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# DEMONSTRATION OF MEAT-GRADES HERE FRI. AFTERNOON 1:30

## MOVIE HERE FRI. NIGHT !

Men's Athletic Club

At 8:00 P.M. on Friday evening, March . 4, Greenbelt will enjoy its first full length movie.

The feature picture will be "Doomed Pattalion", a full length talkie dealing with an actual occurence in the World Ter. The program will include a newsreel and short subjects, and will be offered by the National Capital Film Library. Admission will be 25 cents for adults and tencents for children.

It is possible that our theatre will be released by the construction committee in which case the movie will be shown there. In the event that the theatre is not released, the Mon's Athletic Club of Greenbelt has very kindly changed the date of its meeting from Friday evening, March 3, so that the auditorium will be available.

In any cose, the movie will definitely be shown here on Friday evening.

Notice will appear on the bull tin board in the store indicating whether it will appear in the tre or a citorium. MARKETING SPECIALISTS OF U. S. DEPART
MENT OF AGRICULTURE TO PARTICIPATE
IN PROGRAM OF MUCH INTEREST TO
CONSUMERS

#### By William R. Poole

A large crowd is expected to attend the demonstration to be held in the School auditorium, Friday afternoon, at 1:30 F. M.

The Bureau of Agricultural Economic of the U. S. Pepartment of Agricultur is acceptating with Greenbelt Consume Services in bringing to the people of Greenbelt a demonstration of meat grawhich has proven to be of much intereand value to consumers all over the country.

Mr. B. F. McCarthy, head of the Mea Grading Service, Mr. E. V. Theobald, Marketing Specialist, and others of t Department of Agriculture will conduct the demonstration.

Arrangements have been made by Mr. Laskse, Manager, Greenbelt Food Store Meat Department, who is in char of the program, to provide a nursery for the small children during the afternoon.

Wax models of rib reasts of beef wibe used to illustrate the talks. Each model represents one of the seven grace for boof. The grades are: Prime, Cho: Good, Medium, Plain, Cutter, and Low (See DEPCNSTRATION Page 2)

#### PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION HOLDS THIRD MEETING

Entertaining and Instructive Meeting Enjoyed by Large Gathering

Seventy men and women attended the third meeting of the Greenbelt Parent-Teacher Association held on Feb. 24, in the social room of the school.

The program was arranged by the Greenbelt teachers. It began with a number of games, directed by Miss Kaufman, fifth grade teacher. The games were heartily enjoyed and enabled all present to get better acquainted.

Mrs. Alderton, first grade teacher, gave a most interesting talk on the newer their choice of patterns for the dishes trend in pupil report cards. Mrs. Catherine Reed, principal, discussed the academic aspects of the report card system.

A brief report of the business meeting was given by Mrs. Oscar Johnson, PTA treasurer, after which program and publicity committees were appointed.

Mrs. Ida Guisinger and Mrs. Reed were appointed as a committee of two to obtain a flag for the school's flagpole. The flag, which is to be obtained with the cooperation of the Greenbelt Post of the American Legion, will be displayed

The next P.T.A. meeting will be held on March 24.

#### DEMONSTRATION -----

(Continued from the First Page) Cutter. Consumers are not concerned with the last three grades, but these are used to point out the value of knowledge of the grades of most that are purchased.

In addition there will be displays of charts and pictures of meats of different fat steers that are a joy to behold. qualities, and many other interesting illustrations to serve as guides for meat buying.

After the program at the school the audience will be invited to view the dis- many of his meals. play of graded meats in the Greenbelt Food Store.

Mr. Laakson, Manager of the Meat Department, says he believes that every consumer will benefit greatly by this interesting word and picture story of the Federal meat grades.

#### MOVIE TO BE FEATURE AT CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION MEETING

The well known and highly praised movie short "The Plow that Broke the Plains" will be shown as a special attraction at the next Citizens' Association meeting, to be held at the Auditorium at 8:00 P. M., Monday, March 7.

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A subject of the discussion at the meeting will be the advisability of a regular Sunday afternoon motion picture show.

#### PLAIN OR FLOWERED?

Numerous citizens have indicated to be used at the lunch counter. There are fifteen designs; types range from a plain white plate with black band to an elaborate pattern composed of a broad band of rose colored flowers around a white center.

First choice thus far is a cream colored plate with bands of brown and orange on the rim and small conventionalized flower design in the center.

Tied for second place, much in the rear, are the black and white plates and a design composed of a wreath of white flowers and green leaves against a cream background.

Some of the plates are much darker in color than is ordinary, almost an ecru shade. They have this advantage (?) over their rivals, that they would not show dirt as quickly if the dish-washer at the lunch counter had an off day.

#### ------WILDE CO-OPERATION

The National Agricultural Research Center at Beltsville has produced large Nineteen of them have just been butchered. Here was Fred Wilde's chance to get some wonderful steaks of unbeatable quality, steaks produced where he works and has

However, Fred is such an ardent coeoperator and is so loyal to our store that in preparing for Sunday's dinner at the Research Center he bought three steaks at our own meat market and hauled them to Beltsville where he enjoyed a meal that befitted his conscience.

#### FORGOTTEN STATION

To the Editor:

While Greenbelters have loyally supported the food store with the satisfactory results graphed on another page of this issue of the Cooperator, those who own cars have failed to take advantage of the facilities (gas to you) offered by our "up to date" and modernly equipped Service Station.

To pep up business, cards have been mailed to car owners offering them a car lubrication for nothing - except the return of the card and 49¢. It is hoped that many will take advantage of the offer. Our mailing list is incomplete, but those who do not receive a card in the mail will find theirs waiting for them at the station.

Henry Little and Jimmie Porter will, be on the job to serve promptly with a smile, also the best of grease and oils. See you at the Pump.

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON COOPS.

#### · RECREATION CHAIRMAN RESIGNS

It is with regret that the Citizen's Association received the resignation of Mr. Harold L. Alderton from his position as chairman of the Recreation Committee, Friday, February 25.

Mr. Alderton has charge of men's physical training at the University of Meryland and his duties there have been so exacting that he feels that he has not the time to give to a recreational program such as Greenbelt deserves.

It is hoped that the community may continue to benefit from Mr. Alderton's skill and training, even though he does not feel able to assume the responsibility of directing the entire recreational program.

No one has yet been appointed to succeed Mr. Alderton.

We pass on this bit of wisdom to some of the erstwhile cooperators of Greenbelt. Some old sage has stated it thusly, "He who would be master of some, must first be servant of all."

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#### GREENBELT EMPLOYMENT SERVICE Overwhelmed with Applicants

Mrs. Dorothy Fleisher, of 6-C Hillside, Director of the Employment Service conducted by the Social Welfare Committee of the Greenbelt Citizens' Association, announces that there are at present more calls for service than there are applicants to do the work.

Calls have been received for girls to mind babies at night, for women to do sewing and cooking and some calls have been received for professionals, such as nurses, accountants, tutors etc.

In order that these calls may be filled it is requested that those seeking employment and possessing qualifications enabling them to fill the above named or other positions, register with Mrs. Fleisher. Registration may also be made with Mrs. Coff, 2-D Eastway, Phone 4801.

