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FIVE CENTS

LOFTUS IS EDITOR OF FIRST SCHOOL YEARBOOK

A school year-book, the first ever published, is being planned and worked on at Greenbelt High School. This book will have individual pictures of every senior in the graduating class, and eight or nine other pictures covering such subjects as the faculty, the junior class, the basketball and baseball teams and a beautiful "spring" picture of the alma mater.

The staff for the annual has been chosen and divided into four departments. Of these four departments, Frank Loftus is editor-in-chief, and also business manager. Robert McClary is literary editor, Phyllis Warner is feature editor, and Lonnie Alexander is art editor. This staff has been reading other school annuals to get ideas on such things as arrangement, set-up, styles, and content.

The price for this latest undertaking of an ambitious senior class is 60 cents, and orders and money for the book are being taken in advance in hopes of having a hundred copies sold by April 5. This is necessary in order to allow the printers to be paid "cash-on-the-line".

STORE CHANGES ANNOUNCED

Mrs. Elsie V. Steinle, of 56-H Crescent Road, has been promoted to assistant Variety Store manager and will be in charge of that store when the manager, Joseph L. Rogers, is not on duty. She has been employed in the sundry department for the past year and a half.

"Mrs. Steinle has done excellent work since she has been with us," stated Sulo Laakso, general manager of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., "and we are very glad to be able to reward her with this promotion." She will work during the shift when Mr. Rogers is off duty.

Several other changes also have been made in the personnel of the stores. Mrs. Virginia Beck, of 23-K Ridge Road, will take over the position left vacant by Mrs. Steinle's promotion.

Miss Beth Powell is on a month's leave of absence. She plans to be married in Utah and will return to her duties in the Variety Store about April 15. During Miss Powell's absence, Miss Iva Orndorff, of 4-F Ridge Road, is taking over her place in the sundry department.

Samuel Rolph, who has been employed in the meat department of the Food Store since May 1938, left recently to open up his own meat market in Washington.

Proctor Twichell, formerly employed in the Variety Store, is now assistant to Robert Buchele, Greenbelt Theater Manager. Mr. Twichell was transferred to that position when John M. Pickering resigned recently to accept employment with the Eastern Cooperative League in New York City.

Edward F. Forest, an employee of the Greenhills Consumer Services, is spending three weeks here studying the methods employed by the Greenbelt consumers' cooperative. He will spend part of his time in the Variety Store and the other in the Food Store.

G.C.S. BOARD ADOPTS SUGGESTED POLICIES

The basic policies and organizational set-up under which the business of the Greenbelt Consumer Services, Inc., is to be operated were officially formulated by the board of directors at its special meeting Wednesday, March 13. This official statement of policies, covering 10 pages typewritten in single space, is very comprehensive and represents considerable work on the part of the board members, particularly President Walter R. Volckhausen.

The statement includes: The basic policies of the cooperative; the lines of authority; the divisions of the organization; and board, general manager, employee and customer relationships, including wages and hours of employees, such matters as advertising, buying, handling, selling, repairs, budget, and use of premises are thoroughly dealt with in the policies.

As a basis for beginning their work, the directors used a less detailed set of policies drawn up to serve as instructions to guide the organization while it was under the direction of the Consumer Distribution Corporation, and was not cooperative. Thus having a start, the board members were able to prepare a very complete set of policies more applicable to the new conditions since the concern has become a locally-owned cooperative.

Guest of the directors at the special meeting of the board was Herbert E. Evans, vice-president of the Consumer Distribution Corporation. He stated that C. D. C. was preparing a book on cooperative management and wishes to print the statement of policies adopted for Greenbelt Consumer Services as a supplement to that book, as a good example for other cooperatives. They were given permission to do so.

Harold E. Snyder was fined \$5.00 and costs by the Prince Georges' court sitting at Hyattsville last Monday, Judge Bowie presiding. The charge was failure to file last year's personal property statement, due September 15.

Drive Launched To Eliminate Wrong-Side Parking

Forty-three traffic warnings and three non-traffic notices, plus one arrest for disorderly conduct make up this past month's record for the Department of Public Safety.

Courtesy warnings on left hand parking contributed the bulk of the traffic warnings according to Wallace F. Mabee. A concerted drive launched by the department to eliminate parking on the wrong side of the street has had noticeable results.

Milk Committee Activity Gets D. C. Papers' Attention

The Maryland Consumers' Milk Committee broke into at least one other newspaper besides the Cooperator, namely, the Washington Daily News on March 12. Martha Strayer, News reporter, who attended the recent Federal milk hearings on the marketing agreement was granted the interview.

Copies of the paper were distributed to all Walnut Hill patrons in Greenbelt, Berwyn, and College Park not belonging to the milk club.

The article mentioned that Judge Thomas Freeman and Abraham Chasanow were members of the Citizens' Association Milk Committee, but concluded with Carrie Harper's statement, "We're just a group of housewives". The two gentlemen, needless to say, have undergone a little "ribbing".

