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STANLEY RIDER GETS HIS MAN!

TOWN COUNCIL HOLDS IMPORTANT MEETING

Deals with Dogs, Lights, Land-
scaping and Budget

Dog Poll: The Town Council meeting, Monday evening, February 28, considered a subject for which Greenbelt has become renowned -- Dogs -- to be or not to be.

The Council asked for a report from Mr. Fells, citizen, who voluntarily took a poll in Greenbelt on the question.

The results of the poll were:

Question: Are you in favor of pets (particularly dogs) in Greenbelt?

Homes called on:	263
No one at home:	28
Answer "No":	325 (Husband and Wife)
Answer "Yes":	99 " " "
Non-committal:	23

A motion was adopted to send a letter to F. S. A. giving the poll results as representative of Greenbelt opinion, and requesting that they enforce lease provisions. If when Greenbelt is fully populated, the F. S. A. wishes to withdraw lease provisions the Council will again consider a referendum.

Budget: The Council adopted the Town Budget, taken up previously, after first passing a motion to restore Manager Braden's salary to the figure first given in the original budget. This was done over the very decided objections of Mr. Braden.

Parkbelt: Mr. Braden said that there had been much confusion concerning certain reports made about Parkbelt homes.

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Alertness of G. C. A. President Halts Fugitive's Flight

There are times when it is very impolite, if not rude, to obstruct the progress of another. However the spirit of cooperation was on the side of the authorities, when Stanley B. (G-Man) Rider, tripped and spilled a fugitive from justice in Judiciary Square last Friday.

John R. Beach, prisoner, (who had previously slipped off the shackles of a Georgia Chain gang to obtain freedom) slipped the handcuffs placed by two U. S. Marshals, while he was being taken to court to change his plea to guilty on charge of hold-up and car stealing.

As the marshals fired over heads of scores of persons in the square, Rider saw the fugitive hailing a taxicab. The Citizens' Association President's feet shot out and Beach sprawled on the pavement. The marshals thereby were given plenty of opportunity to retrieve their prisoner.

Mr. Rider modestly admits having been somewhat of a track star in days gone by, but in the eyes of the citizens of Washington, and certainly of Greenbelt, he is today indeed a hero.

Because of his quick thinking and timely action a criminal is not now at large, menacing society.

Mr. Rider's feat has been proclaimed in newspapers and over the radio.

* "G" for Greenbelt.

CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATIONS ANNOUNCED

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced open competitive examinations for the following positions in the Department of Agriculture:

Marketing specialist, and principal, senior, associate, and assistant marketing specialists, \$2,600 to \$5,600 a year, Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

Junior veterinarian, \$2,000 a year, Bureau of Animal Industry.

Associate agronomist and superintendent, \$3,200 a year; assistant agronomist (sugar beet investigations), \$2,600 a year; assistant plant physiologist (sugar beet investigations), \$2,600 a year; Bureau of Plant Industry.

TOWN COUNCIL

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He wishes it understood that residents of Parkbelt will be subject to the same and ALL restrictions of Greenbelt residents, excepting the salary restriction. Council members stated that they would resist actively any discrimination now or in the future.

Signs & Lights: The town manager reports that street lights are practically all completed and should soon be operating -- possibly by March 15.

The street signs and courts signs will also be ready by that date.

Fire alarms have been installed, the wires are in, and the alarm system nearing completion.

Buildings: All homes in Greenbelt should be completed according to present plans by June 15. All will be occupied July 1. These figures are estimates based on construction.

The County High School will probably be available part of this semester if necessary.

Improvements: Mr. Braden says many things are planned for Greenbelt and their realization will soon be witnessed. Landscaping is to be started, park and playground equipment will be secured, and a playground adjacent to each block is planned, so that children may play without destroying the grass. Garden allotments will soon be made. The exterior of practically every home in Greenbelt will be repainted by late spring.

FIRE!.

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Youth Spreads Alarm When
Dump Heap Becomes Inferno

On February 27th, the Sunday of the Big Wind, while velocipeding north of town on Hillside, Lucky Letkemann, age six, became a hero.

Through the pines which skirt Greenbelt he noticed bright tongues of flame. He immediately whipped up his steed and spread the alarm (to Dad) -- A FOREST FIRE!

It certainly looked like one from town. The alarm was relayed to the Fire Department; and with several volunteers picked up en route, the engine arrived at the scene, -- Greenbelt's Discard Pile.

Oil, tar, paint, and wood were feeding an inferno. Exploding cans hurtled skyward, falling dangerously close to the encircling pines. Lucky watched two thousand five hundred gallons of water finally quench the flames. If allowed to proceed fanned by the rising wind, the fire would have been uncontrollable in a short time, and would have menaced the town. In self appreciation Lucky steadfastly insists that the Fire Department and Volunteers Gale, Hawthorne, and Letkemann must share their glory with him. Didn't he see it first?!

Holland had its little Peter; Greenbelt has its Lucky Letkemann.

FIRE!

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The Greenbelt Fire Department had a call to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mooney at 29-A Ridge Road, at 5:30 P.M., Friday evening.

Through some unknown cause, the curtains in the home caught fire. One fireman entered the house and snatched the curtains down. He stamped out the flames, after which dextrous action, the gust of smoke and flame subsided.

Like the Classified Ads in the Cooperator, The Greenbelt Fire Department evidently gets results.

BARBER SHOP

Mr. Jacobsen reports that the barber-shop equipment has been ordered. It is expected by April 1st, and the shop should be open shortly thereafter.

WALTER BURR ADDRESSES JOURNALISTIC CLUB

Mr. Walter Burr, Associate Director of the United States Employment Service, and formerly Professor of Rural Sociology at Missouri University, addressed the Journalistic Club at its March 2nd meeting on the subject, "The Newspaper and Its Influence on the Small Community".

Mr. Burr stated that it was necessary for the members of a community such as ours to realize that they are part of an experimental and not a natural community. As citizens of a model, experimental community we should make it our duty to become acquainted with such communities in history, to learn the reasons for their success and failure, and to profit thereby.

With regard to the function of a newspaper in such a community, Mr. Burr stated that the newspaper is a mirror of small town activities. Some things seeming petty to large newspapers or to outsiders, are of interest to the town, and should be mirrored in the town newspaper. The newspaper should boost the town, and in turn the town will boost the newspaper.

For a small town's success, and for the newspaper's success, both short-time and long-time objectives are necessary. Long-time objectives are ideals for which we keep plugging away, while realizing fully that results are far in the future. Short-time objectives are those things which should be done now, since they, as they are completed, give the newspaper and its readers ever present and tangible reasons for community pride.

Journalistic Club President Bossemer, in introducing the Speaker, told of his writings on the subject of small towns, and also of his extended experience in newspaper and community building.

REFLECTION

Although some things I must resent
And soon would alter if I could,
I after all am quite content:
I know my lot in life is good.
Dorothy East.

GREENBELT PHARMACIST SELECTED

Frank L. Purdum, graduate of the University of Maryland and a registered Pharmacist, was appointed last week as Pharmacist in charge of the Prescription Department for our soon-to-open "Greenbelt Pharmacy". Mr. Purdum is the son of a Baltimore Druggist, and was raised in the business. He is very well trained and comes on the recommendation of leading pharmaceutical experts of this state.

The pharmacy, which is scheduled to open on or before April 1, is currently the subject of extended discussion by the Citizens Association Committee on Cooperatives and the management of Consumers Services, Inc. Brands of merchandise, hours of business, wages of employees, colors of uniforms, designs for dishes; these are a few of the problems that are developing a good crop of perplexed brows.

Items that now seem decided are:

The hours will be, tentatively, from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m., seven days a week.

