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## 5,300 Eligible to Vote On School Referendum -- Polls Open Tuesday 2 P.M.

Franklin Township's junior high school referendum comes up for the second time next Tuesday. After an argument-studded four months, residents will get another chance at approving plans for construction of the modern, \$1,100,000 building.

More than 5,300 voters are eligible to go to the polls Tuesday, an increase of some 240 since the first referendum in April. Eight polling places will be used, and will be opened two hours earlier than for the first referendum. Polls will be open from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Paper ballots will be used. Voters will be asked to authorize the Township Board of Education to purchase a 64-acre site on Amwell Road at a cost not to exceed \$32,000 and to build the junior high school there at a cost not to exceed \$1,068,000. In the second of two questions on the ballot, they will be asked to approve the transfer of \$20,000 to the capital account from the general expense account.

Residents must vote in the district in which they reside. Here are the polling places:

District 1: Phillips School, Franklin Park, Old Lincoln Highway; District 2: Second District Firehouse on Elizabeth Avenue; District 3: East Millstone Firehouse, Market Street; District 4: Hamilton School, Amwell Road; District 5: Community Firehouse, Amwell Road; District 6: Kingston School, Laurel Avenue, Kingston; District 7: Pine Grove Manor School, Highland Avenue; District 8: Middlebush School, Amwell Road.

In April's referendum only

### Flooded Franklin Braces for Next Tropical Storm

Franklin Township braced itself today for Diane, the season's fourth tropical storm, with the memory of Hurricane Connie still fresh in mind.

As this issue went to press, weather observers said, Diane's course was still uncertain, but that the storm will miss the area by about 200 miles if it continues on its present course.

Connie's run through the area Saturday left roads under water, scores of uprooted trees and power failures. East Millstone and Kingston were the hardest hit, although the Township as a whole escaped serious damage from the waning storm. It was the storm-caused torrential rainfall which caused most of the local damage.

#### Corn Crib Down

Streams, overtaxed by the sudden onslaught of rain, spilled their banks and inundated fields and woods, as well as highways. High winds blew down a corn crib on the Van Middlesworth farm in Middlebush. It was the only visible building damage due to the storm, although scores of houses lost shingles.

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### Connie Puts Church Fete In Freezers

The humble home freezer proved a lifesaver Saturday night for the Griggstown Reformed Church.

Right up until early Saturday morning the congregation's annual harvest home supper was still being prepared for 600 people scheduled to attend that evening. But as Hurricane Connie tossed thousands of gallons of water at the already-doused Franklin area, church officials quickly called off the event, rescheduling it for Aug. 27. It was here that the home freezer came into its own.

Some 200 pounds of chicken, 100 pounds of ham and 900 rolls were carried away by parishioners for storage in freezers. Those who had no storage space to contribute to "Operation Big Freeze" did their part by gallantly eating quantities of baked beans and cakes which could not be stored.

Mrs. Mathias, chairman of the affair, said she can't tell where

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### Vote "Yes" on Tuesday

School-minded citizens will spend a few moments at the polls next Tuesday to formulate Franklin Township's next step toward better school facilities. They will be asked to decide whether the Board of Education should build a junior high school on a 64-acre plot on Amwell Road.

Since a similar referendum was defeated in April, we have heard countless arguments for and against the proposal. The Board of Education maintains that a junior high should be the first step in a long-range plan for more and better schools.

Those against the proposal have argued long and loud, but their opposition can be summed up briefly: "Elementary school facilities are needed first," and "we should use Township-owned land."

Elementary facilities are needed indeed, perhaps just as badly as a junior high school, but a junior high will alleviate overcrowding in the elementary schools and, at the same time, provide the backbone for a complete school expansion program to include both elementary and secondary educational structures.

Scores of reasons for building the junior high were brought out by the Board of Education back in April. After reviewing these reasons, and the statistics to back them up, we feel that a great majority of them are still valid.