The Employment Service is designed to serve as a clearing house for those seeking employment and those seeking help. No fee is charged.

#### MR. SOWELL BREAKS ANKLE

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While trying out his son's skates
Sunday afternoon, Feb. 27, Rae B. Sowell,
33-F Ridge Rd. fell and broke his right
ankle. After receiving first aid treatment from Mr. M. M. Fontaine, he was
rushed to the Sibley Memorial Hospital
by Mr. Lawrence Sawyer, where x-rays revealed a multiple fracture, and the foot
was placed in a cast.

Mr. Sowell was brought home by another good Samaritan, Mr. Morris Coff.

#### "I AM LYING ON A LOG"

I am lying on a log
That's lying on a hill.
The tall trees all around me
Are spicy green and still.

The sun is shining on me.

The sky is cloudless blue.

This is a lovely mountain:

I wish you were here too.

There're lots of logs around here,
All peeled and clean and grey.
I wish that you could try one
For an hour or a day.

For an hour or a day.

Dorothy Parsons East

from "American Women Poets 1937"

AMERICAN LEGION POST IN GREENBELT HOLDS CEREMONY FOR CHARTER MEMBERS

COMMANDER MELSNESS INSTALLED IN OFFICE .....

Delegations from Five Posts Pay Honor to New Organization in Southern Maryland District Thursday

Pledged to safeguard the principles of Justice, freedom, and democracy, 39 charter members of Greenbelt American Legion Post No. 136 were instructed in the work and symbols of the organization at the school auditorium Thursday night, Feb. 24.

In addition to interested Greenbelt citizens who witnessed the ceremonies, uniformed legionnaires from five Legion Posts in the Southern Maryland District participated in the convocation here.

Dedicated to the service of God and Country, fourteen officers and alternates ercising the ballot. accepted the obligations and trust while James B. Fitzgerald, vice commander of . the Southern Maryland District, conducted Post No 3, Hyattsville; Colmar Manor the official ceremonies.

After the colors were brought up, the meeting opened with a prayer for Divine guidance. Candidates for membership were instructed and the Legion emblem explain-

The history and purpose of the Legion officers are as follows: First vice were explained, the candidates finally questioned, sworn in, and seated. The whole assembly stood in silent tribute for 30 seconds in memory of departed com- 0. Lemire; finance, David R. Steinle: rades. The silence was broken with the symbolic notes of the bugler's call.

Visitors appreciated the simplicity, beauty, and democracy which permeates this national organization. With its rituals pronounced in public, it binds the whole people with confidence in upholding the rights of all citizens in the pursuit of life, liberty, and happiness.

J. Nelson Tribby, department adjutant of Baltimore, expressed as the aim of the American Legion "A free organizationsof a free people".

In addition to working for the protection of disabled veterans, widows and orphans, the Legion has a nationwide pro-William L. Good, Henley M. Goode, Gail gram of child welfare work. In many states, as in Maryland, this program

is making possible outdoor swimming pools for children, the establishment of school bus shelters, supervised playgrounds for the prevention of accidents, and the prevention of juvenile delinquency.

With such a program the Legion serves the nation in time of peace. It evidences its Americanism and its patriotism by its service to me, women, and children.

Past Department Commander C. L. Aiello of Hyattsville, while addressing the initiators, called special attention to the privileges of every American citizen in his rights to security and freedom, regardless of race, color, religion, creed or philosophy.

Since, as Comrade Aiello pointed out, gallant men had given their lives that our American Democracy might live, our cheif obligation today is to maintain our democratic government by sharing its duties, by fostering education, and by ex-

The following Legion Posts were represented at the ceremony: Snyder-Farmer Post No. 131; Cheverly Post No. 108: Bethesda-Chevy Chase Post No. 105; Cisell Saxon Post of Silver Spring No. 41.

The silver-haired and stalward Harold O. Melsness was installed as the first Commander of Greenbelt Post No. 136. Other commander, John C. Gale; second vice commander, Herkus W. V. Letkemann; adjutant. Leon G. Benefiel; Sargeant at arms. Leo chaplain, Thomas R. Freeman.

Officers elected but not required to be installed by ceremony are: Historian, Charles E. Welsh; service officer, Matthew M. Fontaine; delegates, George R. Edmiston, George B. Barr, Leo R. Mullen; Alternates, Leo O. Lemire, Ray S. Bochert, Herkus W. V. Letkemann.

Charter members of Greenbelt Post No. 136 are: Oscar A. Anderson, Julian M. Ashley, George B. Barr, Leon G. Benefiel, George D. Berkalew, Ray S. Bochert, George W. Bryant, Howard A. Carr, Jennings B. Craig, Frank H. Donohue, George R. Edmiston, Frederick Falkenberg, Paul Featherby, Matthew M. Fontaine, Thomas R. Freeman, Charles Friedman, John C. Gale M. Harper, William E. Hawthorne, Leo O. Lemire, Herkus W. V. Letkemann, H. H.

Maurer, Harold O. Melsness, Arja Morgan, Allen D. Morrison, Loo R. Mullen, Emmet H. Nanna, George W. O'Brien, Earl H. Patterson, Stanley B. Rider, Charles A. Sandman, H. E. Snyder, David R. Steinle, Harry A. Stewart, Harry R. Thurston, Cyril S. Turner, and Charles E. Welsh.

Edson G. Worden who signed the original petition for a charter has transferred to New York, and Roy Braden and Fred DeJager are members of Legion Posts elsewhere; their membership is being transferred to the Greenbelt Post.

#### THE MEDICAL PLAN

The Medical Board reported this Saturday that 109 families had signed up for the cooperative medical plan. The Board is conducting a house-to-house campaign, but quite a number of homes have not yet been visited.

The Board reports: "It's a slow business for a handful of people to call on every home. Those citizens who have already signed up and are anxious to see the plan started can help by bringing in a new member each. Applications can be obtained from members of the Board."

whose histrionic abilities are the envy of the Theatre Guild itself. Arthur Plackett, local legislator supreme lends his clipped Tritish accent to another of the production. Fordyce Lyman, who only last week trod the boards of the National Theatre in Washington, is but one more

Harry E. Hesse, Chairman of the Board states that seven doctors have already been interviewed, two of whom are receiving serious consideration. However, it is felt that there should be a wider range of selection.

The Board expects to interview about twelve more doctors much interested in group practice at Greenbelt. (Several of these doctors find it difficult to get away from their present practice, because of -- confinement cases! "This seems to be a good season for the little ones in Greenbelt, too," says a worthy citizen).

Doctors applying hail from all parts of the country -- from New Hampshire to North Carolina and from New York to Illinois.

The following members of the Board will be glad to explain the plan and sign up residents.

