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Next Council Will Act On Gobbel's Resignation

Councilman Morrison Frames Motion Delaying Decision Till September

By SALLY MEREDITH

Nearly 400 Greenbelt citizens Monday night heard three members of the town council refuse to accept Town Manager James T. Gobbel's resignation as of June 30. An amendment making the resignation effective September 30, after the new council is elected, was introduced by Councilman Allen Morrison and agreed to by Councilmen Paul Dunbar and Joseph Rogers.

The change of date nullifies the attempted removal of Mr. Gobbel from office by Mayor George Bauer and Councilman John Cain, as a town manager tenders his resignation to a newly-elected council as a matter of form.

ever, by insisting that the public interest demonstrated by the large attendance be recognized by a clarification of the issues.

Moves To Auditorium

A petition from the overflow crowd outside the town office that the meeting be moved to a larger space resulted in the session moving over to the center auditorium, where comments and questions from the floor were answered by the council or Mr. Gobbel.

Insisting that he wanted to keep the meeting "clean," Mr. Bauer refused for some time to state specific charges against Mr. Gobbel. Several citizens claimed that Greenbelters were entitled to know why the mayor, who in the past had praised the town manager, suddenly found him "uncooperative." Mr. Bauer then read a long list of complaints, dating back almost to Mr. Gobbel's appointment as town manager. The issues ranged from alleged inadequacy of the town budget for the fire department to alleged assumption by the town manager of duties and privileges properly belonging to the mayor. The presentation of a bond to a Capital Transit employee and the manager's participation in the CTC's ceremony initiating the Branchville carline were cited as examples.

John S. Beckham, 2-L Eastway, stated that the list of complaints against Mr. Gobbel surprised him by their insignificance, in view of Mr. Bauer's former reluctance to divulge what he had termed "the dirt." Referring to Mr. Bauer's complaint that the budget figures were not properly broken down, Mr. Beckham asked, "Does the Council wish to go on record as having approved a town budget which it did not understand?"

Budgets Baffle Bauer

Mr. Morrison quickly replied, "I did," thus starting a flare of argument between the councilmen, during which Mr. Cain jumped up and paced the floor. The mayor remarked that Greenbelt councils never understand budgets because of the form in which they are drawn up. He asked for confirmation from former Councilman Sherrod East, who answered that when budgets presented to his notice seemed complex, he asked questions until he understood them.

Mr. Gobbel rated pin-drop silence from the audience when he made a plea for Greenbelters to forget their differences and work together to preserve their town. He charged that the Federal Public Housing Authority was taking advantage of the splits between local factions, and that there was a danger of the community, with all its planned advantages, "degenerating into a muck-heep."

Ben Rosenzweig and GCS General Manager Sam Ashelman emphasized the necessity of the Council forgetting its differences at the present time, and of citizens working with the Council to preserve a united front, in view of the uncertain future facing Greenbelt.

Had Planned Resignation

A question put by Mr. Ashelman brought out the point that Mr. Gobbel planned to give his resignation to the new council this fall, "so they would not feel their hands were tied." Councilman Rogers then remarked that perhaps the date of resignation in Mr. Gobbel's letter could be changed. Mr. Morrison's amendment setting the date ahead was thereupon adopted.

War Houses To Get \$45,000 Paint Job

A contract is now being let to paint all of Greenbelt's war housing, according to FPHA manager Charles M. Cormack. Mr. Cormack announced that the contract provides for the painting of the exteriors of the 1000 homes: trim, doors, windows, porches and chimneys. The asbestos shingling will not be painted.

Funds have just been approved by the Budget Bureau for the project, the cost of which will be "in the vicinity of \$45,000, according to Mr. Cormack. Painting will begin soon and probably be completed by fall, he told the Cooperator.

To determine colors to be used in painting the houses, an experiment will be conducted using four buildings of four houses each. Each building will be painted in a different color combination (the houses alike) so that on completion, the net result may be observed at a point where the four buildings are adjacent.

Need A Lawnmower? Try Your Neighbor

Angus McGregor, FPHA head landscape gardener, announced that 46 lawn mowers have been loaned to Greenbelt residents. These lawn mowers are furnished by FPHA and will be repaired and sharpened by the office (call 6011). The supply was exhausted in two days and more could have been distributed had they been available, according to Mr. Mac.