The opposition, on the other hand, has failed to produce and substantiate its stand against the proposal. The State Department of Education, in approving plans on the 64-acre site, gives credence to the local Board of Education's choice, and local disapproval of the 30-acre Township-owned Franklin Boulevard site contradicts a major point of the opposition.

Should Franklin vote "No" Tuesday, it will take at least a year before plans can be drawn for elementary buildings and another referendum made ready. But should the community vote to go along with the junior high, the new building could be built by that time.

The proposal was defeated last April by those people who did not vote. Thousands of eligible voters stayed away from the polls, permitting a minority opposition to sweep the referendum.

A minority should not be permitted to dictate future policy. Democracy has never worked this way, and it never will. The majority must prevail, and unless you register your feelings—by getting out to vote—it cannot.

Vote Tuesday, and vote "Yes." Start Franklin on its way to an integrated school plan for the betterment of its future citizens.

But whether you agree or disagree, go to the polls.

### "Tar Paper" Houses Down In 'Slum Clearance' Drive

Franklin Township has begun the long battle to rid itself of substandard houses and zoning violations. Joseph Maher, building and zoning inspector, told The News that four "tar paper shacks" along Churchill Avenue have been vacated and are being torn down.

Mr. Maher described all the buildings as "former chicken coops." He said that none were fit to live in, having little or no plumbing and only rudimentary electric wiring. Some were described as having television sets, however.

No court action was taken to force evictions. Owners of the buildings had been warned to correct the conditions by Aug. 1 or face formal charges. Unless they had complied they would have been charged under the zoning ordinance with having two houses on one lot.

Another similar case is pending, according to Mr. Maher, who told The News that various violations are scattered "all over the Township" and will take "a long time" to eliminate. He said Churchill Avenue residents have expressed their appreciation of the slum clearance drive.

## The Coming School Vote...

[This is the second of two articles on the junior high school issue in Franklin Township reviewing the controversy to date, and arguments presented by both sides since the first referendum in April.]

By EDWARD J. RICHTER

When the people of Franklin rejected a junior high school more than three months ago, observers blamed the defeat on a hard core of opposition and voter apathy.

Since then the Board of Education has devoted hundreds of hours at special meetings and thousands of words to counteracting both these points. Board members will tell you that the people of Franklin want and need a junior high school, and that only by getting out to vote will it be built. Board members also will claim that advisory committee studies substantiate their approach to the school problem.

The principal arguments put up by the opposition are that the board picked the wrong site and

that an elementary school is needed before a junior high school. These opponents claim that Township-owned land should be used before purchasing other property.

#### Only 20 Acres

What they failed to realize, according to those in favor of the board's proposed site, is that the Township owns only 30 acres of land on its Franklin Boulevard site. Another adjoining tract of five acres, privately owned, also is available. Total cost of purchasing and developing this land would be about \$61,000, as compared to \$76,000 for the board's proposed Middlebush site on Amwell Road.

School officials argue that for only \$15,000 additional they can obtain 30 more acres of ground in a more centrally-located position.

Less than 50 miles from Franklin, in the booming town of Levittown, Pa., officials were faced with probably the most rapid pupil population increase in the

history of that state, and it closely parallels the local problem.

#### Lack of Land

In a few short months, local school boards found that pupil population had multiplied as much as 800 and 900 percent. Faced with the prospect of "triple sessions in Quonset huts," as one official put it, they had to take immediate action. Their answer was to pool resources, and instigate an immediate building program. What stymied them was a lack of land. Even pre-planned sites by the Levitt firm could not satisfy all the demands, and school boards sometimes had to match offers made by local industry and commerce for sites.

As a result, nearby Middletown Township, which expected its own Levitt-caused influx of population within a few months, began hurriedly to pick sites and bought a 280-plus acre location.

This site now is in the middle of nowhere, but school experts

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# Frankly Speaking

Sooner or later, the Township will have to face up to the problem of new and extensive water lines for the thousands of new homes that are to come.

