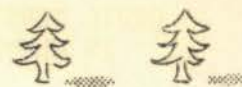




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PRESIDENT'S BIRTHDAY BALL ATTENDED BY FIVE HUNDRED LOCAL AND COUNTY PEOPLE

The President's Birthday Ball, held in the school gymnasium Saturday night January 29, by the Greenbelt Post of the American Legion, attracted some five hundred people living in and around Greenbelt.

Mrs. Roosevelt was invited as special guest of the affair but due to the many calls which she had already promised to make in the District of Columbia she was unable to attend.

Six of Prince Georges County's Legion Posts assisted Greenbelt in supplying a real floor show. Johnny Graham and his orchestra, supported by other musicians, furnished excellent music for the dancing.

Special flood lights were constructed over the parking area to accommodate the crowd of visitors from other parts of the county.

Master of Ceremonies, Bob Joyce of Hyattsville, was assisted by several singers and dancers who proved to be real entertainers and received much applause from the spectators.

The Community center, where the dance was held, was attractively decorated by the local Post members and their wives. A well planned check room was available and although some waiting was necessary there seemed to be much less confusion than has been experienced at previous dances.

A refreshment counter was made convenient for guests who, despite their intense interest in the Paul Joneses, and hula dances, found time to pause

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NO RENT INCREASE DUE TO BUDGET SAYS TOWN MANAGER BRADEN

Personal Property Tax Amounting To
Two or Three Dollars a Year Only
Additional Taxes To be Paid
By Citizens of Greenbelt

Greenbelt citizens will not have a rent increase due to the budget for this fiscal year, according to statements made by Town Manager Braden before the Council at its special meeting Monday night January 31.

Only personal property taxes will be paid in addition to the rent, said Mr. Braden. All other taxes are included in the rent. Personal property taxes will amount to two or three dollars a year, depending on the amount assessed by each individual.

Mr. Braden said there were three distinct classifications for this budget. The town budget would cover repairs, reconditioning, and replacement; administration budget to cover maintenance of cultural and recreational facilities; and a utilities budget would cover a fire department, street upkeep, parks, playgrounds, officers, professional and combination positions.

The persons hired would be paid salaries comparable with those paid to competent people in other communities.

These people will have to be experienced in more than one line of work because some of the jobs will have to be combined. For example the Fire Chief will have to be a mechanic, electrician, Police Chief and Fire Chief. The nurse would have to be

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CIVIL SERVICE QUOTA REACHED
IN ELEVEN STATES AND DISTRICT

Maryland Has Reached Its Quota

All States except Colorado, Idaho, Kansas, Maryland, Minnesota, Missouri, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Utah, Virginia, Washington, and the District of Columbia have reached less than their quota of appointments in the apportioned departmental service at Washington, D.C., according to the U. S. Civil Service Commission.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The growth of the Cooperator's circulation prohibits the practice of selling individual copies from door to door each week.

Those who have subscribed will receive the copies at the door and those who prefer to buy the paper as it is issued can do so at the food store or filling station.

Subscriptions outside of Greenbelt will be sent through the mail.

Those who have recently moved in, and who have not been called on by the Cooperator salesman, may subscribe by calling the residence of Robert D. Hayes, Business Manager, Greenbelt 3021 or by dropping a note in the Cooperator box.

STREET LIGHTING IN GREENBELT

For the information of those who do not already know it, the conduits are already laid and the openings ready for the completion of the lights.

The holdup at present is due to the nondelivery of the domes and posts of the lights, which are especially designed for our community. Mr. Fulmer says these items were especially ordered and have been so for sometime and we are all hoping that they will soon arrive.

As soon as the necessary parts arrive the completion of our lighting system will be but a matter of short time.

FLASH!!

Greenbelt High's Basketball Team plays Sherwood here Feb. 8, at 8 P.M.

Greenbelt Athletic Club will meet Friday night in the school gym, 8 P.M.

BIRTHDAY BALL

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and refresh.

As is generally known, the entire net proceeds of these dances are given to the National Infantile Paralysis Foundation.

The American Legion is well known for its child welfare program and the Greenbelt Post promises to carry on. If all future dances are as successful we can be assured that the child welfare program will be extensive.

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well qualified as a public health worker. A legal adviser will be necessary to see that we are not encroached upon, to set up zoning ordinances, and to advise the Council in its first year.

All of these people, Mr. Braden said, must be competent in their line and in other fields of work.

CITIZENS ASSOCIATION MEETING

The Citizens Association will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday, Feb. 7 at 8:00 P. M. in the school auditorium. A varied and interesting program has been arranged apart from the conduct of regular business. To the end that the evening may be spent enjoyably several speakers have been invited,--a member of the Prince Georges Federation of Citizens Associations, who will speak briefly on affiliation with the Federation;--a member of the Washington League of Women Shoppers who will speak briefly on "The Influence of Women As Consumers." In addition the Greenbelt Citizens Association has arranged for a presentation of one or two short motion picture films,--with sound recordings of course. If residents want more they will have an opportunity to so express their desires.

It is needless to add that all residents are not merely invited but urged to attend,--both older and recent arrivals. It is your organization! Support it and its activities!

CREDIT UNION PERMANENT
ORGANIZATION SET UP

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Greenbelt Federal Credit Union was held Wednesday night, January 26, for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year. The following were elected to office.

Harry Falls, President
Fred Wilde, Vice-President
Glendon Allred, Treasurer
George Bauer, Clerk
Elbert G. Ferguson
George Hodston
Ed Thornhill

Credit Committee:
Sulo Laakso, Chairman
Mrs. J. P. Murray, Secretary
William Donohue

Supervisory Committee:
Oscar C. Lightner
Mrs. Velma Brewer
Fred A. DeJager

Mr. Falls and Mr. Donohue were selected to represent our credit union at the 4th annual meeting of the Maryland Credit Union League to be held in Baltimore, February 9th, at the Rennert Hotel, 6:00 P.M. They were both very anxious to go when they learned that the Maryland League was to furnish the dinner free to authorized delegates. "We will come back with a lot of good ideas that will benefit our Credit Union," President Falls says.

The credit union is growing rapidly. Over a hundred members now are making their regular trips to deposit their quarters, dollars, and ten-dollar bills. Many applications for loans have already been received.

VISITORS

Dr. and Mrs. Albert L. Meyers and their young son Stewart dropped in at the offices of the Cooperator Saturday afternoon.

Dr. Meyers, formerly a professor at Colgate University, is an economist in the Marketing Section of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration.

