



Transportation Committee Meets With Capital Transit Laakso Succeeds Jacobsen To Command of Stores

In its endeavors to reach a satisfactory solution of our transportation problem, the Transportation Committee, accompanied by an unofficial representative of the Town Council, met with Mr. Locke, Chief Engineer of Capital Transit Company on Wednesday, March 15, 1939.

The Committee's recommendations and supporting data were placed before Mr. Locke for his consideration with the idea in view of establishing the practicability of continuing the present type of service without guarantee.

It was developed during discussion, and Mr. Locke so informed the Committee, that Capital Transit Company would be agreeable to putting into effect all the proposed changes, specifically:—elimination of "dead-heads" would be feasible, more economical and would require that overnight housing be provided in Greenbelt; expansion of the shuttle service would be just a detail of establishing schedules; substitution of station wagons for buses in shuttle service offered no difficulties, legal or otherwise, and would materially decrease the unit cost of operation.

Two important conclusions were reached as a result of this conference:

(a) That the Committee's recommendations could be used as the basis for the continuance of the present class of service, but that any continuance of this service would have to be by contract.

(b) That such contract would have to be on a "service at cost" basis with a responsible party guaranteeing Capital Transit Company against loss.

NOTE: Insistence on a "service at cost" contract to cover continuance of the present service was for the stated reason that the Committee's estimated reductions in cost did not entirely dispose of the indicated deficit. Mr. Locke's view was contrary to that of the Committee in regard to increased patronage resulting from the application of the Committee's recommendations.

U. P. Cable Editor To Be Guest Of Journalistic Club -- -- -- IF

If the cable lines, now feverish with international complications, cool off a bit in the meanwhile, Mr. Harry Warner Frantz, cable editor for the United Press, will be the guest of the Greenbelt Journalistic Club at its regular monthly meeting Wednesday, April 5, at 8:15 P.M. in the Cooperator office. If he is kept at his post that night he will visit the Club at a later date. This necessarily tentative arrangement was made by him and the Club's president over the phone last Sunday because most of his engagements must be tentative, subject to the exigencies of current world history.

Mr. Frantz is in the midst of a distinguished journalistic career and, while he claims he is no speaker, he does like to sit down with a group and share with it his wealth of experiences and observa-

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ABOVE - SULO LAAKSO,
NEW MANAGER



RIGHT - ROBERT E. JACOBSEN
WHOM HE SUCCEEDS,

The Cooperative Organizing Committee met with Herbert Evans, Vice President of Consumer Distribution Corporation last Monday night for the purpose of discussing a proposed management contract for the stores to take effect upon its formation as a cooperative.

Mr. Evans advised the Committee that Robert E. Jacobsen, local manager, had tendered his resignation in order that he might return to Minneapolis to manage a store owned by his late father. He expressed his regret at losing Mr. Jacobsen's services and termed him an ideal man for the job to which he had been assigned. This feeling was entertained by the entire Committee.

Mr. Jacobsen stated that his work in Greenbelt constituted the greatest experience of his life and it was only with the greatest reluctance that he decided on his new course.

Mr. Evans suggested the advisability of promoting Sulo Laakso, manager of the food store, to the post made vacant by Mr. Jacobsen's resignation. The Committee felt the choice a good one and registered its unanimous approval.

The balance of the meeting was devoted to discussion of various problems in connection with the formation of the cooperative but actual consideration of a management contract was deferred until a later date.

Interior Indians Lift Scalps of Local Quintet, 43 to 35

The Interior Department basketball five, with several Indians in their lineup, did a good job of putting the "Indian Sign" on the Greenbelt A.C. basketballers, when they knocked them out of the running in the Washington Post A. A. U. tournament by a score of 43-35.

Interior hopped into an early lead and held a slight edge throughout the contest. Greenbelt managed to tie the score in the second period but could not forge ahead of their rangier opponents. Ray and Irontooth starred for the winners while McDonald and Bozek stood out for the losers.

GARDEN CLUB REMARKS

"When I at last depart this earth for that dim distant place,
I pray the Lord will have for me a tiny little space
Where I may cultivate and grow, to tallest full perfection,
Those flowers so temperamental that they drove me to dejection.
No crown of gold I ask, no harp - for that might seem presuming -
But just a garden, fragrant, bright, perpetually blooming."

Anyone who has struggled to make things grow under adverse conditions can appreciate the above sentiment, and I think that a vegetable garden "perpetually bearing" should be as soul satisfying as anything under the sun, especially after a season when we sweated and hoed and weeded and got not too much for it. Disappointment, yes, but gardeners are a hardy lot - as hardy as the weeds they go after with so much energy - and like the weeds, keep coming back for more. After all, when a man bends over the soil and knows that in that soil lies the magic that makes potatoes and beans and tomatoes if he can but wrest them from it, it's a challenge that's hard to turn down. The difference between gardeners and other men is that the gardeners say, "Oh, year?" and take off their coats.

And as for the flowers, from the tough, red clay that I've seen around most of the houses, the man or woman who can turn it into a garden "perpetually blooming" deserves to have a very special reward. Which brings me to a hint I'd like to drop. Have you heard about the "Yard and Garden Contest" that the Garden Club is cooking up? There's a challenge for you!

Have you sown your flower seeds indoors? You should have, you know. Better get busy, if you haven't. It's fun to grow dahlias from seed, lantana is lovely and colorful, and who doesn't want snapdragons and verbena? As for the outdoor work, keep your eye on the soil - if it ever stops raining - and as soon as it's dry enough to permit spading and pulverizing, go to work on calliopsis, calendula, California poppies, four o'clocks, larkspur, morning-glory, nasturtium, scabiosa, sweet peas. I wouldn't try to do much with the warmth loving types, such as cosmos, cypress vine, gourds, marigolds, phlox, and zinnias, until the first of April.

And as for those house plants which have gladdened us all winter, give them a break -- consisting of heavy doses of fertilizer and plant food. It'll give them a new lease on life. And don't forget to order roses and get them in the ground as soon as possible. Sharpen up the hedge clippers and get your pruning done before the new growth starts. Did I hear somebody say "vegetables"? Why not plant radishes, spinach, beets, swiss chard, carrots, lettuce, salsify, parsnips and peas as soon as the state of the ground permits? The eyes of America are on Greenbelt - let's show them that we might be nuts, but we aren't quitters!

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tions. This he does exceptionally well, and with a delightful sense of humor.

All interested in participating in any way in the work of the Journalistic Club, or who are interested in any phase of journalism, are cordially invited to attend this and other meetings of the Club. There are no dues.

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GREENBELT RADIO CLUB

The Radio Club met in regular session on March 17 for a review of the principles of the battery operated Regenerative Circuit, with 2 stages of Audio Amplification.

Following this, a review was made of the Choke-filter power pack united in the initial discussion of the A.C. Regenerative Circuit. Based on the circuits diagrammed by Rosenzweig, Petersen made the appropriate circuit changes involving the introduction of Line Power into the low-voltage radio circuit. The entire discussion was supervised by instructor Reno.

