compensations quite beyond price in being able to have one's baby at a hospital within walking distance of home. The fear of accidents, too, will plague us less with a well-equipped medical center available right here in our own town. And certainly a hospital will serve as an incentive for the best efforts of our present and any future doctors for the community.

## Donald Montgomery

Greenbelt home-makers will sense a keen loss in the resignation of Donald Montgomery as consumer's counsel for the Department of Agriculture. Mr. Montgomery's support of the consumer cooperative movement, of grade labeling and other buying information for consumers and his opinion that rationing should be extended to all necessary articles which are becoming scarce are all well known to us. He had visited Greenbelt as a speaker and found much to praise in the consumer education program which we had here in the community's earlier years.

We can only hope that his resignation is not portentous of a trend away from consumer participation in the control of marketing. Certainly organized interest in uniform packaging, informative labeling, standard grades, and price policies here at least has begun to dwindle.

For housewives who are beginning to fret a bit at high prices and shrinking stocks Mr. Montgomery's recommendations which were printed in Monday's Washington papers make interesting reading.

The last year brought many changes to Greenbelt and many problems. Now we face 1943, and we must call forth every bit of our ability and energy to solve the present community problems and the new ones ahead.

## "Then Take That Lady Home"

Do you know how to do the square dances that Greenbelt is doing? Have you ever really thrilled to a "First the oyster, then the clam" done without a mistake? If you haven't, and you don't believe that it is a real thrill, I dare you to try it and find out for yourself. There's something in the fiddle tunes and the clapping hands that is positively heart-pounding, and a good, fast "Swing your partner" will put roses in your cheeks that you thought were gone when you reached 16, ladies. As for us men, a Virginia Reel will postpone the hardening of our arteries by at least 20 years. Not just one, mind you, but a steady diet of fast, smooth stepping to "Red Wing" or "In the Valley." There's no age limit on this kind of dancing, either. Of course, the young marrieds make the prettiest sight, but there are some oldsters in this town who can outdance the youngest of you.

### Education Program Outlined

If you don't know the dances but would like to learn them, the local square dancing group will be glad to start you off from the beginning and before the evening is over, you'll be dancing and so will your heart. The Citizens' Association meets Monday night in the Auditorium of the Elementary School, and if you are a town resident, you are a member of the Citizens' Association, and more than welcome to the meetings. Monday night, at 8:15 o'clock, there will be a discussion of the adult education program for the winter-spring season. Mrs. Kinzer, who is director of the program for adult classes, will be there to give information and take suggestions. She will tell you how and when to register for classes, and if you want one not offered, she will discuss with you the possibility of having it on the slate. And after this meeting, the square dancing group will call its figures and do the dances most popular in the town. You owe it to yourself to take advantage of this community dancing. It's grand fun any time, but especially nowadays when nerves are tense, it's a wonderful tonic.

### Box Socials Popular

Apparently the rationing of foodstuffs has made an imprint on the organizations in Greenbelt. More people are planning box socials and suppers than you can imagine. Protective coloring, I guess. If you don't like what was in the one can you were allowed for dinner, there'll be a box social you can attend and take a chance that you'll like the contents of some other can better.

The Women's Guild, meeting Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at 13-F Ridge, to discuss Red Cross work (sewing, rolling bandages, etc.) will also have time to talk about a congregational supper which they hope to have some time in the late winter. How they're going to manage, is an interesting matter. But this thing I know, if anybody on earth can manage, they can. And this, too, I know. If they can manage, I'll be there. The memory of congregational suppers is strong within me, and all a guy has to do is look especially hungry and he gets a full plate.

Also, in the food line, the Hebrew Women's Auxiliary, meeting Wednesday evening, at 8:30, at 11-T Ridge, is going to make plans for a box (lunchbox, I understand) party. You know the kind, where all the ladies take a box of lunch and the men buy the company of the lady as well as the contents of her box. Lots of fun. But there's one thing I don't understand. Will some lady please tell me why they're also going in costume? Is it to give the wall-flowers a chance? Is it that nobody wants anybody to know who fixed that lunch? Whatever it is, I'm pretty certain it's just to mix us men up. Womenfolks!