He and Mrs. Meyers expressed much interest in Greenbelt.

CIVIL LIBERTIES DISCUSSED
BY GARDNER JACKSON

The second of the series of Greenbelt Civil Forums was held on Tuesday, January 25 in the social room of the school building. Several factors combined to lower the attendance at this session as compared with the first. Foremost, perhaps, was the general fatigue engendered by the series of meetings the week previous.

The program was built around the question "Are Civil Liberties in Danger?" The speaker was Mr. Gardner Jackson of the American Civil Liberties Union and Labor's Non-Partisan League. The ensuing discussion was lively and engaging.

Periods of economic crisis are always accompanied by more vigorous attempts to curb the civil rights of workers, and especially that portion of labor that is organized or tries to organize. It is the civil rights of these that must be staunchly defended if political democracy is to survive and evolve into an economic democracy.

This can only be accomplished if they whose rights are threatened do so effectively organize that their enemies are powerless to do damage.

Mr. Jackson castigated in no uncertain terms the Hague machine in New Jersey, the Crump machine in Memphis, and several others. He found few outstanding examples of religious intolerance. Freedom of the press there is not;--racial discrimination there is much;--academic freedom is under fire. Counter organization and eternal vigilance to defend these rights is the only course of action open.

The work of the Senate Civil Liberties Committee was highly commended, and indeed, Mr. Jackson quoted from its records on several occasions.

NOTICE TO NEW ARRIVALS
IN GREENBELT

If your refrigerator or electric stove does not function properly, do not hesitate to call the Manager's office immediately and adjustments will be made promptly.

DR. KINGSLEY ROBERTS SPEAKS TO
AGRICULTURE EMPLOYEES
ON GROUP MEDICINE

Series of Four Lectures
To Be Given

Dr. Kingsley Roberts, Director of the Bureau of Cooperative Medicine of The Cooperative League of U. S. A., who has been advising the residents of Greenbelt relative to a cooperative medical plan, is giving a series of four lectures to the employees of the Department of Agriculture on the subject of group medicine.

The lectures, followed by discussions, are being given under the auspices of the Committee for Cooperative Medical Service for Federal Employees. Lectures are held Wednesday nights in the auditorium at the Department of Agriculture in Washington.

The first lecture, on the subject of "The Patient and Cooperative Medicine", was given January 26.

ON THE ICE

A somewhat precarious two inches of ice covered our lake this past Saturday, and numerous hardy youngsters, plus a few not so hardy oldsters took to their ice skates. A vigorous hockey game, played with primitive weapons, was the source of much pleasure and exhaustion. Despite occasional ominous cracking sounds, a venturesome few skated the length of the lake. Their skates gave rise to a queer humming tune, audible for some distance, which was said by possibly reliable authorities to bespeak the thinness of the ice.

Most of the skaters remained at the east end of the lake, where the water is shallow, and where cracking ice might lead to discomfort but not to disaster. Up to the time of the writing no immersions were reported.

Without any desire to throw warm water on Greenbeltian ice skating proclivities, the writer suggests that parents advise their children to remain at the shallow (inlet) end of the lake unless proper investigation by adults indicates that the ice is thoroughly safe.

THE COOPERATOR BEING USED BY STUDENTS
AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Instructor Finds Paper Very
Interesting

Mr. Carl Feiss, Director of the Planning and Housing Division of Columbia University, with O. Kline Fulmer, recently called on the Cooperator staff at the time the paper was "going to press" and expressed his desire to receive copies as he wished to keep up with the development of Greenbelt.

A letter has been received from Mr. Feiss expressing his thanks for the copies and revealing the fact that the "students of the Planning and Housing Division ... at Columbia University ... are particularly interested in Greenbelt, where so much pioneering in community cooperation is being carried on."

Says Mr. Feiss, "The students ... are interested not only in the architectural development of communities such as yours, but also in whether or not they run successfully, and are pleasant places in which to live and work."

Regarding the Cooperator, Mr. Feiss finds it a "very interesting newspaper." He states that he is "looking forward to further editions with a great deal of pleasure."

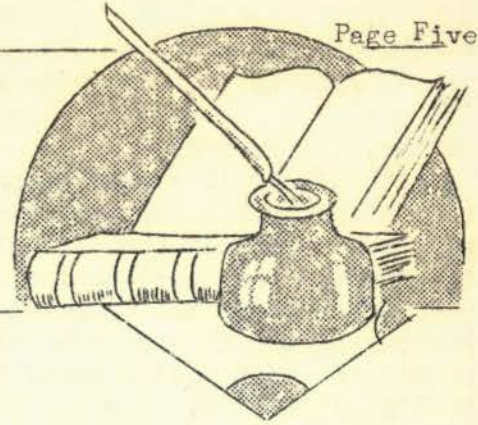
MASS MEETING TO FORM CHURCH

The Greenbelt Protestant Sunday School holds services each Sunday in the Auditorium of the Community Building starting at 9:30 A.M. The Church Service begins at 11:00 A. M. A nursery is maintained in connection with church for those with children.

A mass meeting of all families interested in the formation of a permanent church will be held in the Social Room of the Community Building Sunday evening at 7:00 P.M. Feb. 6. Please attend as the future of the Church depends on the outcome of this meeting.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thos. E. Melloy, 5-G Eastway, Friday, January 28, at Providence Hospital in Washington. The mother and baby are doing fine, according to an announcement received by the Cooperator.

Editorial



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JOURNALISTIC CLUB MEETS
 TO CONSIDER BY-LAWS

The Greenbelt Journalistic Club meets tomorrow, February 3, at 8 P.M., in the Cooperator offices (over the Theatre).

Proposed by-laws for the club, which were presented last week, will be considered.

ON THE LEVEL

In tipping Greenbelt to beware of "quack" salesmen as undesirable strangers within our gates it is not our intent to do injustice to the profession of salesmanship.

The world needs salesmen because the many comforts and pleasures of life have come as a result of their effort. The commercial development of the ages has been due to their art. Gladstone said "the greatest public benefactor is the man who sells good books."

Our aim is to discredit only those individuals who handle unworthy goods of any kind or practice unfair means in the distribution of useful products.

The management of this community has foreseen the possibility of sales forces coming here (where every family has a steady income) and using "flim-flam" methods of salesmanship and have been good enough to protect us with a clause in our leases to the effect that no one can sell in Greenbelt without written permission.

This does not mean if a salesman has written permission that his products are recommended. It simply means that the management has found them "on the level". It is then up to one's judgment of value in buying the product.