Sneak-thievery last week again struck at the "Gumdrop" co-op which boys and girls in the Elementary School have been operating for themselves, according to a report received by the Cooperator. Catherine Reed, in declining to release information of the theft, indicated that she considered the incident merely a disciplinary problem.

Special Easter communion service will be held 8 o'clock Friday evening, March 22, in the social room of the Elementary School. This will be a candle-light service.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, March 21

Legion Post	8:00 P. M.	Legion House
Mothers' Club	8:00 P. M.	Music Room
Women's Gym	8:00 P. M.	Auditorium
Junior Choir	8:00 P. M.	Auditorium
Young People's Party	8:00 P. M.	Social Room
Greenbelt Players	8:00 P. M.	Room 222

Friday, March 22

Credit Union	6:30-9:00 P. M.	Meeting Room
Men's Bible Class	8:00 P. M.	Social Room
Greenbelt Players	8:00 P. M.	Room 222
Basketball	8:00 P. M.	Auditorium
Communion Service	8:00 P. M.	Music Room
Hebrew Congregation	8:30 P. M.	Music Room
Hebrew Congregation Party	9:00 P. M.	Home Economics

Saturday, March 23

Gun Club	2:30-5:00 P. M.	Range
Shoe Craft	7:00-9:00 P. M.	10 Pkway Bsmt.
Confession	7:30 P. M.	11-V Ridge Rd.
Greenbelt A.C. Basketball	8:00 P. M.	Auditorium
Square Dance	9:30 P. M.	Jr. Rec. Hall

Sunday, March 24

Catholic Sunday School	8:30 A. M.	Theatre
L.D.S. Men's Study Class	8:30 A. M.	Music Room
Mass	9:00 A. M.	Theatre
Community Church School	9:30 A. M.	School
L.D.S. Sunday School	11:00 A. M.	Social Room
Community Church	11:00 A. M.	Auditorium
Hebrew Sunday School	11:00 A. M.	Music Room
Gun Club	1:00-4:00 P. M.	Range
Young People's Society	6:45 P. M.	Community Bldg.
Community Evening Hour	8:00 P. M.	Auditorium
L. D. S.	8:00 P. M.	Social Room
Christian Science	8:00 P. M.	Music Room

Monday, March 25

Girl Scouts #17	3:30 P. M.	Social Room
Girl Scouts #26	6:45 P. M.	Hobby Room
Cub Den	7:00-8:00 P. M.	Social Room
Shoe Craft	7:00-9:00 P. M.	10-Pkway Bsmt.
Bridge Club	8:00 P. M.	Room 200
Men's Gym	8:00 P. M.	Auditorium

Tuesday, March 26

Mothers' Club	6:00 P. M.	Social Room
Girl Scouts #18	7:30 P. M.	Social Room
Bowling League	7:30 P. M.	College Park
Camera Club	8:00 P. M.	Room 222
Cub Den	8:00 P. M.	Hobby Room
Catholic Choir	8:00 P. M.	Home Economics
Veg. Garden Group	8:15 P. M.	6-D Ridge Rd

Wednesday, March 27

Junior Choir	7:00 P. M.	Music Room
Shoe Craft	7:00-9:00 P. M.	10 Pkway Bsmt.
Men's Gym	8:00 P. M.	Auditorium
Book Club	8:00 P. M.	Room 200
Catholic Ladies Club	8:00 P. M.	
Greenbelt Players	8:00 P. M.	Room 223
Holy Name Society	8:00 P. M.	Social Room
Men's Choir	8:00 P. M.	Music Room

MAYOR WARNER MAKES FIRST PROCLAMATION

The first proclamation of George A. Warner as Mayor of Greenbelt concerns the observance of National Hospital Week.

Fellow citizens of Greenbelt:

WHEREAS, the week commencing March 31, 1940 has been designated as National Hospital Week, and

WHEREAS, the Greenbelt Hospital, through its Auxiliary, is sponsoring a series of local activities in observance thereof, and

WHEREAS, during that week, special opportunities will be provided for citizens of the town to become better acquainted with their hospital and its facilities

NOW, THEREFORE, I, George A. Warner, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor, do proclaim the week March 31 through April 6, 1940, as Hospital Week, and urge all citizens of the community to take part in its observance and to render such assistance and cooperation as will make National Hospital Week a worth while experience in Greenbelt.

— George A. Warner,
Mayor, Town of Greenbelt.

A week of activities will be climaxed by a dance on April 6 for the benefit of the Hospital Auxiliary. A special committee of the Auxiliary comprising Lucile Cooper, Claire Still, Betsy Woodman, Elizabeth Yuretich, is planning a skit for the Citizens Association meeting April 1. On the afternoon of March 31 a silver tea will initiate the week's program, and guests will be encouraged to see displays of equipment at the Hospital. These displays will be continued throughout the week, and visitors will be especially welcome during that time.

PARENTS STUDY MOVIES

"Movies for Children" was the theme at the most interesting meeting of the Parent-Teachers Association on March 18. Robert Buchele, manager of the Greenbelt Theater spoke on the subject of "Pictures that Children Shall See", and the difficulties of obtaining good pictures under the system of block booking and to obtain the best possible pictures that the theater can afford. He said that the thumb-nail index on the advance cards issued is an honest guide to the suitability of pictures. He urged parents to teach better behavior at movies, and especially not to send very young children in charge of older brothers and sisters without an adult.

