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The members of the Town Board and the clerk met at Liberty Pole Hill March 9 at 12:30 P.M. to discuss conserving this site, ^(about 4 acres more or less) for a park in view of rerouting the road at this point. The Conservation Dept. would share one half of the expense with the township. Also discussed was obtaining about 2 acres, ^(more or less) from Grace Boston to be used for a dump. A motion was made by Arrie Krause, sec. by Charles Friedig in favor of taking this action.

Sheldon Yarwood Chairman
Arrie Krause
Charles Friedig

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On Liberty Pole Hill
Civil War Flag Will Fly Again
(Special to The State Journal)
BROOKLYN—The American flag will fly again, as it did during the Civil war over Liberty Pole Hill, Green County's highest point. Sheldon Yarwood, Brooklyn town chairman, said the flagpole will be erected in a park to be developed following the action of



three rural roads. It may be ready by flag day, 1967. There will be a plaque with a history of the liberty pole. So far, research has turned up some surprises. John E. Thompson, 91, the only man alive known to have seen the original pole, said it stood a quarter mile south of the point now called Liberty Pole Hill. As a boy, Thompson would see it from his home and see the flag flying. He said the pole had a glass ball which was used in the early days.

Apparently it was a weathering station. Four King snakes are listed there so did Shepard and Taylor Menan, who became Wisconsin state voters. Only one Prairie cemetery bears the graves of 52 soldiers from the war of 1812 to World War I, but of no wars since. A mile north of the cemetery the point designated on maps as Liberty Pole Hill is 4,402 feet above sea level. It is the 34th highest elevation in Wisconsin. Coal Hill may have been a sign of things, the topsoil was scraped off in quantities.

Thompson A. flag for Liberty Pole Hill
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