Most products which we have need for can be bought in our cooperative stores at a saving. Those people who have been employed to operate our cooperative stores must be salesmen too. We employ them to "sell" us on our products. But, when there is not enough demand for a particular product to warrant our stores handling it the salesman who has written permission to solicit in Greenbelt can best serve our needs.

We are greatly indebted to salesman-

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ANOTHER DOSE OF MEDICINE

Editor, Cooperator:

Although it is a poor newspaper policy to continue publishing material on one particular subject too extensively, it is apparent from various letters that have appeared in the Cooperator that a portion of the readers have misinterpreted the editorial headed; WHAT PRICE MEDICAL ATTENTION. For the benefit of everyone concerned the writer wishes to take this opportunity to assure the readers that he is VITALLY INTERESTED IN THE COOPERATIVE MOVEMENT THROUGHOUT THE NATION AND SINCERELY IN FAVOR OF ALL COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES IN GREENBELT.

The contribution mentioned above was written for two purposes. First, to create interest among the residents in order to secure a ventilation of the question, enabling the directors to reach a decision that would meet with the approval of a good majority of the people. Second, to bring about a reduction in the original price suggested by Dr. Kingsley Roberts and thereby assuring the success of Cooperative Medicine in our community.

As the result of these open discussions, it is readily perceived, that the board of directors will present the most reasonable and practical plan available and I sincerely urge everyone to adopt and support the final decision of the directors.

I offer PALMS to Stanley B. Rider, who bore the brunt of all opinions and CACTUS to any individual who harbors any personal childish resentment as the result of these discussions. Hatred and aggressive malice are a direct reflection of ignorance and warped ideas regarding good community spirit.

In the future, as we continue to progress in the organization of various community activities, it will be wise to hesitate long enough to consider all possibilities before reaching a conclusion and constantly keep in mind the proverb: "Fools learn by their own mistakes, wise men learn by others."

Webster W. McAchren

ON THE LEVEL

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ship for what we now enjoy, and certainly we want Greenbelt to continue to receive the best and to honor those who faithfully serve in producing products of merit as well as those who bring to our door the opportunity to benefit by them.

PULP

It was brought to the attention of the Welfare Committee of the Citizens Association that there were some magazines on sale at the Store which were particularly unsuitable for children.

When approached on this subject, both Mr. Jacobsen and Mr. Templeman were glad to have certain of the less worthy types of literature deleted from the stock. A member of the Committee spent a half hour going over the most gaudy and pulpy magazines with Mr. Jacobsen, trying to weigh the demerits of certain publications.

On the other hand the Store does wish to have on stock those magazines and periodicals which the residents of Greenbelt wish to purchase. Therefore there will be a sheet of paper placed at the end of the magazine counter in the Store where those who wish additions or subtractions from the stock can express their desires.

MURDER IS ONE ITEM IN U. S.

If you will take one item alone and consider the wide effects it exerts upon our national and community life, you may gain a faint picture of what crime costs both in money and in spiritual destruction. Take the single item of murder. Every forty minutes someone dies at the hand of a slayer. There are more than 13,000 such deaths each year. If the hearses alone necessary to convey the bodies of these victims to their last resting place could be assembled at one time, the funeral cortege would extend nearly fifty miles. J. Edgar Hoover, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

WITH THE BOY SCOUTS

Since Boy Scout Troop 202 is sponsored by Greenbelt citizens it is fitting that they know the aims and activities of Scouting.

What is Scouting? Scouting is fun! Scouting is adventure! Scouting is Comradeship! In a nutshell, Scouting is "a game for boys under the leadership of boys, with the wise guidance and counsel of a grown-up who has still the enthusiasm of youth in him.

A purposeful game is Scouting but a game just the same, a game that develops character by practice, that trains for citizenship."

What is a Scout? "To the little lad next door he is a hero. To his buddy, he is a "good guy"--to his mother, a lovable mystery,--to his teacher a problem--to his sister, maybe, a pest,--to the average man, a dimly remembered past,--to his leaders, "a complicated bundle of contradictions, needing our guidance." *

* Taken from Scoutmaster's Handbook.
C.B.

GIRL SCOUTS ELECT OFFICERS

Troop No. 17 held its second meeting last Tuesday in the school. Mrs. P. J. Carroll, Scout Leader, presided. This meeting was for the purpose of electing officers.

The troop, with a membership of 15 girls, was divided into three patrols. The patrol leaders elected are as follows:

Patrol No. 1 - Lorraine Mullen
Patrol No. 11 - Louise Burke
Patrol No. 111 - June Donoghue

There was much unfinished business, and the meeting adjourned after singing a "good night" song.

Our next meeting will be held in the meeting room, Tuesday, February 1, 1938, from 3:30 to 4:30 o'clock. All girls 10 years of age, or over, are urged to attend.

Jacqueline Freeman,
Troop Secretary.

Mrs. Thomas Bresenhan is ill at Sibley Hospital in Washington.

BOY SCOUT FINANCES!

Finances are no obstacles to the Boy Scouts. Every afternoon after school and all day Saturday, at least two Scouts are on hand at the grocery store ready to deliver your groceries at five cents an order. If you're in a hurry, the "Co-op Dependable Delivery" is at your service.

At the excellent suggestion of Scouter Stanley B. Rider, President of G. C. A., the scouts have undertaken a new enterprise. With your cooperation, they will collect your old newspapers and magazines once or twice a week. These they will store until a sufficient quantity has been accumulated at which time they will be sold.

You can help by stacking your discarded paper, etc., on a shelf in your outside closet or some other convenient place. The proceeds derived from this venture into "big business" will help the boys to get their uniform and other equipment.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCOUT PAGEANT! -- February 11th.
An interesting and entertaining evening is promised at the school. Come and get acquainted with scouting!

BANQUET! -- February 7th. The Prince Georges County Area Annual Scouters Banquet! All Scouters, Troop Committeemen, their wives and lady friends are urged to attend. Call Mr. Bishop at Greenbelt 4821 for tickets, or see Scoutmaster Charles Pettit at 6-R Hillside.

EAGLE SCOUTS ACTIVE

The Boy Scouts of the Eagle Patrol held their weekly meeting Jan. 27, at the home of John Rozek, 45-C Ridge Road. After the business meeting refreshments were served. The boys practiced first aid until adjournment.

Did you know that crime costs the average citizen more each year than he pays in taxes to the municipal, county, state and federal government? -- J. Edgar Hoover.