Uniforms for all except the pharmacists will be soft medium green.

Suggestions are always welcomed from Greenbeltians, and may be submitted either to Mr. Jacobson or to a member of the Advisory Committee.

NEWS FROM THE GAS STATION

Recommendations of Service Station committee, Thomas Ricker and Don Wagstaff, were inaugurated Monday, February 28, with the result that the daily sales at the Gas Station have increased during the past week per day over previous sales.

SCOUTS WANT EXAMINERS

The Boy Scouts need merit badge examiners in the following subjects: Bird study, botany, cycling, firemanship, first aid to animals, gardening, handicraft, journalism, life saving, stalking.

Anyone interested and qualified in any of the above subjects and willing to help the Scouts should get in touch with Mr. C. G. Pettit, 6-R Hillside Road.

LARGE CROWD GATHERS FOR MEAT GRADES DEMONSTRATION

Government Experts Explain Meat Grades To Housewives

Growing consumer consciousness on the part of Greenbelt Housewives was amply attested last Friday when 300 Greenbelt housewives thronged to a lecture on U. S. Grades for meats held by the Greenbelt Consumers' Services, Inc., in conjunction with the Bureau of Agricultural Economics, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

Miss Ollie Hoffman, a graduate student of cooperatives, who is conducting some of the consumer educational work in Greenbelt, opened the program with a word to the housewives about the value of the grading of all food products. Miss Hoffman said that she was especially interested in grades for meats because it was such a task for the average housewife to judge the quality of meats. She explained that with Government Standards, recognized all over the nation, the consumer can buy without doubt that the true quality of the meat is represented by the grade stamped thereon.

Mr. Sulo Laakso, manager of the meat department of the Greenbelt Food Store said that in bringing this valuable demonstration to Greenbelt it was the desire of Greenbelt Consumers' Services to give the consumers the benefit of this twentieth century method of marketing meats. Mr. Laakso said that consumers often become confused when they see meat advertisements in the papers, wherein one store has a price of 25¢ and another 29¢ for the same cut. These prices do not tell the quality of the meat, and the higher priced piece of meat may prove cheaper in the long run.

Mr. Laakso said that in buying from the meat packer he found it much more satisfactory to buy U. S. Graded meats. He said that one large packing firm that he buys from has its own brand name for its popular top grade, and within this grade or brand are three more sub-grades which are sold at different prices. He pointed out that this appeared to be very deceptive, and that he had found it

much easier to choose meat for quality by U. S. Standards.

Mr. Laakso said that U. S. Grades for meats were very essential in cooperatives, because cooperatives are owned by those consumers who are most actively demanding more complete knowledge of the products they buy, and more reliable standards by which to judge the products. Food grading is America's outstanding contribution to the Cooperative movement.

The principal speaker on the program was Mr. B. F. McCarthy, head of the United States Meat Grading Service, who told of the history of meat grading. He said that the need for the grading of meats was first seen in 1923, when a large steamship line complained that its Cuisine had not come up to its expectations, and had requested the Department of Agriculture to certify the quality of the meats that it was buying. In 1928 a nationwide voluntary meat grading service was established by an Act of Congress.

Mr. McCarthy said the government grading service acted simply as an unbiased referee, and lets the consumer select the quality which he prefers. The government judges the quality. Mr. McCarthy pointed out that if consumers demand more high quality meats, the farmers will raise it.

The meat grades were demonstrated by Mr. E. V. Theobald, Marketing Specialist of the Department of Agriculture, who is head meat grader for the Washington District. He told of the three factors: confirmation, finish, and quality, which are used in determining the grades.

Wax models of the rib roasts of beef and steaks were used to illustrate the factors which are taken into consideration. The thickness of the meat, the color, texture, the ratio of bone to lean meat, color of fat, amount of fat and the shape of meats are all compared with well defined standards when the meat is graded.

The seven grades are: Prime, Choice, Good, Medium, Plain, Cutter and Low Cutter. Mr. Theobald com-

pared the "choice" with the "Plain" grade of beef and pointed out that the Plain grade, which had no fat at all, had just as much bone as the "Choice". He said that a lot of creamy white fat on a steak denotes good quality. Meat without "marbling" will be less tender.

Mr. McCarthy introduced Miss Hemphill of the Radio Service of the Department of Agriculture, who is to talk with Miss Salisbury on the Meat Grades during the Farm and Home Hour, Tuesday, March 8.

After the lecture, time was given to questions asked by the audience.

The housewives were invited to view the display of graded meats in the Meat Department at the store. In the case could be seen a beautiful array of "Choice" grade beef, veal and lamb, as well as delicious looking cuts of cooked meats which had been graded for quality.

The demonstration was received with much enthusiasm and Mr. Laakso stated that more talks will be given on the selection of cuts of meats. Those who are interested in knowing more about food purchasing are welcome to peruse the helpful literature in the Consumer Study Room at the bus station.

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The "Doomed Battalion" is unquestionably a masterpiece of cinematographic art, and belongs in the same category with "All Quiet on the Western Front" and "What Price Glory", although devoid, happily, by reason of its greater objectivity, of the heart rending and nerve wracking emotionalism of these two war films.

Either because the picture was not sufficiently publicized or because the public has no taste for war films, the attendance was rather poor. The audience consisted mostly of children, for whom, although the picture has much to recommend itself, is nevertheless pretty strong fare.

The reviewer feels it would not be amiss to ask for a revival of this film so that those who failed to attend Friday's showing can see what they missed.

"DOOMED BATTALION" REVIEWED

By S. Maryn

Greenbelt got its first full-fledged movie program, including a cartoon comedy, and the first episode of a "serial" on Friday evening, March 4th. The program was arranged by the Citizens' Association, and was presented in the School auditorium by National Film Libraries, Inc.

The feature film, "Doomed Battalion" although made as far back as 1932, is a classic of cinema art, and like all classics is never out of date.

The picture, dealing with an incident of the World War, was filmed in Italy, against a background of the majestic and breath-taking beauty of the Italian Alps. Most of the cast are foreign, while the direction, as well as the production, are American. The dialogue is in English.

Although a war picture, the film is not gory, does not propagandize; it does not plead either for or against war. And while it is played with a realism so truthful and so convincing that it seems almost like a news-reel, it never lags or bores. Indeed it is replete with action, and while it borders on the melodramatic at times, it never descends to the sentimental. The picture maintains a remarkable objectivity throughout, and the scenes of real drama are made all the more touching because of a beautiful restraint.

The film obtains most of its greatness from its gorgeous outdoor scenes. There are shots of an avalanche, of a patrol on skis dashing down the mountains that are simply stupendous. The battle scenes are the most realistic this writer has ever seen.

The story deals with a battalion of Austrian soldiers who, occupying a mountain top, are able, because of their strategic position to check the advance of a much larger Italian force. Repeated attempts to dislodge them proving futile, the Italians hit on the strategy of tunnelling under the mountain and blowing it up. What follows makes a very tense and absorbing story.

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Editorial



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NEIGHBORLINESS

We quote the New York World-Telegram of Feb. 26:

"A spirit of neighborliness pervades all Greenbelt."

In seeking to promote the progress of Greenbelt, let's try always to remember that no progress is possible without this "neighborly spirit".

Strangely enough that spirit has been

most severely strained by antagonism between groups both of which seek to advance the welfare of the town -- but by different methods. Though we do not yet all see eye to eye on methods, let us rejoice in the much more significant fact that we do see eye to eye in motives.

Full recognition of this fact will lead to confidence, not to suspicion -- to sympathy, not to malice. And with confidence and sympathy, conflicting ideas can be blended -- can supplement, rather than stalemate, each other.