This discussion will be continued in the class of tomorrow evening, when oscillator circuits will be discussed. These classes are open to all persons who are interested.

PING PONG LEAGUE SCORES

TEAM	STANDING OF TEAMS	
	WON	LOST
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"B" Block	3	0
"C" BLOCK	3	0
"D" Block	0	3
"E" Block	0	3
"A" BLOCK	0	3

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A Distinct Loss

The COOPERATOR learns with regret of the resignation of Robert E. Jacobsen as manager of the local stores; he is to take charge of the business of his late father in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Truly pioneers in the development of this community, Mr. and Mrs. Jacobsen's loss will be keenly felt in Greenbelt, not alone for the active part they have taken in fostering the best interests of the community but for the warm personal friendships they have made.

We of the paper which Mr. Jacobsen helped to build and promote join the community in wishing them both Godspeed.

We congratulate Mr. Laakso on his appointment to fill the vacancy left by the resignation of Mr. Jacobsen.

The Editors



Rambling

By George F. Carnes

That a college education never hurt anybody who was willing to learn something afterward can be attested to by a friend of mine named Jake, who, after gathering unto himself about all the degrees offered by a college, had to turn around and take a post-graduate course from a bunch of beer-heads in order to learn the danger of being over impetuous.

It all happened like this::: Jake and a bunch of his chums were whooping it up in a second floor apartment when one of his pals happened to glance out of the window and see that nemesis of all party-goers, the Black Maria, pulling up to the curb in front of their house. With an exclamation of dismay he informed the rest of his cronies of the impending tragedy whereupon they all gathered in a huddle for a hasty conference ----- that is, all except Jake.

Jake must have had a little of the "devil-may-care" stuff in him, for, with a shout of, "I'm gonna get me a seat this time", the big smart also dashed down the hall on his weaving legs and clambered up into the patrol wagon with the dignity of a visiting diplomat.

One of the policemen, evidently accustomed to such idiosyncrasies, bowed politely to Jake, closed the door after him and motioned for his brother officers, who were carrying a heavy box of tools out to the wagon, to drop their burden and attend this new charge. These two worthies, after peering at our Jake thru the grill window, apparently agreed that he was a fit subject for the attentions of the morning Judge, for without further ado, they climbed into the wagon and headed for headquarters.

Poor old Jake, a victim of his own hasty judgment, was last seen peering out from between the grill window with a look of agonized disillusion on his simple face.

This little story may or may not have a moral. But to Jake, I suppose, it proved that common sense is the most uncommon thing in the world.

ESTIMATE OF SAVINGS EFFECTED BY PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS OF THE GREENBELT TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

	I	II	Increase or Decrease (-)
(1) Interest on Investment			
9 Buses (\$41,496.52; 1 month @ 6%)	\$207.48	\$207.48	
1 station wagon \$1,000.00; 1 month @6%)			\$ 5.00
(2) Replacement Cost			
\$41,496.52; 1 mo. @ 14.2%	491.04	491.04	
\$ 1,000.00; 1 mo. @ 14.2%		11.89	11.89
(3) Taxes			
Maryland Seat Tax	75.00	76.00	1.00
D. C. License Tax			
3514 Revenue Miles @ .008	28.11		
2154 Revenue Miles @ .008		17.23	-10 .88
D. C. Real Estate Tax	28.09	28.09	
Gasoline Tax			
2257 ga. @ 3¢ per gal.	67.71		
1092 gal. @ 3¢ per gal.		32.75	-34.96
Social Security Taxes	69.33	69.33	
(4) Bus Operator's Wages			
Actual	1006.37	1050.00	43.63
(5) Operating Expenses @ 10¢ per mile			
Limited	824.32	505.60	- 318.72
Shuttle	263.50	264.35*	.85
DeadHead	476.18		- 476.18
Total Expenses 1/7/39 to 2/6/39	\$3537.13		

Estimated expenses (Column II) with elimination of deadheads, substitution of 15 additional shuttles \$2758.76

Monday thru Friday, 13 additional on Saturday, 2 on Sunday -- all with station wagon.

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Note: Approximate average monthly deficit over an eight months period was \$833.00.

*Operating expense of station wagon was calculated at \$.05 per mile.

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Meditations

by
Robert Lee Kincheloe
Minister to the
Greenbelt Community Church

(This column, which appeared last week, is reprinted by request.)

In the Christmas and Easter period man instinctively turns to thoughts of the Church. It is the time when more people are conscious of the Church than at any other time in the year. Churches all over our land, be they Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, Mormon, or Unity Cult, feel the pulse beat of interest in religion. Young people and children and adults express their desire to join the Church of their preference. Their reasons for making this step are varied and many. Here are a few culled from a Baltimore Church Calendar; "Why Should I Join the Church". Have you, who are outside the fellowship of our Greenbelt Churches, thought of these?

FIRST

The Church has been the visible means through which God has worked for the spread of His Kingdom upon the earth. Directly or indirectly all Christian influences have come from the Church.

SECOND

I would not like to live in a community in which there was no Church.

THIRD

No sane and intelligent person would want to bring up children in a community in which there was no Church.

FOURTH

If every one should follow the example of the non-church member, there would be no Church.

FIFTH

It is, therefore, selfish and wrong for me to desire or expect the benefits of the Church while I am refusing to sustain the same by being a member

SIXTH

By staying outside the Church, I am teaching others to do the same, for actions speak louder than words, and to that extent I am throwing my influences against Christ and his Church.

SEVENTH

What will I have to offer in that day when my soul meets its God? Am I contributing to the welfare of my world now through the agency designed to help lift mankind to a purposeful way of life?

EIGHTH

I need the help of God's Church, and the Church needs me. Therefore, I should join it and do all in my power to support it.

COME TO THE CHURCH OF YOUR PREFERENCE

GREENBELT HEBREW CONGREGATION

The usual Friday evening services were conducted in the Music Room by the Hebrew Congregation, in the absence of Mr. Leon S. Elsberg, who continues to be confined at home following an unfortunate accident resulting in a fractured lower jaw. Wishes were expressed for a speedy recovery; hopes for which were speeded by an announcement through Mrs. Rose Alpher that Mr. Elsberg had indicated to her his belief in an early return.

The services were conducted by the president, Ben Rosenzweig, who asked Ben Goodman to read the evening devotions.

The Community Church proved to be usual staunch bulwark in times of stress. The presence of Reverend Robert Lee Kincheloe, permitted him to be called upon for an address in lieu of the usual sermon. At

FAREWELL PARTY FOR SENIOR WARNER

Mr. George Justin Warner was the guest of honor at a buffet supper farewell party at the Denzil Wood home March 19th. The evening was spent in songs and Phyllis Warner's inimitable readings. Mr. Warner is leaving Friday for his home in Stockbridge, Massachusetts, and the many friends he has made in Greenbelt are reluctant to see him go, but wish him "happy landing". Besides the Wood and Warner families, those present included Miss Dorothy Pratt, the witty sister of Mrs. Warner.