Mrs. Greenbelt



STAFF

Shiela Cone Puth Hayes Annis Murdock
Bertha Maryn Isabelle McAchren Myrtle Rosnicky

EDITORIAL

Although we have consistently disapproved the way in which criticisms have been voiced in public meetings, we consider this at least a better method than one which, although not as spectacular, is far more dangerous. We refer to that custom usually associated with small communities but prevalent among all types of society---gossip, rumor, call it what you will. At least, those who state their opinions before the assembled citizens are displaying some courage and honesty. Of course we realize that probably the greatest accomplishment man can strive to attain is that of minding his own business. However, granted that we must discuss our neighbors, wouldn't it be possible to tell at least a few of the facts correctly.

We had hoped that a selected citizenry might be able to carry on its affairs without all the aspects of a "Main Street". After all, the perpetrator of false rumors has seldom been known to personally escape becoming implicated in his own stores. If Greenbelt is to assume the title of the most beautiful community of America, let's kill this ugly intruder in congregate living - the whispering campaign!

- SOCIAL NOTES -

Luncheon was served in honor of Miss Alice Edwards by the Mesdames Bessemer, Axelrod, Schwarz, Maryn, Strong, Laakso, Dickerman, Custer, Ritchie, Rider and Miss Ollie Hoffman, Tuesday, January 25, in the home of Mrs. Louis Bessemer.

Mrs. Bessemer has long been acquainted with Miss Edwards because of their mutual interest and study of Home Economics. Mrs. Bessemer invited Miss Edwards to come to Greenbelt and discuss consumer problems with her neighbors.

Miss Charlotte Whittington of 35-A Ridge Road and little Barbara Endsley left Friday for North Carolina where they will visit in the home of Miss Whittington's parents.

Toby Marie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Weitsman of 3-D Gardenway, celebrated her first birthday on Jan. 23. Mr. and Mrs. Ben Weitsman of Washington and Mr. and Mrs. George Grabel and son Donald aided in the celebration.

Those present at the surprise birthday party given for Mrs. Levi Pittman were Mr. and Mrs. Thornhill, Mr. and Mrs. Price, Mr. and Mrs. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Green and Mr. and Mrs. McTurk.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Pittman last Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Basil Kimball of New York City and Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Kimball of Charlotte, N.C.

Mr. E. Kenneth Newton has left for Woodward, Pa. where he has accepted a position with the Department of Commerce, Airways Division. Mrs. Newton and two children will remain in Greenbelt for a short while before joining Mr. Newton.

Mrs. Margaret Scott and her daughter Gale, spent the weekend at the home of Mrs. Louise Endsley.

Mr. and Mrs. Reminick entertained a group of friends Saturday evening Jan. 22 at their residence, 3-J Eastway.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

If the black tops of your cabinet bases have become dull you might renew their luster and preserve them with the following formula which has been offered by Mrs. Stevens.

Two teaspoonsful of Niggerzine mixed with three-fourths cups of denatured alcohol. Put on with a brush. Two coats is desirable. Wax applied when dry will make a harder surface. Niggerzine is a wood dye which can be purchased at a drug store.

Mr. Dodson of 2-G Gardenway has a very clever idea for a book case which is both attractive and economical. The shelves are plain boards stained to match the other furniture in the room. Each end of the shelf is laid on a tier of three bricks. The bricks and shelves are added until the desired height is acquired. This arrangement has all the appearances of a built-in book case.

Did you know - that raw potato grated can be used instead of an egg in meat loaf or meat patties.

The toughest meat can be made tender by adding a small amount of vinegar to the water in which it is cooked.

PLAYS SELECTED BY DRAMA GROUP

"The Greenbelt Players" held their second meeting Wednesday evening, Jan. 26 in the school building. The newly elected president of the organization, Mrs. John P. Murray presided. The principle business of the meeting was the selection of three one-act plays to be presented to the community at an early date. The plays decided upon were "The Bathroom Door", "A Comedy of Danger" and "Phipps".

Mr. and Mrs. Sherrod East will direct "The Bathroom Door", a comedy. The serious drama, "A Comedy of Danger" will be directed by Mr. Howard Custer. The other comedy "Phipps" will be directed by Mr. Stanley Rider.

New members were Mrs. Theodora Wilson who worked with The Players Group of Central Community in Washington, D. C. and Mr. Fordyce Lyman who has played with the F.B.I. Players.

Tryouts were held Tuesday evening in the school building.

THE KITCHEN MAID

Here's an easy way to serve three vegetables on one plate - a life saver for the dish washer.

Ring Mold of Squash and Peas
3 cups Squash, Pumpkin, cooked or canned
1 T minced onion
1 t salt
1/8 t pepper
3 T melted butter
3 eggs

1 No. 2 can peas
To 3 cups squash add onion, salt, pepper and butter, increasing seasonings as desired. Add well-beaten eggs and 1 cup canned peas. Pour into greased ring mold about 8 inches in diameter and place in pan of water. Bake in moderate oven 350 degrees F. for 1 hour or until squash is firm.

Turn out, fill center with remaining peas, garnish with slices of cooked or canned carrots.

Calling at random in Greenbelt our "Inquiring Reporter" received the following answers to her question: "What do you think about the much discussed Boycott of Japanese goods?"

Mrs. A:- I believe it would be a good idea considering the fact that they're fighting so much without actually declaring war.

I.R.:- A formal declaration may save you Japan.

Mrs. B:- "We're not buying anymore Japanese toys for our little boy, but I'm afraid I would not be willing to give up silk entirely."

I.R.:- Its O.K. to make the kid's suffer, they've learned to take it.

Mrs. C.:- I'm entirely in accord with the idea!

I.R.:- Oh, a yes man in our midst.

Mrs. D.:- It really doesn't matter - they're so far away.

I.R.:- Funny what difference an ocean can make.

Mrs. E.:- I think we should stay out of this entirely.

I.R.:- But think of the fun we'd miss.

As a matter of safety, we suggest that mothers refrain from using the grocery carts as baby buggies. The baskets are not very steady and if there is a sudden movement, a bad fall on the concrete floor may result.

MISS ALICE EDWARDS ADDRESSES
GREENBELT LADIES

"A thing of beauty is a joy forever," quoted Miss Alice Edwards, in urging the women of Greenbelt to choose their clothes for durability and style, at a meeting held in the Community Center, Tuesday afternoon, January 25th.

Miss Edwards, formerly executive secretary of the American Home Economics Association for ten years, is now associated with Consumers Foundation. She has also been chairman of the Womens Joint Congressional Committee which endeavors to protect the interests of consumers.