And along comes the Legion Auxiliary with a meeting Thursday night at 8 o'clock at the Legion Home, and also talking box socials. I heard the men were going to meet along with the Auxiliary, probably to persuade them out of dainty sandwiches and into T-bone steaks.

Camera Club meets Wednesday night, 8:15 o'clock, at 3-A Parkway. They're supposed to talk about snapshots, but who wants to bet with me they're planning a box social?

## Greenbelt Hospital

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on the flat rates of \$10 and \$5 to responsibility controlled by or associated with neither the Federal Government nor with the Health Association. He predicted that a competent medical man from outside of Greenbelt would be brought in as superintendent. He promised that hospital privileges would be extended to all present Greenbelt doctors and to all other doctors who can meet the standard requirements. Patients from adjacent areas outside of Greenbelt will be encouraged, he said.

Higher rates than formerly prevailed were predicted by Mr. Braden as he stressed the need for keeping operating losses as low as possible. Funds from FWA would be used to offset the annual deficit.

Authority for the use of Federal funds in this local service is found in title II of the Lanham Act. Hospitals are specifically listed among the non-profit institutions which can be given grants as an aid "to the health, safety, or welfare of persons engaged in national defense activities."

## Street Lighting Hours Adjustment Promised

Immediate adjustments to the street lighting control system for Greenbelt was promised this week by Town Manager Roy S. Braden in response to several complaints that they were turned on too late in the evening and turned off too early in the morning.

## Classified

LOST—Money in small red change purse. Return to 1-F Plateau Place. Reward.

FOR QUICK SALE—Small 7-piece dining room set. \$60 cash. Berwyn 326-R.

FOR SALE—Chrysler '36 de luxe Six Sedan, excellent running condition, 8-tube Motorola, Tropicair heater, overdrive, spotlight. Entering service—will sell reasonably. Call Greenbelt 5627 or 2-B Northway.

SWITCHBOARD OPERATORS wanted for Berwyn exchange. Call Chief Operator, Berwyn 9900.

## Newcomer Ends Chaos Of Bulletin Board

Order out of chaos has been brought to the bulletin board in the Tobacco Shop which serves as a waiting station for the Capital Transit busses. For months new advertisements and transportation notices have been pinned and pasted one on top of another until only in desperation was the bulletin board used at all.

Robert H. Watson, a new resident in Greenbelt, inquired who was responsible, and finding the answer to be "No one," he sorted the notices, eliminated obsolete ones, and then posted neat forms for the listing of rides wanted, passengers wanted, and drivers wanted for car pools. "With co-operation from those who use the board we should be able to make transportation arrangements a little easier," said Mr. Watson in explaining his enterprise.

## Community Church

"The Hour that Greenbelt Worships, the Most Important Hour in Greenbelt's Week" will be the theme of the Reverend Wilmer meditation Sunday morning at the Community Church. The sacrament of The Lord's Supper will be celebrated at the conclusion of this talk.

A nursery is provided for the children of parents desiring to attend the worship service.

The Sunday Evening Club will not hold a service this Sunday, but on the week following it will inaugurate a new series of Sunday evening services continuing until after Easter.

The Church School will meet at 9:30 a.m. Classes are provided for all ages, with a special welcome given adults. John E. Waldo, 8-A Southway, has been added to the official staff of the school.

Both young people's groups will meet at 7:30 p.m. The high school group will meet under the leadership of Richard Irving in their regular room and the grade school group will meet with Mrs. Roth Saul in the home economics room.

The following meetings will be held on Wednesday: 1:30 p.m. The Community Church Guild will meet with Mrs. Harry A. Bates, 13-F Ridge Road. All women church members are invited to meet with the Guild.

8 p.m. The financial committee will meet at the pastor's study at 8-B Parkway.

9 p.m. Choir rehearsal will be held in the social room. All interested in singing in the choir are requested to contact Walter J. Slocumb, Jr., 5-D Parkway, phone 6251, or at the rehearsal.

The regular mid-week meeting will not be held this week.

## OUR NEIGHBORS

Mrs. William S. Hennessy, Sr. and Beverly Whitaker of Dorchester, Massachusetts, mother and niece of Bill Hennessy, are spending two weeks with the Hennessys at 4-E Ridge Road.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Carroll of Raleigh, N. C. are visiting their daughter and son-in-law Mr. and Mrs. James Smith, 4-H Southway. Mr. and Mrs. A. Chasanow spent the holidays in Philadelphia with Mrs. Chasanow's parents.