In this spirit our debates on public issues will be confined to issues, and will avoid personalities. And when issues, but not personalities, are involved, compromise is possible.

So let all who seek the progress of the town of Greenbelt, or of any feature of our community life, realize that the surest way to achieve that progress is to maintain the friendship of those opposed.

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One factor which has evoked these remarks is the nature of several letters recently addressed "to the editor".

The editors hesitate to print these letters because, written in opposition to some plan or issue, they are directed at individuals rather than issues.

We feel that such comments, if made at all, should be made directly to the individuals involved, and not through the medium of this paper.

Of course the blame is largely ours, for having permitted letters of this type to appear before; but we shall endeavor to mend our ways, and we hope that Greenbeltians will help us.

Let's continue to convince others -- and ourselves -- that we are good neighbors.

CUSTER'S LAST STAND

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I am aware of the distinguished work being done for the Cooperator by its Advertising Acceptance Committee.

However, I feel I must challenge the Committee's acceptance of optometry advertising. I urge Greenbeltians not to go to an optometrist for eye treatment -

Because:

1. Optometrists are prepared to diagnose only a small range of eye cases - those concerned with the transmitting and refracting of light. They are not, truly speaking, eye doctors. They merely measure vision. (Check my definitions with your dictionary).

2. Oculists are the true eye doctors. They are graduates in medicine, specializing on the eye. They are able to diagnose eye diseases and are able to prescribe not only glasses, but also medicine, surgery, or simply rest.

3. Even the best optometrists are predisposed to prescribe glasses. Naturally so, since the only things they sell are glasses. If they prescribe only rest, or if they prescribe medical care; in both cases they collect nothing. So, in general, they sell glasses too often. The client is lucky if he needs them. If he needs only rest, the glasses may weaken his eyes so that he soon does need them. If he needs medical attention, the consequences may be more lamentable.

4. Opticians are the professional grinders of lens; not optometrists, nor oculists, as such.

5. Sight is too precious to be entrusted to other than thoroughly capable attention. More authoritative, and much more extended, proof that optometrists are not thoroughly capable may be gained by referring to the articles "Optometry on Trial," appearing in the Readers' Digest last August, September and October.

Howard C. Custer

HERE AND THERE

By Henry Little

This week's award for unselfish service goes to Mr. Leon Golnick, the Cooperator's enterprising business manager and former member of the Advertising Acceptance Committee.

Mr. Golnick recently lent himself to a "human guinea pig" experiment to determine the utility of an ultra violet ray sun lamp submitted for advertising in our columns. The result? Mr. Golnick contracted something halfway between a sunburn and a heat rash, and out of the experiment there may come a strongly recommended skin lotion. (This is not meant to minimize or disparage in any way the function of the Cooperator's most useful and intelligent committee. It merely demonstrates how far we must sometimes go in search of honesty -- in advertising.)

Now, may I throw my bit into the pit of confusion into which the Co-operative Dividend seems to have fallen.

Suppose that each of us with every breath of air he draws every day were to take a small portion and set it aside for a day when the atmosphere were suddenly gone thin. If each of us did this for a long enough time to supply of available air would be diminished and eventually many of us would be literally "gasping for breath". To be sure, this sounds ridiculous, but does it not happen every day in the economic world? Profits are set aside and the goods they represent are no longer available for general consumption.

The Co-operative Dividend by returning the profit to the purchaser puts these surplus goods back into the market for consumption, and thus avoids the disastrous accumulation of unavailable commodities. A pile of gold may be very beautiful to some but to a hungry man it might as well be so much scrap iron. The Dividend will find more vitamins than beauty in such a pile.

ACCORDION-PLEATED DOORS

by Agre Enbelter

'Tis a windy night.

Brrrrrawnnmooop! The startled family sits, stands, or lies frozen. Serenity has vanished. Then the more fearless or less experienced throws caution to the wind* to ascertain the origin of that blood-curdling, hair-raising sound. A hand reaches out for the door knob but before it ----Brrrammmammooop. The door is wrenched open. A look outside, - nothing but clear cold night. Several itinerant oak leaves chase each other 'round and 'round. The door is again swung, and resignedly but with unsatisfied curiosity the family takes up where it left off. But again the phantom phants, and now fact reveals that either the Zephyr or one of its first cousins North, East or West Wind has been tuning up its scale on the mouth-organ reeds so cleverly incorporated in the door sashes by the Farm Security Administration.

Heretofore, this contraption of cooper sheeting had been considered mere weather-stripping. It is a source of consternation and amusement. It has afforded the mechanically inclined much experimental material, for the slightest twist or pressure one way or another will vary the tones and pitch.

If Greenbelt had the proper cooperative spirit one member of each family would volunteer to sit at the controls at the proper time and manipulate the weather-stripping according to an arranged score, whereby Greenbelt would be a true Utopia and rightfully come by such a Chamber of Commerce slogan as "GREENBELT, HARP O' THE WINDS."

*Editors Note: PUN?

Note: The management remarks in the connection that those who are disturbed by the warbling weather-stripping should telephone the office for assistance. A half minute operation completely silences the symphony. However the operation should be performed only by specialists, as improper ministrations will buckle and thereby destroy the weather-stripping.

HELP WANTED - MALE

The Greenbelt Players are in search of a presentable man capable of handling one of the important parts in the forthcoming play, "Phipps".

He does not have to be tall, dark, and handsome, nor does he have to be an experienced actor. All that is required is an active interest in amateur theatricals.

The role is that of an English (fancy that) butler who is not above forsaking his butling once in a while in order to get a little enjoyment out of life. The part is good and has many possibilities and - who knows? - perhaps will provide a stepping stone to bigger and better things, Broadway or Hollywood.

If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Theodora Murray, whose guiding hand is developing Greenbelt's Little Theater movement.

The Greenbelt Players invite any and all of you who would like to become an integral part in the world of the theatre. The call is for volunteers. There are a million things to be done. Sets and scenery are to be built, posters to be designed, programs to be mapped out; there is enough work for all.

Mr. Sherrod East is in charge, back stage, of carpenters, electricians, painters, etc., and will welcome all and sundry with open arms who can help. A long list of instructions on what to do, when, where, and how, will be furnished.

J.P.M.

TRICKS OF THE TRADE

"PLUGGING THEM UP"

Milk buyers cannot see germs, but they can see cream. This fact is capitalized when some dairymen seek new customers. Bottles of milk are delivered that show an unusual amount of cream. This is known to the trade as "plugging them up". Compare this milk with what is sold under the same name at other places or at later time and you'll be able to tell how much plugging may have been done.

BACTERIAL CONTENT OF MILK

(Advertisement)

Announcement

In a series of short articles for the Greenbelt Cooperator, which will be run as paid advertising, I wish to present facts and information about the dairy industry and to correct impressions I feel have been gained from false and misleading propaganda indulged in by some parts of the industry. In addition I shall give you an account of the operation of the Harvey Dairy, Inc., which is my particular interest.

Public Records

Because competitive conditions have developed to a point in Greenbelt where unfair tactics have been indulged in, I wish to publish our record as it appears in the Montgomery Health Department records at Rockville. Grade A permits are issued by this department of health.

The bacteria count is recognized as the index of sanitary quality of milk by all Public Health Services and Departments, the lower the numerical count the higher the quality.

The Figures

The following is a tabulation of official bacteria counts of our milk, as it appears on the public record in the Court House at Rockville for 1937 and to the present date.

1937		1937		1938	
Feb. 12	4200	Jul 19	6000	Jan 10	800
Mar 13	400	Oct 13	100	Jan 11	100
Apr 11	700	Oct 13	200	Jan 11	200
Jul 8	2300	Oct 30	100	Feb 5	200
Jul 8	800	Nov. 2	100		
Jul 8	600	Nov. 27	100		

Regulations permit bacterial counts as high as 30,000 per cubic centimeter of pasteurized milk. Please notice the preponderance of very low counts.