The Barber Shop, under the management of Mike Juliano, is already serving over 1200 Greenbelters regularly and is one of the first stores in Greenbelt to win the support of the great majority of the people. Mike has had 25 years experience in barbering. He worked in Washington for 15 years at the Shoreham Hotel and at the Army and Navy Club where he served many of the nation's notables. With his long experience and the complete modern equipment of the Greenbelt Barber Shop, he and his staff offer you every service desired. He believes in prompt courteous service without high-pressure salesmanship. He hopes to serve 100% of Greenbelt soon.

Greenbelt Barber Shop

no little personal inconvenience he procured a very moving historical fiction dramatizing the Son of Man in his contact with the tax-gatherers, Jochanan and Zacharias, which was touchingly presented.

The benediction at the close was delivered by Mr. Kincheloe.



Salt o' the Earth

by
Dorothy Salter

That "greeneyed monster" is raising his ugly head on my horizon! Do I envy the "fortunate few" who can manage a winter vacation!! Mr. and Mrs. Garnet Magee have recently returned to their home 6-B Parkway after a month's sojourn in Florida.

The Magee's sent the most novel post-cards to friends back here; little bags of Florida sand attached to a card bearing the legend that those whose feet have trod that sand will some day return. And by the way, "Magees", where do you two prefer your sands??

Mrs. John Caprio of Portsmouth, Virginia is visiting her daughter Mrs. Wade Snyder of Crescent Road. Incidentally, Thelma looks like an adorable "juene fille" with her hair in a long bob this week!

"Time Marches On"! There were four generations under one roof in Greenbelt last week-end. The roof was that of Mr. and Mrs. Steve O'Brien of 40-A Crescent Road. There was Steve's grandfather, Mr. William Smith; his mother, Mrs. Stephen O'Brien, Sr.; Steve himself, and his baby "Ronnie". Quite a reunion!! Other visitors were; Miss Helen O'Brien, Mrs. John Paulsen, and Miss Dolores Smith. All the guests were from Staten Island, New York.

The "Youngest Set" has never heard of a "mid-March" slump, and it takes a lot more than a little "snow squall" to dampen their enthusiasms!! Little Miss Joan Taylor entertained twenty of her friends Saturday afternoon at her home 13-R Ridge Road, with a party celebrating her fifth birthday. The youngsters played games during the afternoon, and Mrs. Taylor served them ice cream and cake. Joan received quite a number of lovely gifts. The guests; Jack and Jill Macy, Anne Smith, Bobby Sanchez, Elizabeth and Julia Wessels, King and Mary Jane Middleton, Janice Young, Tommy Cross, Joan Temple, Jackie Ackerman, Ray and Jerry Cook, Judy Lewis, Lillian Chandler, Shirley Grey, Patsy Dunbar, Peter Klumb and last but by no means least, Joan's baby sister Peggy.

Hear ye!! Hear ye!! If any of you housewives are missing some pie pans and cake plates and remember that you have forgotten to collect them after

"Scout exchanges" et cetera, at the grocery store, will you please contact Mrs. Lewis, 39-M Ridge Road? The collection was becoming quite large and since there was no convenient place at the store, Mrs. Lewis kindly consented to be responsible for them. She is very anxious to see that they are returned to their owners, so won't you please collect them as soon as possible?

Mrs. Doan entertained her Bridge Club last Wednesday evening at her home 1-F Eastway. Two tables played with prizes going to Mrs. Benjamin and Mrs. Stainback.

Mrs. Linden Dodson and Mrs. Ivan Quigg entertained the Fidelity Class of Greenbelt Community Church at Mrs. Dodson's home 2-G Gardenway, Tuesday, March 14. After a short business meeting the ladies enjoyed a social evening.

Mrs. Edwin Brady entertained the "Les Huit" at her home 52-E Crescent Road Friday night at one of the most attractive meetings of the year. The girls played "500", and being St. Patrick's Day, Mrs. Brady carried out a color scheme of green in her refreshments, with green fruit jello, cookies, mints and punch with little shamrocks for favors.

Master George Carnes of 26-E Ridge Road entertained a host of friends at a party celebrating his sixth birthday, last Saturday afternoon. George received lots of nice presents. The children played games and Mrs. Carnes assisted by Mrs. Colliver served them appropriate "goodies". The guests were Marshall Dorsey, David Fulmer, Billy Dove, Lewis Clark, Allen Carneal, William May, Dickie Prater, Donald Hammersley, Sonny Brezina, Bobbie Fitzhugh, Donald Fitzhugh, Howard Fitzhugh, Billy Colliver, Charles Dowrick, Buzzie Sauls, Billy Sauls and Bobby Hall of Greenbelt and Peter Silverstone of New York City.

A surprise baby shower was given on March 17 for Mrs. Sherrod East by Mesdames Mabee, Maurer and Bessemer. Those present were Mesdames Pence, Harris, Rabbit, Mabee, Strong, Fulmer, Taylor, Maurer and Jacobsen.

DUNHAMS LEAVE

Mr. and Mrs. Don Dunham left, Tuesday morning, March 21, for Omaha, Nebraska where Mr. Dunham is to be Administrative assistant in the office of Internal Revenue.

EASTER BALL FOR ALL DEMOCRATS TO BE HELD APRIL 8 AT MAYFLOWER

The Democratic Club of Greenbelt announces that "The Young Democrats Club of Washington" is sponsoring a big Easter Ball at the Mayflower Hotel on April 8. All Young Democrats, Democrats and friends in Washington and vicinity are urged to attend. The Ball will be a prelude to the city wide Young Democrats Convention of all local clubs to be held in June.

Invited guests of Honor will be President and Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Farley, and the Congressional Daughters of the Senate and House Daughters Clubs.

Everett "Washie" Bratcher was selected to be General Chairman for the Ball, and his 12 piece orchestra will also furnish the music for dancing from 9:30 to 1 P.M.

Reservations can be made at the Mayflower Hotel, or Young Democrats Headquarters at the Shoreham Hotel.

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The Problem That Must Be Solved

Elsewhere in this issue is the account of the meeting held between Capital Transit Company representatives and the Transportation Committee of the Greenbelt Citizens Association. The results, or what we consider to be the lack of them are significant. Let us explain:

The committee presented a plan to the Transit Company's officials. The plan was studied; the gentlemen solemnly observed that it had its points, in fact it was a good plan. They would even accept it. With guarantees from a responsible party.

Who is the responsible party in Greenbelt? Farm Security Administration is. What do guarantees mean? The payment of money to cover losses. And there we have it. They'll take the old subsidy, thank you.

Of course, it may be argued, if the new plan works, a subsidy won't be necessary; there'll be no losses to cover, think our trusting friends. Yes perhaps. But:

That subsidy (assuming someone would pay it) dangles before the vision of C.T.C. Just as soon as they show a loss, it's theirs. Such a setup has been known to discourage the black ink from winning the day in the ledger book.

However, General Accounting won't pay the subsidy anyway, and it's highly doubtful if anyone in this town has the money or inclination to do it. So there we are.