Mrs. Geniveve Gerrits is spending the holiday season in Chicago with her daughter, Harriet, whose Government agency was moved there last summer.

Miss Ruby Collier is vacationing with her people at home in Bath, N. Y.

Alice Hitchcock is visiting her family in Minneapolis.

Bill and Marion Moore entertained Bill's brother, Ensign Jos. C. Moore and his wife, Sally, last week. Ensign Moore is now at Princeton, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. William May announce the birth of a daughter, Susan, born December 9 at Georgetown Hospital, and weighing 7½ pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy R. Moore, 7-H Crescent Road, are the proud parents of a son, Guy Thomas, born on November 15, at National Homeopathic Hospital, Washington, D. C.

On November 21, a daughter, Evelyn Christine, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Phillip John LaMacchia, 57-A Ridge Road, at Columbia Hospital Washington.

A son, Bruce Allen, was born on November 30, at George Washington University Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Morris Winter, 3-J Plateau Place.

Join your neighbors at the New Year's Eve dance in the Auditorium.

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## Alumni Overpower Grizzlies; Eshbaugh, Clark High Point Men

What a whale of a difference just a few years make! The same little Grizzlies, who were getting their ears slapped off last year, and before that, returned for one night to place the current aggregation definitely in the cub class. The score, as if it mattered, was 48 to 17.

**Mellowed With Age**  
In all fairness to the "Cubs" it may be said that college experience and maturity have lofted Alumni far beyond their reach, in any sense of fair comparison.

The Wednesday night game started calmly, belying later tempo, and at the end of the first quarter the grads were only 4 points up on Coach Ben Goldfaden's brood, at 7 to 3.

Somewhere, in subsequent proceedings, some of the little fellows trod on the toes of their elders, and much of what followed was certainly not a standard for future school-alumni games.

Leroy Clark, '41, the biggest scoring machine of the evening, dropping in ten baskets and two free shots for 22 points. Rugged little Mahlon Eshbaugh's football experiences of last fall were a boon to him as he bullied his way to a 9-point collection for the Grizzlies.

**Feet, On and Off**  
Jim Scordellis, and two Dons, Wolfe and Brewer, spent much of the evening in various positions off their feet. Danny Jones sur-

prised the fans with a new-found ability to stay ON his feet, a trick he had not mastered in either of the two earlier games. Dan gave a pretty good account of himself throughout.

Referee Hugh Hawkins saw fit to eject two of the old boys from the game for overdoing their "innocent pranking." Lynn Buck, '42; Billy Dodson, '42; Bob Porter, '41, and Eddie Keighn, '41, played along in somewhat calmer manner than their mates.

Clark was probably the most popular target for the Grizzlie wrath. The tall Leroy did really no great harm, physically, to the high-schoolers, and turned nearly every thrust against him into points for the Alumni.

The Grizzlies and Grizzliettes open their post-holiday schedule with a double-header against Bladensburg High in Greenbelt on January 8, Friday. Miss Rose Nudo's girls will take the floor at 8:30 and the boys begin at 9:30. These evening games are the first in the Central County Conference chase.

## Men's Cage Series To Start Thursday

Recreation Director Ben Goldfaden wishes to remind his men's gym class of the opening game of their 1943 basketball season on January 7, Thursday night.

The men have indicated that this will be a lively league by the spirit they have shown in preparatory scrimmages, run off to condition some fellows but mainly to acquaint the men with one another and give them some ideas with whom they would like to play.

First - Nighter specials will bring together the Co-Opers and Post Office teams at 7:30; High Grads and War Emergency at 8:15; Maryland and War Department at 9; and Navy Enlisted vs Navy Department at 9:45.

Mr. Goldfaden states that table tennis will be available to those wishing to play while awaiting their own particular game time.

## Guild Will Sew Aprons

Mrs. Gladys Neff, president of the Community Church Guild, asks that members bring material for making aprons to the next regular meeting Wednesday, January 6. This meeting will begin at 1:30 at the home of Mrs. Harry Bates, 13-F Ridge Road.