Eight children led by Miss Ruby Collier gave a panel discussion and summary of children's responsibility to be more considerate in their behavior in public places.

Mrs. Eva Roller made a motion that the P.-T.A. go on record asking the Town Council to pass an ordinance that children under six be prohibited in the interests of public safety from attending movies unless accompanied by an adult. The motion was unanimously carried.

Mrs. Lois Fulmer spoke on "What We as Parents Want Our Children to See", speaking of the emotional effect of movies especially as regarding sleep and mental attitudes. She said that too many children's movies are really written for adults and are too stimulating for children, with humor above a child's sphere and too great an element of fear. The vivid horror element should be omitted. Movies can be a great force in the education of children, as well as of social significance, and to give accurate historic backgrounds.

Mrs. Hulda Bomberger stressed the value of preparing children in advance on subject matter and helping them to evaluate the picture later. Movies can frequently be used in connection with class-room work.

Mrs. Roller urged that the P.-T.A. support the Nealy Motion Picture Bill to abolish block booking and blind buying. If this bill is passed managers will have free selection of pictures.

A movie short was shown showing the value of a pleasant telephone voice, that personality "rides the wires" as well as the voice.

Greenbelt Consumers To Be In Survey

Because of the tremendous interest on the part of manufacturers in consumer cooperatives, "Sales Management", a marketing magazine, is planning a field survey to be made among members of cooperatives. Members of the Greenbelt consumers' cooperative are being included in the survey, which is scheduled to begin in a few days.

The field work will be done by trained interviewers of the Ross Federal Research Corporation and the questions will concern the benefits members see in the cooperative movement.

It is stated that no member will be quoted directly. His answer will be averaged with the answers of many others. The Cooperative League of the United States has approved of the survey.

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Courtesy Tickets

Courtesy tickets, it can be discovered, are not unique in the annals of traffic violation. By having them in Greenbelt, we are not establishing a precedent. In most other communities, however, courtesy tickets are presented rarely, and then usually only to strangers. Summons tickets are the rule.

In Greenbelt we are fortunate in having on the staff of our Department of Public Safety men who believe that minor traffic violations are not vicious acts, and that better interest in the community and respect for regulations can be developed by using civility. Results show that their ideas are not ill-founded.

In addition to the courtesy ticket, which is, in keeping with the title which it bears, a politic reminder that the recipient has erred in some specific traffic behavior and a request that he be more thoughtful in that regard, there are two other traffic cards used in Greenbelt. The second is also "politic". It asks the individual to call at the office in lieu of a police station and discuss the apparent violation. Thus a person is given a chance to explain the incident without being under the pressure of arrest, or having to be belligerently defensive. The third ticket is for more serious offenses, and is the regular summons.

We should indeed be grateful for the methods used to chide us in our traffic forgetfulness. With a firm but kindly attitude on the part of the officers, it would be, at least, ungracious on our part to be ought but more observant of the traffic regulations in Greenbelt.

Welcome to Greenbelt

The Cooperator wishes to extend a hand of welcome to the following new residents:

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Barnett	32-D Crescent Road
Mr. and Mrs. J. Tracey Fenley	6-A Crescent Road
Miss Florence Mahnick	9-C Parkway Road
Mr. and Mrs. John Marshall	20-F Parkway Road
Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Taylor	14-A Crescent Road



A YEAR AGO

(From Cooperator of March 16, 1939)

Ben Goldfaden was appointed recreation director.

Count Wachmeister, composer and pianist, gave a version of his latest opera to a large Greenbelt audience.

The question of the necessity for a free clinic was brought up at the Town Council; no decisions were made.

HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION SUPPORTING MEAD BILL

At a special meeting of the Prince Georges County Hospital Association Sunday, March 17, in Bladensburg, the wording of an endorsement to support the move for a county hospital was discussed. The paper will be circulated by members of the Association throughout the county to obtain as many signatures as possible.

In going over the suggested wording of the endorsement, the Greenbelt representatives, Lucile Cooper, Claire Still, and Betsy Woodman, discovered that the Greenbelt Hospital was not recognized as a general hospital. The error was explained and the correction made. The paper now reads that this 9-bed hospital is the only one serving a county population of more than 87,000.

Frank H. Fierstein, chairman of the Association, announced that the group was supporting the Mead bill for hospital aid, rather than the Wagner Health Bill.

Letters to Editor

PRAISE FOR US

To the Editor:

For some time I have noticed with interest the excellent way in which the GREENBELT COOPERATOR is serving its community. I feel that your paper has maintained exceptionally high journalistic standards both in its news columns and on its editorial page.

Moreover, my attention has recently been called to the very democratic manner in which your paper is responsible to the citizens of Greenbelt. The way in which Greenbelt families control their newspaper through the Journalistic Club is a fine example of democracy in action.