More Figures

The records at Rockville are open for your inspection. We shall be glad at any time to furnish transportation for a committee of your own choosing to inspect these records.

Our routine analysis done by the Dairy Laboratories of Washington, D.C. at much more frequent intervals, is also open for your inspection.

We challenge any other dairy serving this area to publish its record from the same source or other sources or for a longer period of time.

HARVEY DAIRY, INC.,
(Signed) S. H. HARVEY, President



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AFTER WE'VE READ THE COOPERATOR
Dorothy W. Rider

The circulating library in the grocery store offers a variety of books, some of which should be of interest to the women of Greenbelt if they can stay away from a meeting some day to read one. On the shelves at present are the following:

Skin Deep, an evaluation of cosmetics which reveals some dangerous practices of manufacturers. Counterfeit and A Hundred Million Guinea Pigs make the same revelations concerning drugs, food and other merchandise.

If you seek whimsy, Eve's Orchard by Margaret Widdemer is a nostalgic story of a girl who returns to her native New England from the success and gaiety of New York City. In her girlhood home she discovers a new manner of living and finds that the man who, in the atmosphere of town life, seemed glamorous, has become a new influence as she turns to older values.

Willa Cather's most distinguished novel Death Comes for the Archbishop, is on the shelves; also Young Joseph by Thomas Mann who will lecture in Washington tomorrow. This book is dramatic. There is the scene where Joseph sits muffled in his cloak, weak and exhausted amid the Ishmaelite train. His veil is snatched from his face and he is revealed to his frightened brethren. Then he hears himself being haggled over for weary hours as traders debate his price and quality.

If you would like to cheer a convalescent friend, drop by and leave From Bed to Worse by Robert Benchley, and then go back the next afternoon and listen to her read excerpts aloud to you, for this is a book that needs a listener as well

as a reader to be enjoyed thoroughly.

Can Europe Keep the Peace? is a provocative book by Frank H. Simonds. He says: "America is filled with well-meaning earnest groups, mostly women - who, knowing nothing much of European history and filled with provincial and impractical notions of brotherly love, think all racial problems abroad are in some way evidence of foreign inferiority, and can be settled by American sweetness and light." Quite a challenge in the light of one of the problems familiar to Greenbelt.

Other books that women of Greenbelt might like to have added to the circulating library include:

The most dramatic biography of recent times, Eve Curie's Madame Curie. This story of the shy school teacher of Czar-ridden Poland who came to starve in a Paris garret for learning's sake, stirs the imagination. The daughter, Eve, does not become sentimental but tells of her mother simply and truthfully.

The first issue of the Greenbelt Cooperator reviewed the autobiography of Eleanor Roosevelt. This is My Story. Her picture of a lonely childhood and shy early womanhood is well worth understanding.

If you liked Little Women, you would enjoy the opportunity to rent the biography of Louisa Alcott by Katherine Anthony.

Would you care to rent the Boston Cook Book? It is a reliable, simple, and a pleasant aid to the housewife, be she experienced or a novice.

Mary Atwater has written a book on weaving that inspires those gifted in handicraft to set up a loom and go to work immediately.

WOMEN TURN SCIENTISTS

The women of Consumer Discussion Group No. 3, scientists for an evening, arose from a two hour deliberation over seven cans of beets and announced to an anxious citizenry that the surest way to buy Beta Vulgaris in tins is to look for the grade.

They found that the most expensive can of beets (Fort, not graded) was the poorest in quality. On the other hand the lowest priced can (Iona, Grade C) was the best buy. The best quality was found in a moderately priced can (Co-op, graded Fancy). The Iona beets were rated as best buy because, although the appearance of the vegetable left something to be desired, the other qualities and quantity made it satisfactory for ordinary use. The Co-op beets had an excellent appearance and a very fine taste, and the cost per unit quantity was slightly higher.

Mrs. Hazel Jones wielded the can opener admirably. Miss Ollie Hoffman was guest observer.

S. A.

Consumer Discussion Group No. 7 met at the home of Mrs. Howard C. Custer on March 3, to study meat inspection and grading in preparation for the demonstration held the next day. Source materials used represented a wide range of interests, consumer organizations, Federal Government, and industry. Mesdames Deibert, Hawk and Stidham were present, as well as the hostess. The next meeting will be a "tasting party" at the home of Mrs. Hawk on March 11.

Consumer Discussion Group No. 13 met at Mrs. S. Laakso's home Monday evening. Labels on canned goods were discussed. A Pamphlet on Meat Inspection was read by the members and keen interest was indicated. Those present were Mesdames Brassler, Graham, Hayes, Harris, Falls, Thornhill, Poole, and Harper. The next meeting will be at Mrs. H. Falls home, 2 Eastway, Wednesday evening, 8 o'clock. (tonight)

MOTHERS' CLUB

The Pre-school Mothers' Club met Wednesday evening in the Social Room of the School. An article "On going to bed" in the February issue of the Parents' Magazine was the subject for discussion. Mrs. Mary Rucker gave a detailed and instructive resume of the article. All the Mothers then were given a chance to present their problems and many solutions were recommended.

It is hoped that a piano may be secured for the social room so that the various clubs may add music to their programs.

It was voted to take up a collection each meeting of five cents per person to be used for refreshments at the future meetings. Mrs. Leon Benefiel, Mrs. Ann Culliney and Mrs. John Lyons are to serve on the refreshment committee for the remaining two months of the club year.

Many Mothers from the new comers to Greenbelt were welcomed to the meeting.

The next regular meeting will be April 1st.

SOCIAL NOTES

Notice: Will those who send in social notes please print all proper names in Block Letters and thus help to keep this column accurate.

Mrs. C. D. Coulter was hostess on Feb. 27 for a Silver Seal dinner given by Mr. Leon Gladfellow. Among those present were: Mr. C. D. Coulter, 23-L Ridge Road and his father Mr. H. E. Coulter of Altoona, Pa., a retired Pennsylvania Railroad employee; Mr. and Mrs. Swift, Mr. and Mrs. R. Green, Mr. and Mrs. E. Eisenbaugh, and Mrs. R. C. Coulter.

On Feb. 27, Mr. and Mrs. John Bozek entertained a group of friends, including Mr. and Mrs. J. Long, Mr. and Mrs. W. Donohue, Mr. and Mrs. L. Nelson, and Mr. and Mrs. F. Lyman.

Little John May of 2-C Northway was baptized last Sunday in Berwyn, Md. The godparents were Mr. Rudolph May and Mrs. Juste, both of New York. Later in the evening friends gathered and cocktails were served.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. MacDonald Jr. had as their guests last weekend, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Misegades of Chicago, Ill. and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Suavely of Washington. Mr. Robert MacDonald who has been spending the past several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. E. I. MacDonald returned to his home in Smithfield, N. C. Saturday.

Mrs. Lester Hayes entertained at dinner for Mr. and Mrs. Harry Murphy on Friday evening, March 4.

Mrs. Frank Harris, 56-J Crescent Road, gave a knitting party on March 3. Mesdames Norville, Elliott, Steinfeld, Price, Eisenbaugh and Ostler attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Walton Cone, 1-B Gardenway, have visiting them Mrs. Cone's parents, Mr. and Mrs. DeField of Chicago, Ill.

Mrs. Robert Hayes, 35-G Ridge Road is giving a dinner on Monday evening March 7 and has invited as guests Mr. and Mrs. John Murray and Mr. and Mrs. Hockel.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Use hot liquid instead of cold when making an uncooked frosting with sugar that has become lumpy. The lumps will disappear without the labor of sifting or rolling.

