









## Recreation Center News

By JOE TRIAPASSO

### Junior High League

Cards Defeat Dodgers, 4 to 3. The Cardinals reaped up their second win of the season when they defeated the Dodgers, 4 to 3, behind the one-hit pitching of "Sling Shot" Barry Royden. The only hit off Royden was a blazing single by McCarthy in the fourth inning. "Mighty" McGowan was on the mound for the Dodgers and pitched a fine game and his blazing fast ball and crossfire pitch caused the Cards loads of trouble all afternoon. Scoring runs for the Cardinals were Donak who crossed the welcome mat twice Royden and La Grun. Scoring for the Dodgers were Nichols and Drago who scored twice. Games for next week will find the Yankees playing the Indians, Cardinals tackling the Giants and the Red Sox playing host to the Dodgers.

### Grade School Baseball

Laurel Street Beats Indian Neck. The power packed Laurel Street continued its winning ways by defeating Indian Neck, 10 to 1, for the third straight win, behind the fine pitching of Bentley. Dickie Ar-

den, Indian Neck's great all-around athlete was on the mound for his team and pitched fine ball. This was the first game of the season for Indian Neck as they had been rained out on two of their previous games. McGowan, Bruno and Pyrdol each garnered three safe hits, while Bentley besides turning in a fine pitching performance collected two hits for his team. De Sarbo had a booming double in the third inning. Hitting hard for Indian Neck were Provost and Hinzard who each collected doubles. Thomas, who should develop into a fine catcher, and "Jake" Wilkowsk, Laurel Street went on a scoring spree in the third inning when five straight hits led to six runs.

### Community Softball League

The Branford Community Softball League started its season Tuesday night. The games were not completed due to a sudden down-pour. Most of the games went from three to four innings and they will be played at a later date. Before the rain halted the games, Meadow Restaurant was leading the Carver Club 7 to 2, in the third inning. Stony Creek was defeating Midway Restaurant, 14 to 0, in the fourth inning.

The Italian-American Club and the Old Timers were having a whole of a game with the score 3 to 3 going into the fourth inning. The next games scheduled for the league are for Friday night at the Hammer Field, with Independent Amusement playing host to Midway Restaurant, Short Beach playing Stony Creek, the Old Timers tackling Meadow Restaurant and the I. C. Club meeting the Carvers. The only sad thing about the opening games was the absence of Anthony "Buck" Torollo, popular manager of the Independent Amusement Softball team, who was ill in St. Raphael's Hospital in New Haven. All the players of the league wish Buck a speedy recovery and hope to see him back on the Branford sporting scene where he has been so active for so many years. Best of luck, Buck, and we are all rooting and pulling for you.

**Square Dance**  
A large and enthusiastic crowd attended the first square dance of the season, sponsored by the Branford Recreation Advisory Board at the Community House. Guest callers for the evening were Joan Pelsner, Roland Farris and Fred Harvey from Ossining, N.Y. The callers enjoyed themselves so much and were so impressed by the enthusiasm displayed by the mixed crowd of both youngsters and adults that they have agreed to come back to Branford at a later date to call another square dance for the Recreation Advisory Board. Featured at the first square dance was folk dances, Eastern and Western Squares and Circle dances.

### New Look At Hammer Field

Hammer Field is undergoing a face lifting job. Two new, back steps have been constructed by Mike Petola, park groundsman, and were painted by Mr. Petola and Collins Fitch who has been doing much duty as a volunteer worker for the Advisory Board. The Little League backstop was also painted. Work was begun last week to remodel the Number Four softball diamond. The diamond was cleaned of all rock, and fill dumped into the low spots. A new back stop will soon be constructed there also. Last Saturday work began on painting the grand stands at Hammer Field. The boys who did such a swell job of painting the Community House were on hand Saturday morning to undertake the new project. Before the day was over, eight gallons of paint was spread on the grand stands. The shower rooms are the next project to be started by the group.

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New Haven County Fruit Growers are setting aside Sunday, May 11th as Apple Blossom Sunday. They are inviting the public to visit the orchards of the county, to get a real appreciation for one of the greatest performance of the combined efforts of nature and man.

Thousands of acres of orchards, row on row clothe our hillside in a blaze of glory that is unmatched by any other sight in this part of the country. We can talk about the orange groves of Florida and California, the Majestic Mountains, the Grand Canyon and many other famous sights, but our local orchards in full bloom hold their own for sheer beauty, at the same time giving off an aroma that presents one of the greatest experiences that a person can have. It is a symphony of one of the great masters with notes added here and there by the busy bees humming and singing from flower to flower and the notes of wood instruments contributed by the breezes among the petals and early leaves. Fruit growers offer to share this glory of nature with their city cousins and their many friends on Sunday, May 11th.

They suggest an auto trip through the orchards of Milford and Woodbridge, across the hills into the northern end of Cheshire where on U. S. No. 10 and Meriden Road, the orchards may be seen. To continue the trip one might travel on into Southington and Framington or turn back over Cook Hill Road across Wallingford into East Wallingford to Wheelwright Hill down to Route No. 7, Middletown Turnpike, then to Branford and Guilford where the orchards straddle U. S. No. 1, or from Wallingford through Reeds Gap to Middlefield.

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Fire Chief John Zvonkovic appeals to residents not to start outdoor fires during the current dry spell. There have been more than 31 brush fires so far this month. A permit for outdoor fires at this season is required by law.  
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