Questioned from the floor, Miss Edwards remarked that ninety per cent of the counties in the United States were so organized by the drug manufacturers, that there was little hope for much improvement of the present Food and Drug Act, but that she was hopeful for the passage of the Lee Bill, which seeks to establish honest advertising.

The women of Greenbelt showed their interest in consumer education by coming in such numbers that there was standing room only by the time the meeting opened.

A nursery was prepared in the basement and about twenty-five youngsters were entertained there by Miss Ollie Hoffman, assisted by Miss Julia Prosser and Miss Shirley Friedman.

Tea was poured by Mrs. Roy Braden and Mrs. Robert Jacobsen at the conclusion of the consumer discussion, affording an opportunity for old neighbors to meet new neighbors.

BRIDGE CLUB MEETS

The Bridge Club held its meeting in the Social Room of the School Building, January 24th. Twenty-four members were present.

Hostesses for the meeting were Mrs. Vernon L. Havens and Mrs. Philip S. Claxton.

Prizes were won by Mrs. John Price and Mrs. Edward Brassor.

The next meeting will be held Feb. 7th. Inasmuch as it is necessary to know how many women will be present for refreshments, please pay your dues of twenty-five cents in advance to Mrs. Green, 60-K Crescent Road.

BALANCING THE BUDGET

Inexpensive Menus

By Bertha Maryn

We have received requests for inexpensive menus and meat substitutes. Altho meat is an expensive item on the food budget--if cheaper cuts of meat and meat products are properly prepared and combined with starchy products it may be possible to include meat 4-5 times a week for the main dish. The following is a sample of a week's menu for a family of 2 adults and two children under 10 yrs. These meals average 55¢ per meal including bread and butter.

Monday

Liver Mashed Potatoes
Cole Slaw Carrots Gelatin

Tuesday

Lamb Pilov* Stewed Tomatoes Carrots
Baked Apples

Wednesday

Vegetable Soup Macaroni, cheese
Stewed Fruit

Thursday

Pot Roast Brown Potatoes String Beans
Luttice Apple Sauce

Friday

Salmon Patties Vegetable Slaw
Potatoes Chocolate Pudding

Saturday

Meat Patties Baked Potatoes Spinach
Apple Sauce

Sunday

Lamb Chops Stewed Tomatoes Cole Slaw
Potatoes Jello Ice-box Cake

*1. Pilov

2 lbs. lamb shank or lamb breast (15¢ lb.) Cut meat into 1" pieces. Sear in preheated frying pan. Cut up large onion, add to lamb and fry till onion browns. Season. Add $\frac{1}{2}$ cup water, cover pan and simmer for 1 hour. Wash and cut into 1" pieces, 6 or 7 stalks celery and add to meat. Cook another stalk $\frac{1}{2}$ hour. Wash and cook one cup rice till grains are tender but not mushy. Add to lamb.

2. Gelatin Ice-Box Cake

Line a dish with chocolate or vanilla cookies. Pour over this a gelatin mixture made in the usual way. (This gelatin should have set but not become firm.) Place dish in the ice-box for 3-4 hours. Half an hour before serving, cover the cake with whipped cream.

HAZARDS ABOUT THE HOME

 By Maury Fontaine

Of cases needing attention of the first aider, POISONING, EXCESSIVE BLEEDING AND SUFFOCATION take precedence over all other injuries.

A doctor should be summoned immediately. However, so immediate is the destructive action of each of these three injuries that the doctor who answers the telephone and hurries a few blocks often arrives just in time to say to you, "if you had only ----- I could have saved his life." Your self condemning reply, "If I had only known!" is a poor excuse for your negligence.

Would you feel responsible should such a case arise in your own home? It would take only a few minutes of training by a member of each family to save thousands of lives every year.

For this week consider POISONING.

- 1st A poison diluted with much fluid is never absorbed as quickly as when in the concentrated form.
- 2nd Induce vomiting with any of the following emetics; soap-suds, salt water, soda water, warm water, milk. Repeat this several times, having the patient drink several glassfuls each time, emphasis being on speed in results -- not on choice or taste.

It is a wise preventative to post in a suitable place a list of antidotes for the various poisons. Epsom salts is a good "General Remedy" after the purging is complete.

Live up to these rules. Never take medicine from an unlabeled bottle nor when it is too dark to read the label. Keep all poisonous drugs separate from other medicines and out of reach of the children.

 If you have not already seen the apartments which have been furnished with Greenbelt furniture for display purposes, it would be well worth your time to make a visit. The apartments are located in J block just across Crescent Rd. The addresses are 9-A Parkway and 15-A Parkway.

"MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING"

Believe it or not by Ripley and us - a group of some thirty Greenbeltians met one evening last week for a social evening, and they did NOT elect a group of officers and did NOT draw up a set of by-laws.

And then we heard about the daughter of one of our Greenbelt families who is allergic to dust. A most embarrassing situation if it were to happen to us! In the last week of meetings we have heard repeatedly - "If I'm wrong about this, please correct me" - as though they wouldn't!

For a long time we thought that the water filled ditches around the community were a conspiracy to track up our tricky floors, but then we learned that they were to hold the wiring and posts for our street lights. However, time elapses, and we've about concluded that the lights must be buried in the ground along with the wires.

Point of order - there is the husband who had to attend a journalistic club meeting in order to escape the dirty dishes piled high in the sink. The gentleman in question felt that the lesser of the evils would be to attend the meeting rather than face a chaotic kitchen. We are not sure that he was quite right in that choice.

 KINDERGARTEN OPENING DELAYED

At the call of Mrs. Sherrod East, recently appointed teacher of the Greenbelt Kindergarten, about twenty mothers met in the School, Monday evening Jan. 31.

The original plans were that the Kindergarten would be held in the Social Room of the School beginning operation on or around Feb. 1. This proved impossible as due to already crowded conditions in the School, the Social Room will have to be used for classes.

Several suggestions were made as to space for the Kindergarten and it is hoped that, with the help of the Administration, arrangements may be made. Mrs. Elbert Ferguson was appointed chairman of a committee to continue this work.

The women all expressed themselves as being willing to continue negotiations until every possibility was exhausted.

PLAYING IN CLOSET

A HAZZARD

Little Virginia Sowell, aged two, must have adventure in her blood.

Setting out to explore the wonders of her home last Wednesday evening, Jan. 26th, she discovered something quite new - a ledge in one of the clothes closets. Possessing the true instinct of an explorer it didn't take Virginia very long to clamber up this ledge, which by the way, is actually higher than Virginia. Whether she wanted to experience the thrill of jumping off the ledge no one will ever know. Quite suddenly little Virginia came tumbling off.