When frosting small cakes hold them by tooth picks stuck in the bottom.

Put the ends of the tooth pick thru meshes of wire cake cooler and draw them out leaving the cakes in place without touching the frosted sides.

For an easily prepared maple icing mix confectioners sugar with maple

syrup and add a little butter or cream to keep it soft.

To give frosting a smooth glossy appearance put the frosted cake in a warm oven for a few seconds - taking care not to let the frosting get so hot that it will run over.

MEAT AND VEGETABLE PIE

As the ingredients of this pie are never the same twice in succession, quantities and ingredients are merely suggested. Within limits, the more ingredients the tastier the pie will be; avoid too large a quantity of any one ingredient as this destroys the blending of flavors that gives the dish its exceptional tastiness. For the sake of appearance always include one bright colored vegetable such as carrots. It is not advisable to use beets as they give too lurid a color; nor cabbage as it destroys the delicacy of the flavors.

Raw hamburger or leftover cooked beef chpped - quantity about 1/4 to 1/3 total amount of vegetables.

Thinly sliced onion

Cooked or raw potatoes cut fine

Canned vegetables, such as green beans, tomatoes, corn or peas. This is an excellent way to use up the few extra spoonfuls often left over from a can.

One or all of the following, sliced or cubed: Carrots, parsnips, celery and turnips.

Arrange ingredients in saucepan with meat on top. Salt and pepper to taste. Pour over it a cup or so of water or the juice from a can of vegetables; if the latter is used, the pie will be tastier. Bring to boil slowly and stew for at least one hour. If not boiled fast, the vegetables will not become mushy.

Turn into buttered baking dish.

Mix up a baking powder biscuit dough and pull it roughly into shape over the top of the hot meat and vegetable mixture. If dough is not allowed to come quite to the edges of the dish, more water can be added during baking if the pie seems in danger of becoming too dry. Bake for 6-7 minutes in a hot oven(400); reduce heat to 325 and bake for 40-50 minutes.

HAZARDS IN THE HOME

Maury Fontaine

SHOCK is the result of accident when all activities of the body are greatly depressed and the nervous system loses control over the blood vessels. These vessels become sluggish and there is a stagnation of blood about the abdomen and an insufficient supply to the heart and head. Shock accompanies or follows practically all bodily injuries of note or very severe and sudden emotional disturbances. The result varies from a mere "shiver" to unconsciousness or even death. Doctors are sometimes required to defer treatment for serious injuries until after treatment for shock, which should have been prevented by the first aid attention.

Symptoms: pale face and anxious expression; bluish tinge of lips, ears, and finger nails; lusterless eyes and vacant expression; lack of interest; "all gone" feeling; cold perspiration, particularly on forehead and palms; weak and rapid pulse; severe chill; coldness as of marble; nausea; sighing and irregular breathing.

Treatment: for first aid care remember three measures; HEAT, POSITION, STIMULANTS.

1. Above all, keep the patient warm, supplying heat EXTERNALLY, INTERNALLY, ETERNALLY. External heat is applied by any safe method or combination of methods. Internal heat is gained by hot drinks such as water, milk, tea, coffee.

2. Lay the patient on his back with head down and body on an incline, the feet being highest.

3. Stimulants, such as aromatic spirits of ammonia, tea, coffee, etc. may be given a person when he is conscious.

Preventive measures are the same as treatment for shock.

CAUTION! Omit stimulants and inclining of the body in cases of chest injuries, severe bleeding, skull fracture or strong pulse and red face.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Friedman had as their dinner guests on February 23 their cousin, Miss Dorothy G. Abramson of Washington, D.C. and Miss Gertrude Blumberg of Staten Island, N. Y. After dinner, a bridge was given in their honor.

HOME MEDICINE CABINET (Cont'd)

Bertha Maryn

In selecting tooth paste or mouth wash the consumer is confronted with the same problem that most commodities present. The labels in most cases give little information as to the composition of the product. The advertisements shriek the virtues of various dentifrices and tell of their powers to bleach the teeth, keep them from decay, effect the cure of halitosis, and prevent pyorrhea. Unfortunately these claims are unfounded. Also unfortunate is the fact that under the present Food and Drug Act, advertisements are able to make such claims, and exaggerated as they may be violate no law. The Secretary of the Council on Dental Therapeutics of the American Dental Association says: "The only function of a dentifrice is to aid the tooth brush in cleaning the surface of the tooth. There is no evidence available that the use of a dentifrice will prevent the formation of dental caries (decay) nor, for that matter, of any other disease of the mouth."

In purchasing dentifrices, the consumer should remember that there is no uniformity in size of containers. Cans of powder or tubes of paste which at casual glance seem to be the same size may vary considerable in net contents.

"The Home Medicine Cabinet", Dept. of Labor, warns consumers against tooth bleaches. "Many of them contain acids that literally eat up the teeth. One study showed them to be so harmful that they caused severe destruction of the enamel when applied to the teeth from 1 to 5 minutes. Some people have teeth naturally much darker than others. No amount of cleaning nor any product which can be used safely will make them otherwise.

Sodium perborate, a drug of value in the treatment of Vincent's infection, has become popular as a dentifrice. Sodium perborate should not be used in healthy mouths, and in general used only on the recommendation of a dentist. The Council on Dental Therapeutics will not accept any dentifrice which contains Sodium perborate.



GREENBELT JUNIOR



THE HISTORY OF GREEN WATER

By the Fourth Grade.

(Note. Green Water is the name of the city the Fourth Grade has built at school.)

Mr. Green rode down the river in his canoe. He bought three acres of land for his home. Here he built a log cabin. His wife and children came to live in the house. Mr. Green bought a cow, pigs, sheep, hens, and chickens. A large garden was planted. The horse helped to cultivate his fields and helped in transportation.

Soon the garden gave vegetables to eat and sell. The cows furnished dairy products. The pigs furnished him with meat and lard. The sheep gave wool for clothing. The hens gave meat, eggs, and other chicks. Many buildings were necessary to house the animals.

Mr. Green found it necessary to build a cannery to take care of his vegetables. Experienced help was needed. A large field of cotton was planted. Soon a cotton mill was built. More houses were built for the helpers. Many different buildings were needed to take care of the needs of so many people, such as stores, offices, stations, and schools.

Now we see a rapid growth in public utilities, transportation, buildings, and factories. Many automobiles, busses, trucks, horses and wagons crowd the streets of Green Water. A railroad is kept busy transporting products. A large airport has been built. Street cars are used to carry the working people to work. Large steamboats are at the docks busy exporting goods to other cities and countries.

Many foreign boats are bringing valuable goods to the Green Water port. Our markets are developing rapidly. Through such large buying and selling interests our city is developing into a giant city of America.

As we think back on the history of Green Water we recall that the sky-scraper section of our city is the land Mr. Green purchased from the Indians.

Now we notice factories developing

ATTENTION

Every week the children will have a page in the Cooperator. Reporters from each room at school have charge of the news. The reporters for the first five weeks are

Maxine Hayes
Leo Slaughter
Charles Meek
Frank Johnson
Mahlon Eshbaugh
George Nielsen
Norma Mitchell
J. L. Demeron

If you have any news for your page, give it to one of these reporters.

OUR TRIP TO THE DAIRY

By Dolores McWilliams

Thursday we went to the dairy barns. We saw cows. We went especially because we were studying about milk.

A man was there. His name was Mr. Donald. He showed us all around. He told us about everything. He told us about the cows. He said that they have four stomachs. He took us to the bulls' barn. The bulls made a whole lot of noise.

Then Mr. Donald took us to his office and answered our questions. And then we went home.

