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GHA Membership To Meet Thursday

The Greenbelt Health Association will hold a membership meeting Thursday, March 11, at 8:30 p. m. in the social room of the Center School. There new members will be elected to the board of directors, and a progress report on the present membership drive will be presented.

The association is confronted with a financial crisis and, according to Benjamin Rosenzweig, member of the board, this is the time at which the membership can either make or break the organization. He stated that GHA's medical staff of three experienced physicians and two registered nurses has a large amount of medical equipment at its disposal, and can take care of the medical needs of a greater number of Greenbelt residents than it does now. He expressed the hope that many additional families will join the association before March 31.

Emphasizes Preventive Measures

GHA has been serving Greenbelt residents for the past 10 years. It was organized in 1938 for the primary purpose of "protecting Greenbelt citizens against large doctor bills and to assure the availability of doctors when needed." It offers a non-profit prepaid medical plan, and is owned and operated by its members. The organization stresses the importance of preventive medicine made available by periodic physical check-ups without extra charge. According to Ruth Watson, GHA office manager, one or more doctors are at the office six days and three evenings a week, and a Health Association physician is always on call.

Lastner Re-elected As GCS President; Kasko Named To Fill Board Vacancy

At the GCS board of directors meeting last Friday, Frank Lastner was re-elected president, by unanimous ballot. William Nicholas was re-elected vice-president, and Thomas Ritchie as treasurer. Paul Kasko was unanimously elected to the board to fill the vacancy created by William Moore's resignation, and then elected as secretary to the board.

As this was the first board meeting held since the recent election of five board members, committee heads were named. They are: Benjamin Rosenzweig as head of education, and William Nicholas as chairman of membership. Delbert Mesner was elected to the executive committee, to serve with the president, Frank Lastner, and a third member to be elected at the next board meeting. Richard Cooper was named to serve on the committee on structure, and Benjamin Rosenzweig was asked to continue his work as chairman of this committee. He hoped, he stated, to present to the board the committee report and recommendations. It was voted that a special board meeting be devoted to the hearing of the committee report, when it is ready, and that all other committees not mandatory in the by-laws be eliminated pending the report.

Bassett Ferguson, assistant general manager, presented the general manager's report in the absence of Mr. Ashelman. Mr. Ferguson stated that the North End store was to receive some minor improvements this week: the addition of new lighting fixtures and the rearrangement of partitions. There are still no immediate prospects of PHA approval of a new North End store building, he said.

Pantry To Be Kept

In response to questioning from the board, Mr. Ferguson explained that current rumors that the co-op pantry is to be discontinued are incorrect, and that the GCS management plans to keep it on after the new building is completed. A false impression was apparently gained by some members from Mr.

H. S. Glee Club Plans "Pinafore"

Greenbelt High School's Senior Glee Club will present "H. M. S. Pinafore" by Gilbert and Sullivan on Thursday and Friday, March 18 and 19, at the Greenbelt Center School auditorium.

Miss Ellen Beckman, music teacher at the Greenbelt High School is directing, and an alternate cast will be used in many instances for the second performance. Carole Holien, who was crowned Queen of All-Greenbelt Night, will play the leading role, "Josephine," during one of the performances.

League Of Women Voters To Have Dinner Forum

The Prince Georges County League of Women Voters will present a dinner forum on Friday, March 12, at the Lord Calvert Hotel in College Park at 6:30 p. m. The forum will begin at 8 p. m. Mrs. Joseph Berkenbilt, chairman of the Greenbelt chapter of the League, states that members and non-members are invited to attend. Alfred Friendly, labor editor of the Washington Post, will act as moderator.

The following speakers will debate the topic "Do Our Labor Laws Promote Industrial Peace?": Herbert Thatcher, counsel for the AFL; Leslie Fishman, research associate of the CIO; Milton Smith, associate general counsel for the Chamber of Commerce; and John Whittlesey, labor relations attorney of the Chamber of Commerce.