Residents who applied too late to receive a lawn mower may contact their nearest neighbors from the following list:

Panagoulis, 43-A Ridge; Fisher, 5-H Ridge; Cormack, 6-B Ridge; Sampson, 12-L Ridge; Kaighn, 13-V Ridge; Cusick, 14-B Ridge; Wright, 16-H Ridge; Martinelli, 18-G Ridge; Steinman, 18-U Ridge; Castle, 19-F Ridge; Zier, 23-L Ridge; Gartz, 36-Q Ridge; McCollum, 45-A Ridge; Moyer, 46-M Ridge; Hutzler, 48-B Ridge; Sayers, 49-C Ridge; Taylor, 55-G Ridge; McGonagle, 61-H Ridge; Richert, 62-B Ridge; Gregor, 71-E Ridge; Bonham, 35-B Ridge; Ott, 4-F Hillside; Brooks, 12-A Hillside; Ricks, 19-M Hillside.

Grable, 5-C Eastway; Haegle, 3 Woodland; Oring, 1-H Westway; Kaye, 2-B Southway; Stone, 7-A Southway; Rutman, 8-G Southway; Bevington, 11-D Southway; McDonald, 2-A Gardenway; Thompson, 4-E Gardenway; Woodside, 7-Q Research; Fonda, 9-C Research; Carney, 4-G Crescent; Fickes, 60-J Crescent; Nihart, 14-W Laurel; Green, 2-D Laurel; Nash, 8-L Laurel; Meyer, 11-B Laurel; Holton, 15-T Laurel; Aldrich, 12-D Plateau; Granims, 2-S Plateau; Wetter, 4-D Plateau; Colburn, 6-T Plateau.

Memorial Stone

According to Frank Lastner, design chairman of the Victory Day Committee, the grey granite stone for the World War II memorial is now being cut and polished. The bronze plaque with the names of the gold star soldiers is being cast in Alexandria. It will measure 24 by 24 inches and be surmounted by an eagle.

The site for the memorial, to be dedicated May 30, is the center of the green area between the post office and Southway Road. The four foot stone, with concrete base, will be surrounded by hedging, and access will be provided by a sidewalk.

Committee member Paul Dunbar said last week that several projects had been considered by the Victory Day group, including a memorial park and bandstand. The memorial stone was the only one on which the committee was able to unite, he stated.

Total new registrations reported by Town Clerk Winfield McCamy are 45 to date. The Town Office is open weekdays from 8 to 4:30. Residents over 21 who have lived in the state for a year and in Greenbelt six months are eligible to vote in the town elections this fall if duly registered. Previous registrants who did not vote in the last two elections must re-register to be eligible voters.

Theater Patrons To Get Fresh Air

The air conditioning in the Greenbelt theater will be in working order this weekend, Greenbelt Consumer Services manager Sam Ashelman told the board of directors Friday night. The board has authorized the general manager to spend up to \$4500 for theatre repairs. Estimates on recovering the seats are being sought, the projection equipment is being improved and the generator has already been repaired. The faulty generator was the cause of recent blackouts of the film, Mr. Ashelman said.

The highest volume of sales since last Christmas was reported for the two weeks ending May 3 by Mr. Ashelman, at this board meeting. For the five weeks' period ending May 3, Mr. Ashelman said, the food store, valet shop and appliance department made excellent records, increasing their 1946 volumes by 33%, 63% and 45% respectively.

Office Space For Rent

James E. Walsh, board member of the Greenbelt Health Association, was present to request a statement of GCS policy on fixing rentals of office space planned for the ground floor level of the new super-market.

It is understood that Dr. James W. McCarl, Greenbelt dentist, is also considering moving his office to the new site.

Clothing Drive Nets Ton And A Half

Over a ton and a half of clothing has been turned in for the community clothing drive, reports Mrs. Charles East, chairman. Although the drive was supposed to end May 3, clothing was turned in until last Saturday. Anyone who has not been able to bring their clothing to the collection point may have it picked up by calling Mrs. East at 4887.

The clothing matinee held May 2 brought in nearly a ton of clothing. Collections at the schools and pickups by Lee Fink, Selma Posner and Mrs. Matthew Fontaine accounted for a good share of the clothes, and the rest was turned in at the collection station in the center.

Mrs. East stated that, in accordance with the clothing committee's request, nearly all the clothing was in very good condition and most of it was heavy winter apparel. According to Graham Hodges, Church World Service representative, clothing collected now will not arrive overseas until late next fall due to the shortage of shipping space.