But for the presence of brother, Rae Sowell, Jr., who always trails sis on her explorations, the mishap might have proved much more serious. As it was, Virginia came down on brother, thus breaking her fall. The net result was: a badly cut and bleeding lip with several very anxious minutes to both Mr. and Mrs. Rae Sowell.

When the parents had regained their composure, thanks mostly to Mrs. George Berkalow and Mr. Maury Fontaine, whom they had summoned for first aid and who had responded very generously, and having washed the bleeding lip they found the damage not so serious.

A few minutes later Virginia was chewing gum lustily and smiling, albeit, more with her eyes than with her lips.

GREENBELT HIGH BASKETBALL TEAM
SUCCESSFULLY INVADES FOREIGN FIELDS

The Greenbelt High School basketball team last week defeated Oxon Hill and Annapolis High Schools on their own courts.

Tuesday, Oxon Hill was smothered by a score of 37-21. Stanley Provost was high-point man, with 19 points.

Annapolis was defeated Wednesday by Greenbelt's team. The score was 24-22. Harry Ewing was high-point man, winning 10 points.

Greenbelt's next opponent will be Bladensburg High School, to be played

THE POET'S CORNER

You've grown a lot, Oh Man, since
first you fled
From prowling beast and hid in caves
half dead
With fright. You're mighty now. Your
hand
Can lift a ton. Machines, at your
command
Have seen to that. Your voice is great,
Its tone
Is heard a thousand miles away by phone.
Your feet have wings and scorn the
vanquished mile,
And span the sea in but a little while.
Your mind has grown and can compute the
space
Between the stars. Your eye grown keen,
can trace
The paths of comets in the sky. You've
grown
Oh Man. Your stature's great. The
world's your throne.
But what, Oh Man, but what about your
heart?
Why can't it also grow? When will it
start
To swell and fill the pouter breast.
Will there
Be some day room for other men? Come
share
Your heart, Oh Man, and in the sharing
gain,
The more you give, the more there will
remain.

L. B. Sawyer.

here Friday, February 4. Starting
time, 4:30 P.M.

Team members are: Stanley Provost,
Capt.; Joe Weiss; Harry Ewing; John
Guest; Martin Bozevitch; Gerd Arhens;
Bill Alexander; and Bill Stewart.

Wurl Chester is the coach.

Capt. Provost reports that the boys
will play Hyattsville in a night game,
beginning at 8:00 P.M., February 15.
Other games before that date have been
tentatively scheduled.

Excellent work, boys.

R. S. S.

SPEAKING OF OUR LIBRARY

When Greenbelt gets its library, will it be cooperative or top-down in type? Will the citizens have a chance to choose the books carried in the library, or will some top person or some official do the selecting for us? Will we get what we want or are we to take what someone chooses to give us?

We have already had some experience with the top-down method in the loan library and magazine stand that we now have. They are not cooperative, either in content or method of establishment. As a result, one cannot get books or magazines that many of us would have liked.

To be sure, one could get the books: Gay Girl, Love Can Wait, On the Night of the 18th., Tender Cheeks, Laughing Gas, Rustlers' Round-up, She Was Only A Tramp. Or, one might have gotten the magazines: Love Story, Ballyhoo, Men Only, Women in Crime, The Shadow, Love Tales, Spicy Western Stories. If you have a jaded or frustrated appetite, such a literary regime may be of help.

Some people like such a literary diet, but others can manage without so much spice. A balanced diet still has its place, especially when there is the work of building a cooperative community to do. Will we ever have a library that contains an ample amount of substantial references on cooperative enterprises and on modern social developments, such as will be of help in an economic-minded community? How much educational sustenance may we get from the library we are to have?

We talk in Greenbelt about cooperative methods for operating a food store, the filling station, a movie, newspaper, medical service, and so on. We are to make big decisions regarding many things in which we have had little experience and limited information. Yet there has been very, very little consideration given to the kind of library which might help to make our community successful. Are we to have a hand in determining the nature of the library, or will it merely be something that is dumped into our lap? - O. A. A.

CONSUMER VICILANTES NECESSARY

By Ollie E. Hoffman

Just recently the press has carried notice of the formation of an organization known as the Consumers Foundation. Its sponsorship and its program and objectives are still cloaked in mystery. This very air of mystery lays the organization open to suspicion. The term, "Foundation" smacks of producer rather than consumer interest.

Bona fide consumer organizations must be aware of the fact that their activities are causing no little concern among the retailing and manufacturing associations of the country. It is poor business for these organizations to permit consumers to learn too much, and we are blessed with the naivete of a six-months old babe if we do not suspect that these very interests will be sponsoring phony consumer groups to mislead us into believing that our consummatory interests are well provided for.

Let us not be duped into believing that real consumer groups can withdraw from the field of battle. These "kept" groups, as Professor Robert Lynd of Columbia University calls them, are working at cross-purposes with true consumer organizations. Their tactics will bear watching.

Women especially must be careful that they are not being used as "shock troops" behind which business interests will carry on their battles to oppose legislation detrimental to them or favor laws beneficial to them. Let us not be blinded by the fact that they have attached the names of some prominent but guileless women to the roster of their backers. Let's not permit them to hide behind women's skirts while they are pulling the wool over our eyes.

"COPY BOY" THINKS FATHER DOES
NOTHING BUT ATTEND MEETINGS

While seated around the supper table, the Sowell's were discussing the events of the day.

"What is it that you are going to do tonight?" asked the Mrs. of her husband.

"Going to a meeting," said "Copy Boy" before his father could answer.

OSCAR A. ANDERSON SPEAKS
TO JOURNALISTIC CLUB MEMBERS

The Greenbelt Journalistic Club had as its guest speaker Oscar A. Anderson Thursday night, January 27. He spoke on the subject of policy-making for publications.

Addressing some 20 members of the club, Mr. Anderson pointed out the advantages of adopting a definite course early in the game so that the board of directors will have some guidance and purpose in its work.

He has had some experience along these lines, having been a co-founder of a small magazine for which he was called upon to help adopt a definite course of action. (The magazine was quoted in last week's issue of the Cooperator in Mr. Custer's letter regarding the National Encyclopedia.)

Quoting parts of an editorial in the New York Times, Mr. Anderson illustrated how the policy of the paper came out in the headline and the wording, and explained that in any paper it appears not only in editorials, but also in all the headlines and in the shading of news articles.