6-J	Hillside
2-L	Eastway
58-B	Crescent
2-A	Northway
2+D	Woodland
60-H	Crescent
33-K	Ridge
	2-L 58-B 2-A 2-D 60-H

#### NEWS OF THE THEATRE

We bring a word of cheer to those grumblers whose constant complaint is the lack of entertainment in our town. The Greenbelt Players, newly formed little theatre group, are scheduled to present the first of a series of productions not later than March 20. This first offering will be in the form of three one act plays, all staged on the same evening. The plays are for the most part light, and their entertainment value is of a high order.

The Players, whose abilities are comparable to those of the "Mighty Allen Art Players", boast an array of talent never again to be matched in any one theatre.

There is Mr. Herry Fells, linguist and elecutionist superb, cast as the Young Man in one of the plays. His heroine is none other than Fannie Schoin, whose histrionic abilities are the envy of the Theatre Guild itself. Arthur Plackett, local legislator supreme lends the production. Fordyce Lyman, who only last week trod the boards of the National Theatre in Washington, is but one more of the many attractions. Then there are Jemes Dunnaway, whose bell ringing is the store has already made his name a by-word in every home; Mrs. Stanley Rider, whose portrayals are nothing less than sheer genius; and that master of scouts as well as master of drama, Charles Pettit.

All of these you will soon see, and when you do those grumblings (see first paragraph) will turn to cheers, hurrahs and whistles of approval and appreciation.

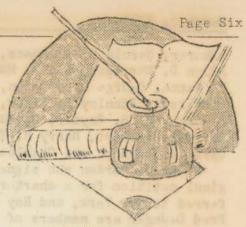
Watch this paper, the bulletin board, and shop window posters for the date.

J.P.M.

#### COMMUNITY CHURCH NEWS

The organizing committee of the Community Church has received a number of applications for pastor. Attention is being given each letter, and communication will continue until definite dates have been made for trial sermons in the auditorium.

Rev. 1. B. Matzen of the Presbyterian Church of Berwyn will conduct the services Sunday, Merch 6. Communion will be given at this service, and a good attendance is desired. Special music in keeping with the sermon will be given.



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### PUPLIC SPIRIT

Two members of our Medical Board, Mr. Hess and Mr. Thornhill, travelled on Sunday to Charlestown, West Virginia, to interview a doctor who seemed to have the qualifications required for our Medical Plan:

Two citizens, whose medical requirements are permanently provided for outside our plan, have offered, nonetheless, to pay the memb rship fee--just to help the plan along:

Such willingness to sacrifice private to public interest is most encouraging to all who seek the progress of this community.

#### PLAUDITS

The new staff of the Greenbelt Cooperator, taking office with this issue, wishes to express its admiration for and its indebtedness to the members of the staffs which preceded it in office.

These staffs, and in particular their editors, Mr. Louis Bessemer, who was editor for the first six weeks of the paper, and Mr. William R. Poole, editor for the subsequent two months, have applied much time, energy, and skill in carrying this paper through its difficult formative period, and they have earned the wholehearted appreciation of all our townfolk. All the members of the earlier staffs have also made every effort to cooperate with and assist those who now assume their duties.

To therefore wish to congratulate our predecessors, and to express the hope that, with their assistance, we may be able to carry forward the development of this paper.

#### APOLOGY

The Cooperator wishes to express for the town of Greenbelt its regret that a Greenbeltian oversight led to considerable inconvenience on the part of representatives of the Mational Copital Film Library.

It was decided at the last Citizens' Association Meeting, and announced in this paper, that a movie would be shown here Friday evening, Pebruary 18. Through an oversight, however, space was not provided for the showing of the picture; and through a further oversight the National Capital Film Library was not notified.

and the inconvenience to which tye gave rise, and we hope that Greenbeltians will make amends by hearty support of the movie this Friday.

#### CUSTER'S LAST STAND

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In a recent statement I gave the impression that bulk hydrogenated cottonseed oil was being sold at the Co-op store. This is not the case.

In illustrating my assertion that many highly advertised articles are really simple, common substances that could be bought much more cheaply, I said that, although it is not so labeled, a much advertised shortening was merely hydrogenated cottonseed oil, which can be obtained at about half the price at which the advertised item is sold.

Now, the store can sell only what Greenbeltians will buy. It wants to sell the simple items, clearly labeled, fairly priced. But if the domand is for the 'name' article, it will handle that. So far there has been demend for hydrogenated cottonseed oil, so labeled.

The store does handle in paper cartons at 13¢ a pound a 'shortening'; it also handles lard in a similar package at a slightly lower price. Both are U. S. inspected. A good authority says that lard is the best shortening to use, because of nutritional values such as vitamins and mineral content, and because of its desirable lower melting point. However, it is slightly harder to keep fresh. Certainly advertised claims of great superiority for the vegetable product are so much bosh, and the extra price asked so much pedding.

'Shortening' is possibly a mixture of meat and vegetable oils. The difficulty in forming judgments about 'shortening' and many things commonly for sale is that their labels do not specify exactly what they are. If the packer says his carton contains lard, he limits himself to a praticular article; but if he says it contains 'shortening', or 'Brisco', or 'Thippo', he can change his formula at will. This he has been found to do. If conttenseed oil is cheap he uses it. If corn oil is cheaper he uses that; or peanut oil.

However a trade journal has reported that cottonseed oil is the material used in the advertised item mentioned.

Howard C. Custer

### HERE AND THERE

There is an epidemic of "kidnipping" in Greenbelt. (I tell you this story both because I think it funny, and because I hope that it may induce you to read the rest of this very "serious" column).

The "kidnipping" was brought to my attention by Mr. Devin of the Vegetable Department in the Food Store. It seems that the kiddies in passing by the luscious piles of fresh fruit (I was not paid for that) cannot resist snatching bites here and there when Mr. Devin is not looking.

Mr. Devin complains (good-naturedly) that an apple or a pear once "nipped" is no longer saleable--not even to the mothers of the imps, and suggests that if they must "nip", let it be the lemons.

He who would forecast European politics is as foolish as the poor soul who would undertake to forecast the weather in the Weshington area. I long since gave up the latter, and I now renounce the former. It is bother enough to try to figure out what has already happened without trying to look into the very clouded future.

On the face of things two dramatic changes came last week (they always take place dramatically; the drama serves to dull popular curiosity); 1) Hitler gained control of Fustria; 2) Anthony Eden resigned.

Taken together these events seem to mean that Hitler and Mussolini have made requests of Great --(?) Britain, and that these requests have been granted. Hitler asked for land and power; Mussolini, for money and power. England gave both (and how it hurt!), and shut up the lone dissenter, Anthony Eden--Eden with the mentality of Cecil Rhodes plus the morality of Sir Gallahad.

Hitler will now have Austrian iron for the German munitions makers; Mussolini will now have capital to exploit Tehiopia and to strengthen his offenses in Spain and the Modditeranean. Europe will now have an even bigger headache.

Neville Chamberlain should have the "booby prize".

Henry Little

To the Editor:

Transportation is as assential to Greenbelt, or any similar type of town. as are streets, scwage, lights and other utility services.

Bofore the Farm Security Administration contracted for the present service, the Council of Greenbolt, the Transportation Committee, Mr. Braden, Mr. Neumor and many others worked hurd to determine which form of transportation might be best for Grounbelt. Several were considored and some were tried. The most satisfactory offer made was that of the Capital Transit Company, which was accepted to who Editor: because it carried transfer privileges, because they had the best available equipment and because it came from a reliable corporation.