## 1942 Greenbelt Sport Parade Passes In Triumphant Review

By BILL MOORE

The athletically minded folks of Greenbelt were well supplied with sporting events throughout the perplexed year of 1942.

Away back when the year was new and the Japs had but a few weeks prior, knifed us in the back, the High School and Rep teams fed a fair brand of basket ball to the sporting populace.

### Basket Ball First Up

Basket ball for men and women was played on their respective gym nights, as now. The men's league was sponsored by the Greenbelt Athletic Club and finished a success.

The Reps, under Coach Ben Goldfaden, won 7 games and lost 6 in a short season, featured by their inability to whip the Petworth A. C., albeit playing them often and closely. Mickey McDonald was the high scorer, sharing starring roles with Bill Blanchard, Chet Wurl, Stan Provost, Curt Barker and Jack Confair. Bob Porter and Leroy Clark also worked in well with the above-named veterans. The two boys were local High School court stars of the previous season.

Doubling up, Mr. Goldfaden coached the High School Grizzlies for his second term. The big coach lifted the Greenbelt school on a plane with Washington schools for the first time in its five-year history. He scheduled games with Central, Eastern, Roosevelt, Gonzaga, Annapolis, Hagerstown and George Washington High Schools, along with the county teams.

### Grizzlies Vengeful

The team was really better than its record of 12 wins and 14 losses indicates. As has always been its lot, lack of skilled reserves handicapped them. The bulk of its losses were decided in the closing minutes or in an extra period.

Lynn Buck and Bob Egli were the outstanding stars with the latter winning a trophy donated by Greenbelt's generous, sports-minded Lou Gerstel. Coach Goldfaden awarded letters to Johnny Bozek, Bill Dodson, Blake Palmer, Bill Sommers, and Jim Scordellis, in addition to the pair above and Manager Robert Sommers.

High spots for the Grizzlies were revenge victories over Hagerstown and Gonzaga. The most humiliating loss was to George Washington High in Alexandria, an 11 to 40 debacle in which our boys scored but once in the entire first half.

Trips to Hagerstown and Annapolis were the best yet undertaken by our High. The new school principal, Mr. Paul Barnhart, was coach at Hagerstown before coming to Greenbelt and was instrumental in creating court relations between the two schools.

The Grizzlies bowed 28-33 at Hagerstown, despite a 14-point second half hot hand by little Bill "Wimpy" Dodson. Later at Greenbelt, tables were turned to the tune of a 30-20 Grizzly feast with big Lynn Buck and Bob Egli starring.

### Girls Glittered

The High School girls were under the direction of a new coach, Miss Rose Nudo, and had the best season they ever enjoyed. Sparked by the high scoring Helen Zoellner and Marjorie Welsh, and fine guarding by Mary Jean McCarl and Arline Livermore, the Grizzliettes romped through all opposition until the Gold Cup Tournament. In this they bowed to Mt. Rainier's lassies. The Bowie girls were too hard for Greenbelt in two other contests. Miss Zoellner was presented a trophy during the same ceremony that Bob Egli was honored.

Early spring found squads of baseball and softball aspirants working out in the gym. Later they went their separate ways to either end of the Athletic Field. The tennis courts were then infested with racket wielders and work on the Athletic Clubhouse was in full swing. The swimming pool opened and swim classes were organized.

The Shamrocks opened their season with Vince Holochwest at the helm for the third straight season, in a game with Heurich's, Industrial League champs of a year earlier. With Jim Breed, Lanny Burch and Ernie Boggs dividing the pitching chores, the locals started off with a 7-6 victory.

Their Prince Georges County Baseball League opener was not so successful as they were downed by Riverdale, then known as Stanleigh Inn, by 1-6.

### Hosts Have Winning Ways

Ben Goldfaden's Softball Reps were host team to a newly organized county league. All of the games were played at Braden Field, a goodly number under the

newly erected lights at night.

The Reps, with Curt Barker doing the bulk of the hurling, romped through the first half undefeated. Supporting Curt with well placed base hits were Ben Goldfaden, Bill Blanchard, Ray Taylor, and Murray Krasnor. Barker's own bat spoke with authority at times. George Bauer's home run with the bases loaded is well remembered.