I hope that the pattern you have set will spread to many other communities in our nation.

— Will W. Alexander,
 Administrator, FSA



VOLUME 4 NUMBER 10 SPECIAL EDITION

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Howard Custer has no inkling whatsoever that this article, prepared jointly by three of his friends, has been written).

We feel that it is about time to take Howard Custer's "Last Stand" away from him for one issue. Custer has selected, from time to time, certain individuals and placed them in the "Hall of Outstanding Greenbelt Citizens".



HOWARD C. CUSTER

Being one of Greenbelt's outstanding citizens, Howard himself should be and is hereby included with those in the "Hall."

This little "steal" has been accomplished through the cooperation of Editor Donald Cooper. Howard turned in his copy for this week's "Last Stand," but our version is being printed instead and he is going to be just a little bit surprised. (Maybe he doesn't read the "Last Stand.") Custer may think that he has been double-crossed but it is our belief that he is doing for him only what he deserves.

Howard Custer is one of the most energetic and unselfish residents of this community. Ever since he came to Greenbelt in February 1938, he has been engaged in community affairs. Howard didn't just "sit down" when he arrived. He went to work—doing his utmost to help make a real success of this model community.

The amount of work he has performed in Greenbelt is amazing. Howard has been active in the Citizens' Association, in the Journalistic Club, on the Cooperator and in the Greenbelt Players' group. For about a year he was one of the mainstays of the Co-operative Organizing Committee and is now one of the hardest workers on the board of directors of the Greenbelt Consumer Services.

In spite of all this work in behalf of the community, Custer finds time for relaxation at the Saturday night square dances which he organized and helps direct. He regularly attends a great many community meetings. Custer also reads a great deal.

When a book salesman came here in the early days of Greenbelt with a "gyp" proposition, Howard exposed this misrepresentation in no uncertain terms in the Cooperator. Out of that fracas grew "Custer's Last Stand." He was drawn, then, toward becoming actively engaged on the paper.

Later, Howard was elected assistant editor on the Cooperator and served as acting editor during the summer of 1938. He was selected as president of the Journalistic Club, a post he held during the year ending in August, 1939.

Custer was treasurer of the Co-operative Organizing Committee and was in charge of the funds amounting to over \$4,000 collected on share subscriptions. He was also chairman of the C.O.C.'s finance subcommittee at a time when that body had the highly responsible task of drawing up a proposed financial agreement which was accepted almost in its entirety by the Consumer Distribution Corporation.

He is now chairman of the consumer cooperative's auditing and management committees. With all of his other duties, Howard still is a reporter for the Cooperator.

Howard is industrious, capable, sincere and thoroughly responsible. While a great many people may and do disagree with many of his ideas, few have any doubts as to his integrity. He is fair and makes every effort to see both sides of every question.

Because so many people trust him implicitly, Custer has been appointed to several fact-finding committees whose purpose it was to clear up local issues which, if allowed to continue, might have developed into serious consequences.

No one could meet better than Howard Custer the test of Lincoln's statement:

I like to see a man
 Proud of his city,
 And I like to see him live
 So that it is proud of him.

— Three of Custer's friends

The recent High School bake sale added \$16 to the Senior prom fund. The cakes, pies, cookies and candy were contributed by the Junior and Senior classes and were sold in the Food Store by Bette Andrus, Miriam Cutsail, Mayfred Good, Mary Ellen Gray, Mary Louise Lemire, Mary Ellen Murphy, Mary Provost and Peggy Stewart.



Meditations

by
 Robert Lee Kincheloe
 Minister to the
 Greenbelt Community Church

In this period of Lent when churches are prone to sponsor catechetical classes and ministers teach them, when cumbersome and involved theological formulas are transmitted to young church hopefuls by the question-and-answer method and the victim has no comprehension whatever of the words and phrases his little lips repeat, we are correct in wondering why we as adults should be playing around with such ideas. The Gospel of Jesus was very simple, complete and in tune with the heart of the universe. Wise and saintly men who followed in His path, however, did not always stick to the homely and yet all comprehensive thinking of their Lord. Instead they filled the air with systems and theories about the Gospel of Jesus which the Master of Men himself would have much difficulty in comprehending. The doctrines that grew up as standards of religious living perhaps best expressed and met the needs of that particular day, but should not be thrust upon children or adults as the living Gospel of Jesus of Nazareth. Hence, our hesitation at this particular time of the year in waxing warm in defense of catechization.

The sense of what has just been stated is most eloquently and clearly demonstrated in the first few verses of a famous poem from the pen of John Greenleaf Whittier:

"O friends! with whom my feet have trod
 The quiet aisles of prayer,
 Glad witness to your zeal for God
 And love of man I bear.

"I trace your lines of argument;
 Your logic linked and strong
 I weigh as one who dreads dissent,
 And fears a doubt as wrong.

"But still my human hands are weak
 To hold your iron creeds:
 Against the words ye bid me speak
 My heart within me pleads.

"Who fathoms the Eternal Thought?
 Who talks of scheme and plan?
 The Lord is God! He needeth not
 The poor device of man.

