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FLOOD RELIEF

Contributions to the Red Cross for the benefit of sufferers from the floods should be sent to Nelson S. Hurlbutt, Treas., P. O. Box Cannondale. Rummage Sale, Saturday, February 6th.

THE VIADUCT AGAIN

As this edition goes to press, word has been received from our Representative, Mr. Warncke, that the viaduct at Wilton has now moved into first place on the list of grade crossing eliminations to be undertaken in Connecticut. It is therefore in a position to receive the first Federal grant in aid, which should be available in July. Our thanks are due Mr. Warncke and the State Highway Dept.

Wilton has also been honored in that Mr. Warncke, now serving his third consecutive term in the Assembly, has been chosen as Chairman of the new House Committee on Reorganization of State Government. He also continues to be a member of the very important Committee on Appropriations.

POST OFFICE

Wilton Post Office is rapidly approaching Second Class status. If the rate of growth shown during 1936 is continued in 1937, that goal might be reached in 1938. The rank of a post office is determined solely by the value of stamps sold. An income of \$8,000 per year is the minimum for the second class. Last year Wilton reached \$6,766, an increase of \$1,093 or 20% over 1935. Another 20% increase will do the trick. The Bulletin alone will contribute some \$200. As a second class post office, Wilton could receive a larger rent allowance, larger salaries to employees and more helpers. In addition the Postal Savings service can be extended to Wilton and letters would be delivered in the village district instead of being put into boxes.

It is a curious situation that of the 800 Wilton families to whom the Bulletin is now being sent, only 420 receive their mail through the Wilton Post Office. 160 are served by Georgetown, 86 by two rural routes from Norwalk, 20 by the two Ridgefield routes and 10 by New Canaan. Only thirty now get mail at Cannondale. The balance have moved to New York for the winter. Hence whenever the 420 families in the Wilton P. O. area write the other 300 families now living in Wilton, or vice versa, they spend an extra cent in postage. This helps to build up cash income for the P. O. of course. Once we have a Second Class Office, a little economizing might be in order.

No subscriber has yet given his correct postal address, i. e., Post Office Box, R. F. D. 1, etc., as the case may be. Some attention to this matter

matter would speed up the sorting of mail and bring earlier deliveries.

P. T. A. CHORAL CLUB CONCERT

Center School, Thursday, February 11, 8:30 p.m.

I. Club—"Wilton" poem by Rev. John Gaylord Davenport, D. D.

"Summer is a-coming in" 13th Century,
Trans. John of Fordsete.

"Swing Along" W. M. Cook.

II. Dances—"Invitation to the dance" Von Weber.
"Amaryllys" arr. by Louis Chalf.

III. Octette—Love Songs by Brahms.

IV. Club—"Every time I feel the spirit" Negro
Spiritual arr. by Burleigh.

"The Three Farmers" West Virginia Folk-
song, setting by Treharne.

Intermission.

V. Dances—"C Sharp Minor Valse" Chopin.
"Vestal Virgin" Serova.

VI. Octette—Love Songs by Brahms.

VII. Dance—"White Rose Mazurka", arr. by Louis
Chalf.

VIII. Club—"Going Home" Dvorak.

"Land of our Hearts" Chadwick.

Director: Mr. Horace M. Hollister. Accompanist:
Mrs. William Karstens, Jr.

Guest Artist: Concert Dancer, Miss Virginia Carr.
Accompanist: Miss Marie Carr.

FEBRUARY GARDEN NOTES

by Estelle R. Dickinson

Lilies of the Valley can be brought into bloom in three weeks at this time of year if kept in a warm place for the first week. Paper white Narcissus can still be forced and need be kept in the dark for a very short time.

Look at your stored roots in February. If Dahlia tubers are rotting cut away the decayed parts, dust the wounds with sulphur, and repack. Gladiolus corms should be separated now if you did not do it on packing away. From now on the corms should be placed in a colder atmosphere, 35 to 40 degrees.

Pruning of grape vines and fruit trees can be started in February.

Hardy Asters, Holihoeks, and Delphiniums can be flowered this fall from seedlings sowed in February. Good sized Columbine plants can be ready for transplanting into the garden in May if seed is planted now indoors or in flats.

Stock of Euonymus and Packysandra may be increased now by tip-cuttings placed in sharp sand and kept at 50 degrees with a little bottom heat.

Pussywillow can now be brought into the house for forcing bloom.