In plain language we must look for some new alternative or take what Capital Transit offers, ----- \$2.00 a week for catch-as-catch-can connections. We believe that the hardworking Transportation Committee has not despaired of reaching some satisfactory understanding with Capital Transit before seeking other solutions to this sore problem. More power and support to them.

But we believe that the emphasis from here outward should be on the independent action of the cit-

Those New Utility Rates

Acting upon popular demand for a plausible reason for the projected increase in the utility charge which the Management Office announced would become effective with April rent billings, the COOPERATOR undertook the responsibility of inquiring into the reasons for the proposed raise.

It was pointed out by the management that the increase in the amounts to be prorated among the residents in no way represented an increase in the utility rate but rather an adjustment to cover the cost of electricity supplied to the units which was found necessary by reason of the insufficiency of revenues to cover the costs under the existing prorations. Provision for such adjustment, it was stated, is fully covered in the lease as signed by each resident.

The management stated that it undertook this course of action with extreme reluctance but believed that, with the correction by residents of certain abuses which have had a tendency to force costs upward, the charge for electricity might well become somewhat less than the figure now estimated.

As to the reasons for rendering bills on the basis of a flat charge rather than on a kilowatt hour basis, it was developed that, by measuring the current through a central meter, the charge for electricity was based on a schedule calling for a much lower rate than would be possible under a system of individual metering and billing direct by the power company on a kilowatt hour basis. Any tenant who desires the installation of an individual meter and billing on an individual basis may obtain such service but only at a cost of between double and triple the amount of the proposed proration, the truth of which can be verified by comparing costs with persons enjoying like facilities in the neighboring communities.

In respect to complaints as to the effect of excessive burying of street lights, it develops that street lights and lights in the community buildings are on a separate circuit covered by a separate meter.

C. O. C. BOX SCORE

According to Treasurer's books at close of office hours Friday, March 17:

Subscribers	485
Shares subscribed for	649
Shares fully paid for	99
Dwelling units represented	428
Dwelling units with at least one share fully paid for	66
Amount Deposited	\$2226

izens of Greenbelt for the setting up of their own transportation system. We realize the obstacles. The alternative is even more dangerous, however, for the inadequate service now being offered will mean an increase in the number of car riders and that will mean progressively less bus riders and worse transportation facilities to our community. There must be action within a reasonable length of time then, not hasty or ill-considered, but action. This problem is the most vital Greenbelt has yet faced.

A. C.



KEEPING STEP WITH THE LEGION

(How to display the FLAG - continued)

Art. 16 - Do not drape the Flag over the hood, top, sides or back of a vehicle, or of a railroad train or boat. When the Flag is displayed on a motor car, the staff should be affixed firmly to the chassis or clamped to the radiator cap.

Art. 17 - Do not display the Flag on a float in a parade except from a staff.

Art. 18 - Do not use the Flag as a covering for a ceiling.

Art. 19 - Do not use the Flag as a portion of a costume or of an athletic uniform.

Art. 20 - Do not put lettering of any kind upon the Flag.

Art. 21 - Do not use the Flag in any form of advertising nor fasten any advertising sign to a pole from which the Flag of the United States is flying.

Art. 22 - Do not display, use, or store the Flag of the United States in such a manner as will permit it to be easily soiled or damaged.

PROPER USE OF BUNTING:- Bunting of the national colors should be used for covering a speaker's desk, draping over the front of a platform, and for decoration in general. Bunting should be arranged with the blue above, the white in the middle and the red below.

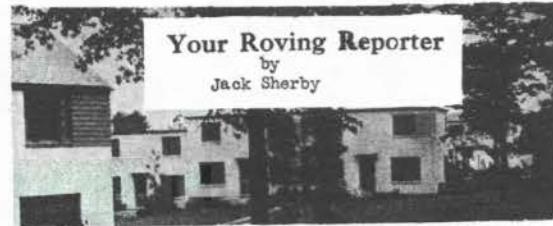
HOW TO SALUTE THE FLAG:- During the ceremony of hoisting or lowering the Flag or when the Flag is passing in a review, all persons present should face the Flag, stand at attention, and salute. Those present in uniform should render the righthand salute. When not in uniform men should remove the headdress with the right hand and hold it at the left shoulder, the hand being over the heart. Women should salute by placing the right hand over the heart. The salute to the Flag in the moving column is rendered at the moment the Flag passes.

SALUTE WHEN GIVING THE PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:- In pledging allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, the approved practice in school, which is suitable also for civilian adults, is as follows: "I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation, indivisible, with Liberty, and Justice for all". At the words "to the Flag", the right hand is extended, palm upward, towards the Flag and in this position is held until the end of the affirmation when the hand drops to the side. However, civilian adults will always show full respect to the Flag when the pledge is being given, by merely standing at attention, men removing the headdress. Persons

in uniform should render the right-hand salute. SALUTE TO THE NATIONAL ANTHEM:- When the National Anthem is played and no Flag is displayed, all present should stand and face towards the music. Those in uniform should salute at the first note of the Anthem. All others should stand at attention, men removing the headdress. When the Flag is displayed, the regular "Salute to the Flag" should be given.

Note:- The Local Legion post herewith extends to all who helped to make the late production, the "Submarine Patrol", at the theater a success, grateful appreciation. It is our pledge to make the American Legion here in Greenbelt, as in other localities, an asset to the community.

Leon G. Benefiel, Adjutant.



QUESTION:

WHAT DO YOU THINK THE EFFECT WILL BE OF THE DISCONTINUANCE OF THE LIMITED BUS SERVICE?

Sam Weisbroth, 19 N Ridge Rd. "This will no longer be low cost housing, and they ought to invite the automobile class and the \$2500 workers who can at least afford to live here. People who can't afford to waste three hours a day in transportation will probably move before long."

John Frommer, 11-A Parkway. "I reckon we'll just have to get used to the Toonerville Trolley out of Berwyn, Md. Just like the citizens of Beltsville & thereabouts. Insofar as we had patronized it, we got limited service---that sort of deluxe service we can't have unless we pay for it. If we had patronized the limited service more we would still have it I don't know the ramifications of the problem, but that is my view of it."

Mrs. J.S. Tompkins, 2-B Hillside. "I think it's going to cause some people to move. It's going to make it mighty difficult for a lot of people. If I could, I would ride the bus, but my hours do not permit it. What I think would solve the problem --- would be a running of the East Riverdale bus to out here, or a shuttle from out here to Riverdale."

Mrs. Joseph Loeb, 4-C Hillside, "It's a sore subject with us. There will be a lot of people dissatisfied. I have heard that a lot of people may be going to leave Greenbelt." Mr. Loeb: "Why, in the first place, didn't they bring the buses right here from E. Riverdale? I think that would solve this problem entirely. If we got together with the other Prince Georges County interests in this thing we might be able to get a real bus service out here."

Mrs. C.J. Miller: 30-B Crescent Rd. "Although we ride in our car, I find that the general opinion is that it will present a very difficult problem. I do not see why it doesn't pay."

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Letters to Editor

ON BABY CLINICS

To the Editors:

Much popular misconception in regard to the attitude of the Greenbelt Health Association toward the establishment of a municipal baby clinic prompts the Association's board of directors to issue a clarifying statement.