"I walk with bare, hushed feet the ground
 Ye tread with boldness shod;
 I dare not fix with mete and bound
 The love and power of God."

HEBREW CONGREGATION NEWS

Tomorrow evening at 9:00 P.M. in the Home Economic Room the Ladies Auxiliary will hold a Purim party and the traditional "Haman taschen" (Haman Hats) will be served. These are triangular cakes filled with moonseeds, prunes or raisins.

The Purim festival celebrates Esther's deliverance of the Jews from the oppression of Haman, and is the most joyful festival on the Hebrew calendar. The actual holiday falls on Monday, March 25.

The two Sunday school groups will each present a version of the story of Esther. The younger children's cast includes Phyllis Birtman as Queen Esther; Martin Rosenzweig as King Ahasuerus; Donald Grabel as Haman.

The older group's cast include Marilyn Maryn as, King Ahasuerus; Fay Friedman as Queen Esther; David Maryn as Haman; Marvin Perchik as the Guard; Amelia Benjamin as Mordecai; and Marlene and Nelda Goldstein as the attendants to the Queen.

LATTER DAY SAINTS NEWS

Easter Sunday will be celebrated by the church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints with special programs at Sunday school and Sunday evening services. Each class at the Sunday school will depict some phase of the life of Jesus.

The Sunday evening services will feature a sermon on the trials of Jesus to be delivered by Elder Ernest L. Wilkenson, a member of the capital District council and a former Bishop of New York. In addition to holding several responsible positions in the church, Elder Wilkenson was professor-of-law at the University of California and the New Jersey Law School, holding an L. L. B. degree from the George Washington University and the degree of Doctor of Juridical Science from Harvard University. He was associated in law practice with Chief Justice Charles Hughes before the latter became a member of the United States Supreme Court.

Elder Wilkenson has made a special study of the trials of Jesus (both the Roman and the Jewish) and he asserts that the laws were grossly violated in conducting the trials of the Nazarene.

Anyone interested in attending these services is invited to do so.

Personal Advertisements

WANTED—Housekeeper, middle aged woman preferred, to take care of small child during day. Hours from 7:30 A.M. to evening. Earl Thomas, 60-B Crescent Road, Phone 5182.

WANTED—Transportation to and from vicinity of Agriculture Building, 8 A.M. and 5 P.M. Phone 3366.

FOR SALE—Red Fox fur neck piece. Fine condition. Almost new. 11-H Ridge Road.

Angus MacGregor has been preparing for Spring by treating all park areas with cottonseed fertilizer and by vigorous pruning of trees and shrubs. New hedges have also been set out.

Staff Votes Stronger Policy

That editorials in the Cooperator should be more critical of certain groups and institutions of Greenbelt was one of the decisions made by vote of the staff in a meeting last Thursday night. Editor Donald H. Cooper announced two additions to the board of editors—Betsy Woodman as copy editor and Phil Brown as make-up editor. Recent issues of the paper were criticised and suggestions were made for the improvement of staff routine. It was voted to continue all features except the Co-op Question Box.

WEATHER DELAYS GARDEN SITE PREPARATIONS

Weather has caused a slight delay in the allocation of garden plots, it was announced by Wallace F. Mabee. The planning, fertilizing and staking of the plots could not be carried on during the rainy spell. It is hoped the sites will be ready sometime this week.

The dollar necessary to reserve a plot is still being received.

Mrs. John F. Vachon, in the absence of Mrs. Rose Alpher, reviewed "Johann Strauss, Father and Son" by H. E. Jacob at the last meeting of the Book Club, March 13. Mrs. Ralph Hersh accompanied by Mrs. Charles Yukl played two violin solos, "The Artist's Life" and "The Beautiful Blue Danube", to illustrate the works of Strauss.

March 27, Mrs. John Perkins will review "The Star-gazer", a biography of Galileo, by Czolt de Harsanyi. The meeting will be held at 8 P.M. in room 200 of the Elementary School.

The lunch counter last year sold 4,526 gallons of ice cream.

LIBRARY CORNER

LIBRARY SCHEDULE

Monday, Wednesday, Friday - 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon
1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.
7:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M.
Tuesday, Thursday - 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon
1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.
Saturday - 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 noon
2:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Dr. Linden S. Dodson has an interesting article on "Greenbelt" in the October issue of the Journal of Adult Education. This particular magazine can be found in the library—so—while in the library why not pause for a few minutes and read about our community?

Since we are living in a cooperative community many are probably more than mildly interested in cooperatives and would like to learn more about this important subject. Below is a list of the books to be found in the library pertaining to the topic that will be of use and interest in obtaining a more comprehensive view of communities of this type:

Childs, "Sweden, the Middle Way"; Daniels, "Cooperation: an American Way"; Dillon, "Organized Cooperation"; Elliott, "England, Cradle of Cooperation"; Goldmark, "Democracy in Denmark"; Johnsen, "Consumers' Cooperatives"; Kagawa, "Brotherhood Economics"; Kallen, "Decline and Rise of the Consumer"; Kress, "Capitalism, Cooperation, Communism"; Lazo, "Retailer Cooperatives; How to run Them"; Warbasse, "Cooperation as a Way of Peace"; Warbasse, "Cooperative Democracy".