After the forum, which will be in "town meeting" style, there will be questions from the audience. For further information call Greenbelt 8341.

Ashelman's report at the annual membership meeting when he said that after the new building had been completed rent would no longer be paid on the pantry. Rent is now paid on the co-op pantry, 2% of its sales volume, because it operates from the government-owned center store. When the new building is completed, and the pantry operates from the new store owned by GCS, no more rent will be paid on the pantry sales volume, Mr. Ferguson said.

Gablerization?

Carnie Harper reported briefly on recent meetings held to discuss the Gabler report, a survey made by the Werner K. Gabler firm of the operations and structure of cooperatives in the East, especially Eastern Cooperatives, Inc., the cooperative wholesale. Mrs. Harper, along with about fifteen other GCS members and representatives from other co-ops in this area, attended a preliminary meeting in Washington on February 19, to discuss the report and get nearby reactions to the rather drastic recommendations contained in it. A committee was set up at this meeting to study steps to be taken on an area basis to improve efficiency of co-op operations. Mrs. Harper and Mr. Lastner have been named as Greenbelt's delegates to this committee, and will keep the board informed of progress.

Mrs. Harper also attended a weekend conference called by Eastern Cooperatives of representatives from co-ops in the East, as the GCS delegate, with expenses paid by ECI as for all other official delegates. The purpose of the conference was to get initial reactions to the Gabler report and the recommendations made by it for the reorganization of the co-op wholesale. Mrs. Harper told the board that generally the reaction to the report was similar to the response at the February 19 Washington meeting: that reorganization should be confined to an area basis at least at first, and that it should be confined to strictly business operations.

Council Hears Safety Reports; Measles Warning

Watch out for measles in March!

This ominous warning was issued last Monday night in the Town Council meeting by Manager James Gobel, in reporting public health activities of the town government for the month of February. The disease has reached almost epidemic proportions in the metropolitan area, according to Gobel, and if past experience is a guide, Greenbelt should have an unusually large number of cases this month.

Other Reports

In addition to receiving the public health report and the annual report of the Public Safety Department covering 1947, the Council listened to or acted on the following items:

A report by Mayor Thomas Canning that the committee to investigate the Town administration had filed its report and that the council will decide what action to take on it at the next regular council meeting or earlier.

A complaint by former Mayor George Bauer that town employees are using town automobiles for personal business.

A report by Gobel that the Town Charter has been reproduced in quantity, and that interested citizens may purchase copies at the office for 50 cents per copy.

A letter from the National Safety Council commending Greenbelt's traffic record. Gobel indicated that Greenbelt will try to participate in the Council's annual safety contest, although it may be barred because of having had fewer than 5,000 residents at the time of the 1940 census. A request was made by John Brunjes for release of a report on Greenbelt traffic problems which has been made by the American Automobile Association to the town.

Los Alamos Wants Help

A letter from the charter committee of Los Alamos, New Mexico, site of the atomic research experiments, requesting information on Greenbelt's charter and the problems it has encountered in operating as a town on Federal property. Los Alamos is similar to Greenbelt in that it is made up mostly of Federal employees, and the entire area is Federal property.

A report by Gobel that the recent cold wave had caused three million dollars in damage to roads in the metropolitan area, including the Greenbelt approaches. The council indicated that help will be sought from Public Housing Administration in rebuilding the approach roads, which were originally constructed by the Federal government on an inadequate base. Councilman Frank Lastner complimented the town's Public Works Department and its chief, Elliott Sines, for the quality of work done in repairing the storm damage and in keeping the roads free of snow and ice.

To Discuss Zoning

A request from PHA officials for a meeting with the council tomorrow to discuss Greenbelt zoning problems.

A report that a mobile X-ray unit will be stationed in Greenbelt sometime during April. Free X-rays will be given to all Greenbelt citizens who wish them, as part of the current anti-tuberculosis drive.

A request that provision be made for the public health officer to give physical examinations to children in the Greenbelt High School, in the same way that dental examinations are being given.

