
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13D Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

(Amendment No. 3)

VENATOR GROUP, INC. (formerly named Woolworth Corporation) (Name of Issuer)

Common Stock, \$.01 par value per share (Title of class of securities)

980883 10 2 (CUSIP number)

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August 21, 1998 (Date of event which requires filing of this statement)

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1	NAME OF RE	PORTING PERSON R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO.	GREENWAY PARTNERS, L.P. 13-3714238
2	OF ABOVE PI	ERSON APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER	OF A GROUP: (a) [x] (b) [_]
3 	SEC USE ON	LY	
4	SOURCE OF	FUNDS:	WC, 00
5		IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROC D ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e):	EEDINGS IS REQUIRED [_]
6	CITIZENSHI	P OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:	Delaware
NUMBER OF SHARES	7	SOLE VOTING POWER:	1,375,700
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY	8	SHARED VOTING POWER:	0
EACH REPORTING	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:	1,375,700

PERSON WITH	10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER: 0	
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY REPORTING PERSON: 1,375,700	
12	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES:	[_]
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11):	1.0%
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON: PN	

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1			
_	OF ABOVE PER	S. IDENTIFICATION NO.	GREENTREE PARTNERS, L.P. 13-3752875
	CHECK THE AP		ER OF A GROUP: (a) [x]
	SEC USE ONLY	,	
4	SOURCE OF FL	INDS:	WC, 00
5	CHECK BOX IF	DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PRITEM 2(d) OR 2(e):	OCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
6		OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATIO	
NUMBER OF SHARES		SOLE VOTING POWER:	1,040,000
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY	8 9	SHARED VOTING POWER:	0
EACH REPORTING	9 9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:	
PERSON WITH		SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER	
	AGGREGATE AM	OUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNER	BY REPORTING 1,040,000
12	CHECK BOX IF	THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT I	N ROW (11) EXCLUDES
13			OUNT IN ROW (11): 0.8%
14	TYPE OF REPO	RTING PERSON:	PN

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1	NAME OF REPO S.S. OR I.R. OF ABOVE PER	RTING PERSON S. IDENTIFICATION NO.		 L.P.
	CHECK THE AP	PROPRIATE BOX IF A MEME	BER OF A GROUP: (a) [x]) [_]
	SEC USE ONLY			
	SOURCE OF FU		WC, AF, 00	
5	CHECK BOX IF	DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PF ITEM 2(d) OR 2(e):	ROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED	
6		OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATIO	DN: Delawar	
NUMBER OF SHARES		OLE VOTING POWER:	0	
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY	8 S	HARED VOTING POWER:	1,375,700	
EACH REPORTING	9 S	OLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:	0	
PERSON WITH		HARED DISPOSITIVE POWER		
11	AGGREGATE AM PERSON:	OUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED	1,375,700	
12		THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT I	IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES	[_]
13	PERCENT OF C	LASS REPRESENTED BY AMO		1.0%
	TYPE OF REPO	RTING PERSON:	PN	

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1		ING PERSON IDENTIFICATION NO.	GREENHUT, L.L.C. 13-3793450
	CHECK THE APPR	OPRIATE BOX IF A ME	MBER OF A GROUP: (a) [x] (b) [_]
3	SEC USE ONLY		
	SOURCE OF FUND		
5	CHECK BOX IF D	ISCLOSURE OF LEGAL	PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED
6	CITIZENSHIP OR	PLACE OF ORGANIZAT	
NUMBER OF SHARES	7 SOL	E VOTING POWER:	Θ
BENEFICIAL OWNED BY	LY 8 SHA	RED VOTING POWER:	1,040,000
EACH REPORTING	9 SOL	E DISPOSITIVE POWER	: 0
PERSON WIT		RED DISPOSITIVE POW	ER: 1,040,000
11	AGGREGATE AMOU	NT BENEFICIALLY OWN	1 . 040 . 000
12	CHECK BOX IF T	HE AGGREGATE AMOUNT	IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES [_]
13		SS REPRESENTED BY A	MOUNT IN ROW (11): 0.8%
14	TYPE OF REPORT	ING PERSON:	00