The Shamrocks, after dropping their first two league games, found themselves and walked off with 8 straight victories, ending their first half in a three-way tie with Stanleigh Inn and Maryland Sport Club. In the ensuing play-off at Maryland University, the Shamrock's Boggs dropped a tough 2-0 decision to the Sport Clubber's Warren Earhardt. Stanleigh Inn, ultimate champions, took the half title by walloping the tired Marylander's.

### Holly Has His Day

Two weeks previously Vince Holochwest bowed out as skipper by pitching the Hyattsville Police Boys' Club nine into submission in a 10-0 contest. "Holly" was commissioned a lieutenant, j. g., in the Navy. Before toeing the slab in that final game the big left-hander was presented with a fountain pen by the league and a wrist watch, beautifully engraved, by his team mates.

The best game in the first half was the Shamrock victory over Stanleigh Inn at Braden Field when Ernie Boggs stifled the big Riverdale bats in a 2-1 pitching effort.

Meanwhile, the tennis group was going great guns. A league was formed for the first time, pointing toward a big tournament later. Mrs. Doris Armstrong, with her group of lifeguards, was doing a splendid job of teaching swimming to more children than ever before.

Other recreational activities were in full sway. Women and girls were in archery, croquet, softball and tennis classes under the direction of Doris Armstrong, Ben Goldfaden and John Picco. The Athletic Club's softball league shared the lighted diamond with the Reps. Wooden stands were then erected at the softy field. The handball courts were getting plenty of patronage.

Greenbelt's boys played about 5 baseball games and 3 softball games with teams from out of town with success in the former and failure in the latter in the matter of winning. Inter-mural leagues were run off in both pastimes. Outstanding in baseball were Donnie Wolfe, Dickie Day and Dannie Jones. Mahlon Eshbaugh sparked the Softies.

### Shows Up His Elders

The most spectacular achievement was "Sonny" Mothershead's feat of hitting the longest home run, man or boy, locally. The slim southpaw's drive carried clear to the drainage stream in extreme rightfield during a game with the Benning boy baseballers.

The lake was proving a popular spot with its boating and fishing and picnic facilities adjacent. Pete Labukas was the attendant at that time.

In the second half of the County league softball series the Reps were nosed out and were involved in a play-off for the title. Manhattan Auto was the opponent and went down in two games, both by a 1-run margin. One of the title games was interrupted for half an hour by a practice air-raid blackout. The championship was the third one for the Reps in four years, and placed them in a tournament of champions in Washington. Our softballers bowed out in the quarter-finals. Their biggest headache was an inability to cope with the Surf Club ten that whipped them 4 times during the summer.

The final record was 14 wins, 12 losses and a tie. Bill Blanchard walloped the big ball for a new season record batting average of .456. Bennett Beale and Ben Goldfaden followed up with .400 and .370.

When Holochwest joined the Navy Ben Goldfaden took his place as recreation director and Johnny Picco stepped into the assistant's job. For a while Goldfaden managed both the Reps and the Shamrocks, then turned the latter over to Picco. Ben and Curt Barker tried their hands at baseball and did very well.

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## Rationing Viewed by Ricker As an Aid to Consumers Here

The prospect of food rationing was welcomed by the management of Greenbelt's consumer-owned stores who have been plagued with supply and distribution problems since the war shortages began to hit the food supply.

Clerks in the Food Store reported this week that no particular rush of buying seemed to result here from announcement of the coming rationing program, but that many shoppers asked questions about rationing and about the supply situation of the Greenbelt store.

Tom Ricker, general manager of Greenbelt Consumer Services, gives assurances that the general food situation is reasonably good for this store, although buying problems have been mounting and some articles such as bacon and butter have become very difficult to obtain.

### "Shoppers Will Benefit"

Commenting on the coming rationing program Mr. Ricker said, "Consumers as a whole will definitely benefit from this program in that all canned fruits and vegetables will be equitably distributed, assuring everyone of the maximum possible quantity. That maximum we believe will be approximately two-thirds of what you've been receiving during the past year. Your Co-op will keep you informed regarding the canned commodities of which we have an adequate supply, and we urge you to purchase your canned goods accordingly. This information will be posted on the front window of the Food Store. Under no condition should anyone of you attempt to purchase more than you actually need."