The board agrees with others that every Greenbelt baby should, and shall have adequate preventive and curative medical care.

The board recognizes, it trusts with others, that in the nature of things the term "free baby clinic" is a misnomer. Such care has to be paid for, either directly, or through taxes.

There is no question of whether that care for babies will be provided, because it must be; and no questions of whether it will be paid for, because it must be. There remains only the question of how it is to be paid for: through a municipal, or through a cooperative organization?

There is some feeling to the effect that if paid through a municipal organization, the cost will be less. In respect to this it should be pointed out that the present plans for a municipal baby clinic (semi-monthly clinics of two hours each) are inadequate to serve even a fair proportion of the babies of the community. This inadequacy, if left to itself, is less likely to result in a swing toward cooperative methods than in the growth of demands for an extension of municipal medical services. Public services invariably expand, rather than shrink or stand still, and adequate expansion in this instance would require either an increase or an adjustment in the town budget, with its resultant raise in rents or taxes or curtailing of other municipal services.

If the Greenbelt citizen chooses to supply medical services for his babies through the municipal government, the cost of that service to him, through town expenditure, plus the fees for service which, according to statistical surveys he is bound to pay out when he, or his elder children are sick, will amount at the very least to as much as a family membership in the Greenbelt Health Association.

The question is not only then, which way is cheaper, but toward which goal do the people of Greenbelt wish to work - toward cooperative, or toward municipal medicine? To some extent this is the question which the country as a whole faces.

The members of the board, and of the staff, of the Greenbelt Health Association are in office, and some of them are in Greenbelt because they believe, profoundly, in the cooperative method of supplying human needs, and are under the impression that Greenbelt is a town vitally interested in cooperative action. They are prejudiced in favor of direct consumer control, so far as it is practicable, and in favor of direct payment for goods and services by the consumer at the lowest possible cost consonant with a fair return to producers. They feel that this, the cooperative type of organization, presents the best practical possibilities within the framework of the American tradition of voluntary participation and direct, democratic control.

The board knows, from personal contact, and from the reports of its membership committee and management, that the prospect of any considerable amount of medical care for children which the individual may delude himself into thinking is free, will to a definite extent retard the progress of one of the

consumer cooperatives in Greenbelt.

The board recognizes that such retarded development, in itself, would not necessarily be fatal; but it feels that any move to block a program of cooperative medicine, even through socialization, in a town where the emphasis has been on cooperation, would be highly unfortunate, especially since the growth of cooperatives here is being watched as an experiment, or guidepost for the future.

In other cities, municipal clinics have been set up for the care of the indigent. The Greenbelt Health Association itself is prepared to provide medical care for the truly indigent of Greenbelt, without charge, and without any tacit, social stigma of "charity clinic" attached to that service.

Since those in Greenbelt who are not indigent, have, it is understood, an average yearly income well above that of the average American family, the board modestly suggests that the obviously reasonable dues and minor fees of the Greenbelt Health Association (which are lower than those of any other medical cooperative in the country) are well within their reach, and can supply both them, their babies, and their families, today, with more than adequate medical services, both curative and preventative.

The board wishes it understood that it considers public immunization clinics in Greenbelt highly desirable, and believes they should be continued as a true public health function.

J. F. O'Leary,
Acting President,
Greenbelt Health Association

ON FACING ISSUES SQUARELY

To the Editors:

Since writing the letter to you, which was published in the COOPERATOR of the 16th, I have talked to several people about the ideas I tried to express. All of these persons agree with me about the present situation in Greenbelt, but seem to be afraid to express their opinions and beliefs publicly.

Is it really true that the people are afraid to express their opinions, publicly, against these things? Are they afraid that their leases will not be renewed if they do? Or that they will be forced to leave Greenbelt for making trouble. If these things are true, there should be something done about it.

The town of Greenbelt was built for people of moderate income, to be run by them. If this be true, every person in Greenbelt should feel free to express his opinions and feelings, both privately and publicly. In fact he should feel it his personal responsibility to put his ideas and opinions before the entire citizenry of Greenbelt, through our local paper or at public meetings.

The people perhaps aren't cooperating with the administration as fully as they should, but is the administration cooperating with the people?

Perhaps some people are of the same opinion as I was. Since we have a council, elected by the people, to take up and decide matters for us, we should let things pertaining to Administrative policy rest in their hands. This policy seems to have failed and we find ourselves behind the eight ball and without any assurance of a bus service for the coming year.

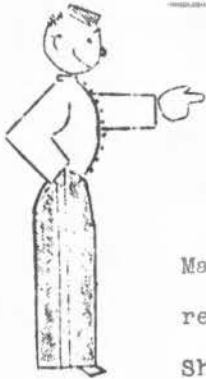
I think it is high time the people of Greenbelt got together and made every possible effort to

remedy the present situations.

Some people may think I don't appreciate living in Greenbelt, but I surely do. For the past 11 months, during which I have resided in Greenbelt, have really been enjoyable. I sincerely hope I can continue to live here, but if something is not worked out to remedy our approaching transportation problem, I will be forced to leave. I have no car of my own, and my present work requires me to work late quite often, so I cannot ride with anyone else, and I feel I cannot spend 2½ or 3 hours daily in riding back and forth. So you see I have very little choice in the matter.

I sincerely hope there are no other persons in Greenbelt that will be affected as I am, but I am afraid there are many.

Thomas Howard



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They have a first class story, "Both Your Houses" by a first class author, Maxwell Anderson. It is fine material and deals with the antics and skulduggery of our nation's government.

They have a fine cast chosen from a larger field than has ever been present before. It has new faces, Mary Jane Cosby, old faces, Joe Mueller, and pretty faces, Lib Goldfadden. It even has faces still unidentified.

They have as a guiding hand and genius, Sherrod East, whose activities vary from baseball slugging to state legislation. As his right hand man, Lucille Cooper holds sway.

Advance notices and posters are under the personal supervision of the McGinn Associates and are a distinct departure from the rather ineffective displays of the past.

Publicity is reaching farther and farther afield. Contacts are being made with the various government publications for announcement space and invitations are being extended official Washington. Mrs. Roosevelt, the nation's No. 1 theater goer is being asked, as are various entertainment world big-wigs.

The Greenbelt town sale of tickets will start within the next few days and will be handled to a great extent by the Amalgamated Handy Boys and Girls. That is the name of the local oddjob organization composed of high school students and they guarantee a one hundred percent solicitation of the town.

HEALTH ASSOCIATION TO OFFER BENEFIT MOVIE

"A Man to Remember", the saga of a fighting and sympathetic family physician, starring Edward Ellis, Ann Shirley, Lee Bowman, and William Henry, will be offered at the Greenbelt Theater, Sunday and Monday, April 16 and 17 for the benefit of the Greenbelt Health Association.

With the medical profession on the front pages as a result of the government's clash with the American Medical Association, the spotlight of publicity has been turned on doctors and their activities.