AVC Elects Officers

The election of a delegate to the second annual convention of AVC will be the principal item on the agenda at the next regular meeting of the American Veterans Committee, to be held in the home economics room of the center school on Wednesday, May 21, at 8:30 p. m.

General Omar Bradley, head of the Veterans Administration, will address the convention in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, on June 20, and Bishop Sheil, auxiliary bishop of the Roman Catholic Church in Chicago, will speak at the Sunday morning session, June 22.

What Goes On

Saturday, May 17—4 p. m. WTOP program on Co-ops. 8:00 AAA vs. Berwyn VFW, Braden Field, 9:15 Reps vs. Judd-Detweiler, Braden field.

Sunday, May 18—Shamrocks vs. Cissel Saxon, Saxn's field.

Tuesday, May 20—All-day Parents' Institute, Maryland University. Mt. Rainier vs. Clifton Liquors, Braden field.

Thursday, May 22—Free sports movies, 8:30 p. m., home ec. room, center school.

Friday, May 23—GCS board meeting over drug-store, 8:15 p. m.

Greenbelters Take Part In PTA Panel At Md. U.

Mrs. Theodore G. Byerly and Alison McDermid will take part in a family panel on "Democracy in the Home," to be held at the University of Maryland next Tuesday evening. Four high school students and four parents from nearby communities are participating.

The occasion is an all-day "Parents Institute" scheduled by the Prince Georges County PTA Council. The Institute is open to all PTA members and to any other interested parents. There will be no admission fee.

Anyone interested in attending from Greenbelt should call Mrs. Wells Harrington, 3941, who will be glad to arrange transportation. The morning session is scheduled for 10-12, the afternoon from 2-4, and the evening session will begin at 8 p. m. For more details see the poster in the lobby of the Greenbelt Theater.

High PTA Elects

The new president elected at the High School PTA's last meeting is Dr. D. W. Gates of the Berwyn-Hollywood area. Mr. Wesley C. Darling, Greenbelt, was elected vice president; Mrs. John Littleton, Greenbelt, is the new secretary and Mrs. Sam Beall, Beltsville, the new treasurer.

Leon G. Benefiel, retiring president, announced that a check of \$10 had been received from the Beltsville Woman's Club which represents the amount that organization received as first prize winner in the student night competition.

Sodality To Hold Card Party May 22

Members of Our Lady of Sorrows Sodality of Greenbelt are planning a card party to be held at 58-A Crescent Road, on Thursday, May 22, at 8 p. m. Because of lack of space, tickets will be sold, but reservations will be accepted for each of the twenty tables planned. Admittance will be 50c per person; refreshments will be served and prizes given.

Reservations may be made with any of the committee in charge of the card party, which includes Mrs. Charles McDonald, Mrs. Vernon Backstrom, Mrs. Philip McGonagle and Mrs. C. R. Winegarden.

New officers for the coming year were elected at the April meeting. Mrs. Frank McConnell is prefect; Mrs. F. J. Hahn, assistant prefect; Mrs. Chester McDonald, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Vernon Backstrom, recording secretary, and Mrs. Leroy Root, treasurer.

Greenbelt Player Hit By Wild Pitch

Twenty-year-old James Donald Wolfe, 4-D Ridge Road, son of the postmaster of Greenbelt, suffered severe eye and face injuries in Sunday's game against Gaithersburg, when a swift ball thrown by the pitcher hit his left eye.

As a veteran he was admitted to Mt. Alto Hospital, where it is expected he will be hospitalized for some time.



Mr. Gobbel's resignation made no mention of the mayor-manager conflict beyond stating that present conditions made a change desirable from his viewpoint. Mr. Rogers brought the matter to a head, how-

Mrs. East Elected Nursery President

Mrs. Sherrod East was elected president of the Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School at their recent election meeting. Vice president is Mrs. John McGee; financial secretary, Mrs. William Thomas; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Ralph Miller; treasurer, Mrs. John Collins.

Because the nursery school population is made up of four-year-olds only, there is a complete turnover of mothers each year. In order to facilitate the work of the new officers, an advisory board has been set up. For a three-year term: Mrs. Raymond Stevens, Mrs. Benjamin Abramowitz, Mrs. James Walsh; two-year term: Mrs. Lyman Woodman, Mrs. Merton Trast, Mrs. Adelbert Long; one-year term, Mrs. Betty Kindler, Mrs. David Fisher, Mrs. Dayton Hull.