A motion to pay \$24 for gold basketballs for the Greenbelt High School basketball teams.

A request by Councilman Lastner that all citizens participate in the traffic survey now being made by the Greenbelt Citizens Association in an effort to oppose a 118% increase in Capital Transit fares.

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Great Books Study Group Coming Here

Mr. and Mrs. Bassett Ferguson, 18-C Ridge Road, are taking a training course in Washington given for prospective leaders in the Great Books study groups. The training period will continue through March, after which a study group will be organized in Greenbelt.

Those interested in participating in a study group should contact Mrs. Mary Jane Kinzer at 2031 or Mrs. Harris, Librarian, at 2721.

Cooperator Takes Official Notice Of Steam Shovels

By S. C. S. A.

The Cooperator's special correspondent on subterranean activities donned heavy boots and a manful smile this week to report on the present status of GCS building operations. Arriving at the construction shack only slightly marred by a misstep into the excavation, she found Superintendent Dreyer and GCS engineer Robertson busily planning the next day's operations. The discussion involved such esoteric devices as clamshells, backfills, and offsets. Humbly awaiting recognition, your reporter coughed violently several times, and finally interrupted the conference long enough to get the following information:

Main excavation is completed and work proceeding on foundation walls and footings. Pouring of concrete should start next week if weather continues fair.

Structural and reinforcing steel is now being fabricated into exact lengths and shapes at Sparrows Point and in Washington.

Contract was signed last week for some 10,000 square feet of concrete roof slab to be pre-cast in a Hyattsville plant, and delivered to the site by May.

The service station lubrication building should be complete by the end of next week, weather permitting. Moving of the pump island and installation of new gasoline tank, piping and pumps will begin immediately afterward. As no trucking company makes its headquarters in Greenbelt, management did not feel it should spend an extra \$3000 to make the new service station building big enough to grease just the two GCS trucks once a month.

Cooperation of the schools and police in warning Greenbelt off-spring has been appreciated. Steamshovels are interesting to watch, but dangerous to play with!

At this point, your correspondent was completely covered by the advancing shadow of a clamshell bucket and beat a hasty retreat while the driver received instructions on where to dig next.

Pour Your Own

"Help yourself to a cup of coffee" will soon be the invitation at the drug store says John Coleman, luncheonette manager. Self-service coffee will start as soon as necessary installations are completed. Coffee makers, empty cups, saucers, sugar and cream will be on the counter, so that customers may pour their own to their taste. Mr. Coleman states that this is an experiment which it is hoped will expedite rush hour service.

High School PTA

The Greenbelt High School PTA will hold a meeting at 8 p. m. on Wednesday, March 10, in the High School auditorium. The topic for discussion will be "Problems of Youth," with both parents and students participating. Refreshments will be served.

The Ways and Means Committee of the PTA expressed its thanks to parents who contributed home-made candies sold on "All Greenbelt Night."

GMHOC Launches Drive Tomorrow

The Rev. Eric T. Braund has been appointed chairman of a final membership drive by the board of directors of the Greenbelt Mutual Home Ownership. The drive will start tomorrow, March 6, and will continue through Monday, March 22. The following captains were appointed to serve under Rev. Braund: Walter Bierwagen, Elliott Bukzin, Edward J. Castaldi, Michael Burchick, Edwin des Marets, Charles Haegle, Hans Jorgensen, Mrs. Alice Jule, Henry H. Key, Mrs. Sue Hazell, Joseph Karitas, Irving Rothchild, William Shields, and James Walsh.

On Non-Resident Membership Officials of GMHOC stated that the reason for putting on a final membership drive at this time is the fact that the by-laws of the corporation provide that, after formal offer of sale by the Federal Government, membership in the corporation must be thrown open to non-residents of Greenbelt. As membership in the corporation cannot exceed the number of dwelling units available, it was felt that every resident of Greenbelt who desires to continue living in the community should have an opportunity to join the corporation before the membership list is opened to outsiders.