Around the sky-scraper section. This land is so valuable that the factory workers cannot afford to live here. So the rich man that owns the sky-scraper section builds houses for the factory workers. Therefore we have the slum section in our city. The better working class of people need shelter too. So we find better homes, apartment houses, and detached houses being built for these people. This is not a suitable location for the richer people. They cannot buy enough land in this section for their mansions, so they go on the outskirts of the city to build.

Thus the development of Green Water is like that of many of our giant cities.

SCOUTS GO A'ROAMING

Scout Troop 202, Greenbelt's own, sallied forth on a hike Sunday, February 27th, under the leadership of Scout Master Pettit.

Spick and span in their natty uniforms, their haversacks slung across their shoulders, the boys left, not without a good deal of pomp and circumstance, for destinations unknown.

Their line of march was in an easterly direction.

Having tramped some two or three miles they called a halt. As each scout had taken along his cooking outfit, together with something to cook, they soon had a roaring fire and their dinner in the throes of creation, as it were.

The dinner cooked, the boys did a vanishing act, with the food, the hike lending adroitness to their art.

This over, the scouts spent their time very profitably passing tests. They culminated their adventure by building a council fire.

Ready to begin their return trip, the boys made sure that everything was as they had found it. A patrol party was appointed, which inspected the grounds thoroughly and, finding everything O.K., the scouts were soon on their way home - but not until Scout Palmer had blown taps.

(As reported by Scout Andrew Freeman)

SALES IN SMALL CO-OP TOWN

A news bulletin issued by the Cooperative League gives the following report from Maynard, a strong co-op town:

"The United Co-operative Society of Maynard, Mass., now well established as the biggest business in that town of 7,000 inhabitants, recorded the biggest business in its history when its total sales for 1937 mounted to more than half a million dollars.

Charles W. Manty, president of the co-op, reported to the 275 members and visitors gathered for the co-ops annual meeting on February 21, that sales totaled \$509,190 in 1937 as against \$475,931 during the previous year. Net earnings for the year were \$20,598 of which approximately \$17,000 will be paid out in $3\frac{1}{2}\%$ savings returns. All customers of the co-op, members and non-members alike, will participate in the patronage dividends."

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SPORTS



CHATTER in SPORTS..by..Cockill

"When the O'ne Great Scorer comes
To write against your name,
He writes not, whether you won or lost
But how you played the game."

These well known words of Grantland Rice should be the essence of all athletic endeavor in Greenbelt..... Play it honestly, cleanly and sportingly....Let there be no unnecessary squawking, jealousies or malices displayed in any of our contests..... While it is natural to play to win, and when you play to win you play hard don't take your losses and subsequent mistakes too seriously...To you members of the Greenbelt A. C. who are beginning to notice symptoms of any of these defects..please remember that your club is a Man's club...Prove it.....

Harold Alderton who refereed last week's basketball game is one of the businest officials in this vicinity.. He usually handles ten or twelve games a week.. After the season closes he probably will be able to devote some time to Greenbelt..... Alderton is an athletic director at Maryland University and would be very helpful in planning and guiding our programs.....Glenn Cunningham, sensational miler, is a swell example of what a boy can do when the cards are all stacked against him..Cunningham's legs were badly burned when he was a boy...The doctors expressed doubt as to whether he would ever walk again..He not only walked but started running as no one ever ran before.... Arch McDonald, Washington sports commentator (honorary Greenbelt A.C. member who recently gave the club a very nice sendoff over the air) will broadcast all the Senator's home games this season as well as those played away... Has anything been done relative to preparations for the Greenbelt Olympics???

GREENBELT TO MEET S. E. C.

The strong Greenbelt A. C. quintet fresh from their victory over Colonial Village will meet the Securities and Exchange Commission team, Friday night, March 11th at the auditorium. Admission 10¢

TABLE TENNISERS TO GET HANDICAPS

There has been quite a bit of discussion on Jim Dunaway's monopoly of the Ping Pong tournaments staged in town. Between Dunaway the champ and Murray the runner-up, the every day, parlor Ping Pong artists feel they are laboring under too much of a handicap. Taking heed to the entreaties of the underdogs, Mr. George Bradford, magnet of the local table tennis industry, has taken it upon himself to solve the problem. His plan is this:--

In next week's Cooperator, he will list the handicap of each and every player it has been his doubtful pleasure to watch. Starting with Dunaway and Murray, who will start at scratch with no handicap, he will work down the list until he reaches the weakest players in town. These will receive from 12 to 15 points according to their varying ability. For instance, Dunaway is from 6 to 10 points better than Bradford. In a tournament play Bradford would start with about an 8 point handicap or the difference between his rating and that of his opponent. If he on the other hand played Claxton who rates about 10 point handicap he would be forced to give him a 2 point spot or the difference in their ratings.

This is the fairest method yet produced and we will give it a try at the next tournament scheduled for the last of the month. In the meantime, play the game and if you are bad enough you might convince George to fix you up with enough points to win the affair. J.P.M.

GREENBELT SWAMPS COLONIAL VILLAGE

Large Crowd Witnesses First Game

The Greenbelt A. C. auspiciously made its debut in athletic circles last Tuesday nite by soundly trouncing the Colonial Village basketeers by a score of 36-14. Never was the outcome in doubt as the local boys went into a lead at the start, never to be headed. The score at the end of the first period was 8-5. Greenbelt lengthened it out with 17-9 at halftime. In the second half the boys really went to town. Colonial Village was able to garner but 5 points during the half. The Belters exhibited an airtight defense, which the Virginians had trouble penetrating. Howard Sidwell, who split the cords for 13 points led the scoring. Several of his shots being from difficult angles of the floor. Johnny Bozek played an excellent floor game and proved to be the sparkplug of the A. C.'s attack. J. Newbold former Notre Dame star stood out for the Villagers.

Before the game Roy Braden who was on hand to greet his old teammates, from Arlington County was presented with Honorary membership number one, in the Greenbelt Athletic Club by President George Bauer...Mr. Braden expressed his desire to see a fast brand of athletic activity develop through the club. Mayor Louis Bessemer tossed up the first ball, marking the beginning of Athletic history in Greenbelt. The game was witnessed by approximately 150 fans, who were elated with the clever brand of ball displayed by the local boys.

SPORTS STAFF ANNOUNCED

We take this opportunity of presenting to you John P. Murray and Phil Claxton who will work on the sports page. Murray will cover all tennis and ping pong activities and Claxton will handle softball.

Any person with sports writing experience or who would like to give it a fling are urged to contact the sports editor, Clifton J. Cockill.

LINEUP

GREENBELT

	G.	F.	T.
Abrahims	f.....1	0	2
Resnicky	f.....2	0	4
Eshbaugh	f.....0	0	0
Sidwell	c.....6	1	13
Culliney	c.....1	0	2
Bozek	g.....3	1	7
Cockill	g.....2	2	6
Lyons	g.....1	0	2
Marek	g.....0	0	0
Total	16	4	36

COLONIAL VILLAGE

	G.	F.	T.
Shannon	f.....1	0	2
Pick	f.....0	1	1
Newbold, B.	f.....0	1	1
Burns	f.....0	0	0
Carpenter	c.....1	0	2
Neale	c.....1	0	2
Newbold, J.	g.....2	2	6
Batson	g.....0	0	0
Lamond	g.....0	0	0
Greaves	g.....0	0	0
Stanley	c.....0	0	0
Reynolds	f.....0	0	0
Total	5	4	14

Referee: Alderton

CARDINALS AND BEARS TAKE LEAGUE LEAD

By virtue of their hard earned victories the Cardinals and the Bears took the lead in the Athletic Club Basketball League last Thursday night.