The school plans to wind up the year with a picnic at the lake June 7. All families connected with the Nursery School, past, present and future, will be invited to attend.

Offender Sentenced; Girl Has Recovered

The laundry truck driver who on October 8 offered a 14-year-old Greenbelt girl a lift home from Washington, and allegedly made improper advances toward her which caused her to jump from his moving vehicle, received his sentence on May 12.

The driver was fined \$200 and was sentenced to 3 years in jail, which was then suspended and he was ordered to report regularly to a probation officer. He had waived a preliminary hearing when arrested by officer Belton of the Greenbelt police last October, and remained in jail until February when he was released after posting a \$3,000 bond. When the Grand Jury convened in March he was indicted on a charge of assault and battery.

The girl has made a satisfactory recovery from the skull fracture she sustained when she jumped from the truck.

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Closed Meetings

The Greenbelt town charter provides that all meetings of the town council shall be open to the public.

One of the reasons for the ire displayed by many citizens who attended last Monday's council meeting was that the council-manager crisis had seemed to come on so suddenly. Citizens were angry because they felt that something was being pulled over on them.

Someone remarked that even those who had been attending the council meetings regularly were not aware of the situation.

Councilman Morrison mentioned that there had been at least two "closed" meetings on the subject of Manager Gobbel's resignation.

How can Greenbelters support a town council that connives in secret? We submit that the gentlemen should conduct their business openly and honestly, and keep citizens informed about what is going on. As was emphasized several times last Monday night, the future of Greenbelt hangs in the balance, and unified action by all groups is necessary to hold our town together in the face of the disintegrative forces at work in the present Congress, this Congress which sees us as a

species of parasites enjoying a good thing here at the public's expense.

To The Editor:

Our Volunteer Speaks

To the Editor:

In answer to the Fire Fighters' statement, I want to assume responsibility for the Cooperator's failure to write a story on the Volunteer Firemen. I talked to the gentleman on the phone who suggested it. We were very busy that night, as on every Tuesday, so I decided to hold it for the next week. Since I am also a volunteer worker with a full-time job of homemaking, several weeks went by without action on my part. I apologize for my negligence, and assure you it was not due to lack of appreciation for the work done by the volunteer firemen.

—CHARLOTTE WALSH

Taylor-Rexroad

Mr. and Mrs. Richard O. Taylor of 4-F Ridge Road announce the marriage of their daughter Virginia on June 21 to Robert V. Rexroad of Hollywood Park, Maryland at the Mt. Rainier Lutheran Church.

Linhardt-Eshbaugh

Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Linhardt, 2-H Westway, announce the engagement of their daughter, Frances Jane, to George Mahlon Eshbaugh, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. George M. Eshbaugh, Sr., 33-M Ridge Road. The wedding is planned for the autumn.

Getting The Jump

Tent caterpillars are not going to get the jump on Greenbelt this year as they did last, says Landscape Gardener MacGregor. Mr. Mac has two men working on the nests in the cool of the mornings, when the varmints are still inside. A mixture of chemicals is being used to kill the pests, which are particularly fond of fruit trees.

OUR NEIGHBORS

By DOROTHY MCGEE
Phone 3667

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph N. Todd of 5-D Eastway celebrated their 24th wedding anniversary on May 13.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest LaValley, 5-D Parkway Road at Cheverly Hospital on May 12. They have a year-old daughter, Maureen.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip J. Carroll, 1-H Gardenway, residents here for about five years, and their children, Linda and John, are leaving to make their home in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Fordyce Meriam, 21-F Ridge Road, announce the birth of a daughter, Jacqueline, on May 1 at Leland Memorial Hospital. The May Day baby has two sisters and a brother.

Rosalie Fleisher, 2-L Gardenway, entertained about ten guests Wednesday evening at a party celebrating her 13th birthday.

David Steinle has on his beautifully landscaped grounds at 56-H Crescent Road not only some of the loveliest flowers in town, but also one of the very longest hedges. He is now the proud and happy owner of a pair of electric hedge clippers.