Two weeks ago in a Township Committee meeting, several Dean Street property owners asked for the umpteenth time about water mains for their street. Many of them are building homes there, and one prospective resident put it this way: "I wouldn't mind putting in a well, it's just that I can't see spending the money when the Township might install water lines there." He summed it up.

We can see no reason for these people to put out an extra \$500 or so for a well, then have the Township come in with water lines.

The Dean Street situation is acute. For one thing, these people have got to know, before they occupy their homes, what type of water they'll be using.

If it is true (like we've been told) that the Committee thinks it's worthwhile letting these folks go while they satisfy the needs of the old timers first, they'll find at least two good reasons against it:

1. The older residents have

water, at least in some form, but it's water.

2. Politically speaking, the present Committee is going to find itself with some first class opposition out in that Dean Street area.

"Oh where, oh where, does dissension come from? From whence, from whence does it come?" (Sing to the tune of any old song.)

Firemen guessed that someone, probably a youngster, set those three big field blazes a week ago. With vim and vigor, they hustled off to locate the firebug.

Right in the middle of the boy-hunt, someone realized that the offender could get away scot-free—because the Township has no fire ordinance!

The meet that could happen to Our Offender is a charge of disorderly conduct.

Fred Bascom promised to determine what's happened to a proposed fire code, which has been up for consideration a half dozen times in the past two years.

Better hurry, Fred, the hurricane season doesn't last forever. e.j.f

## MRS. THORNE, MRS. CALVO APPOINTED DELEGATES

Mrs. Michael Thoma and Mrs. Casimiro Calvo have been chosen as delegates from the Community Volunteer Fire Company Auxiliary to the New Jersey State Firemen's Ladies Auxiliary Convention in Atlantic City on Sept. 10. Miss Ann Hrapsky and Mrs. John Kerekes have been named alternate delegates.

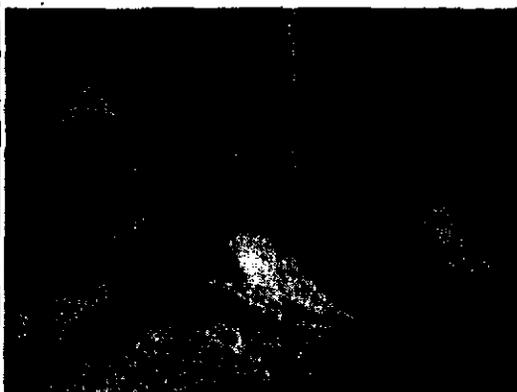
To avoid conflict with Labor Day, the next Auxiliary meeting will be held Sept 7 in the firehouse. At that time committees will be selected and a chairman named for a card party scheduled for Sept. 20.

## MARK ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Solomayer of Franklin Park were hosts at a party given in honor of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Solomayer of New Brunswick on the occasion of their 45th wedding anniversary.

## CAMPERS RETURNING

Mary Ann Slichter of Main Street, Middlebush, and Janice Greenlaw and Sharon Johnson of Bennett's Lane are expected home tomorrow from Girl Scout Camp. The three girls have been vacationing at Camp Sacajawea.



(News Photo)

MIDDLEBUSH PTA sewing class, under direction of Mrs. Vito Resta, 2nd from l., finishes project to be displayed in The News office window today and tomorrow. Left to right, Dolores Resta, Barbara Kullina, Carole Toth, Patricia Naruta. The News office is on Railroad Square.

## - Births -

In Somerset Hospital Aug. 9 — A daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Pat Sierra of 186 Bevier Street.

In St. Peter's Hospital Aug. 10 — A daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Philippotti of Austin Avenue.

Aug. 14 — A daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Zavotsky of Dahmer Road.

In Middlesex General Aug. 14 — A son, to Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Snyder of 42 Hawthorne Drive.