Widespread publicity has been given the report issued by the U. S. Technical Committee on Medical Care, essence of which was that 200,000 deaths a year could be prevented if medical science was fully applied. In addition, the current controversy over group medicine and hospitalization has further fired the interest of the average man and woman to whom doctors' fees and hospital bills frequently are a matter of life or death.

Hollywood has crystallized this interest into a dramatic, human document entitled "A Man to Remember" which deals primarily with the career of Edward Ellis, an old country doctor who uncomplainingly does his duty as he sees it, and who at his death leaves little but a pile of old bills and the memory of his devotion to humanity. Love interest is supplied by Anne Shirley and Lee Bowman. Bowman, as the ambitious son of the old country doctor, does not share his father's old-fashioned ideals regarding the practice of medicine.

You will certainly want to see this picture. An added feature will be the showing of the March of Time film "Men of Medicine" in which our own Dr. Still, as Doctor Gibson, plays a leading role. Tickets have been priced at twenty-five cents.



Sports Sputterings

By Cliff Cockill

From all indications the first annual banquet which is being tossed by the Greenbelt Athletic Club will be a huge success.....Dr. Herbert E. Evans of the G.D.C. deserves a great deal of credit for making it possible for the Club to have as its guest speaker such a prominent sports figure as Lou Little.....Little, who is recognized as one of the foremost authorities on football in the country is about as widely known for his speaking ability and is constantly sought for speaking engagements at schools throughout the nation.....Greenbelt is fortunate and will be honored by his presence.....Incidentally we have among us two former proteges of Coach Little in the persons of Johnny Bozek and Larry Pinckney.....Bozek played under Little at Georgetown and Pinckney was a member of Lou's Columbia Rose Bowl winning eleven..... Besides the other guests which will include prominent Washington coaches, writers, radio commentators and an odd politician or two, Dick Green, chairman of the event has booked several talented entertainers for the night.....No, darn it - Ann Corio



won't be here so you women who thought it was going to be that kind of an affair can rest at ease..... Instead of Ann Corio - there will be an organist, ventriloquist, quartet and several M A L E dancers.....I almost forgot - there will be a dinner served too.....

GREENBELT A. C. QUINTET WINS, 36 to 16
The Greenbelt Athletic Club Basketball team scored another easy victory last Saturday night at the School Gym, when they defeated a weak Interstate Commerce Commission Quintet in a dull game 36 to 16.

Both teams got off to a good start, and with some fair teamwork, played a good first-half; it ended with Greenbelt leading 17 to 12. The second half was very uninteresting, the I.C.C. boys missing many easy shots, and therefore only scoring 4 points for themselves. The only play that brought a cheer from the spectators was when Marach shot one at the wrong basket during the third period. Yes! he missed.

High score honors go to Abrahams, with 11 points; and for I.C.C., Bensettler, who accounted for five. This was Greenbelt's seventeenth victory.

J. C. M.

GREENBELT		BOX SCORE				I. C. C.						
POS	G	F	PTS		POS	G	F	PTS		G	F	PTS
Abrahams	F	5	11		Bensettler	F	2	1	5			
Cain	F	2	2	6	Rinsdale	F	0	0	0			
Marach	F	1	0	2	Paolo	F	0	2	2			
McDonald	F	1	0	2	Temple	C	2	0	4			
Rosenthal	C	3	0	6	Erlichimin	G	0	0	0			
Blanchard	C	1	0	2	Kaplan	G	1	0	2			
Barker	G	0	1	1	Aurkraut	G	1	1	3			
Giersch	G	2	1	5								
Wurl	G	0	0	0								
Holochwost	G	0	0	0								
Bozek	G	0	1	1								
TOTALS		15	6	36						6	4	16

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GREENBELT A. C. BANQUET PLANS NEAR COMPLETION

Final arrangements concerning guests and entertainment features are being completed by the Greenbelt Athletic Club in preparation for their first annual banquet which will be given Monday, April 10.

Lou Little, Director of Athletics at Columbia University has been obtained as principle speaker for the evening - Coach Little will be brought here by Dr. Herbert E. Evans, Vice President of the Consumers Distributors Corporation, who is close friend of Little's. Among the guests invited who will attend are, Arthur Bergman, Jack Hagerty, Frank Dobson, Senator Sascer, Jack Espey, Eddie Gilmore, Gus Welch and several others. Tickets may be obtained from members of the Athletic Club up to April 3.



Pokes & Jabs

John Martone

Fight Racket

American gullibility is a home trait. It has been venerated and polished by brain racketeers that sway the American people like wheat in a Kansas storm. Gullibility, a twin brother of stupidity, has made possible million dollar industries and the fight racket. The muckers of today could have given Barnum the real low-down on the birth rate of suckers. Like a dust storm the voice of radio and the printed words have blinded the American sports fans to fair play and honest athletic competition.

Highly commercialized and scientifically exploited, the fight game as conducted today gives the fans less than an even chance of a run for their money. The past glories, records and achievements of prize-fighting have been blurred by the colossal injustices, crooked manipulations, fixed bouts and bad decisions that have occurred in the past twenty years. Pages of fight history that reek with the smell of fresh printers ink echo the wolf-ory of the promoters, and matchmakers. The sanctioning of poor matches by the State and National Boxing Associations that betray complete lack of knowledge of fighters stamps prize-fighting as a highly profitable enterprise.

Some of the jeweled decisions of the fight game will always remain as beacon lights of modest integrity on the part of the guiding powers that regulate boxing. The fourteen-point count in the second Dempsey and Tunney fight at Chicago in 1928. The build-up of Carnera the muscle-bound ditch-digger to the status of Champion. Shades of the stinkeroo decision in the second Schmeling and Sharkey fight -- the fight that made famous the bleating voice of Joey Jacobs when he bawled out "We Was Robbed". The nose dive that Sharkey, so skillfully executed in tossing the worlds' championship to Carnera, followed by the knee fall that Baer treated the fans to in his gallant showing against Joe Louis.

These and many more expose the fight racket as a game played for home grown, carefully nursed suckers. The major sporting event of the year will give the boys another chance to heed the wolf-ory when Joe Louis fiddles with funny boy Galento.

BOWLING LEAGUE SCORES

	WON	LOST
Beavers	50	22
Gobras	44	28
Drakes	40	32
Cardinals	37	35
Allegators	33	39
Jeeps	30	42
Bears	28	44
Eagles	27	45

Hi team set	Beavers	1573
Hi team game	Beavers	564
Hi team average	Temple	117-1
Hi team set	Meek	387
Hi team game	MaeEwen	142
Hi team strikes	Temple	36
Hi team spares	Temple	194

PING PONG LEAGUE NEWS

The Ping Pong League of the Athletic Club got under way last Friday night, March 17, at the School Machine Room.

The first set between A and J block, was won by "J" Block on a forfeit. The second set between "B" and "E" Block was won by "B" Block, taking both singles matches and the doubles. In the third game, "C" Block defeated "D" Block in the three games played, also taking both singles and doubles matches.

This Friday, March 24, the schedule is, "A" versus "E", "B" versus "D", and "C" versus "J".