Mrs. Herbert Barberie of 24-D Ridge Road had as her house guests last weekend, her cousin and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. William E. Hunger who motored here from their home in Los Angeles. Mr. Hunger is a projectionist at Paramount Studio. His daughter, Carol Deane, who doubles for Claudette Colbert, is the highest-salaried stand-in in Hollywood. She specializes in stunt acting and doubles for stars in risky and dangerous scenes. Her seven-year-old daughter, Cheryl, recently appearing in "Duel in the Sun," also acts in pictures occasionally. On Sunday, Mrs. Barberie's four brothers, her sister-in-law and her baby came from Washington to say happy birthday to her and her three-year-old son who have a mutual birthday on May 10.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Kaye, 58-M Crescent Road, announce the birth of an 8 lb. 3 1/2 oz. daughter, Andrea Marlene at Leland Memorial Hospital on May 12. They have a son, Barry.

There are new neighbors at 11-P Laurel Hill Road, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Mahan and their son, Mike, formerly of McLean, Va.

Mrs. H. D. Sewell of Rochester, N. Y. is visiting her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Vogel, 9-L Research Road. Little Mary is excited over "Gummy's" visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Newman, 22-F Hillside Road, welcome the arrival of their first born, Madelyn Sue on May 4.

Chief Ralph Ebert, 9-M Research Road, who drives down every day to Annapolis, beeps his horn each morning in passing Church Circle and radio station WAAN. The station acknowledges his passing by announcing over the air, "There goes that chief in his red Packard." And so, Mrs. Ebert, listening in on station WAAN, knows that her husband has arrived in Annapolis safe and sound.

A "post-natal" shower was given jointly by Mrs. "Pat" Long and Mrs. Betsy Woodman at the latter's home, 20-G Hillside Road, on Wednesday night for Mrs. Jean MacDonald in honor of her new baby, Linda Louise born April 24. Present were the ladies of the 20 court. Gifts for the baby were arranged in a pink decorated high chair. Games and refreshments followed.

We are sorry that the following announcements of new babies were omitted last week:

Little Nancy Mott of Woodland Way has a new baby brother, William Waldo, born to Mr. and Mrs. Waldo Mott on April 30 at Leland Memorial Hospital.

A daughter, Cecile Marie, was born on April 25 at Leland Memorial Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. George E. Behneman, who have recently moved from 7-G to an-

Catholic Church

Sunday Masses: 7:30 a. m. and 9:30 a. m. in the Greenbelt theater; 7 a. m., 9 a. m., 10:30 a. m., and 11:45 at Berwyn.

Confessions: Saturday from 7:30 to 9 p. m. at 58-A Crescent in Greenbelt. Saturday at Berwyn from 3 to 5 p. m. and from 7:30 to 9 p. m.

Novena Devotions: at Berwyn every Wednesday evening at 8 p. m.

Choir practice will be held every Sunday morning immediately following the 9:30 mass.

Hebrew Sunday School

The last regular meeting this year of the PTA of the Hebrew Sunday school will be held May 22 at 8:30 p. m., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hertz, 1-D Research Road. Mrs. Charles Mandell and Mrs. Louis Reinhardt will be co-hostesses. Election of officers for the following year will be held.

Rabbi Sandhaus will conduct an open discussion with the group on future plans for the school curriculum.

Lutheran Church

Friday, Saturday, May 16-17—

8:30 p. m.—"Your Face is Familiar," three act comedy by the Walther League at the Trinity Lutheran School, Hyattsville. The public is invited. Free will offering.

Sunday, May 18—
11:30 a. m.—Sunday school class and adult Bible class.

12:30 p. m.—Church service in the home economics room of the center school. Rev. Pieplow will conduct the service.

other court on Laurel Hill Road.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Max Armstrong, 6-A Ridge Road, announce the birth of an 8 lb. boy at Garfield Hospital on May 6. They have another son.

On April 17 at Leland Memorial Hospital, a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Brown, 19-A Hillside Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter P. Carver, 18-P Ridge Road, announce the birth of a daughter, Emilie Page, on April 25 at Leland Memorial Hospital. They have two other daughters.

Twenty women from Greenbelt attended the Sixth District annual meeting of the Maryland Federation of Women's Clubs on May 15 at Prince Georges Golf and Country Club in Landover. The principal speaker was Honorable Bertrand W. Gearhart, Congressman from California.

Delegates from Greenbelt were Mrs. S. Hartford Downs, Mrs. George E. Clark, Mrs. James T. Gobbel, Mrs. Orville T. Slye, Mrs. Henry Brautigam; their alternates were Mrs. Freeland Ramsdell, Mrs. Samuel Houlton, Mrs. Lloyd Nelson, Mrs. Daniel J. Neff and Mrs. Miles Bonnar.