It was also pointed out that, although the corporation already has a considerable majority of the families in Greenbelt represented in its membership, each additional member will strengthen the position of the corporation in its negotiations with PHA. Emphasis was placed on the fact that, if a resident member of the corporation should find himself unable to comply with the price and terms finally prescribed by PHA, he will be entitled to a refund of his membership fee provided a non-member takes over his membership.

Resident veterans who did not join GMHOC during the original drive because of veteran-preference provided under Public Order No. 1 were warned that veteran residents will have no preference over non-veteran residents if PHA sells to private investors.

"Kick-off Tonight"

The Rev. Braund announced that the "kick-off" meeting of the final membership drive will be held at 8:15 tonight in the home economics room of the Center School. He stated that this meeting will be attended by captains and workers who have agreed to serve under his direction during the drive. He especially requested that every member of the corporation who could volunteer to work during the drive make an effort to attend this organizational meeting.

Beginning March 6, the corporation office over the drug store will be open from 11 a. m. until 5 p. m. Saturdays, and on week days during the drive from 7 to 10 p. m.

At its first meeting the new board of directors of GMHOC elected the following officers: Michael Salzman, president; Sherrod East, vice-president; Wesley Darling, treasurer, and Paul Borsky, secretary. The Board voted to re-appoint Abraham Chasanow to act as the corporation's counsel.

Mr. Salzman announced that in addition to the executive committee, which consists of the four officers, the following other committees were appointed: appraisal, Michael Salzman; development, Sherrod East; education and publicity, Paul Borsky and Rabbi M. A. Sandhaus; finance, Wesley Darling and Wells Harrington; legislative, Rabbi M. A. Sandhaus and J. Walsh Barcus; management, Frank Shea and Ben Goldfaden.

Citizens Association Meets Monday Night

The Citizens Association will hold a meeting in the auditorium of the North End School, Monday, March 8, at 8:15 p. m. The subject for discussion will be "Does Greenbelt Want Private Enterprise?"

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We're Strangers Here Ourselves

Before many more months have gone by, Greenbelt may move out from under the protective wing of the Federal government and become just another town in the state of Maryland. Of course Greenbelt won't be "just another town" to those of us who live here, for most of us will work hard to keep our town a model community, a town which will continue to stand out as the ideal place to raise our families and to live the way we want to.

But to the rest of the state and the county, our political rights, our participation in state, county and school budgets, will be just what we of Greenbelt make them. And unless we do something about it, that participation will be unusually limited.

For Greenbelt, because of its unique nature and its landlord, has been almost completely isolationist as far as county and state relations are concerned. Do you doubt this? Then try yourself on the following questions:

What legislative district is Greenbelt in?

What area does the district include?

Who represents Greenbelt in the legislature?

How are the county commissioners elected, at-large or by districts?

Who represents Greenbelt among the county commissioners?

Who represents Greenbelt on the county school board, and where is he from?

What Congressional district are we in, and who is our congressman?

Now are you convinced?

Our town is one of the most favored in the county in terms of population, per capita wealth, health standards, cultural level—almost anything you can name. Yet we are not represented in any public body beyond our town limits.

This can have serious results. Already we are taking short shrift in school funds. What will happen, for example, when we go to the county for help on our roads? County officials, as far as we know, are conscientious and honest. But what would you do as a county commissioner if you had money to build one road and had to choose between the people who elected you and a town that had ignored the county government for ten years?

If we are to crawl out of our shell, we shall need to move along several fronts: political, business, educational, cultural, and organizational. Every Greenbelt group can make some contribution toward putting Greenbelt out in front on the county and state maps.

The Cooperator is greatly interested in seeing this movement materialize. We hope to point out various points of departure as opportunity permits, and to give adequate publicity to those who succeed in breaking into the outside world.

Isolation has been fun. It has been convenient. But our ten years of protected domesticity are ending. We have to step out on our own now, or endanger much that we have gained.—R. W. C.