In order to get this or any form of transportation the Farm Scourity Administration had to guerantee the contractor that no losses would be incurred until the service was on a self-sustaining basis. To assure Farm Security that all money taken in by this service will be credited to the account of this service the right is reserved to audit the books of the Capital Transit Company. Any money paid by the Ferm Security Administration to subsidize this service will be in turn, taken from the mency received as rents from Grounbult.

.. The last audit of the Capital Transit accounts showed a loss of over \$200.00 for one week's operation, which can be attributed to insufficient support. This cannot continue. If the service does not satisfy you, please register your complaint so that adjustments on be made accordingly. Mr. Fulmor has already nogotiated with the Capital Transit Company to make several changes, and has found them only too willing to make these recommended changes.

The fare is \$1.75 for a wookly pass that is good on all cars and busses in the District of Columbia operated by the Capital Transit Company. A one-way fare, vi shuttle bus, is 18-1/3 conts (tickets and a token) or 26 cents cash. A oneway fare on the express bus is three tokens or 30 cents cash.

This service is your service, and needs your support.

Robert R. Portor Chairman of Transport tion Committee. To the Editor:

I am writing to you requesting space in your paper to protect the local forests from danger of fire at this time of the year. You know that March is a very dangerous time for local fires, and when one is started it is very difficult to handlo.

> Yours respectfully, Goo. C. Hudgins, Fire Marshall, Borwyn, Maryland.

> > DOG POLL

An independent poll is being taken on the Bogs-In-Granbelt question. The Form Socurity Administration, from all accounts, is not opposed to dogs, cats, or other pets. Many who voted were not award of this. A personal decision or opinion will not influence the administration in respect to the voters carte blanche in Groombolt.

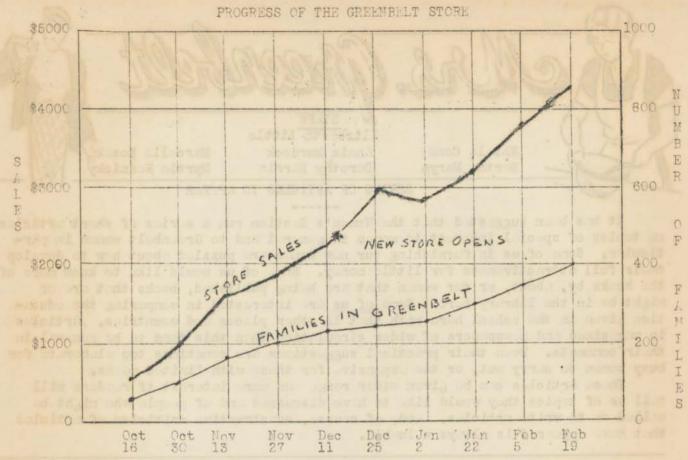
The administration's aim originally was to institute a logical control of pots. It was expected that Greenbelt citizenry would consider the desires and rights of their naighbors and come to an agreement by which all such dosires and rights would be considered.

Much subversive literature and many impropor representations have been advanced regarding dogs in general. We all agree that Groenbelt is no place for a vicious dog. Who would care to own a vicious dog? With the proper regulations a fool-proof ordinance which will be satisfactory to all can be effected. Such regulatory measures have been advanced and await official referendum.

Greenbolt will always be open to the stray dog. The STRAY is the dangerous dog. A local vaccinated dog would be uniffected by striy rubies. Dog vaccinations could be compulsory in Greenbolt, but our children would still be at the mercy of the stray dog. Greenbelt's problem is not the local dog but the out-of-town dog and when he strikes the dog-catcher would be too late.

A fone -onelosed town would be the only logical solution if Greenbolt would ban rabies.

H. W. V. Lotkemann.



Sales For Two-Week Periods Ending on Dates Indicated, and
Number of Families in Greenbelt on Dates Indicated.

#### STORE SALES MOUNT RAPIDLY

A glance at the above chart will indicate the enthusiasm with which Groenbeltians, old and new, are turning to their Cooperative stere. The steady progress of the store is marred by one lone retrogression (being non-partisan, we must avoid the Ropublican "depression", Democratic "recession")-and that, occurring immediately after Christmas, served only to evidence our Yuletide spirit, and its consequences.

Farticularly encouraging is the fact that not only are sales increasing, but they are increasing more and more rapidly.

Although the families which have moved into Greenbelt recently (for the most part occupying apartments) have been smaller than the average of their predecessors, the average weekly sale per family has increased. This can be explained only as a consequence of the loyal support of the store by the newcomers, and by increased patronage on

the part of the old residents.

Perhaps it wen't be long 'til we learn the difference between our "patronage return slips" and the ordinary sales receipt.

Lot's hurry that day along!

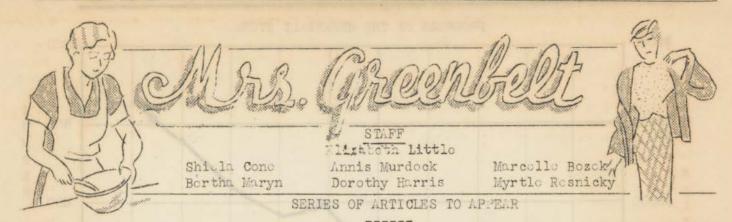
#### THOSE GRO GO CARTS!

On sale at the Cooperator Store are to be found contraptions ingeniously maned "Gro Go Carts".

They have been designed to carry greceries safely and easily from store shelves to home cupboards. As a convenience to customers who have difficulty in transporting heavy bags, and to avoid the expense of paper bags (permy apiece, for the big enes) our store is selling these carts at slightly above cost.

Every child in Groenbelt seems to have his go-cart -- perhaps all the women will have theirs too.

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It has been suggested that the Wemen's Section run a series of short articles on topics of special interest to wemen in general and to Greenbelt wemen in particular. Some of us in furnishing our new homes are puzzled about how to develop their full attractiveness for little mency. Some of us would like to know more of the books by, about, or for wemen that are being published, books that are er might be in the library here. Some of us are interested in comparing the education given in the school here with that in other places and countries. Articles in magazines and newspapers of wider circulation than this tend to be general in their comments. Even their practical suggestions are senetimes too elaborate for busy wemen to carry out, or too expensive for these with limited means.

Those articles can be given wider range and more interest if readers will tell us of topics they would like to have discussed and of people who might be called on to write articles. And, of course, constructive criticism of articles that have appeared is always volumble.

#### CANNED GOODS DISCUSSED

At the weekly neeting of Consumer Discussion Group No. 3 on Friday evening February 25, the intricacies of the labeling of cannod goods were discussed. Fiftoen housewives who meet regularly to mull over consumer problems reclized the desirability of labeling which informs the consumer as to the quality of the product. It was pointed out that although the Dopartment of Agriculture has set up standards of quality, cannors have been slow to gr.do their products accordingly. It was suggested that by buying graded c amod Loods in the Cooperative store whenever possible, on impotus would be given to the practice of grading.