— Reba S. Harris

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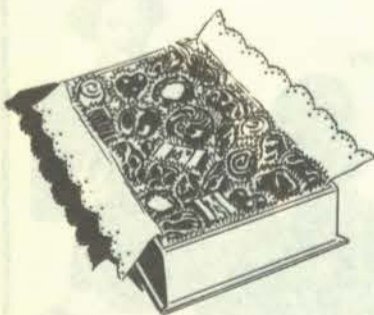


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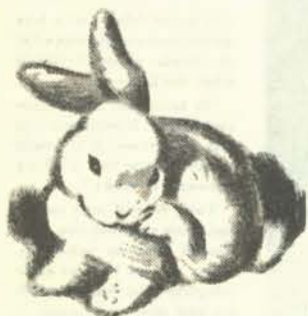


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Sunday and Monday, March 24 & 25



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Tuesday and Wednesday, March 26 & 27

DOUBLE FEATURE



COMING Thursday, March 28

AMATEUR NIGHT

(Contestants register at box office on or before March 26)



MRS. GREENBELT



Good Evening, Mrs. Greenbelt

I'm sure you'll read with interest Mrs. Maryn's little story about the "rake tooth soup". I was especially interested in it because of a somewhat similar experience. My father - who is an enthusiastic and expert fisherman - and I once took my two children fishing. We were short of time, having just the afternoon rather than the whole day which we usually devoted to our favorite sport, and decided to try a spot which had been highly recommended to us. We baited hooks - our own and the children's - and proceeded to wait happily for nibbles. Time passed on and nothing happened. All the finny monsters which were supposed to abound in those particular waters disdainfully ignored our bait, and the children began to fret. "We're tired. Couldn't we go home now? Why doesn't a fish bite on our hook? Are you sure there're any fish here? How do you know?" And any fisherman knows that questions like these are fatal to a fishing trip, especially when you don't have the answers. After an hour or so of this, we decided we were tired, too, and started to wind up our lines. My father suddenly gave a shout and began to pull on his taut line, while we hung dangerously over the edge in order to be the first to see his fine fish. He continued to haul in line, between exciting gasps in this wise - "Boy, we'll have so much fish we can't eat it if this fellow is as big as I think he is!" Nobody who hasn't thought he had hooked a whale and then pulled up twenty or thirty yards of rusty wire, all neatly rolled up into a bundle, can possibly know our feelings when exactly that appeared on the hook. Nobody said a word. We just all stared at the wire with mournful expressions. Finally, my father said, "What'll we do with it? Throw it back to give some other darn fool a thrill?" I looked at it a moment and then said, "We might make soup of it." My dad threw back his head and laughed. "I'll bet you could come nearer it than anybody on earth, at that!" And the wire lives longer in our memory than a fifty pound fish would have. When we go driving and pass that place, both kids shout, "Mother, there's the wire soup place!" and all in all, we've had a lot of fun with it.

But the point of the whole thing is that I have a reputation at home of being able to make soup out of a cup of water and a wish. I've played more tricks with soup than anybody you ever saw, and I know that you don't need a fairy godmother to make good soup for you. Or even to stretch a can of prepared soup from a strictly two-person family lunch to a company dish that will make history. Save your vegetable water - every kind goes well in soup - and try stripping the refrigerator of all the little glass jars the next time you need what my family calls "rubber soup".

But why do I go on telling you all my secrets? You'd think I'd know by now that a woman without a few secrets is like the first and fifteenth without a pay check!

—Peggie Arness

Recipes

Mrs. Ethel Rosenzweig sends in the following:
OVEN-FRESH CUP CAKES

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| 1/3 c. shortening | 1/2 tsp. salt |
| 1 tsp. vanilla | 1 cup sugar |
| 1 egg, unbeaten | 2 1/2 tbsps. baking powder |
| 2 cups sifted flour | 3/4 cup milk |

Combine vegetable shortening, salt and vanilla. Add sugar gradually and cream thoroughly. Add egg and beat well. Add baking powder to flour and sift 3 times. Add small amount of flour to the creamed mixture, alternately, with milk, mixing after each addition until smooth. Pour batter into cup-cake pans greased with shortening. Bake in a hot oven (425°) 15 to 18 minutes. Makes 18 cup cakes.

You can add raisins to your batter and put halves of walnuts on top for variation or instead of using icing.

NO EGG CHOCOLATE CAKE

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| 1 1/2 cups flour | 3/4 cup sugar |
| 1 tsp. soda | 1 1/2 squares chocolate |
| 3 tbsps. butter | 1 c. sour milk or buttermilk |
| 1 tsp. vanilla | 1/4 tsp. salt |

Sift together flour, sugar and soda. Shave chocolate in pan with butter, set in a pan of hot water and stir until smooth. Put vanilla and salt into sour milk and add to flour mixture. Stir until smooth, add chocolate mixture. Bake in an 8 inch pan in a moderate oven.