In the first game the Cardinals nosed out the Packers, 26-22 after an extra period.

The Bears after a nip and tuck affair managed to take into camp the Tigers by a count of 22-18.

Phil Claxton of the Bears, with 12 points, was high scorer of the evening.

TEAM STANDINGS

	Won	Lost	Pct.
BEARS	2	1	.667
CARDINALS	2	1	.667
PACKERS	1	2	.333
TIGERS	1	2	.333

FLASH - CONCERNING CLUBHOUSE

The Greenbelt A. C. is calling a special meeting, March 9, 8:00 Pm. in Social Room.

CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Citizens Advisory Committee on Cooperatives was established by vote of the Greenbelt Citizens Association, and appointed by President Rider.

Its purpose is to serve as a liaison between the citizens and the store management, and to advise the store management as to general policies and as to particular criticisms and suggestions received from citizens. It considers marketing problems both from the viewpoint of the management and of the citizens and proposes to foster plans leading to distinguished marketing facilities for the community.

Its membership is: Mr. Peter J. Carroll, Chairman, Mr. George D. Berkalew, Mrs. Louis M. Bessemer, Mrs. Velma A. Brewer, Mrs. Irvin B. Reamy, Mrs. Jean R. Nance, Mrs. Harry A. Falls, Mrs. Alexander Schwarz, Mrs. Samuel Maryn, and Mr. Howard C. Custer.

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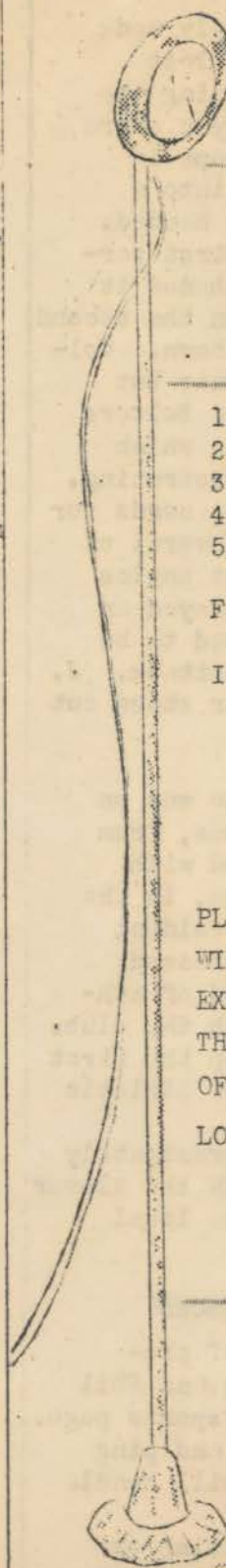
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Scene: GREENBELT, 1943

By Lawrence B. Sawyer

You're a visitor to Greenbelt, aren't you? The members of this town have acquired the habit of being neighborly and we believe in extending the spirit to cover strangers, too.

How do you like our town? Swell, isn't it? Yes, this is a cooperative community and we're proud of the progress we've made. We swear by cooperatives here. It was awfully hard getting started, but it certainly has worked out.

That building at the junction of Gardenway and Ridge Road? Why, that's our Medical Center. You've heard of it? Would you care to see it? I'd be proud to show it to you.

We started this type of Medical Plan about five years ago. The town was hardly more than a quarter full when we began working and planning for it. The people were actively responsible for it, are, and will always be, a big part of Greenbelt history. When I think back to those hectic days when the first seven Directors started the plan moving, and of the work they did and the sleep they lost and the blame they received, I wonder how they ever stood up under it.

Our plan permits us to budget our medical costs. In other words, that terrible phase "Doctor Bills" is missing from the Greenbelt dictionary. Upon enrollment, we buy a share in the association. We pay a small monthly sum for the family, and there's an end to it. The plan and our doctors do the rest.

Well, here we are at the Medical Center. It looks like all the rest of the Greenbelt houses from the outside, but step in. Ah, you're rather surprised, aren't you. Yes, we have a twenty-five bed hospital here. Members of the Medical Association don't have to leave town for any medical care excepting perhaps consultation with specialists. Oh, yes, we have arrangements whereby we can get the benefit of specialists care. Yes, we took care of that long ago when the Association had about 600 members.

Come in here. I want you to meet Genevieve. There she is--isn't she a beauty? Man, we're proud of her. She's the best X-ray machine in the county. We certainly did have to work for her and when she was finally installed we staged a celebration. We all think of her as a member of the community, a staunch friend. Sure, and why shouldn't we? She tells us if that ankle is fractured or sprained; if that rib is caved in or just bruised; if that tooth can stay in or must come out.

Of course we have a dentist here, and a swell guy, too. He comes under the cooperative plan, also, except that he charges fees that are set by us, the patients.

Well, what do you think of our set-up? Our doctors have plenty of equipment to work with, haven't they? We rarely, if ever, have to go out of town for a diagnosis. Those shares we paid for when we joined the Association have certainly worked hard for us. They've given us fine equipment and a real feeling of security.

For instance, just the other week, my little girl developed a slight rash. The minute we saw it we took her to the clinic, where it was found that some heliotherapy would clear it up because it was in the first stages. I thanked my stars that we had the equipment, because the rash responded to treatment beautifully and soon was healed. Doctor White told us that if we would have let it go, it would have spread and been a stubborn, painful case. And we most probably would have let it go if we weren't members of the Association, because we would no doubt have hoped that it would clear up by itself.

Come in here. Look through this glass door. See it? The sweetest little operating room you ever laid eyes on. Sure it's small, but it's a sweetheart. Doctor Brown loves it. He's our surgeon. Sure we have a surgeon!

You see, we chose our doctors this way! First they all had to be general

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practitioners. Then they each had to have a certain specialty. Doctor White was our first doctor. He specializes in obstetrics. Doctor Black was our second. He specializes in pediatrics, you know, a baby doctor. Doctor Green was third. His specialty is eye, ear, nose and throat. Incidentally, he is the oldest and the senior doctor. He sort of manages the clinic. Doctor Brown is our fourth, and he specializes in surgery.

Each of these men had a splendid record before he came out to Greenbelt. They are all enthusiastic about cooperative medicine and therefore get along swell together.

We're crazy about our doctors. They're all so nice and friendly. You know the sort of friendliness I mean. Not the kind that's put on so that you come back a second and third time to lay your three dollars on the line, but the kind that's real. The brother kind of friendship that really wants to help so that you benefit by it. Yes sirree, they're grand guys!

Nurses? We have eight. They work in the hospital and also assist the doctors. One of them is an expert anaesthetist.

You know, it's a funny thing how the attitude of the kids towards doctors has changed. You see, we bring our kids to the doctor while they're well and so they don't associate a doctor with pain. He becomes a genial, interested friend who jokes with them and tells them the names of all the strange instruments and what they're for. The doctor in Greenbelt is no longer a Bogey-man.

You've probably read that Greenbelt is rated as the healthiest community in the United States. And that's all due to our Medical Association.

You just ask some of the people who were dead set against it at first. They're the strongest supporters of the plan now. Of course, we had plenty of trouble getting started at first. But gradually the dissenters began flocking in, and as our membership increased our services incared until it's what you see now.

Lucky? You bet we're lucky! But it took more than luck to put this over. It took plenty of hard work. But we've got it the way we want it now.

Well, I was mighty glad to have been able to show you around. Good-bye, and come around to see us again soon, when we get our new oxygen tent!

GREENBELT
COMMUNITY CHURCH NOTES

Dr. Mark Dawber of the Home Missions Council in New York will preach at the regular morning services Sunday, March 13th. It is hoped there will be a large attendance, as Dr. Dawber has an important matter to bring before the congregation at this service.