Mrs. Chloe Berkalew and Mrs. Sara Axelred reported on the "Chamber of Herrors" exhibit spensored by the Food and Drug Administration at the Department of Agriculture, 2816 South Building, W. shington, D. C.

#### BAKERY TESTED AT STORE

On February 25, a special test selection of bakers' goods from the Supreme Bakery at Hyattsville was on display at the Cooperative Store. A cormittee of three, consisting of Mr. Jacobsen, Mrs. Benefiel, and Mrs. Maryn inspected the bakery and brought back cakes, pies, bread and rells to be cut up for the display. These were tasted by customers and compared with the bakers' goods that have been on sale at the store. Opinion generally was that the goods were above standard. It is probable that a supply of them will now be put on sale.

Assembled there are a few of the many foods and drugs confiscated for violations of the act. A description of but a few of the violations provided enough shock for one evening.

#### 9 WOMEN AND 10 CANS OF PEAS

Ten different brands of canned peas were tested by Consumer Discussion
Group No. 2 on February 24 at the home of Mrs. Stanley B. Rider. Mrs. Irthur Gowthrop weighed the cans, then the label was concealed and the cans identified by numbers. Mrs. Joe Long kept records of weights and contents. First the juice was measured and weighed and then the peas. Clearness of fluid, unbroken and uniform peas were found in the cans containing the better flavored peas.

After all peas had been tabulated as to the contents, the tasting began. Erch member kept her own score, indicating her own reaction to each can sampled. By the end of the sixth, the popularity of canned pea diet had waned. However, the appearance of large hard peas in a thick syrup of sugar and salt mixture aroused the tasters to renewed curiosity. Then the labels were restored. It was discovered that the peas enjoyed in their proper setting of seasoning and butter had just been lebeled "terrible" by their sponsors, whereas peas declared best before the examination were rated second best when tasted annnymously.

The Group was unanimous in classifying as best of the small peas tasted;
A & P Grade A, Torsch's Petit Pois, and
Co-Op Fancy Little Sugar Peas. Of the
large peas tasted, the Group listed as
best the Co-Op Giant Sugar peas.

Mrs. Dudley Poeler is preparing a poster to show that labels do not always tell the buyer what the contents or the quality are, in terms understandable to the housewife. Wetch for posters in the Consumers' Reading Room.

Mrs. Sulo Lackso's Group met on
February 21, at the home of Mrs. John
P. Grehem. Although this was primarily an organizational meeting, various
consumer problems were discussed, as the
lack of vitamin C in oranges sprayed
with arsenic, the importance of grade
labeling in canned goods, etc. Members present were Mesdames Falls, Harris,
Hayes, Poole and Thornhill,

Group No. 1, headed by Mrs. Lillian Schwartz, had its organizational meeting two weeks ago, and from the interest displayed it is evident that this group will certainly succeed in its undertaking. There were 15 members present.

#### SOCIAL NOTES

Mrs. Fred Hockett has returned to her home in Meshington, D. C. after spending last week with her daughter and son-in-law, Mrs. & Mr. Frank Megill, 2-D Northway Road. Mrs. Hockett had with her her beautiful bird dog, Don Flash.

Mrs. I, Benefiel, 60-B Crescent Rd. was called to Pittsburgh, Penna. last week on account of the serious illness of her aunt.

Friends of Mrs. Vernon Havens, 5-H Eastway will be glad to hear that she is recovering from her illness.

Mrs. John Price, 60-J Crescent Rd, is confined to her home by illness.

The Bide-A-Wee Club held their weekly meeting at the home of Mrs. Lloyd Nelson, 45-L Ridge Road on Friday February 25th. The members were instructed in the art of candy making by Mrs. S. Diebert. Those present were the Mesdames Long, Donohue, Lyman, Nelson, Bozek, and Diebert.

Miss Edna McNaughton, Home Economics Professor of the University of Maryland, visited Greenbelt recently to give her students an opportunity to study a housing project in operation.

Mrs. L. R. Mullen, 58-B Crescent Rd. spent Wednesday and Thursday of last week in Harrisburg and Philadelphia on business.

HOME MEDICINE CABINET (cont'd), By Bortha Maryn

Included in the list of items needed in the medicine cabin t is aspirin. The "Home Medicine Cabin t" issued by Consumers Project, Labor Dept., makes the following remarks.

"Because many people use a remedy to relieve pain, whether or not it is wise to do so, such a preparation has been included in it. It can not be emphasized too strongly, however that self-medication of pain is hezardous."

"Medical authorities consider that the least harmful drug for use in the self-treatment of pain is acetylsalicylic acid, better known as aspirin. Any aspirin, regardless of price, which is U.S.P. standard is satisfactory."

Aspirin is comparatively harmless but, we must remember that NO DRUG which relieves pain is entirely safe, especially when taken without doctor's advice. The consumer must remember that temporary relief may hide fatelly a serious condition.

Under no condition should the consumer buy pein ramedies of unknown composition for they may contain hermful drugs.

The consumer cannot be too strongly impressed with this amazing fact that under the present Food and Drug Act: "there is no law requiring drug products to be labeled informatively as to their contents except when they contain one of the few drugs specifically mentioned in the Act. The presence of many potentially hermful drugs does not have to be declared."

Folse and misleading claims contained in advertisements are also permissable, and the Food and Drug Administration can only proceed against those manufacturers who make false statements regarding the composition of their products, or false and fradulent therapeutic claims on the label or leaflet accompanying the package.

See the poster in the Reading Room at the bus depot for information about remedies of unknown composition.

The first cake baked by Mrs. Gertrude Prennon, 60-A Crescent Rd., was much enjoyed by members of the community.

As we go to press we are happy to state that no casualties have as yet been reported.

#### CONSUMER READING ROOM OPEN

Two large tables in the bus depot next to the Drug Store now carry a large and varied supply of pamphlets and magazines on consumer problems; a helpful Fruit and Vegetable Buying Guide; explanation of the grades for canned goods; a Guide for Buying Sheets, Blankets and Both Towels; recent issues of the Consumers' Guide; a pamphlet on stain removal; Pork in Proferred Ways, and other recipes using beef and nuts, and many others. For these interested in the wider aspects of the question, there are also booklets on the Swedish co-operatives and similar movements.

The office is open doily from 10 A.M. to 4 P.M. Newcomers to Greenbelt are expecially urged to visit the Reading Room, and to leave their names if they are interested in joining one of the Donsumer Discussion Groups.

Mrs. Wellece Welson, 33-U Ridge Road, who has been in Sibley Hospital, is expected home this week.

Joan Moore, three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moore, 27-A Ridge Road was taken suddenly ill with an attack of asthma and removed to the hospital. She is now home, quite recovered.

Joyce Schwartz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Schwartz, 5-B Bastway, has been ill.

Mrs. C. Ritchic and her son Ned, 56-F Crescent Road, were both confined to their home with illness last week.