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| 1 tbsp. cocoa | 3/4 tsp. strong hot coffee |
| 1 tsp. vanilla | 1 1/2 tbsps. butter |
| 2 c. powdered sugar | 1/8 tsp. salt |

Mix cocoa with hot coffee. Cream butter, add sugar, salt, coffee and vanilla. Beat until smooth. Enough for the above cake.

— Helen O'Melia

Greenbelt's New Babies

Mr. and Mrs. William Joseph Kellaher, 8-C Ridge Road, announce the birth of a daughter, Alice Patricia, Wednesday, March 13, at 4:30 P.M.

Better Buyers Briefs

Eight leaders of the Better Buyers met Thursday, March 14, at the home of Mrs. Helen Heine.

Co-op flour and shortening were discussed and it was that the second shipment of shortening was whiter and creamier than the first. A letter from Miss Bramblett stated that further improvements could be expected. She will also send some bread recipes for the use of Co-op flour.

Mrs. Gladys Hughes reviewed "The Chamber of Horrors", and Mrs. Milton Thurber gave a short talk on "Hosiery—The Problem of Every Lady Present".

The next meeting will be March 28, at the home of Mrs. Doris Seybold, 40-B Crescent Road.

Mrs. Carl Jernberg's group met at her home Tuesday, March 12. "Vitamins" was the topic of discussion, with special consideration of their presence in liver.

Mrs. Rae Peterson's Better Buyers group meets Friday, March 22, at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Blonien, 22-A Crescent Road.

Mrs. Lyla Marti will conclude the review of "American Chamber of Horrors".

WASHING MACHINES NEED CARE

Two ways of getting the most out of your washing machine are, first, to run it properly, and, second, to keep it properly cleaned.

"Don't overload your machine, either with clothes or with water," is the advice of the Consumers' Counsel of the AAA. "The machine usually has a water line marked in the tub, so it's easy to know when the full mark has been reached. Follow the directions given with the machine to know its top capacity for clothes. Exceeding this limit can injure both clothes and machine."

"Another rule is proper operation of the machine is never to start it when it is in gear. Likewise, throw the machine out of gear before you turn off the motor. This avoids excessive strain on the mechanism."

"It's a good rule, too, always to launder your machine after laundering your laundry. If there are stains on the inside of the machine, use whiting or a fine scouring powder to get them off. Never use coarse, harsh scouring powder if you want to retain the inside surface of the tub."

"The greenish spots that sometime form on the inside of copper tubs—called 'verdigris'—can be removed with soap suds and ammonia, or you can use a paste made with whiting and oxalic acid. Always dilute oxalic acid—about a tablespoon to a cup of water. Leave the whiting and oxalic acid on the spot until dry, then rub it off. Remember to keep oxalic acid out of reach of children, and label it POISON."

Miss Lois Wilson left by plane Saturday morning for Duluth, Minnesota, where she was called because of the serious illness of her mother.

Miss Florence Mahnich, who teaches in Seat Pleasant, Maryland, is planning to spend the Easter holiday with relatives in Worcester, Massachusetts.

Do you have a shocking kitchen? Perhaps it's the clothes you wear, or to be more specific, your shoes, was the advice O. Kline Fulmer gave a Greenbelt housewife who complained of receiving electric shocks when she touched things in her kitchen. "Do you wear rubber soled shoes?" was the first question Mr. Fulmer asked when she phoned in the complaint. Upon her affirmative reply a change of shoes was advised. "If that doesn't help" said Mr. Fulmer, "call me back." She hasn't called.

The soul of your being may be likened to a radio receiver. So long as it receives messages of beauty, hope, cheer, courage, grandeur and power from the earth, from men and from the Infinite, so long are you young.

The Hospital Auxiliary dance on April 6 will be the first dance after Lent. Make your plans to attend.

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Balancing the Budget

by Bertha Maryn

SOUPS

"Oh, dear, today would be a good day for soup but I don't have a thing in the house and it's too late to go shopping."

This lady's plight reminds me of an old Slavic folk story. A beggar came to a poverty-stricken farmhouse and asked the farmer's wife for something to eat.

"Indeed, I'd be only too glad to share a bit of food with you but not a morsel have we for ourselves", was the good woman's reply.

The beggar stood undaunted. "Surely you still have water?" he asked, "and an old rake tooth?" Curiosity led the farmer's wife to admit that water and a rake tooth were available.

"Well, fetch me the tooth and a quart of water and I'll cook you the best soup you ever did taste". More curious than the proverbial cat, the woman produced the tooth and water and placed them on the kitchen stove.

"Now, my good woman," said the beggar, "there wouldn't be a bit of barley or rice would there? And if you only had a bit of onion and a carrot. My, what a soup that would be!" By this time things had gone so far that the good woman could not resist the desire to see what would happen to this remarkable recipe. So she looked and looked and found some barley and rice, a carrot and an onion, all of which went into the pot.