To The Editor:

To the People of Greenbelt:

Unless 130 new members join the Greenbelt Health Association by its next membership meeting, scheduled for Thursday, March 11, the Board of Directors will recommend that the Association be dissolved.

A handful of members has been making strenuous efforts to reach the goal which would permit us to continue, but it is now apparent that a small number of persons cannot accomplish the task alone. Only the whole town's cooperation can save the Association.

We will accept your membership application by phone—Greenbelt 2121.

Board of Directors
Greenbelt Health Association

NCJW Presents Records To School

In observance of Brotherhood Week, the Greenbelt Section of the National Council of Jewish Women last Friday gave the children of the Center and North End Schools two record albums called "Little Songs on Big Subjects."

Mrs. Adelaide Weidberg, president of the Greenbelt Section, presented one of the albums to Mrs. Gibbons, principal of the North End School, while Mrs. Fan Schein, chairman of the group's committee on Community Cooperation, presented the other to Mrs. Fugitt, principal of the Center School.

Both albums are intended to teach the value of friendship among all people.

OUR NEIGHBORS

By DOROTHY MCGEE
Phone 5677

Because his birthday falls on February 29 and can be celebrated only once in four years, Ben Rosenzweig enjoyed his tenth real birthday at a party last Saturday evening in his home. The guests were his associates in the Health Association, GCS, and the Greenbelt Gun Club.

Henry Mazlen of 2-D Northway also misses out on an annual birthday and can celebrate only during Leap Year.

Fred McCarthy of 6-J Ridge Road, a patient at Leland Memorial Hospital for two weeks, returned home on Monday after making remarkable recovery.

Mrs. William Brough of 6-Z-3 Plateau Place left Sunday with her two sons to spend two weeks with her parents in Hopewell, Va. Russel Mielke of 2-A Eastway underwent an operation last week at George Washington Hospital. He is expected home this weekend.

Mrs. E. P. Hawk of 45-T Ridge Road recently enjoyed a week's visit from her six-month-old grandson. Baby Thomas Jefferson Lambert and his daddy, Robert Lambert, came by plane from their home in Texas. They flew back last Sunday.

Joe Long, of 3-B Gardenway is a patient at Providence Hospital in Washington.

Working with the sewing committee in Prince Georges Hospital are Mrs. Lloyd Nelson, Mrs. W. Ehrhardt, Mrs. Arthur Krause and Mrs. H. Slaymaker. The ladies go to Cheverly the third Tuesday of each month and make articles of use in the hospital.

Maureen O'Meara celebrated her eleventh birthday on February 23 with a party for her school and neighborhood friends. Among her lovely gifts was a very special one, a pair of silver barrettes made by her father.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Clark, 57-H Ridge Road, announce the arrival of 7 lb., 11 oz. Robert W. Jr. on Sunday, February 29, at Columbia Hospital, Washington.

The Daniels Neffs, with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Walker, drove to Baltimore on Sunday to see their young grandson, Daniel John Conroy, who was in the hospital, seriously ill with Virus X infection. Mrs. Neff stayed in Baltimore until Tuesday when she returned home, reasonably certain that the boy was out of danger.

Mrs. Eugene Walker, the former Dorothy Neff, and her husband have been in their new home at 56-E Ridge Road for almost three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Stutz of 14-Z Ridge Road had as their house guests for ten days Mrs. Stutz' brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gross and their son, Jerry, of New York City.

Billy Schroder of 14-E Hillside Road was three on St. Valentine's Day. Eight of his friends helped him celebrate with a party in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mague of 2-J Laurel Hill Road became the parents of an 8 lb., 13 1/4 oz. son at Naval Medical Center. They have another son and two daughters.

Mrs. Willard Ehrhardt of 13-T Hillside Road was hostess at a Juliette Low luncheon given in her home on February 24. Guests were Mrs. Vincent Huggard, Mrs. Lloyd Nelson, Mrs. Thelma Elder, Mrs. Horace Kramer and Mrs. John Willoughby. Each guest in turn is hostess at another luncheon. This is a means of raising money for the Juliette Low Fund, a special fund for promoting the Scout movement in other countries.