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On Monday, February 21, Mrs. Benefiel acted as substitute teacher in the Second Grade of the Greenbelt Elementary School and Mrs. Sherrod East told the First Grade about living conditions in Japan, speaking from first-hand knowledge. Mrs. Bust taught in the American School in Tokyo for a year.

days, Pool one Thursday,

#### HOUSEHOLD HINTS

When separating yelks and whites of eggs it is important to see that no yelk is left if the white is to be besten. To remove any part of the yelk, use an egg shell and you will find the helk can easily be taken out; it cannot be taken out as readily any other way.

If a few drops of vineger are added to the water in which eggs are peached, they will hold together and the white will not separate in the water.

When ordinary meringue pies are cut, the meringue often drags with the knife. This can be avoided by sifting a little granulated sugar over the meringue just before it is browned in the oven. This gives a pretty crust and makes the pie easy to cut.

Dip fish into boiling water to scale casily.

Try substituting rolled oats for breed crumbs in your meat loaf.

Myrtle Resnicky

#### THE KITCHEN MAID

Continuing our series of different ways to "dress-up" our vegetables, might I suggest these ways to prepare corn:

Scellop potatoes and whole kernel corn together, using alternate layers.

Place alternate layers of cream style corn and chicken, or tuna fish, plain or creamed, in a baking dish, top with buttered broad crumbs and brown.

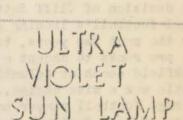
Combine whole kernel corn with baked beans, add seasonings. Place in cosserole and bake about one hour to blend flavors.

Cook 2 cup chopped green pepper in three tablespoons fat for 5 minutes, add 4 cups whole kernel corn and salt to taste, Cook until light brown, about 7 to 10 minutes.

Add 2 eggs to 2 cups whole kernel corn, season with selt and pepper, drop by spoonfuls in frying pen containing hot fat. Brown on both sides.

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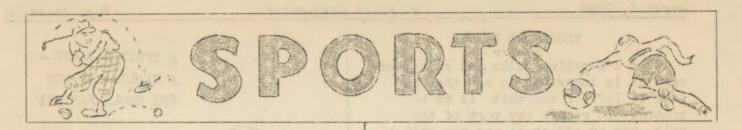
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CHATTER IN SPORTS .... by ... Cockill

The decision of Cliff Battles, professionel football's leading ground gainer for the post two years, to retire from the pro ranks to accept a position as backfield coach at Columbia under Lou Little was a wise choice ..... The average football player has about six years of good football loft in him after his college career ends ... After that all they have to show for their offorts is a badly battered puss and perhaps a few bucks salted way (providing they were topnotchers) .... When the few bucks run out they can usually get a job as a bartender at Sloppy Joe's Tavern or a coaching job at some backwoods high school ..... the future is much too dark for any intelligent boy to run around with a football tucked under his arm until Fether Time blows the whistle. The best they can hope to get out of it is a few headlines and a lot of head "bunps".....Six more wooks will bring us the baseball season in all its glory. All the holdouts will get in line, as usual .... Did you ever hear of a baseball player who refused to play once the season got underway because of salary difficulties? .... No, they love the game too much to let a little thing like money keep them away from the ball parks ..... It would be a good idea for all Greenbelters who plan to attend the opening game at Griffith Stadium between the Senators and the Philadelphia Athletics to get together and buy their tickets at the same time .... Possibly we could have a Greenbelt Section ... It would be a lot of fun.... What do you say? The Table Tennis tourney run in We shington over the weekend convinced the writer that it is no game for weaklings ... . Those babies stood way back and banged the ball back and forth for rallies that would last several minutes. Complete exhcustion was evidenced on several occasions .... The curtain was . rung down on the local Sunday morning touch football game Sunday when Sherrod

#### CARDINALS AND PACKERS VICTORIOUS

The Greenbelt besketball league is all tied up as a result of the outcome of Friday night's games. The Cardinals and Packers went into a tie with the Tigers and Bears by virtue of their victories.

Culliney's Packers acquitted themselves in fine fashion by trimming Butch Resnicky's Bears, 30-10. The Packers displayed a brillient offense which kept the old hoop hot from start to finish. Cliff Cockill tallied 8 points to win scoring honors for this game.

The second game saw Cept. Pettit's Cardinals nose out Cept. Bozek's Tigers, 15-11, in the most closely contested game so far. The score changed hands several times, but when the final whistle blew and the dust cleared away the game belonged to the Cerds. Johnny Bozek was top scorer in this game with 7 points.

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BEARS	1	1101	.500

#### BLOCK REPRESENTATIVES ELECTED

At a recent meeting of the Athletic Club the following men were eleted to represent their respective areas on the Executive Board of the Greenbelt A. C.: Frank Lestner, Block C and J. Loo Sleughter, Block D and Irvin Roamy, Block E and F.

East heaved his finel pass....Softball will be the next order of business.....
Look out for a lot of broken windows...
One nice thing about the Athletic Club meetings...it is never necessary for the people sitting in the back of the room to start shouting "louder please".
With President Bruers booming voice ringing out nothing is missed...end through the power of suggestion everyone clse sounds off in Cabove C.

DONT FORGET. THIRD ROUND LEAGUE GAMES THURSDAY INSTEAD OF FRIDAY. BE THERE.

#### ATTENTION.....LADIES

This is an appeal to the wives of Greenbelt--to those charming and gractious ladies who constitute the backbone of our community--of those chosen few who have been justly called the flower of the land, the very essence of sweet and understanding womanhood, we ask this one favor.

FLEASE DON'T MAKE POP STAY HOME TO WASH DISHES AND PUT THE BABI'S TO BED ON GYM NIGHTS.

That is not too much to ask when you think of the rewards that will surely be yours if you let him take this much needed exercise. Can't you picture your spouse at the end of six or seven months intensive training, clear-eyed and brisk, full of thet old sparkle and vitality, and in a perpetual good humor. It stands to reason if he works off a little of that excess weight he will at the same time work out a little of that cussedness for which his sex is famous. If he is feeling tough and out of sorts, let him take it out in the heated play of the games or if he seems anxious to start a fight let him go to the gym where he will find both boxers and gloves at his service.

Our last plea is based on the soundest argument of all. We promise you-infact we guarantee--that if you let him out one or two nights a week he will be only too glad to stay home the rest of the week in order to erse up those creaking and aching joints.

Thank you, ladies, we knew you would see it our way.

P.S. None of this, "You can go if you want to," attitude and then glaring at the poor fellow for the rest of the week. That would be cheating and we will personally see that you are thrown out of the league. J.P.M.

#### FIRST CASUALTY REPORTED

Arthur Gewthrop, 29-B Ridge Road sustained two broken ribs during the opening league games two weeks ago.
"Art" is a member of Bozek's Tigers. He will probably be lost for the remainder of the season. His stellar playing was missed in the game Friday night as the Tigers suffered their first defeat.

#### WHO'S WHO IN THE LOCAL SPORTS WORLD

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Howard Sidwell....Starred in basketball at Southwestern College of Kansas.. Selected as all-state guard for two successive years...Halfback on football team....younger brother now playing on Colorado U. team with the great Whizzer White.