Aug. 15 — A daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Smal of Churchill Avenue.

## Lions Plan Picnic Sunday At Noon

Jack Taylor and William Moser are co-chairmen of the 2nd annual picnic and fun day sponsored by the Franklin Township Lions Club. It will be held Sunday, at the Ukrainian Village, Cedar Grove Road. According to Mr. Taylor, the picnic will start at noon and continue as long as the crowd wants to stay. Rain date is Aug. 28.

Edmund Jenkins and Anthony Naterli, who have charge of entertainment, are planning games and sports for both adults and children, music for dancing, and pony rides for the youngsters. Others on the picnic committee are Casimiro Calvo, Ernest Napolitano and Carmine Carpentiere. Ott Latansio is in charge of ticket sales.

At its regular meeting last Wednesday night in Colonial Farms, the Lions Club had as its guest Adolph Quadt of Ford, the new district governor, who distinguished the Franklin Lions as the first club whose meeting he would attend this year. Mr. Quadt presented awards to Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Calvo, Frank Genotto, Ernest Napolitano, William Hart and Mr. Naterli for bringing new members into the club.

## TWO YOUNGSTERS RETURN TO MIDDLEBUSH 4-H CLUB

The Middlebush 4-H Club met a week ago yesterday in the home of Daniel Barbey of Charles Street. Present were two former members, Lance Bering and Richard Merrell, who rejoined the club.

Jean Schmidt will be hostess for the Aug. 24th meeting in her home on Elizabeth Avenue.

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## Sewing Exhibit In News Office

An exhibit by the girls sewing class of Middlebush PTA recreation group will be on display in the windows of the Franklin News office today and tomorrow.

Although all the girls were beginners, each has completed a cotton skirt during a series of six weekly meetings at the home of Mrs. Vito Resta of Arnwell Road. Sewing instruction was given by Mrs. Cooper O. Vickery, local volunteer leader of the County Extension Service.

Girls who participated were Carol Toth, Dolores Resta, Joanne Pappalardo, Roslyn Azer, Barbara Kullina, Sharon LaRue, Patsy Naruta and Ann Golden, all of them 5th and 8th Graders.

## Franklin Club Gets New Chairmen

Mrs. Edward Smith, president of the Franklin Club, has announced the following committee chairmen for the coming year: Mrs. Ralph Jenkins, program; Mrs. Sampson Smith, year book; Mrs. Stanley Zolto, ways and means; Miss Hilda Pennell, membership; Mrs. Charles Tucker, travel; Mrs. Edward Harned, auditing; Mrs. James Torrans, music; Miss Nellie Drayton, historian; Mrs. Carl Hallengren, gardens and flowers; Mrs. William Crownfield, literature, and Mrs. William Fairhurst, youth conservation.

The committee chairmen and club officers met in executive session last Wednesday night in Mrs. Smith's home to plan the year's program. Plans are being made to hold a card party in November. Also under discussion was the possibility of club participation in the May Day Fair in New Brunswick.

## FRENCHES VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. James French and their son, James Jr., are vacationing for two weeks near Toms River.

## BODINES BACK

Mr. and Mrs. Cedric Bodine of Euclid Avenue have returned from a visit with their son Ernest and his family, who live in Houlton, Maine.

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When Bob Adams and C. I. Van Cleeve walked out of the County Planning Board meeting last Wednesday night it didn't mean the Republicans were split down the middle on the Chimney Rock reservoir question. All it did mean was that Bob and C. I. weren't seeing eye to eye, as usual.

Earlier in the day the Planning Board drafted what was supposed to have been a joint statement by the board and the Freeholders on the Chimney Rock proposition. While not saying the two bodies were in favor of flooding Washington Valley, the statement made it clear that a reservoir here was inevitable and the County might as well hit up the State for a few concessions.

When Bob Adams got a look at the statement he wasn't exactly overjoyed, and a three-hour hassle followed. It wound up with Bob and C. I. leaving and the Planning Board issuing its statement with all references to Freeholder concurrence carefully inked out.