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MY SPORTS DIARY

Dear Diary:

We have something new in our schedule...dancing. Our normalizing group is going to do their lessons in style with music no less. Doris is going to see if she can't get Toni Colletti to teach us some good tap steps. Toni used to teach dancing so she ought to be a grand teacher to us.

Tuesday your reporter was peacefully warbling at the kitchen sink at 6:25 P.M. At 6:26 dawn broke over the wide open spaces of her cranial case and she roared that she must be at gym in time so the dishes were left to their fate and she dressed and dashed---to arrive at 6:30, believe it or not! (Our clock was fast.)

Practice was good, but not so rip roaring as some we have had. I think the game we played the Saturday before has us all down to where slow motion was a speed demon compared to us.

Thursday nite we had many many at our gathering, and they all seemed to be in good spirits. Badminton was played by both beginners and more experienced players. There are now two courts, one for the beginners where instruction is given, and one for the more experienced players who are free to ask questions but who may play games if they want to by themselves. Good news----we are going to have Badminton courts along with eight new tennis courts this summer!

Now that the Basketball season is over, a discussion was held at the close of gym about the game to be the outstanding one for this coming season. The general opinion was for soft ball. The women seemed to have had a team last year and they want a bigger and better one this year. They might get their wish too. Soft ball is a very good outdoor game and will give plenty of exercise to those who want it. Here's another good chance to get those fingers to be envied.

Volleyball under Mrs. Allen certainly does hold the attention of most of our gym goers. Fun, they have more fun screaming like a bunch of kids over a gained point or a prolonged volley than a child would over an all day sucker. How about it gals -- is second childhood approaching at such an early date? How disappointing.

Tuesday night the Women's Town Team will meet the Greenbelt Girls in a basketball game at 6:30. It promises to be good so be prepared to hear a tight decision. It is understood that the girls have a very good team -- but does that mean that our team needs that pep talk I failed to give before the last game? We want to win so come on girls (our women if you please) let's fight to the last--hold the fort--topple the walls of Jerico--you all know we can do it!!!!!!!

Until another week when I realize once more that I'm

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Marjorie Jane Ketcham

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Aided by a can-opener, a blackboard, shallow pans, and several cans of Co-op food products, Mrs. Vianna Bramblett, dietitian in the Testing Kitchen of the Eastern Cooperative Wholesale, made it evident to Greenbelt women that Co-op Brand canned goods undergo rigid tests for quality, grade, and fill. The eager faces which crowded the front rows of the Greenbelt Theater on the afternoon of March 17 could not miss the differences in quality that are evident when cans are opened.

Mrs. Bramblett used the United States Department of Agriculture standards and by listing the Score Chart on her blackboard, she showed the factors that are considered and then demonstrated for actual grading. Cans of different grades of green beans were opened, drained of their liquor, inspected for defects, maturity, and coloring. The results were then added up to show the differences between Grade A "Fancy" and Grade C "Standard".

The Testing Kitchen acts as a guardian of food products which are bought for cooperative consumers as well as a laboratory for improving menus and recipes for these products.

Following Mrs. Bramblett's demonstration, Mr. Leslie Woodcock, manager of the Eastern Cooperative Wholesale explained why Co-op labels were carried on their products instead of the manufacturers' labels. The manufacturer does not have to advertise the Co-op brand; therefore it can be sold more reasonably. The Co-op Brand has its quality controlled by the consumers, acting through their cooperative wholesale. Under his own label the manufacturer's standards and quality are his own secret. He can make products of as good or of as poor quality as he wishes.

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HOMEMAKING by Mabel Bessemer

SAVORY BEETS

6 c. diced raw beets	1½ t. salt
1 large onion, chopped	1 T. granulated sugar
3 T. melted fat	4 whole cloves
1½ c. boiling water	4 T. vinegar

Combine, except vinegar. Cook until beets are tender -- about 50 minutes. Add vinegar, remove cloves. Serves six.

PINEAPPLE SHERBET

2 c. buttermilk	1 c. sugar
1 c. crushed pineapple	1 T. lemon juice

Whites of 2 eggs

Combine buttermilk, pineapple, sugar, lemon juice and freeze in refrigerator tray until mushy consistency. Then add whites of eggs beaten stiff. Stir two or three times while freezing.

LIMA BEANS EN CASSEROLE

2 c. limas	½ lb. bacon
2 medium onions	1 c. milk
1 t. salt	½ t. pepper

Brown bacon. Remove from pan, brown onions. Combine all, and place in greased casserole. Bake in slow oven until beans are tender, adding more milk if needed.

HOMEMAKERS CLUB

Oh me! Oh my! There will be a humming and buzzing with the sewing machines this Spring. The Homemakers Club on March 13, 1939 met at Mrs. Gay's 14-W Ridge Road, to be instructed in selecting their material for slip covers.

Miss Mason, the instructor, who so graciously came from College Park, brought numerous samples of material. The ladies, with the advice of Miss Mason, gave their idea on the color and design to be used in a room. Prices and types of material were also discussed. Toward the end of a bright and colorful evening, Mrs. Stottlmyer, the co-hostess, and Mrs. Gay served cookies and coffee or tea, which everyone seemed to enjoy.

JAY BEE CLUB

The Jay Bee Club gave a party, March 11, for their husbands, at the Lotus Restaurant in Washington.

Everyone had a merry time, and those present were Mr. and Mrs. R. Coulter, Mr. and Mrs. W. Neblett, Mr. and Mrs. H. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. E. Abrahams, Mr. and Mrs. P. Graziano, Mr. and Mrs. E. Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. F. Lastner, Mr. and Mrs. E. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. J. McWilliams, Mr. and Mrs. R. Green, and friends of Mrs. Williams from Pennsylvania.

We regretted the absence of Mr. and Mrs. A. Bracken.

P. T. A. MEETS FOR PANEL DISCUSSION ON CLEAN-MINDED YOUTH

The Greenbelt Parent-Teacher Association will meet Monday, March 27 at 8:00 P.M. in the Community Building.

The Association at the meeting will have an opportunity to see the tumbling team, which recently appeared at George Washington University, give a performance under the direction of Miss Doris Dungan.

There will be a panel discussion by leaders of four organizations in Greenbelt who will attempt to point out the contributions their groups are making in an attempt to produce mentally healthy youth. The grade mothers will act as hostesses and serve refreshments.