Janet Miller of 6-C Crescent Road and Jeffrey Stevens of 2-K Eastway celebrated their mutual fifth birthdays on March 1 with a party for their school friends at the Greenbelt Cooperative Nursery School.

Lorraine Buck of 3-A Gardenway, a sophomore at the High School, has been on the sick list.

JCC Holds Meeting

A membership meeting of the Jewish Community Center will be held on Monday, March 8, in the social room of the Center School at 8:15 p. m.

The regular social will be held tomorrow night, March 6, also in the social room. Jerry Pines, who will act as master of ceremonies, planned the evening's entertainment. Refreshments will be served.

Community Church Protestant

Sunday, March 7: 9:30—Church School. 11 a. m.—Church Worship. Sermon by Rev. Braund, "The Power of Christian Faith." 4 p. m.—Annual fellowship and dinner for Sunday School officers and teachers at Cleveland Park Congregational Church.

Tuesday, March 9: 8 p. m.—Evening Guild meets at 34-G Ridge.

Wednesday, March 10: 3:30 p. m.—Junior choir, 7:30 p. m.—Senior choir. 8:30 p. m.—Lenten prayer services, home economics room.

Thursday, March 11: 8 p. m.—Washington Cathedral meeting on "The Churches and the European Recovery Plan." Speakers: Secretary of State George C. Marshall, John Foster Dulles, Bishop Angus Dun. Sponsored by the Washington Federation of Churches.

Saturday, March 12: 6:30 p. m.—Men's Bible Class dinner, social room.

Lutheran Church

Pastor: Edwin E. Pieplow
Telephone: WARfield 0942 or
HYattsville 0383

Service: 12:30 p. m. in the home economics room of the Center School.

Sunday School: 11:30 a. m.
Tuesday: Deeper Spiritual Life Conference at Mt. Rainier at 8 p. m.

Wednesday: Mid-week Lenten services in Mt. Rainier at 8 p. m.

Thursday: Mid-week Lenten services at Greenbelt in the home economics room of the Center School at 8 p. m.

Sunday, March 14: A religious film, "Reaching from Heaven," will be shown in the Center School auditorium at 7 p. m.

Mowatt Memorial Methodist Church

Woodandway and Forestway
Minister, Raymond W. Cooke
Sunday, March 7—

9:45 a. m.—Sunday School
11 a. m.—Morning Worship
7 p. m.—Methodist Youth Fellowship

8 p. m.—Evening Worship
Wednesday, March 10—
3:45 p. m.—Booster Band

Red Cross Drive

Mrs. Ralph N. Neumann will be chairman for the Red Cross Drive beginning this week. There will be door-to-door soliciting in every court. The drive will last until April 1.

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GAC Squads Split Double Header

Avenging an early-in-the-season defeat by the YMCA, the local Athletic Club basketball team downed an aggressive "Y" team 58-44 at the Center school gym. The local squad trailed until midway through the fourth quarter. Behind the brilliant long shots of Marlcham, the Washington Y led 15-11 at the quarter and 27-25 at the half.

"Lee" Clark High Scorer

Clark was high scorer for the GAC with 16 followed by Lindeman with 11 and Fox with 10. Wickers was high for the YMCA team with 18 followed by Pope and Markham with 8 each.

NOL Wins 28-26

With all their experience the Naval Ordnance Laboratory team eked out a 28-26 win over the GAC Juniors to keep their undefeated record intact. Led by their high-scoring center, Fetters, the NOL team was in no trouble until the final quarter when the locals garnered 3 points while holding their opponents to 0. A long shot by Cookson with one second to play barely missed. "Smoot" Fox was high scorer for the locals, followed by Benefiel. Fetters scored 13 for the visitors.

St. Hugh's Plans St. Patrick's Dance

The St. Hugh's Parish Committee will hold a dance on St. Patrick's Day, March 17, at 8:30 p. m. in the Center School auditorium. Ervin Dietzel is chairman and Joseph Karitas, co-chairman for the affair.