Community Church

Sunday, May 18—
9:30 a. m.—Church School, Thos. Berry, Superintendent.

10 a. m.—Men's Bible Class, Rolfe Sauls, President.

10:50 a. m.—Church Nursery, sponsored by the Church Guilds.

11 a. m.—Church Worship. Sermon by the Rev. Dr. Frederick Reissig of the Washington Church Federation. Choral music directed by Tom Ritchie with Mrs. Daniel Neff at the organ.

7:30 p. m.—Hi-School Fellowship. Monday, May 19—

Board of Directors meeting postponed one week.

8:15 p. m.—Church Women's Discussion Group will meet at Rachel Garner's home, 11-B Parkway. Tuesday, May 20—

8:15 p. m.—Evening Guild meets at the home of Mrs. Sol Brautigam, 16-B Crescent Road. Wednesday, May 22—Choir Rehearsal.

Thursday, May 22—

8:15 p. m.—Church School Board meets at the James Becks, 8-M Southway.

Rev. and Mrs. Braund will be out of town this weekend, returning Tuesday.

Hebrew Services

Regular Sabbath Services will be held on Friday evening at 8:30 p. m. in room 201, center school, by Rabbi Morris A. Sandhaus, under the auspices of the Jewish Community Center of Greenbelt. The text of the Rabbi's sermon will be "Living with Nature," followed by congregational discussion. Services are in Hebrew and English. All are invited to attend.

Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church

Pastor, Rev. Chester Craig
6007 Baltimore Ave.,
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Telephone UNION 1658

Sunday, May 18—

9:45 a. m.—Church School. Everyone welcome. Classes for all.

11 a. m.—Morning worship.

8 p. m.—Evening worship.

Wednesday, May 21—

8 p. m.—Choir practice at the church.

Thursday, May 22—

8 p. m.—Cottage Prayer Service at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. K. Barrick, 19-Q Ridge Road.

Friday, May 23—

8 p. m.—The Adult Class will have a business meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Junek, 14-T Hillside Road. All members are urgently requested to be present.

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WHEREAS these disabled men and women depend upon the proceeds of the sale of Poppies once each year, and the people of the Nation feel a gratitude beyond measure towards the disabled veterans of OUR wars,

I HEREBY PROCLAIM Saturday, May 24th, 1947, as Poppy Day in the Town of Greenbelt, Maryland, and it is my earnest desire that each resident will purchase a Poppy and wear it as an outward show of appreciation towards those who gave more than their share.

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Last Years Champs Shut Out Locals

The Clifton Liquors, last year's county softball champions, trounced the Greenbelt Reps 6 to 0. Behind the stellar pitching of Fred Kramer and Abe Leviston, the champs shut out the local nine with only 3 hits, in a very fast game Saturday.

Clifton started off in the first inning when Franny Collins singled, went to third on a wild pitch and came home to another wild pitch. In the 5th they really opened up when Ruccucci doubled, was singled home by Bertolini, who was sent in by Kramer's triple. The fourth straight hit, a single by Baldwin brought in Kramer. After two men went out, Jacobson singled and G. Hughes banged in the final run with a double.

Greenbelt threatened only once when in the final inning Barker led off with a double, went to third on a wild pitch and was left stranded as Levinson threw out Goldfaden and fanned Cummings and Eddy.

Boxscore	AB	R	H
GREENBELT			
Blanchard, 2b	3	0	1
Dennard, c	1	0	0
Bowman, c	2	0	1
Barker, lf	3	0	1
Goldfaden, 3b	3	0	0
Cummings, rf	1	0	0
Bauer, rf	2	0	0
Eddy, ss	3	0	0
Spector, 1b	2	0	0
Costa, cf	1	0	0
Foster, cf	1	0	0
Clay, p	2	0	0
	24	0	3

Walton League Camps Out Again

The next in a series of summer fishing and camping trips sponsored by the Greenbelt Chapter, Izak Walton League, is scheduled for the weekend of May 24-25 at Chopawamsic Park, Va.

Members and non-members who intend going on the trip should contact E. Don Bullian immediately, Greenbelt 5936, as the capacities of the bus and the camp are limited.

Locals Trimmed By Gaithersburg

The bottom of the old kettle seemed to have fallen out on the Shamrocks Sunday when they played host to the Gaithersburg nine. From the first inning until the last the local boys just couldn't do anything right, and they let Gaithersburg trim them to the tune of 16-1.