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1	NAME OF REF S.S. OR I.F OF ABOVE PE	R.S. IDENTIFICATION N ERSON	GREENBELT CORP. NO. 13-3791931	
	CHECK THE A	APPROPRIATE BOX IF A	MEMBER OF A GROUP:	(a) [x]
	SEC USE ONI	_Y		
	SOURCE OF F	FUNDS:	00	
5	CHECK BOX	F DISCLOSURE OF LEGA	AL PROCEEDINGS IS REQU	IRED
6		OR PLACE OF ORGANIZ		
NUMBER OF SHARES		SOLE VOTING POWER:		
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY	8	SHARED VOTING POWER:		
EACH REPORTING	9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POW	VER: 6,657,322	
PERSON WITH		SHARED DISPOSITIVE F		
	AGGREGATE A	AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY (OWNED BY REPORTING 6,657,322	
12	CHECK BOX	IF THE AGGREGATE AMOU	JNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUD	Г 1
13			/ AMOUNT IN ROW (11):	
14	TYPE OF REF	PORTING PERSON:	C0	

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1	NAME OF REPORT	. IDENTIFICATION NO.	GREENSEA OFFSHORE, L	P.
		ROPRIATE BOX IF A MEME	BER OF A GROUP: (a)	[x] [_]
	SEC USE ONLY			
4		DS:	WC, 00	
5	CHECK BOX IF I	DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PR	ROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED	[_]
	CITIZENSHIP OF	R PLACE OF ORGANIZATION	DN: Cayman Islands	
NUMBER OF SHARES	7 S0I	LE VOTING POWER:	1,005,000	
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY		ARED VOTING POWER:	0	
EACH REPORTING	9 SOI	LE DISPOSITIVE POWER:	, ,	
PERSON WITH	10 SH/	ARED DISPOSITIVE POWER	R: 0	
11	PERSON:	UNT BENEFICIALLY OWNER	1,005,000	
	CHECK BOX IF CERTAIN SHARES	THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT	IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES	[_
13		ASS REPRESENTED BY AMO	OUNT IN ROW (11):	. 7%
14	TYPE OF REPOR	TING PERSON:	PN	

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1			PORTING PE R.S. IDENT		GREENHUT OVERSE/ 13-3868906	
		CHECK THE	APPROPRIAT	E BOX IF A MEM	BER OF A GROUP:	(a) [x]
3		SEC USE ON	ILY			
5		CHECK BOX PURSUANT 1	IF DISCLOS	URE OF LEGAL P	ROCEEDINGS IS REQU	
6			P OR PLACE	OF ORGANIZATI	ON: Delaware	
NUMBER SHAR	R OF RES		SOLE VOTI	NG POWER:	0	
BENEFIC OWNED		8	SHARED VO	TING POWER:	1,005,000	9
EAC REPORT		9	SOLE DISP	OSITIVE POWER:	0	
PERSON	WITH				R: 1,005,000	
11		PERSON:		EFICIALLY OWNE	D BY REPORTING 1,005,000	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
12		CHECK BOX	IF THE AGG	REGATE AMOUNT	IN ROW (11) EXCLUI	гэ
13		PERCENT OF	CLASS REP		OUNT IN ROW (11):	0.7%
14		TYPE OF RE	PORTING PE	RSON:	00	

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1	NAME OF REPO	ORTING PERSON S. IDENTIFICATION NO. RSON	
	CHECK THE AF	PPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEM	BER OF A GROUP: (a) [x]
3	SEC USE ONLY	′	
4	SOURCE OF FL		PF, AF, 00
5	CHECK BOX IF	DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL P	
6	CITIZENSHIP	OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATI	
NUMBER OF SHARES		SOLE VOTING POWER:	0
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY	8 5	SHARED VOTING POWER:	10,078,022
EACH REPORTING	9 5	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:	0
PERSON WITH	10 5	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWE	
11	AGGREGATE AM	10UNT BENEFICIALLY OWNE	
12	CHECK BOX IF	THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT	IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES [_]
13	PERCENT OF C	CLASS REPRESENTED BY AM	OUNT IN ROW (11): 7.4%
14	TYPE OF REPO	ORTING PERSON:	IN