Men of the Parish are sponsoring the dance. Heads of the various committees include: tickets, Ray Hennessy; decorations, Michael Burchick; entertainment, Robert Brady; publicity, Joseph Fitzmaurice; and refreshments, Maurice Lawton. Anyone interested in helping with the affair is asked to call Ervin Dietzel at Greenbelt 8121.

Symphony Group Elects Officers

At the last rehearsal of the Prince Georges County Symphony Orchestra, the following officers were elected: Mrs. Helen Oring, Greenbelt, president; Paul Marsh, Berwyn, secretary; and Walter Boatman, Washington, treasurer.

David Burchuk, conductor, is planning a spring concert and invites all string players who wish to participate to attend the rehearsal Sunday afternoon from 5 to 7 p. m. Membership is open to all residents of Prince Georges County. Mr. Burchuk has volunteered to give double bass lessons, gratis, to anyone possessing the instrument.

Children Itemized

Two scooters, one tricycle and one bicycle were among items recovered by the police department and returned to their owners this week. Five children reported lost were also found and returned to their owners.

Youngsters Top Basketball League

The Youngsters, led by Smoot Fox, were not thought to be in the running for the Recreation Department Basketball League championship at the beginning of the season, but much to the surprise of everybody they were beaten only twice during the season. In the first half they fell before the Newly-Weds, and in the second half the winless Rock Busters pulled Linderman out of retirement to deal them their other defeat. Fox led his team to victory with 13 points, while Mothershead paced the losers with eight. The final score, 37-17.

In the other games the Mixers defeated the Newly-Weds 56-29, and the Rock Busters beat last year's champs, the Ironmen, 36-34. The gym continues to be open Thursday nights to any of the men who might wish to come up and work out, starting at 7 p. m.

GAC Cagers Meet Mounts And Vets

The Greenbelt Athletic Club basketball teams will entertain two top-flight teams tomorrow night at the local school gym.

At 9 p. m. the GAC team will battle their traditional rivals, Mt. Rainier. In a previous game this year Mt. Rainier downed the locals, 53-48, in an overtime game. The GAC will be out to avenge this defeat. In the previous game little Bob Phillips who wears number 4 on his jersey dropped in 24 points. The team also features the two Dobyn brothers, Walsh and Scott.

At 7:45 the GAC Juniors will battle the Irish War Vets of S. E. Washington. The War Vets are a colorful organization that has played and defeated many area teams.

Community Chorus Meets On Monday

The Greenbelt Community Chorus is preparing for its spring concert, scheduled for Monday evening, May 17.

The Executive Board announces that dues have been reduced to \$1 per month for the balance of the spring season. New members may join before April 1, at which time membership will be closed until next fall, due to preparations for the concert.

Persons interested in joining should contact Mrs. Charles Cormack, membership chairman, at Greenbelt 3746. The chorus meets every Monday night at 8:30 p. m. in the home economics room of the Center School.

Guest Speaker

Fr. Daniel Cullin, S. M. A., of Holy Redeemer, Berwyn, will be guest speaker at the monthly meeting of the Blessed Mother's Sodality on Wednesday, March 10, at 8:30 p. m. in the social room of the Center School. The subject of Father Cullin's talk will be "True Devotion to The Blessed Virgin."



Babies Need Mothers

The most important period in the world, to a mother, is the time when her baby is growing up—all the years from just a little toddler on up.

These "growing up" years with mother are just as necessary to the baby. That is why Family Income Insurance is so important. If the bread-winner dies, the widow receives money every month so she will not have to be away at work—she and the toddler can enjoy the growing-up years together. Ask about it... just call

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Teen Talk

By JOE HASPIEL

The lack of areas where young men can play basketball and softball in this town is pathetic. Play areas to be effective must be in close proximity to the homes where the boys live. If such space is not provided, then the rights of those inconvenienced by the improvised courts set up by the boys will never be adjusted. Attention of the town council and parents is directed to the many unused areas throughout the town which would afford suitable sites for teen-age activity. (Areas will be pointed out at request.)