Speaking of papers in general, he referred to three kinds: First, the kind where there is one man who determines just what stand the paper will take--the owner. Very often the decisions as expressed from time to time are not consistent. Second, the group that allows the assistant editor to have some say in the formation of policies. Third, those that have a group or board set up for this purpose.

Questioned as to the size of the group which should be authorized to adopt the policies for the Cooperator, Mr. Anderson stated that Greenbelt's paper was unique. Here the paper is published by a large group--the Journalistic Club--and that organization should have a policy-making body that is repre-

setative--one that is not too large and yet not small enough as to be exclusive, said Mr. Anderson.

Louis Bessemer, president of the club, took the opportunity to thank John McWilliams who had done a splendid job of mimeographing eight of the first nine editions of the Cooperator. Mr. McWilliams was forced to resign as production manager because of other duties.

Mr. Bessemer also spoke of the many hours of real, unselfish labor put in by the individuals who are charged with the responsibility of publishing the Cooperator. Not many people realize, he said, the amount of time these staff members spend in behalf of the paper and it was his hope that the responsibility would be shifted around from time to time in order to give everyone interested an opportunity to share in the work.

It was Mr. Bessemer's sincere hope that the Cooperator would always practice "freedom of the press"--to allow both sides to be presented in full.

While the members were discussing the idea of having journalists speak before the club, it was suggested by Leon Golnick, an employee of the Washington Daily News, that such men as Alfred Friendly, Robert Buck and Heywood Brown would probably be glad to come out to Greenbelt for that purpose.

Mr. Golnick moved to Greenbelt last week and is a new member of the club. Being a newspaper man, his services should be of considerable value to the Cooperator and his work will be sincerely appreciated.

R. S. Sowell, Secretary
Greenbelt Journalistic Club

DAVE MARYN THINKS GREENBELT PARENTS
HOLD MEETINGS EVERY EVENING

Dave Maryn ran an errand for his mother over to Mrs. Sara Axelrod's house the other day.

"Tell your mother I would like to see her," said Mrs. Axelrod to Dave.

"You'll see her tonight," replied Dave.

"Where?"

"Well, you have a meeting, haven't you?" queried Dave.

CONTRAST

By Mary E. Van Cleave

Fifty bucks was rent for two
For just one month, in apartment "q"
So reasonable--in the district line
We thought the place would suit us fine.
We climbed four flights and then, when
there--

The rooms were small, and very bare.
The bath was on the third floor landing.
We spent our waking moments standing
At the door and thinking madly
Of the bath we needed badly!
Our kitchen wanted paint and so
To work with can and brush we go.
It started out to be a frolic--
Ended with the painter's colic!
The house was full of drafts, and old;
No insulation kept the cold
From coming in--so in it blew.
I promptly came down with the flu!
My stove was old and always smoking,
While I cooked I would be choking.
An ice-box, not a Frigidaire
Graced our little flat so fair.
We had neither lawn nor flower
To beautify one single hour.
No bit of grass, no moon, no sky
On which to feast the human eye.
Oh, yes, we had a window, too,
And looking through it we could view
The dull, brick walls of another place
Containing neither light nor space,
But, housing people like us two
Who longed to live as humans do!
There's been an answer to our prayer,
A place to live for those who care.
The air is clean and--there are trees.
You feel like getting on your knees
Because GREENBELT is where you're living,
Once more happy, you are giving
Thanks, that you have gained the right
To see the twinkling stars at night.

PING PONG TOURNAMENT FOR THE KIDS

A Ping Pong Tournament will be held
for the youngsters under 20 Saturday
afternoon, February 5, commencing at
4:30. An entry fee of 10 cents will
be charged, the proceeds to go for
prizes.

PING PONG TOURNAMENT SCHEDULED

It has been announced by the Recrea-
tion Committee that they have definitely
scheduled a table tennis tournament for
Friday, February 4, at 8:00 P.M.

Extra equipment will be installed
in the Recreation Center to take care
of the entries and so that each contest-
ant may have an equal chance for the
prizes offered, handicaps will be award-
ed. The entry fee will be 25 cents.

Spectators will be welcome. It is
hoped that sufficient material will be
found during this tournament to form
a team to represent Greenbelt in out-
side competition.

On other days, tables may be re-
served in advance the rates being fif-
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February	2	Pre-School Mother Circle	7:30 P.M.	School
	3	American Legion	8:00 P.M.	Over Drug Store
	3	Journalistic Club	8:00 P.M.	New Office(Over Theatre)
	4	Boy Scouts	8:00 P.M.	School
	6	Greenbelt Sunday School	9:30 A.M.	School
	6	Catholic Sunday School	8:30 A.M.	School
	6	Catholic Services	9:00 A.M.	School
	6	Protestant Church Plan Discussion	7:00 P.M.	School
	6	Greenbelt Church	11:00 A.M.	School
	7	Citizens Association Meeting	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium
	7	Prince Georges County Scouters Banquet	Call Mr. Bishop, Gr. 4821	
		The Council will meet the second and fourth Thursdays each week.		
	8	Basket Ball Game	8:00 P.M.	Auditorium
	11	Scout Pageant	7:30 P.M.	School

Note: All future meetings of the Boy Scouts will be held at 7:30 P.M.

American Legion Meetings are held the first and third Thursdays of each month.

"SO DO I"

Greenbelt at last! It was hard to believe it. What a relief after those weeks of nerve-wracking suspense. How many times we had waited for the mailman only to be disappointed again and again. Then came that long-awaited letter with those magic words. And from then on we walked on air...Arrangement followed arrangement in rapid succession. We lost no time in selecting a house, we notified our landlord that we were moving; we selected new furniture from Mr. Mabee(?), we hired a mover, we moved, and we finally arrived!

And then a new problem arose to plague us--transportation. How was I to get to my office, 15 miles away? I had heard all sorts of stories of the hardship occasioned by the lack of adequate transportation facilities here

in Greenbelt. I had heard of men walking five miles to get home, of some arriving ten o'clock at night for their dinner, of domestic tranquility and bliss shattered because some men were actually compelled to remain in Washington over night, after their day's work. They could not find any means of transportation to take them home (or so they told their wives, anyhow).

You can imagine my joy, then, when upon arising on this, our very first morning in Greenbelt, I discovered a car parked right in back of our house.