Details of the long rumored consumer rationing of practically all canned and processed fruits and vegetables were made public by the Office of Price Administration last Sunday, with reasons therefore and an amplification of the food program being given in radio addresses by Elmer Davis, director of the Office of War Information, and Claude G. Wickard, Secretary of Agriculture.

### In Late February

The rationing will go into effect when the forms come off the presses and the machinery for

registration and distribution is ready, probably in late February. Commodities to be rationed include canned and bottled fruits and juices, canned and bottled vegetables and juices, canned soups, dried fruits, frozen fruits, and frozen vegetables—with a few exceptions, most of which will make little difference to the average consumer.

The rationing will be on the basis of a point system, a new type of "currency" (which will of course have to be accompanied by regular currency) of colored stamps with identifying numbers and letters. The blue stamps will be for the processed foods announced at this time; the red stamps

## Women's Club Will Meet At Home of Mrs. Porter

The Woman's Club will have its January meeting on Thursday, January 7, at the home of Mrs. Robert C. Porter, 4-A Southway. The group will meet at 2 p.m. Mrs. Daniel D. Littlefield and Mrs. Thomas R. Freeman will be co-hostesses for this meeting.

for meats to be announced later. The letters on each stamp designate the period in which the stamp is to be used, to be announced in advance of each period. The number indicates the number of points each stamp is worth. The point value for size and variety of canned or processed commodity will be set according to its supply and will be announced in the press and by poster which must be displayed by all retailers at the time each ration period is declared.

## One Year Ago Five Years Ago

(From the Cooperator of  
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Farm Security Administration refused further support of Greenbelt's hospital, which will close January 31.—The Capitol Transit Company filed an application with the Maryland Public Service Commission for direct bus service to Mt. Rainier.—Greenbelt Consumer Services planned to amend the by-laws namely that a person purchase one share of stock before any patronage refund will be credited, and that the requirement for a quorum be reduced from 25 to 15 per cent of the members.—The Citizens Association announced that \$10 will be presented as a door prize at the next meeting.—Chief Air Raid Warden George Panagoulis announced air raid duties.

(From the Cooperator of  
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Dr. Ingvaldstad, lecturer on international relations, spoke at the first Greenbelt Civic Forum sponsored by the Greenbelt Citizens Association.—The Greenbelt Journalistic Club, at its final meeting under the six-issue temporary arrangement, decided that printing a paper was not feasible for that time; the club also adopted a plan whereby the Cooperator staff would be set up as an association separate from its officers.—Dr. Worth M. Tippy announced that a committee has launched a campaign for the establishment of the Church of Greenbelt.—Citizens gave thought to having buses as the most practical means of transportation.

## Dear Greenbelter:

We know you and your friends have been as busy as we have been this last year trying in every way possible to do a harder job well--so that the better world all of us want to build will seem more than a nebulous dream.

Our job has not been performed as well as we would have liked to have done it. Sometimes the reasons were beyond our control, and some of the fault we humbly shoulder. At least we want you to know our intentions were good and that we hope to benefit from our shortcomings.

We do not need a priority to thank you for your cooperation nor to extend to you all our best wishes for the new year.

Cooperatively yours,  
The Management and Staff

Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc.

## Athletic Club Still Showing Tight Pin Race; 7 Turkeys Go

For the second straight week the tail end bowling clubs, if they can still be called that, rose up en masse to torment the much-harassed leaders. They did it so much in fact that but five games separate the first ten teams. Only two games separate the first six teams! Pinfall is the great dividing factor all the way down the list.

Noteworthy is the fact that the cellar-dwelling Barons have kicked over the traces and have traded places with the little Buckeroos when they blasted the "Lawless" ones three straight games.

### Anybody's Race

The 5th, 6th, and 7th place teams are the highest teams in the standings who won as many as two games in last week's hash. Such victories served to close up the pennant race so that it can be anybody's for the ability to win a half dozen games in a row.

Boys who bowled over the duckpins regularly enough to cop the free turkeys are Estes, Johnson, Marrack, Slaughter, Burke, Martin and Hall.

Should there be a continuation of events similar to the happenings of the last two weeks the lower group of teams could well be on top of the heap. Reminds one of the typical National League baseball scrambles.

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