Typical of the undercurrent of feeling found among our active boys is this letter.

Dear Mr. Haspiel:

I wish you would write something in your column about providing a place for boys our age (13-17) to play basketball. We are allotted one hour per week to play ball in the center gym. I realize the town cannot give us more time because so many others are to be thought of, but I wish the town would do something about making outdoor courts for us. Several hard-surfaced courts around town would do the job. A basket at each end and uprights at each side at the middle of the court for attaching a net would supply basketball and badminton players. I do not think these baskets would be destroyed because of the interest in this sport that the boys have.

My father built a basket and bought me a ball. We put this goal on top of some garages and started to play. A lady living in the end house was sick and the playing disturbed her. She called the police who made us take the goal down. About a week later we moved to the other side where we were promptly told to take the goal down. So we went back to the other side because the lady was not sick any more. But now the people that rent the garages don't want us to play there any more. We get blamed for things that other kids do around those automobiles just because we play there. What are we to do?

(Signed) Just Fellers

Drop Inn Problems

At the last meeting of the Drop-Inn Board, Mrs. Leon G. Benefiel presiding, the heat problem was discussed with the community and town managers. Both Charles Cormack and James Gobbel said that everything possible would be done to improve the heating at the Drop Inn. Mr. Cormack suggested that the Board consider storm windows next winter as a means of securing maximum use of the present heating unit. The numerous windows in the building make it difficult to heat.

The mud overwhelming the Drop-Inn from the new food store excavation is another source of complaint. Mr. Cormack agreed to discuss with Sam Ashelman, GCS general manager, the possibility of putting a retaining wall to hold back the mud during construction.

Senior Scouts

Sunday fore-noon a group of teen-agers were leaning one against the other and almost hopelessly trying to get their sleep-laden eyes open. Jack Likens was the one in the green plaid shirt. Clyde was the one sticking out of the center of the pile. After transportation arrived and the boys were untangled, the rest were found to be Julian Tavenner, clutching a lunch bag; Bill Collier, just about holding ground; Ed Lewis (where's the food, fellas); Ray Sowell and Duane Leifer (looking for a life boat); and Francis Carmody (for no good reason at all). With the aid of automobiles and the good graces of Mr. Eanes, Mr. Lewis and Mr. Sowell, the boys managed to get to Burnt Mills and have a good time being outdoors. The group was part of Senior Outfit 202.

Greenbelt Queen

Carol Holien, Greenbelt High School senior, was crowned queen of the Greenbelt Nite celebration last Saturday at the University of Maryland. Patsy Miller was elected Maid of Honor, with Doris Friend, Esther Wolfe, Marie Nehr, Helen Miller and Norma Curry comprising the court.

Recreation Dept. Gives Schedule

The Greenbelt Recreation Department has announced its afternoon schedule of activities to be in effect until the Easter vacation:

Monday—Northend, Tumbling for girls, 4th through 6th grade. Center, Basketball for boys, 4th through 6th grade. Tuesday—Northend, Boxing for boys, 4th through 6th grade. Center, Basketball for girls, 4th through 6th grade. Center, Tumbling for Jr. High School girls.

Wednesday—Center, Basketball for Jr. High school boys. Center, Arts and Crafts for 8 yr. olds up through 6th grade. Thursday—Center, Basketball for Jr. High school girls. Friday—Center, Tumbling for girls, kindergarten, grades 1, 2, 3.

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Shots Tomorrow

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It is advised that children have two injections and adults three. Any person who has been immunized for three consecutive years needs only one injection as a booster. Anyone allergic to feathers or eggs should not have these shots without skin testing, according to the Association's medical staff. The fee for this service is payable when the treatment is given.

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Popeye
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5:05, 7:10, 9:15
Monday 7:15 and 9:20

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