Harry Crouthamel started on the mound for Greenbelt and in the eight innings he worked, he was touched, and not lightly, for thirteen hits and twelve runs. Many of these runs were unearned due to the sloppy exhibition of fielding. During the course of the game Greenbelt made eleven errors.

Of the nine hits that Greenbelt obtained off Hottinger, the Gaithersburg pitcher, two each went to Raber and Crouthamel. Hottinger also sent twelve Shamrocks back to the bench via strike-outs. Miller of Gaithersburg led the visitors at bat with four bingles.

In the fifth, Don Wolfe was beamed by one of Hottinger's fast balls and was removed to Mount Alto Hospital by the local police force.

Next Sunday the Shamrocks hit the road again, traveling to Cissel Saxon for the third league game. Players will meet in front of the pool at 1 p. m.

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Sports Stuff

By JOHN COSTA

It was a cold and dreary night and everyone was huddled close to the fireside, enjoying the comforts of their adobe or asbestos haciendas. Nobody would be out on a night like that, only crazy people. Well, there were several hundred crazy people involved, as the Prince Georges County Softball League opened officially Thursday night. The Town Manager threw out the first ball (No, it wasn't a snowball). The Good Humor Man was chased from the Park by eager spectators who decided running was a good way to keep warm. The Greenbelt Players kept warm by swinging their bats at the cold breeze created by the opposing pitchers. The only really comfortable person there was the Greenbelt Manager, who was hot under the collar all evening.

Annual Track Meet Sets New Records

The annual track meet for the two elementary schools saw several records broken. Nearly 600 boys and girls took part in the dashes, relays, field events, games, and dodgeball. A picnic lunch was enjoyed in the middle of the day.

Top-scoring groups were: for the second and third grades, Miss Johnson's room (center school); third and fourth grades, Miss McCormick's room (center); fourth and fifth grades, Miss Batie's room (center); fifth and sixth grades, Miss Lynch's room, (north end school).

Rhonda Bibler again walked off with first place in the 50-yard dash for fifth and sixth grade girls, cutting her last year's record of 6.8 down to 6.6. Bobby Cooper also sliced down a record, bringing the 50-yard dash for fourth and fifth grade boys from 7.0 to 6.4.

Another record-breaker was Nancy Snyder, who jumped 7 feet, 2 inches in the standing broad jump to take first place for the fifth and sixth grades.

Bob Dove, Cliff Cockill, Joe Lewis and Robert Sommers assisted the Recreation Department staff.

Boys, Dads To See Free Baseball Pix

At 8:30 p. m. on Thursday, May 22, an instructional motion picture entitled "Play Ball, Son," will be shown in the home economics room of the center school. The film is donated by the Ford Motor Co.

The Athletic Club's softball season started May 15, with teams made up of representatives from each block. Vice-president Clay is in charge of signing up would-be participants, and can tell members who their block captains are.

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The Public Health Clinic announces that 212 smallpox vaccinations were given April 29 and 160 on May 6. No serum was available last Tuesday, and 40 persons had to be turned away.

Anyone wanting a vaccination this coming Tuesday between 9 and 10 is asked to call the Public Health office, Greenbelt 6111, or the Police Station, Greenbelt 2011, to check on the availability of serum.

New Scouts Campaign For Camp Equipment

Boy Scout Troop 229, organized last fall by the PTA, is planning to put on a show to raise money for camping equipment. Scouts in uniform will be contacting every family in Greenbelt starting tomorrow.

There are 24 boys in the troop, ranging from 12 to 18 years. The group was originally formed to supplement Troop 202, which reached its capacity limit last fall for weekly camping trips.

Walton Auxiliary Elects Officers

At their meeting last Wednesday night the Isaac Walton League Auxiliary held an election of officers. Mrs. Eli Don Bullian was named president; Mrs. Paul Lung, vice-president; Mrs. Lowell Fundom, treasurer; Mrs. Joseph Machio, secretary, and Mrs. Robert Brinson, ways and means chairman.

The next regular meeting will be held May 19 at the home of Mrs. William Rupert, 3-E Eastway.

Co-op Cross-Section On Network Tomorrow

At 4 p. m. tomorrow, May 17, Radio Station WTOP is presenting a coast-to-coast survey of cooperatives as a part of its series called "Cross-Section USA." Originating in New York, the program will audition employees working in cooperative oil refineries, grain elevators, retail store, and other typical forms of businesses under co-op management.