Rev. John B. Harrington of Union Theological Seminary in New York, will preach at our regular services on March 20th. He will be the first prospective pastor for our Community Church at Greenbelt. Mrs. Harrington, former head of the music department in Lynchburg College, Lynchburg, Va., will accompany him on this trip. A pot luck dinner will be held in their honor Saturday evening, March 19th. Details will be announced in the next issue of the Cooperator.

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MORE ABOUT MILK

An Acceptance Committee Report

The milk question will receive greater attention than ever when the dairy advertisement shown in this issue of the Greenbelt Cooperator has been carefully read.

A dairyman has decided to talk. That will help a lot in breaking up the conspiracy of silence and confusion that has existed in the dairy industry. Consumers will welcome some honest talking.

The Acceptance Committee was about ready to let the cat out of the bag concerning the milk business and made a few implications in the last issue of the Greenbelt Cooperator, but trouble will be saved and honor given the milk business if dairymen will speak for themselves.

At this time it is proper to repeat, "The only way to clear up suspicion (about milk) is to have definite proof that all milk furnished in Greenbelt is above question." We need facts about ALL the milk. Let us give credit to the dairymen who choose to do their part.

Since the Acceptance Committee is not merely consumer minded but business minded as well, it has had plenty of sympathy for the milk distributors and the competitive conditions which have done neither themselves nor the public any good. We sympathized and yet laughed when the parade of milk vehicles with their business solicitors followed a luggage-laden automobile up and down, hither and thither, all over the town from one end to the other, only to find that a tourist car and not a prospective milk customer had been stalked and pursued. We sympathized when we learned how many dollars it had taken to sell the first quart of milk to a new customer and frowned when we knew that all the dollars of promotion expense must be charged to the consumers, or taken out of profits. We know the tactics that have been used by competitors and the stories that have been told. Our conclusion is the milk business has been a mass.

At the present, however, we are concerned about the quality of products. Greenbelt cannot be too careful about the milk it receives. Milk is not only a good for human beings, but also a good food for certain disease germs, such as those causing typhoid fever and diphtheria. Then, again, milk may sometimes come from sick cows. In such cases, the milk may contain large numbers of the organisms responsible for septic sore throat, undulant fever, and tuberculosis. Dysentery, infantile diarrhea, and enteritis may also result from impure milk. As intelligent human beings we do not care to serve as food for milk-borne organisms. We buy milk to eat, but not to be eaten by what is in the milk.

When dairymen are willing to cooperate with consumers in bringing to light the really vital facts regarding milk products, better days must be ahead for everyone concerned. Consumers will use as little milk as possible when the product is under suspicion and conversely, will buy more freely when that deterrent is removed by above-board business methods.

When dairymen understand that they are in business for our health, it will be healthy for their business.

PROGRESSIVE FIRST-AID PARTY

The absence of a doctor has caused a new type of social event to be inaugurated in Greenbelt.

On Thursday evening, Oscar A. Anderson, while a guest in Stanley D. Russell's apartment, received a severe cut upon his hand. Iodine was applied and a dash was made to Hyattsville, where calls were made at the homes and offices of doctors, all of whom happened to be out.

A call was then made at the Bladensburg First-Aid Station, at the fire house, where Dakin's solution was applied. The party then progressed to Mount Ranier where, after some futile search, a doctor was found to be "at home". Either, alcohol, and five per-

cent solution of mercurochrome were given the wound.

However, Russell, overcome by events, was not to be neglected, and so spirits of ammonia were given to bring him out of a faint. Thereafter, the doctor got his sewing kit together and did some stitching as a pleasntry of the evening.

During the social conversation, Russell explained that he had collapsed from lack of food. This explanation was accepted, with grins furnished by Anderson and the doctor. The party then adjourned to a Bladensburg store where considerable shopping was done. Finally the last stop was made at Russell's apartment where a pound of hot dogs on rye was featured as piece' de resistance of an elaborate midnight snack for two.

The progressive party was voted a huge success. A good time was had by all.

CREDIT UNION BOARD MEETING TONIGHT

The Greenbelt Federal Credit Union Board of Directors will hold a special meeting tonight.

The February financial statement follows:

	Balance Sheet,	3/1/38	
Assets:			
Cash		\$116.34	
Loans	\$1074.00		
Reserve for			
Bad Loans	30.80	1043.20	\$1159.54
Liabilities:			
Accounts Payable		15.80	
			<u>\$1143.74</u>
Net Worth:			
Shares		\$1180.30	
Net Loss*		36.56	<u>\$1143.74</u>
	Statement of Income and Expense		
	1/1/38 - 2/28/38		
Expenses:			
Supplies	\$	11.80	
Miscellaneous		29.50	
Bad Loans, Reserve		30.80	\$72.10
Income:			
Interest on Loans	\$	4.74	
Entrance Fees		30.75	
Fines		.05	35.54
Net Loss:*			<u>\$36.56</u>

*The loss is due to charter and other organization expense.

THE LAND of ROMANCE

Mary E. Van Cleave

Foreword

We were a party of four -- on our way from Washington to Monterrey, Mexico. Arriving at the International Bridge, we obtained passports, exchanged \$20 American money for each couple, bonded our car, and were once more on our way, across the Rio Grande.

IV

It is peculiar, the feeling an American has as he leaves Uncle Sam's protection and drives onto foreign soil. It is as if he were throwing himself into the laps of the gods.

(Tourist cards are usable only for pleasure trips and the length of time one plans to remain in Mexico must be stated before obtaining a permit to cross the border.)

Once in Mexico, we drove for miles on an excellent, perfectly straight highway, passing cacti as tall and thick as trees in a forest, completely cutting off our view. We saw many doves and quail along the way; twice we glimpsed small gray fawn standing nearby, timidly poised for flight. It is a good thing we didn't stop to hunt, however, as we later found that to do so legally, one must be a member of a recognized Mexican hunting club.

V

It was a little confusing to us to see distance signs marked in kilometers, rather than in miles. And we had some difficulty, at first, buying gasoline by the letros. Fifteen letros are about four gallons. One asks for five, ten, fifteen or twenty letros.

The drive to Sabinas Hidalgo, the only important Mexican town before reaching Monterrey, is long, and one meets few cars, but the scenery is beautiful and picturesque, especially within sight of the mountains. If the day is clear there is a splendid view of the eastern division of the Sierra Madres.

(To Be Continued)

DEN FOUR HOLDS FIRST MEETING

The Cubs belonging to Den Four had an organization meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander M. Schwarz on

Tuesday, March 1.

The following officers were elected

- DennerIra Schwarz
- Ass't DennerPaul Strickler
- Cheer LeaderOtis Walker
- BuglerDick Palmer
- Sergeant-at-Arms.....Tom Fennell
- Quarter Master.....Clayton Conklin
- Song LeaderRay Bochert
- Den ScribePeter Carroll
- Den DadsAlex M. Schwarz
-Peter J. Carroll
- Den MothersIrene Schwarz
-Constance Carroll

Boy Scouts Thomas Poston and LeRoy Clark were chosen as Den Chiefs.

The meeting was then adjourned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fleisher, where the Den Yell, composed by Den Dad Schwarz was rehearsed and Cub songs were sung with Mr. Harry Fleisher at the organ.

Then for vocal exercise the meeting Cubs attended the Basket Ball Game where our newly developed cheering powers sent Colonial Village down to a crushing defeat.

Peter J. Carroll, Jr.
Den Four Scribe

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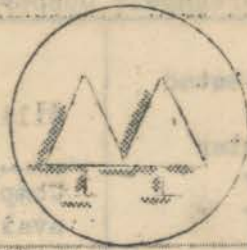
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