Since Senator Malcolm Forbes had let it be known Wednesday afternoon that he wasn't going to fight the Chimney Rock plan and reiterated his views at the Planning Board confab, the abrupt departure of Bob and C. I. made it appear that the Senator was alone in his views among the G. O. P.'s leading lights.

But such wasn't the case at all. C. I. is as much for going along

with the reservoir as Forbes, but he doesn't think its good policy to publicly disagree with Adams. C. I. also figures that when the third Freeholder, John Vagite, returns from vacation next week John will follow wherever Adams beckons. The result of this probably will be an official statement by the Freeholders opposing the Chimney Rock reservoir since C. I. will be outvoted.

Rather than get all lathered up and involved in a fight now with Adams that will prove nothing, C. I. will let things ride until the time comes for the Freeholders to take an official stand. Then he can quietly vote "No"—provided that's still the thing to do—without having kicked up a lot of fuss and feathers.

While C. I. himself isn't up for reelection this year, he does have a personal interest in seeing that Harry Fetherston starts collecting a \$6,000-a-year Freeholder pay check come January 1. So using his own cagey strategy, C. I. is going to keep his differences of opinion with his two fellow Republican board members as quiet as possible.

Although Adams hasn't announced why he's opposed to Chimney Rock, it's generally conceded that he doesn't like seeing a lot of good Republican ratables up in the hills of Warren and Bridgewater buried under 200,000,000 gallons of water.

There is another Republican who is taking exception to Forbes' Chimney Rock stand. She is Mrs. Evelyn Howarth of Martinsville, vice-chairman of the Republican County Committee. Mrs. Howarth submitted her resignation Monday both as vice-chairman and as a member of the County Committee from Bridgewater Township. She said she doesn't like the way Forbes is handling the reservoir issue.

Mrs. Howarth's objection to Chimney Rock is understandable since she'll either have to move away from Washington Valley or equip her home with oars. There are those, however, who think Mrs. Howarth is making a mistake, since she undoubtedly would do her cause more good if she shouted her objections while continuing her official status.

The Bridgewater Township Committee pretty well won its point last Friday when the Somerset-Morris County Sewerage Authority voted to explore four possible ways of establishing an area sewage treatment system minus American Cyanamid Company.

The Authority had decided to do nothing about its proposed trunk system until Nov. 1, when Cyanamid is scheduled to know whether it will go along with the Authority or build its own treatment plant. Because they feel that it's almost certain Cyanamid will pull out, Bridgewater

officials kicked up their heels about the Authority delay and demanded that something be done about proceeding alone.

What SA will do now is determine how much its engineers will charge for surveying sew-

age collection and treatment systems that don't include Cyanamid. This can hardly be considered a bold move forward, but at least it means that something is to be done between now and Nov. 1.

### Kingston 4-H Club Members Win Many High Honors at County Fair

Kingston 4-H Club members won top honors, but the ducks had more fun than anyone at the Somerset County 4-H Fair held Friday and Saturday on the Far Hills Fair Grounds.

Despite the rain and hurricane winds which flooded the grounds and blew over two tents, major exhibitions, were held on schedule. When the tents came down Friday night, most of the exhibitions already had been moved into a barn. Ducks, whose cages were sprung open by the falling tent, paddled about happily in water a foot and more deep.

Kingston Busy Workers won the award for the club having the most "Very Good" and "Excellent" exhibits of clothing. In all, 79 clothing exhibits were entered by Kingston girls. The class of 5-to-11-year-old beginners received a special award for outstanding work.

#### Two Top Winners

Brenda Urdike's exhibit of a silk princess dress and a wool suit, both rated excellent, won her the honor of representing Somerset County at Farmers Week in Atlantic City next November. She also won top honors in food preservation by earning an excellent, a very good and a good for her canned goods, and an excellent and a very good for her frozen foods. She also won three excellent for her exhibit of food preparation projects. The crowning award for Brenda was her selection as one of the four attendants for the 4-H Fair Queen of 1955.