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1	NAME OF REPO	ORTING PERSON S. IDENTIFICATION NO.	
2		PPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEME	BER OF A GROUP: (a) [x] (b) [_
3	SEC USE ONLY		
4	SOURCE OF FU	INDS:	PF, AF, 00
5	CHECK BOX IF	DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PR	
6	CITIZENSHIP	OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION	
NUMBER OF SHARES	7 S	SOLE VOTING POWER:	0
BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY		SHARED VOTING POWER:	10,078,022
EACH REPORTING		SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:	
PERSON WITH	10 S	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER	R: 10,078,022
11	AGGREGATE AM PERSON:	NOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNER	BY REPORTING 10,078,022
12		THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT	IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES
13	PERCENT OF C		OUNT IN ROW (11): 7.4%
14	TYPE OF REPO	ORTING PERSON:	IN

This Amendment No. 3 ("Amendment No. 3") amends the Statement on Schedule 13D (the "Schedule 13D") filed on May 18, 1998, as amended by Amendment No. 1 filed on June 5, 1998 and Amendment No. 2 filed on July 7, 1998, by and on behalf of Greenway Partners, L.P. ("Greenway"), Greentree Partners, L.P. ("Greenhute"), Greenhouse Partners, L.P. ("Greenhouse"), Greenhut, L.L.C. ("Greenhut"), Greenbelt Corp. ("Greenbelt"), Greensea Offshore, L.P. ("Greensea"), Greenhut Overseas, L.L.C. ("Greenhut Overseas"), Alfred D. Kingsley and Gary K. Duberstein (collectively, the "Reporting Persons"). Capitalized terms used herein and not defined herein have the meanings ascribed thereto in the Schedule 13D.

ITEM 3. SOURCE AND AMOUNT OF FUNDS OR OTHER CONSIDERATION

Since the filing of Amendment No. 2 to the Schedule 13D, Greentree purchased an aggregate of 261,100 Shares for total consideration (including brokerage commissions) of \$3,817,388 derived from capital of Greentree and margin indebtedness from Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.

Since the filing of Amendment No. 2 to the Schedule 13D, accounts managed by Greenbelt purchased an aggregate of 1,284,900 Shares for total consideration (including brokerage commissions) of \$18,452,683 derived from capital in the managed accounts and margin indebtedness from Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc., Fahnestock & Co. Inc. and Lehman Brothers.

Since the filing of Amendment No. 2 to the Schedule 13D, Greensea purchased an aggregate of 55,000 Shares for total consideration (including brokerage commissions) of \$592,900 derived from capital of Greensea and margin indebtedness from Bear, Stearns & Co. Inc.

ITEM 5. INTEREST IN SECURITIES OF THE ISSUER

(a) As of the date of this Statement, the Reporting Persons beneficially owned in the aggregate 10,078,022 Shares constituting 7.4% of the outstanding Shares (the percentage of Shares owned being based upon 135,285,656 Shares outstanding on June 1, 1998, as set forth in the Company's quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the fiscal quarter ended May 2, 1998). The Reporting Persons may be deemed to have direct beneficial ownership of Shares as follows:

Name 	Number of Shares	Approximate Percentage of Outstanding Shares
Greenway	1,375,700	1.0%
Greentree	1,040,000	0.8%
Greenbelt	6,657,322	4.9%
Greensea	1,005,000	0.7%

Greenhouse, as the general partner of Greenway, may be deemed to own beneficially (as that term is defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) Shares which Greenway may be deemed to possess direct beneficial ownership. Each of Messrs. Kingsley and Duberstein, as general partners of Greenhouse, may be deemed to beneficially own Shares which Greenhouse may be deemed to beneficially own. Each of Messrs. Kingsley and Duberstein disclaims beneficial ownership of such Shares for all other purposes.