John Pasnicky...the Cooperator's popular production manager is also an athlete of note. "Putch" is a product of St. Bonaventure College, New York, where he excelled in boxing, baseball and basketball...As a boxer he fought in the lightweight division entering the squared circle in some 60 amateur fights.. Refused offer to represent the U.S.A. in the Irish Olympics held in Dublin in 1928..... Fought professionally in Penns. and New York, meeting some of the best 135 pounders in the East.... "Butch" will direct all boxing activities for the Greenbelt A.C.

Bill Eubanks....represented the Nevy as a distance runner....specialized in 5000 meters....lost out in final tryouts for 1924 olympics....W.s ranking cross country runner in the United States.

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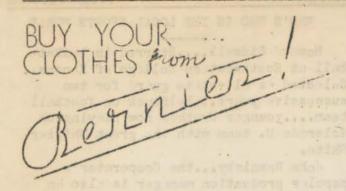
#### ATHLETIC CLUB MEMBERSHIP GROWS

The Greenbelt /thletic Club membership rester new borders close to 100 as this paper goes to press, and new members are being enrolled daily.

Membership cards are being issued which will entitle members to discounts at the Lowe-Campbell Athletic Goods Co., the Club's official dealer, who will outfit the various Greenbelt teams. All men who have not yet joined the club can do so by contacting the treasurer, Vernon Hitchcock, 5-A Eastway Road.

Climb on the wagon boys, a lot of good times are in store.

THE COOPERATOR welcomes criticisms, suggestions, articles, stories, poems, from every citizen of Greenbelt. Contributions will be carefully and gratefully considered. They should be shortend to the point. They must be signed. Letters to the editor will be published only over the name of the writer.



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#### THE LAND OF ROMANCE

#### (FOREWORD)

Leaving Washington, D. C., the 15th of September my husband and I drove first to Oklahoma, where we visited friends; then to San Angelo, Texas, where we met my sister and husband, who were going to make the Mexico Trip with us. The party of four left San Angelo the 23rd of September, and headed for the border.

#### TIT

The real adventure began for me when we reached the I ternational Bridge at five e'clock that afternoon and saw the beautiful Ric Grande.

It was here that we had the car bonded - a precautionary measure when leaving the boundaries of the U. S. A. We also acquired our pass-ports, or tourist cards, and paid \$1.13 American money for each of these. Our luggage was inspected and seals were stuck across the openings on our suitcases with the advice not to remove them until we reached Monterrey, or we would have to be inspected again at one of the stops farther along the way.

Each couple had \$20.00 changed to Mexican money and received over 70 Pesos, as the rate of exchange is 3 Pesos 60 Centavos for each U. S. dollar.

To avoid paying the small percent which is charged for this exchange in the interior, one can have the money one expects to need changed on the International bridge. All these formalities take only ten or fifteen minutes.

With a stamp on our windshields proclaiming us "touristas", we were once again on our way.

(To be continued)

#### CONSUMER GROUP AT WASHINGTON

Twenty-five spokesmen for consumer groups in half a dozen cities visited Washington last week. The President, legislators and heads of various bureaus and agencies were visited. One object of the delegation was to secure interest in behalf of a consumer bureau in the proposed new department of welfare.

TO BE PUBLISHED IN ANY ISSUE, AN ARTICLE MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE GREENBELT COOPERATOR BY 3:00 P.M. OF THE PRECEDING SATURDAY

#### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 2 Journalistic Club 8:00 P.M. Office 2 Pre-School Mother Club 7:30 P.M. Social Ro	
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3 American Legion 8:00 P.M. Meeting R	
3 Athletic Club Basket Ball Game 8:00 P.M. Gym	
3 Greenbelt Players 8:00 P.M. Meeting R	Room
4 Meat Demonstration 1:30 P.M. Social Ro	
4 Scouts 7:30 P.M. School	
4 Movies 8:00 F.M. Auditoriu	am
5 Brownies 4:00 P.M. Home of F	
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6 Catholic Sunday School 8:30 A.M. Auditoriu	
6 Mass 9:00 A.M. Auditoriu	am
7 Citizens Association Meeting 8:00 P.M. Auditoriu	un
8 Athletic Club (workout) Gym	

#### FOOD POISON PROBE ORDERED

Thorough investigation into several cases of ptomaine poisoning, said to have been caused by eating cream doughnuts bought from a nearby bakery, has been ordered by Dr. A. B. Hooten, county health officer. Dr. Hooten revealed that he was one of the victims of the doughnut poisoning.

#### TRICKS OF THE TRADE

In Japan there is a town which was called something else, but which was renamed USA. With boycott sentiment spreading in America, Japanese exporters find it profitable to stamp a big "Made in U S A" on their products, and put the required "Japan" as small as possible, to fool the casual shopper.

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#### ADVENTUROUS LADS STUDY FARMING

Little Harold Slusser and David Maryn had their mothers worried unto death last Saturday evening when they failed to appear for their supper. At six o'clock there was no sign of the boys: Came six-thirty; seven; and still no sign.

Finally, at seven-thirty, and after the mothers had run to each other's homes a half dozen times or so, frantically inquiring if the one or the other had heard anything of the missing lads, the cavaliers made their appearance.

Purple from the cold and half famish-

ed they stalked into the house.

"land sake's alive, where have you been," both mothers exclaimed in unison.

"Oh, we visited the farm," the boys answered, little ruffled by their exploit.

"The farm? What farm?"

"Why, Mr. Walker's farm, and we saw cows and horses and lambs and sheep and Mr. Walker showed us how cows are milked and he fed the horses and he gave some of the milk to a little lamb or maybe it was a sheep, anyhow it was no bigger than a cat and he gave it this milk out of a bottle just like you feed a baby and, Gee! it was all so interesting--- and Gosh--we're hungry."

And why shouldn't they have been hungry, after spending some four or five hours in the open, pursuing their educational inclinations unhampered?

"But why were you gone so long? Why did you stay out so late?"

"Because, because", stammered out little Harold, who, by the way, is spokesman of the adventurous duo, "because nobody wanted to pick us up and give us a lift in their car."

"WHAT?" exclaimed the mothers.

## JOURNALISM CLUB

At a meeting of the Journalism Club Wednesday evening, a motion was adopted that a planning committee be formed to plan programs for the club meetings.

The formulation of newspaper organization and policy has occupied most of the club time up to the present. Now that policy is established it is felt that the club can devote its time to a constructive study of journalism.

A speaker has been secured for the meeting this evening, and a large attendance is

invited.

To the Editor:

In the Jan. 12th issue an editorial was published on "Let's Keep Greenbelt Green", urging adults and children alike to be careful of the grass.

Much attention was paid to the sodding of lawns and courts to make them an attractive feature of the new town. However during the course of the winter many of us have found it more convenient to jaywalk across lawns, and the younger generation has had a field day with wagons, bikes. sleds and the new Christmas toys.

Couldn't we adults spend the extra minute necessary to use the sidewalks? Unless we want the town to look like the wrong side of the rail-road tracks, we'll have to use the walks as they were intended.