The car had Washington license tags, true, but goodness knows what part of the city the owner might work in. Besides, who knows what hours he works? Besides, perhaps he doesn't drive his car. And if he does, then it might be

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NEWS OF CO-OPS

\$150,000,000 SALES INCREASE MARKS BRITISH CO-OPS BIGGEST YEAR 8,000,000 FAMILIES NOW MEMBERS: CO-OP'S "REYNOLDS NEWS" REPORTS

London - With almost a quarter of a million new members enrolled during the year, the British cooperative movement completed its biggest year on record, according to Reynolds News, official Sunday newspaper of the cooperative movement.

Retail sales of cooperatives in England, Scotland and Wales jumped from \$1,100,000,000 in 1936 to \$1,250,000,000 in 1937, a gain of \$150,000,000. The Cooperative Wholesale Society, which is now England's biggest distributive business, expected that a final report of the year's business would find sales well over \$600,000,000. C. W. S. sales for the first 47 weeks reached \$531,000,000, an increase of \$50,000,000 over the same period last year.

Membership jumped well above 8,000,000 which Reynolds News reports includes more than half the population of Great Britain. Goods produced in factories owned by the cooperatives totaled \$190,000,000 - a gain of \$20,000,000 over 1936. During the year the Cooperative Wholesale Society invested \$12,000,000 in new buildings.

TWO TOURS SCHEDULED TO NOVA SCOTIA COOPERATIVES IN AUGUST CHURCH, ADULT EDUCATION AND CO-OP LEADERS TO HEAD TOUR

New York - Because almost a hundred people swarmed to Nova Scotia last summer on a single tour to visit cooperatives in mining, fishing and farming communities, The Cooperative League of the U. S. A. has scheduled two conference-tours of Nova Scotia for this coming summer. The tours will run from August 7 to 19 and August 15 to 27 respectively; both will include the Rural and Industrial Conference at Antigonish August 16, 17 and 18.

FOUR NEW CO-OP HEALTH GROUPS BEING FORMED IN NEW YORK AREA PREVENTIVE MEDICINE STRESSED IN BROOKLYN, MANHATTAN AND NASSAU

New York - Four cooperative health associations are in the process of formation in and around New York City, the Bureau of Cooperative Medicine announced this week.

These associations are located in Brooklyn, Manhattan and Nassau County. Plans of these organizations are unique in that preventive medicine and health education are to be stressed. Arrangements will be made with local physicians to render services to members of the group who wish to subscribe to a master contract between the doctors and the associations. It is expected that the associations will grow rapidly, expanding services until the member subscribing will be receiving complete care.

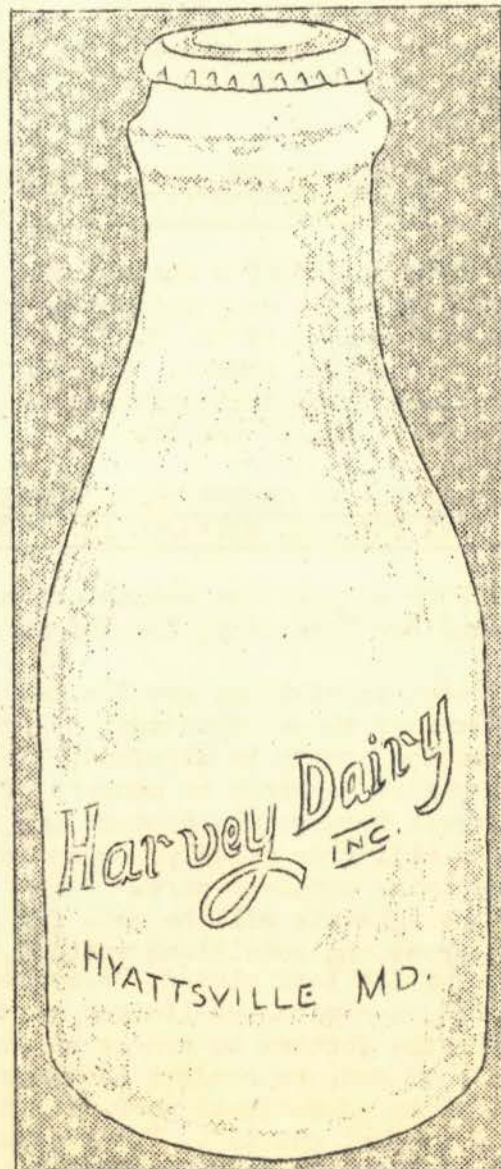
"Arrangements will be made for general practitioner's care as the membership grows and conditions warrant," the Directors of the Cooperative Health Association of New York stated, "services will be expanded until they are all-inclusive but even with the limited service in the beginning it will still be possible for the doctors to render about 90% of all needed preventive services. Efforts will be made to conduct meetings and classes on health subjects and health education. This educational work will be carried on not only among the membership but for the general public". The Bureau of Cooperative Medicine is now studying qualifications of doctors so that the associations will be certain that all doctors associated with them will be competent.

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likely that he doesn't want any passengers. But still it would be a good idea to find out where he works. With these thoughts running through my mind I set out to get the low-down from my next-door neighbor, who, I took it for granted, was the owner of this car.

"Come in, come in", said a genial, baritone voice in answer to my knock.

"Good morning; my name is Maryn; I am your new neighbor", and I had introduced myself.

"Very glad to know you, Mr. Maryn; my name is "DeJager".

"Mr. De Jager, is that your car, that Chevy, parked out there?" I asked coming right to the heart of my problem.

"Yes sir, that's my car".

"May I ask, Mr. De Jager, where you work?"

"In Washington", came the ready answer.

"So do I", I hastily assured him, and added, "Whereabouts in Washington?"

"Downtown".

"So do I--For the Government, I suppose; what agency?"

"General Accounting Office", Mr. De Jager answered.

"So do I", I almost shouted. "In what building, Mr. De Jager?"

"Moses Building, 11th and F".

"So do I".

"On what floor?"

"On the eighth floor, Mr. Maryn".

"SO DO I".

And we both burst out in hearty laughter at this almost amazing coincidence.

Need I add that I rode to work that morning with my neighbor and coworker?

S. Maryn

Mrs. Robert Lee Reading, 56-A Crescent Road, who underwent an operation in the Episcopal, Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital, is improving daily.

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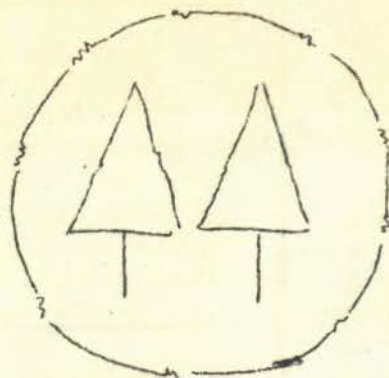
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