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Calendar Of Events

Thursday, March 23

Orchestra Practice	7:30 P.M.	Music Room
Hobby Club	7:30 P.M.	Work Shop
Women's Gym	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium
Commercial Courses	7-10 P.M.	High School
Industrial Courses	7-10 P.M.	High School
Adult Art	8:00 P.M.	Rooms 223, 225

Friday, March 24

Girl Scout Brownies	4:00 P.M.	3 B Eastway
Credit Union	6:30-8:30 P.M.	Meeting Room
C.O.C.	6:30-8:30 P.M.	Meeting Room
Accounting	7-9 P.M.	Room 225
Boy Scouts	7:30 P.M.	Social Room
Radio Club	8:00 P.M.	Room 223
Men's Gym	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium
Hebrew Congregation	8:30 P.M.	Music Room
Cub Pack		Social Room

Saturday, March 25

Children's Gym	9:00 A.M.	Auditorium
Children's Art Class	10:00 A.M.	Social Room
Adult Art Class	2:00 P.M.	48 Crescent Rd.
Bowling League	3:00 P.M.	Hyattsville

Sunday, March 26

Mass	9:00 A.M.	Theater
Community Sunday School	9:30 A.M.	Auditorium
Community Church	11:00 A.M.	Auditorium
Young People's Society	6:30 P.M.	Social Room
Latter Day Saints' Church	8:00 P.M.	Social Room

Monday, March 27

Political Problems	7 - 9 P.M.	20 D Crescent Rd.
Advanced Dressmaking	8:00 P.M.	Economics Room
Town Council	8:00 P.M.	Council Room
Parent-Teachers Meeting	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium

Tuesday, March 28

Dressmaking	2:00 P.M.	Economics Room
Girl Scout Troop #17	3:15 P.M.	Social Room
Women's Basketball	6:30 P.M.	Auditorium
Commercial Courses	7-10 P.M.	High School
Industrial Courses	7-10 P.M.	High School
Men's Gym	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium
Adult Art	8:00 P.M.	Rooms 223, 225
Bridge Club	8:00 P.M.	Hobby Room
Nutrition	8:00 P.M.	Economics Room
Welfare Committee	8:00 P.M.	Social Room
Catholic Choir	8:00 P.M.	Music Room
Camera Club	8:00 P.M.	Meeting Room

Wednesday, March 29

Art Class	2:00 P.M.	48 Crescent Rd.
Senior Girl Scouts	7:30 P.M.	2 H Gardenway
Junior Choir	8:00 P.M.	Music Room
Community Choir	9:00 P.M.	Music Room
Beginner's Dressmaking	8:00 P.M.	Economics Room
Athletic Club	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium
Committee of 40	8:00 P.M.	Meeting Room
Democratic Club	8:00 P.M.	23 G Ridge Rd.

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First 1939 Forum Success

Greenbelters who attended the first 1939 forum, held Tuesday evening, March 14, in the Theater, were treated to an exceptionally constructive and interesting discussion of the timely topic "Should Group Medicine Replace Private Medicine for Low Income Groups".

The forum, presided over by Chairman Edward Walther of the Forum Committee of the Citizens' Association, was ably addressed by Dr. Mario Scandiffio, Acting Medical Director of Group Health Association, Washington, D. C., Dr. Robert S. McCeney, President of the Prince George's Medical Society, Alexander Schwarz, member of the Education Committee of the C.O.C., and Leslie Atkins, director of the Greenbelt Health Association.

The first speaker, Dr. Scandiffio, prefaced his talk with a resume of the activities of Group Health since its inception, November 1, 1937, with a membership of approximately 800, up to the present when it embraces some 2,200 members, which together with dependents, cover in the neighborhood of five to six thousand persons. Dr. Scandiffio asserted that, during the last three month's period, the association was able to provide, at a cost of about \$20,000, medical services which, on a fee basis, would have cost the membership approximately \$64,000. He stressed the advantages offered by the group method by which its members may obtain, at reasonable cost, the benefits which accrue through consultation of a group of doctors in respect to his case as well as from the use of the most up-to-date medical equipment. As second in importance to providing a high type of medical service, he listed the necessity for freedom of the patient from financial worries during the period when his physical condition is at a low ebb, a freedom which is provided by the group method. Likewise, he pointed out that there is under that method, an absence of the usual discussion of finances between doctor and patient and the doctor, with a mind freed of financial considerations, is in a position to devote his entire thought to the work of a doctor, that of healing the sick. Dr. Scandiffio concluded with the statement that, although he had experience in both private and group practice, he greatly preferred the latter which he felt provided the greatest opportunity for the advance of Medical science because of the unique opportunity offered for the interchange of ideas and the sharing of experiences on the part of the staff physicians and the possibility of the group to provide the most modern equipment and facilities.

Dr. McCeney then addressed the meeting. He stated that, although he had the utmost respect for the great work being done by Group Health, he felt that such group practice might well prove to be a stepping stone to socialized medicine under direction of the federal government, with its quota of "buck passing" "wire-pulling", "seniority considerations" and like ills. He saw the doctor's duties being greatly circumscribed, standardized, limited and controlled under such a system with the result that much of the doctor's time, which had better be devoted to healing the sick, would be spent in filling out reports and blanks and sick leave slips. Under such a system, Dr. McCeney contended, incentive would be largely destroyed. The tendency would be to discourage doctors who would either enter other fields or develop the philosophy of working for pay and not for

service, - by hours and not by need. Calling attention to the large amount of free services provided by private physicians for the poor, he inquired as to who would take care of the task of charity under a system of group medicine which provided only for medical care through prepayment. He concluded by quoting statistics which, he felt, indicated that the illness rate, in countries where either cooperative or government medicine was the rule, was nearly three times as high as in those countries where private practice prevailed.

Mr. Schwarz, in his talk, attacked the problem from the insurance angle. He pointed to the size of the insurance industry. He focused attention to the fact that prudent people no longer consider it safe to be without insurance to provide for death. "If insurance for death, why not, also, for life" he inquired.

Mr. Atkins, in a brief but pointed statement, set forth his belief that, for the middle income group, such a plan as that offered by our own Greenbelt Health Association was ideal, both from the viewpoint of the member and the doctor. He stated that, under the system of private practice, two paths have presented themselves to the sick. Faced with the emergency of unprovided for illness, the individual has come to ask himself; "Shall I go to see a doctor or pray that I will be better tomorrow?" Under the old method, Mr. Atkins declared, the person waits for medical service until he becomes ill whereupon the patient worries about his bill and the doctor about its collection. Bad feeling is engendered through haggling over medical costs just at the moment when all minds concerned should be concentrated upon the task of getting the patient well. Fear, he said, often causes the person who is ill to practice "self-doping" and to become an easy prey to quacks and their patent medicines. The doctor, on the other hand, and particularly the young doctor, must slowly and patiently build up a practice under the most trying conditions in a highly competitive field. He has the materials with which to supply the medical needs which a large proportion of our population desire so badly but cannot afford principally because they have made no financial provision for them. "Under group practice, the need and the means with which to meet it are brought together" declared Mr. Atkins, adding that, under such a system the person pays in advance instead of during the period of convalescence. The doctor, he stated, has a security of tenure under group practice, whereby he can devote his time, energy and skill entirely to the work in hand. The doctors and the association members are found working together within the bond of a common interest. Mr. Atkins digressed, at this point, to humorously call attention to the fact that, whereas group medicine was widely decried, another characteristic community undertaking, the old-fashion quilting bee was again becoming popular. "When viewed from a safe distance", he declared, "such a common undertaking has become both quaint and respectable".

The forum was preceded by a showing of the March of Time film entitled "Men of Medicine" in which our own Dr. Still, as Dr. Gibson, played an important role.

The response which greeted the forum was ample testimony to the popularity of this type of educational entertainment in Greenbelt.