Another Kingston girl to win high honors was Faith Snedeker. Faith, who will enter college in the Fall, has made her entire school wardrobe. For the garments exhibited at the Fair, she was awarded six excellent and two very good ratings. Her's was judged the best Advanced Clothing Exhibit.

#### Garden Awards

Best flower exhibit at the fair was shown by Linda Hingher of the Kingston Garden Club, who had three excellent and three very good exhibits. From the same club, Walter Urdike had six excellent and two very good exhibits of vegetables. The Garden Club received an excellent rating for its booth exhibit on "The Care of Garden Tools." Other club members to exhibit vegetables were Douglas Remsen, two excellent, five very good, two goods; Eve Remsen, three excellent, three goods, and Ray Snedeker, two excellent, three very good, one fair.

William Nulton III of Middlebush captured the title of best beginner showman and fitter, he received a good plus rating for his young Guernsey bull. Joan Gulick of Middlebush owned and showed the junior and grand champion Ayrshire in the show. She and her brother William S. Gulick Jr. received good plus for all three of their Ayrshire exhibits. Junior champion Holstein title went to John Stryker of Route 3, whose senior heifer was rated very good.

Wally Sasso and Joan Gulick of Middlebush captured second place in the 4-H Talent Show on Friday night with their guitar duet.

#### Clothing Awards

Best first year clothing exhibit at the Fair was won by Viola Allshouse of Kingston with two excellent and two very goods. Ruth Seyfarth of the same place had the best second year clothing

exhibit; she won two excellent and one very good. Other clothing awards to Kingston girls were: Alice Byrne, one excellent, two very good; Shirley Cirullo, one excellent, one very good; Jeryle Eyer, two very good; Karen Greiss, six very good, one good; Linda Kaltschmid, one very good; Eve Remsen, three very good; Regina Sassman, two good; Nancy Smith, two excellent, one very good; Ann Snedeker, one good; Miriam Stults, one excellent; Carol Seyfarth, one very good; Ruth Seyfarth, two excellent, one very good.

From the Middlebush Girls 4-H Lorraine Greenlaw received one excellent and one good for her clothing exhibit and Gail Hallengren two very good, one good. Gail also won an excellent for her exhibit of a food preparation project.

Craft exhibit awards were won by Eve Remsen, one excellent and one good, and Karen Greiss, two goods. William Nulton received an excellent award for his poultry exhibit.

Lance Bering of Middlebush won best of breed with his chequered giant rabbit, and four excellent for rabbits. Richard Merrell won one very good and one good for his rabbits.

The sheep exhibits, postponed by the weather, were held Tuesday at the Morris County Fair. Goats will be exhibited at the Flemington Fair later this month. Dates for other postponed events have not yet been announced.

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## Somerset Must Get Water

As promulgated in the now somewhat famous report prepared for the Legislative Commission on Water Supply, the proposal to construct a reservoir in Chimney Rock is a piece-meal proposition loaded with potential danger for the Raritan Valley. If only the engineering report is translated into legislative language for a statewide referendum, the Raritan Valley will take a beating and be confronted with the possibility of becoming a dust bowl. However, as State Senator Malcolm Forbes would amend the proposed referendum legislation the proposition makes sense.

In a straightforward manner that undoubtedly caused critics, political pundits, and even many Somerset Republicans to gasp with amazement, Mr. Forbes last week announced he would support legislative action to put Chimney Rock to referendum providing "three specific amendment features are included." These features include a compensating reservoir to insure a minimum flow of 130 million gallons of water daily in the Raritan River, annual tax payments by the State for "sunk" rates, and construction of a causeway to facilitate travel for persons living north of the reservoir site.