Suitland Whaled By Jr. Legion Team

The Legion Jr. team shellacked the Suitland Club 22 to 8 on Saturday, featuring a 20-hit attack led by Hawes and Goodall. The Greenbelt team reversed a previous defeat at the hands of this same team in a most revengeful and thorough fashion. There will be a game Sunday at 3 p. m. at Braden Field between the local team and Hyattsville.

All boys under 16, who are interested in playing ball for the Legion Club should report at 10 a. m. Saturday for practice. There is still a need for ballplayers.

Range Officers Named

The following members of the Gun Club have been designated as Range Officers in charge of shooting on Greenbelt Range on the dates indicated:

R. Blakeslee, May 17; H. Bates, May 18; J. Dalis, May 24; R. Cooper, May 25; C. Gardner, May 31; S. East, June 1; J. Haspiel, June 7; N. Granims, June 8; L. A. Johnson, June 14; Don Kern, June 15; B. Kirts, June 21; P. Kendler, June 22; W. McCully, June 28; D. Kling, June 29.

First Bookmobile Will Tour County

The County Memorial Library Board recently appointed Graydon Harris, 36-D Crescent Road, driver of the Library's "Bookmobile." The truck, an "Internat'l Metro," has been purchased and is now being painted and equipped with shelving.

There will be room for visitors to board the bus at the front, pass down the center, and leave by a door at the rear. The truck should be ready to tour the county in two or three weeks, according to Mr. Harris.

The Bookmobile will service a population of 130,000 (1945 census) and 486.17 square miles, covering areas now without libraries and recreational facilities. The Bookmobile is a memorial to the World War II dead. At present, Greenbelt is the only full-time public library operating in the county.

The first Bookmobile in the United States operated out of Frederick, Maryland, during 1904-5, touring Washington County, according to Mr. Harris.

A movie projector and screen have been purchased for a planned film library. A record player and records are also available for loan to groups anywhere in the county. Books are now being kept in the Masonic Hall on Gallatin street, Hyattsville, where Mrs. Mary Kenan is the librarian in charge.

Mr. Harris is Town Librarian Reba Harris' husband.

Canteen Collects Tokens

At a suggestion of Mrs. Anne Harrison, boxes are being placed in local stores to catch those extra car tokens. Money refunded for these tokens will be used to buy equipment for the local youth canteen. If you have a couple of tokens don't go all the way into town to get 8-and-a-fraction cents refund. Drop them in a box for the canteen treasury.

NCJW Elects Officers

The Greenbelt Section of the National Council of Jewish Women elected the following officers at their last regular meeting: president, Mrs. Adelaide Weidberg; vice-president, Mrs. Myra Hertz; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Florence Bloom; recording secretary, Mrs. Estelle Dolgoff; treasurer, Mrs. Rachel Bloomberg. Due to unfinished business of prime importance, the Section will hold a special meeting on Monday, May 19 at 8:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. David Fisher, 5-H Ridge Road.

Bowling Prizes Awarded

It was Ladies' Night at the Athletic Club Thursday, May 8, when the Greenbelt Women's Bowling League held their annual party. The following new officers were elected: Mrs. Kosatka, president; Mrs. Danek, secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. Bowman, official scorer. The evening was topped off with distribution of prizes and prize money. Mrs. Hilda Lastner won the prize donated by Charles Gentile, College Park Owner. A \$25.00 surplus was divided between the Drop Inn and the rescue squad.

Members of the winning Zombies team were Reed, Harris, Iseli, Johnson and Kosatka.

Prize list:
High total game, Legion Aux., 2nd Robots; high total score, Strikers, 2nd Raiders; high ind. game, Zier and Andestad; high ind. score, Sheaffer, 2nd Coulter; high strikes, Lehan and Dulin; high spares, Yeatman, 2nd Johnson; high average, Lastner, 2nd Linhardt; high flat game, Sansone.

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5:35, 7:35, 9:35
Monday at: 7:35 and 9:35

TUES., WED. MAY 20, 21

—Double Feature—
Pat O'Brien - Claire Trevor
Crack-Up

Glenn Vernon - Marcia McGuire
Ding Dong Williams
7:00 and 8:30

THURS., FRI. MAY 22, 23

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SATURDAY MAY 24

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