Greenhut, as the general partner of Greentree, may be deemed to own beneficially (as that term is defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange ${\sf Exchange}$

Act of 1934) Shares which Greentree may be deemed to possess direct beneficial ownership. Each of Messrs. Kingsley and Duberstein, as members of Greenhut, may be deemed to beneficially own Shares which Greenhut may be deemed to beneficially own. Each of Messrs. Kingsley and Duberstein disclaims beneficial ownership of such Shares for all other purposes.

Greenhut Overseas, as the investment general partner of Greensea, may be deemed to own beneficially (as that term is defined in Rule 13d-3 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) Shares which Greensea may be deemed to possess direct beneficial ownership. Each of Messrs. Kingsley and Duberstein, as members of Greenhut Overseas, may be deemed to beneficially own Shares which Greenhut Overseas may be deemed to beneficially own. Each of Messrs. Kingsley and Duberstein disclaims beneficial ownership of such Shares for all other purposes.

Greenbelt has direct beneficial ownership of the Shares in the accounts which it manages. In addition, Greenbelt is the investment advisor for Greenland Investment Company Limited, a Cayman Islands company ("Greenland"). In such capacity, Greenbelt has the right to vote and direct the disposition of the 205,000 Shares held by Greenland and, consequently, has direct beneficial ownership of such Shares. Substantially all of the equity interests in Greenland are owned by Strategic Investment Partners Limited ("SIPL"). Because SIPL has the right to elect to terminate its investment in Greenland upon less than 60 days' notice and, upon such termination, all securities held by Greenland would be sold by Greenland or, with SIPL's consent, distributed to SIPL in kind, SIPL could be deemed to be the beneficial owner of the Shares held by Greenland. Information concerning SIPL and the identity and background of certain individuals and entities related thereto is set forth on Exhibit 2 to the Schedule 13D and incorporated herein by reference. Each of Messrs. Kingsley and Duberstein, as executive officers and directors of Greenbelt, may be deemed to beneficially own Shares which Greenbelt beneficially owns. Each of Messrs. Kingsley and Duberstein disclaims beneficial ownership of such Shares for all other purposes.

(b) Greenway has the sole power to vote or direct the vote of 1,375,700 Shares and the sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of such Shares. Greenhouse and Messrs. Kingsley and Duberstein may be deemed to share with Greenway the power to vote or to direct the vote and to dispose or to direct the disposition of such Shares.

Greentree has the sole power to vote or direct the vote of 1,040,000 Shares and the sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of such Shares. Greenhut and Messrs. Kingsley and Duberstein may be deemed to share with Greentree the power to vote or to direct the vote and to dispose or to direct the disposition of such Shares.

Greensea has the sole power to vote or direct the vote of 1,005,000 Shares and the sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of such Shares. Greenhut Overseas and Messrs. Kingsley and Duberstein may be deemed to share with Greensea the power to vote or to direct the vote and to dispose or to direct the disposition of such Shares.

Greenbelt has the sole power to vote or direct the vote of 6,452,322 Shares held in managed accounts and the 205,000 Shares held by Greenland, and, except as described in Item 5(a) with respect to Greenland, the sole power to dispose or direct the disposition of all such Shares. Messrs. Kingsley and Duberstein may be deemed to share with Greenbelt the power to vote or to direct the vote and to dispose or to direct the disposition of such Shares.

- (c) Information concerning transactions in the Shares by the Reporting Persons during the past sixty days or since the filing of Amendment No. 2 to the Schedule 13D, whichever is less, is set forth in Exhibit 9 attached hereto, which is incorporated herein by reference.
- (d) No other person is known to have the right to receive or the power to direct the receipt of dividends from, or the proceeds from the sale of, the Shares, except the dividends from, or proceeds from the sale of Shares in each respective account managed by Greenbelt or held by Greenland will be delivered into each such respective account or Greenland, as the case may be. Neither any such individual account nor Greenland has an interest in more than five percent of the class of outstanding Shares.
 - (e) Not applicable.