"My, my this smells good, but if only I had a bit of a bone with ever so small a bit of fat, would that be a soup!" "My dear woman, see if you can't borrow a bit of a bone from your neighbor." Needless to say a bone with a piece of fat meat was found and the rake tooth soup boiled producing a most tempting aroma, to the amazement of the foolish and curious wife.

The end of the tale, like all folk tales, is of course "that they all lived happily ever after." The moral being the naïvete of the good woman in believing that it was the rake's tooth that made the soup what it was. There is, however, another moral. Good soup can be made easily and cheaply, but the presence of a few staples in the pantry will obviate the necessity of the rake tooth. A tablespoon of barley or rice, half cup of beans or peas, a carrot or two, an onion, some cabbage or celery and any other vegetable either cooked or raw can be the makings of a delicious and nutritional dish. A bone with or without meat will add to the nourishing value as well as improve the taste. However, in the absence of meat, a couple of tablespoons of butter added before serving will do in a pinch. The following staples should be in every pantry: dried peas, dried beans, barley, rice, noodles or spaghetti. A combination of any or all of these will give an interesting variety of soups.

SPRING RAPTURE

The rains of spring are but tears of delight
That fall from the skies
In a glad surprise
To see earth's beauty emerge from the white
Of the winter's snows.

The cries of birds are not really chiding—
But a happy lilt
Sung with heads a'tilt
To coax the spring—"Come out of your hiding!"
As a soft wind blows.

— B. Woodman

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WITH THE PLAYERS



"Bury The Dead" rehearsals are going along fine, so 'tis said, with cast content and meetings regular in the elementary school on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings every week. In this impressive and picturesque drama you will see, among others: Lucile Cooper, Helen Cowell, Dorothy Harris, Marcia Kinsley, Lydall Palmer, Betsy Woodman, C. Wesley Adams, Donald Cooper, Sidney Henes, William Kinsley, Frank Loftus, Fordyce Lyman, Robert McClary, Joseph Maynard, John P. Murray, Joseph Muller, Kellog Peckham, Jack Ratzkin, Melvin Terkeltaub, and Sidney Weinstein.

The Players have had the advice of one Dave Maryn, a legitimate stage and Federal Theatre worker who recently visited with his brother, Samuel Maryn here in Greenbelt. Dave is reported to have contributed much in the way of guidance on designing and lighting plans for the coming play.

SPOTLIGHTS:

Marjorie Ketcham (recently in "Cradle Song") is taking pilot lessons at nearby Schrom's airport.

Proctor Twitchell is now assistant theatre manager and all be-plumed in tux as becomes the fashionable cinema official.

WASHINGTON CALENDAR:

The National City Players' WJSV tournament play this Saturday at 4:00 P.M. is "Some People Have All the Luck."

At the National Theatre you may see Gladys George in "Lady In Waiting" this week. (8:30 P.M.--55 cents and up, evenings) Beginning Monday, the 25th, comes John Garfield in "Heavenly Express." (same time--85 cents and up, evenings)

The Belasco Theatre announced in last Sunday's paper, their silver jubilee showing of D.W.Griffith's famous 1915 movie spellbinder, "Birth Of A Nation." You will find it most interesting.

—Lyman L. Woodman

The class in Public Speaking held on Thursday in the Community Building will be suspended until March 24. Dr. Strausbaugh, the instructor, will be out of town March 21.

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DATES ANNOUNCED FOR RECREATION SCHOOL

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Among the staff which will include recognized authorities in the several fields of recreation are Miss Neva Boyd, Department of Sociology and Division of Social Work, Northwestern University, who will lecture on the theory of recreation and group leadership; Augustus D. Zanzig, Director, Music Service, National Recreation Association, who will lead group singing and instrumental music; folk games and dancing will be taught by Marion Skean, Homeplace, Kentucky and Alice Schweibert, Northwestern University; Ruth Chorpenning and James Norris, of the professional theater, will direct dramatics.

The total cost of the school, which includes tuition and living expenses, is \$35 per person. All inquiries about the school and applications for admission should be sent to Frank Shilston, Midland Co-operative Wholesale, 739 Johnson Street, Minneapolis.

As a part of their English program the sixth grade students of the Elementary School are carrying on a correspondence with the sixth grade children of the Greenhills School.

The English instructor at Greenhills wrote asking for the names of the Greenbelt boys and girls who would be interested in writing. The correspondence is a functional part of the English classes here.

ACCIDENT NEAR LEGION HOME INJURES TWO

Richard McGreevy, better known to Greenbelt as Ricardo the magician, was involved in an accident last Friday night at about 8 when his 1929 Tudor Ford was overturned near the American Legion headquarters by a 1939 Ford coupe driven by Paul Deek of Berwyn Heights. The accident occurred when Deek swerved to avoid hitting a boy scout, one of a group of about 20 who were walking along the side of the road with Scoutmaster Birtle.

Ricardo's machine had to be pried up before he and his wife could be rescued. Both were taken to the Greenbelt Hospital for treatment, where it was found that Mrs. McGreevy was suffering from a dislocated hip. McGreevy and his wife were sufficiently recovered to return to the Brothers Tourist camp the following day.

Both machines were damaged, but neither driver was held accountable.

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