As to the children, since they have no other place to play, we can hardly blame them. However let's begin working on playgrounds, so that when vacation time comes a safe place to play will be available.

Dorothy Harris

The Management wishes to report that a representative of the Worthington Meter Co. is checking several water meters that showed a discrepancy in last month's bill. Any meters found out of order will be corrected and the reading adjusted accordingly. However, the original estimate by project engineers of anticipated Greenbelt water consumption was between \$1.00 and \$1.50 per month for the Average family.

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#### GOYCOTT OF JAPAN - AN ECONOMIC VIEWPOINT

To the Editor:

The Hosiery Worker's Union held a parade in Washington to protest against the unofficial boycott of silk stockings in this country.

Mr. Emil Rieve, President of the Union, said quite correctly that the boycott is likely to inflict no great damage on Japan's military machine, but does threaten the jobs of at least 15,000 Americans who make their living in the silk stocking factories.

He might have added that if we don't buy Japan's silk she cannot buy our cotton, as she pays for the cotton with her exports of raw silk. Japan is, of all foreign nations, the heaviest purchaser of American cotton. It follows that the injury which a successful boycott of Japanese silk can work on those who grow the cotton, and constitute the poorest, most defenseless, least privileged section of the American population, is extremely grave.

To the thousands of American stocking makers for whom Mr. Rieve speaks must be added many thousand share croppers in our South, who have no spokesman, and whose already miserable existence must be rendered still more precarious by the boycott, if it is at all successfu.

Mr. Rieve notes, also correctly, that the movement has been engineered "by a combination of wealthy women, intellectuals, and left wingers having no stake in the industry and no jobs to lose". No doubt he includes among the "intellectuals" the large number of college students who have joined the boycott. At several of the universities, press photographers have been invited to record

Fred DeJager

#### ACCEPTANCE COMMITTEE REPORTS

The acceptance Committee, which makes a study of advertising proposed for publication in the Greenbelt Co-operator, has recently made discoveries of interest to Consumers. It has been learned by the committee that informational or specification advertising is hard to get, while advertising for products which have a questionable background is easily obtained.

Milk is a commodity of merit, but information about it that would help develop consumer confidence is hard to get. Various adults and children in the community have had intestinal and other disturbances which have made people suspicious of milk. The suspicion is probably unwarranted. But the question lingers. The only way to clear up the suspicion is to have definite proof furnished that all milk furnished in Greenbelt is above question.

Consumers want information. How clean is the milk we get? What is the bacterial content before and after pasteurization? How accurate and dependable is the pasteurizing process that is being used? What kind of milk is used in the ice milk, or so-called ice cream, that we buy? What ratings have been given the milk samples tested by public health officials? When such questions are definitely answered, we may know the merit of the milk that we buy.

If the Acceptance Committee encourages certain advertising on the one hand, it discourages certain types of advertising on the other hand. An example of a product whose advertising is being kept out of the Greenbelt Cooperator is a drug claimed to cure a multitude of ailments from glandular trouble to bad breath.

The Acceptance Committee, which is making a study of advertised products in behalf of consumer interest, has just photographers have been invited to record gotten started in its work. Since many the sacraments of transferring silk stock- questions taken up will be technical in nature, a chemist was added to the committee membership during the past week. The committee work represents part of the activities conducted by the Journalistic Club, which determines the policies followed by the Greenbelt Co-operator.

Acceptance Committee By Oscar Anderson

CO-OP MAGAZINE REPORTS ON CONSUMERS' FOUNDATION, Inc.

Consumers' Cooperation, official Nation Journal of the Consumers' Cooperative Movement, in its February 1938 issue has this to say regarding the newly formed organization known as Consumers' Foundation, Inc.:-

"With its initial funds provided by chain store interests, the Consumers' Foundation, Inc. completed its organization here Saturday, Jan. 8th, with the election of William Trufant Foster, director of the Pollack Foundation, as president.

"In a press conference preceding the organization meeting of the board, Dr. Foster frankly admitted that the \$25,000 grant which led to the organization of the Consumers' Foundation, Inc. was made by the Institute of Distribution which is supported by chain stores, variety stores and mail order houses.

"Members of the Board of Directors and the National Council include heads of women's clubs, ministers and college professors as well as several nationally known business men including Henry I. Harriman, former president of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, George F. Benkhart, Vice-President of the General Motors Acceptance Corp., D. M. Nelson, Vice-President, Sears, Roebuck and Company, and Harlan T. Pierpont, director of the Nash-Kelvinator Corporation.

"Conspicuous by their absence are
Donald E. Montgomery, Consumers
Counsel, Agriculture Adjustment Administration, Dr. Stacy May, of the
Rockefeller Foundation, and Mrs. Bert
Hendrickson, chairman of the New York
State Federation of Women's Clubs, who
resigned, according to Mr. Montgomery,
'because decisions of the committee
were not being carried out and because
we were not convinced that the procedure
followed was such as to insure an organization that would operate effectively
and honestly in the consumer interest."

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Haircutting

Hair cutting and berbering by Mr. Juliano.

Make appointment. Week day or Sunday AM.

AUTOMOPILES

Before you buy any kind of a car see
Morton McTurk, 2-E Northway
Telephone 4326

Hairdressing

Equipped to do shampoo, finger-waves and manicures. Experienced operator. By appointment. Call 2791

Do you Need any Insurance? See your Neighbor

Morris Coff 2-D Eastway Notary Public Grblt.4801

#### DANCING

Baby class (3 to 5 yrs) - 10:30 A.M. Sat. Intermediate (6 to 8 yrs) - 1:00 P.M. Sat. Jr. Class (9 to 15 yrs) - 2:30 P.M. Sat. Boys Tap Class - 3:30 P.M. Wed. omens Tap Class - 7:30 P.M. Wed. Located - Meeting Room above Drug Store. See - Mrs. Shirley Land - 8-A Hillside

GREENSELT COOPERATOR CLASSIFIED ADS...

IF YOU HAVE ANY PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR SALE - FLACE YOUR AD IN THE BOX LOCATED ON THE BULLETIN BOARD IN THE FOOD STORE. 5 LINES FOR 15¢



# PERATIVE EC

# RADIOS

BED ROOM SETS - Five Tubes

SETS - Seven Tubes

TENNADEX INDOOR AERIALS

## ALUMINUM ON DISPLAY

THE TYPE ESPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR ELECTRIC RANGES

## ARE HAVING TROUBLE KEEPING SHINING AND C

WE SUGGEST YOU INVESTIGATE THE FOLLOWING ITEMS IN THE STORE

- 1) CO-OP LIQUID FLOOP WAX a Quart 1.49 a Gallon
- COCOA MATS \$ .79 and \$1.10 1.00, \$1.25 % \$1.50
- THE ELECTRIC WAXER Renting Rates - First Hour 25% Each Additional Hour 24 Hours Over night

EVERY ONE IS CORDIALLY INVITED TO ATTEND THE LECTURE AND DEMONSTRATION IN MEAT AT THE SCHOOL ON FRIDAY, MARCH 4th, AT 1:30 P.M.