ITEM 7. MATERIAL TO BE FILED AS EXHIBITS

The following Exhibit is filed herewith:

9. Information concerning transactions in the Shares effected by the Reporting Persons during the past sixty days or since the filing of Amendment No. 2 to the Schedule 13D, whichever is less.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of their knowledge and belief, the undersigned certify that the information contained in this Statement is true, complete and correct.

Dated: August 23, 1998 GREENHOUSE PARTNERS, L.P. GREENWAY PARTNERS, L.P. By: Greenhouse Partners, L.P., its general partner By: /s/ Gary K. Duberstein Gary K. Duberstein, general By: /s/ Gary K. Duberstein -----partner Gary K. Duberstein, general partner GREENHUT, L.L.C. GREENTREE PARTNERS, L.P. By: Greenhut, L.L.C., its general partner By: /s/ Gary K. Duberstein Gary K. Duberstein, Member By: /s/ Gary K. Duberstein Gary K. Duberstein, Member GREENHUT OVERSEAS, L.L.C. GREENSEA OFFSHORE, L.P. Greenhut Overseas, L.L.C., its By: investment general partner By: /s/ Gary K. Duberstein Gary K. Duberstein, Member By: /s/ Gary K. Duberstein Gary K. Duberstein, Member GREENBELT CORP. By: /s/ Alfred D. Kingsley Alfred D. Kingsley, President /s/ Alfred D. Kingsley Alfred D. Kingsley /s/ Gary K. Duberstein

Gary K. Duberstein

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EXHIBIT NO. DESCRIPTION

9. Information concerning transactions in the Shares effected by the Reporting Persons during the past sixty days or since the filing of Amendment No. 2 to the Schedule 13D, whichever is less.

TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES OF THE COMPANY

The Reporting Persons engaged in the following transactions in Shares of the Company during the past 60 days or since the filing of Amendment No. 2 to the Schedule 13D, whichever is less. All transactions involved purchases of Shares on the New York Stock Exchange.

Reporting Person With Direct Beneficial Ownership	Date of Transaction	Number of Shares	Price Per Share (Excluding Commission)
Greentree	7/13/98	21,100	17.3396
Greentree	7/14/98	20,000	17.0000
Greentree	7/22/98	31,100	16.4963
Greentree	7/23/98	26,500	16.2972
Greentree	7/24/98	22,400	15.9451
Greentree	7/30/98	28,200	14.3750
Greentree	7/31/98	20,000	14.6002
Greentree	8/3/98	10,000	14.0625
Greentree	8/3/98	11,800	13.9422
Greentree	8/5/98	15,000	12.7917
Greentree	8/21/98	55,000	10.7500
Greenbelt	7/7/98	300,000	18.4167
Greenbelt	7/7/98	100,000	18.2156
Greenbelt	7/8/98	110,000	18.0057
Greenbelt	7/9/98	10,000	17.5000
Greenbelt	7/13/98	61,900	17.3396
Greenbelt	7/14/98	20,000	17.0000
Greenbelt	7/16/98	80,000	17.4688
Greenbelt	7/17/98	50,000	17.1250
Greenbelt	7/21/98	3,500	16.8125
Greenbelt	7/22/98	18,900	16.4963
Greenbelt	7/24/98	67,600	15.9451
Greenbelt	7/27/98	15,000	15.3750
Greenbelt	7/28/98	20,000	15.2500
Greenbelt	7/29/98	20,000	15.0000
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Greenbelt	7/30/98	51,800	14.3750
Greenbelt	7/31/98	45,000	14.6002
Greenbelt	8/3/98	41,200	13.9422
Greenbelt	8/4/98	50,000	13.3875
Greenbelt	8/10/98	20,000	13.2500
Greenbelt	8/11/98	10,000	12.7500
Greenbelt	8/13/98	20,000	12.5625
Greenbelt	8/20/98	30,000	11.9167
Greenbelt	8/21/98	140,000	10.7500
Greensea	8/21/98	55,000	10.7500