In announcing his support of Chimney Rock, providing his amendments are included, Senator Forbes once again displayed a brand of political courage for which he has become well known throughout New Jersey, the kind of forthrightness that may yet make him governor. Up for reelection to the State Senate, long an advocate along with Gov. Mayner of a reservoir in Round Valley, Mr. Forbes took a stand contrary to that held by a good number of his constituents who reside in the Washington Valley area. Such a position on so controversial a local issue certainly

would not be advocated by the misnamed "practical politicians" who go along with the voting tide, but these so-called practitioners of government service seldom display the kind of fortitude the public requires.

Senator Forbes has exhibited the kind of courage we can admire in legislators, and he also has put his finger on the big danger confronting Somerset County should the referendum go through without a amendment. This danger is the same one The News has been emphasizing the past several weeks—that the Raritan Valley can go dry unless compensating flow is provided for the Raritan River.

Senator Forbes says he will support the Chimney Rock referendum only if his amendments—including the one for the compensating reservoir—are included in the bill scheduled to come before the Legislature very soon. While we hope it will not happen, there remains the possibility that his colleagues may promise to include the amendments and then promptly try to kill him politically by giving them a legislative brush-off.

To provide North Jersey with a massive water supply tank in Somerset without providing for Somerset's needs would be a violent abuse of legislative privileges. Because the possibility of a political slitting attack always exists, we repeat what we said last week:

"Whatever water supply program is adopted for referendum, the Raritan Valley must not be fleeced of one of its most precious assets. There must be no oral promises about this. Somerset must have assurances in writing—in the referendum. No compensating water, no referendum."

The median selling price of one-family houses built last year was \$12,500.

**Editor's Note:** Due to a preponderance of local news this week, we are forced to omit the regular weekly column, "Of Books, Plays and Sundry Things," and other features which usually appear on this page.

## DEATHS

**MRS. HILARY GULBINSKY, 72**

Mrs. Stella M. Gulbinsky, of Livingston Avenue, East Millstone, died Sunday in Somerset Hospital after an illness of several weeks. She was 72 years old. Widow of the late Hilary Gulbinsky, she is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Frank Finch of Grouser Road, a son, Joseph, of Trenton, and four grandchildren.

Services are scheduled to be held in the Finch home this morning at 9 a.m. and at 9:30 a.m. in St. Joseph Church, East Millstone. The Rev. John P. Adamowski will officiate. Interment will be in Sacred Heart Cemetery.

Mrs. Gulbinsky had lived in East Millstone for 40 years.

## Committee Asked For Fire Laws

Citing three large grass fires in his neighborhood a week ago, Joseph Tanora of Cedar Grove Road asked the Township Committee last Thursday about the fate of a proposed fire ordinance.

The ordinance has been "under consideration" for more than two years. At the regular committee meeting in Township Hall, where Mr. Tanora raised the question, Fred Bascom, Township Clerk, said he would check into the status of the measure.

Under present Township laws, someone who deliberately starts a field fire can be prosecuted only for creating a disturbance. Should the fire spread to a building, however, arson laws could be invoked.

Mr. Tanora's reference was to three field fires which, in the opinion of firemen, were deliberately set.

A petition signed by the Trep-tow sisters, Elizabeth H. Trep-tow and Martha Louise T. Ziegler protesting a proposed extension of Wilson Road was referred to the Planning Board for consideration. The petition stated the proposed road would bisect the Trep-tow lands into triangular pieces and lower their sale value.

In other actions, semi-annual interest on the water supply bond issue of \$5,843 was approved, and 10 bonds of \$1,000 each were retired. Half the yearly fire district budget, \$3,191.50, was paid to the Fire Commissioners, and the third quarter of the County tax, \$22,192 and the County library tax of \$1,345.50 for the same quarter were paid.

Nicholas Pagano, who is building a home on Dean Street, was told that no answer is ready yet for him on the extension of water mains into his street. He was advised that the committee's decision will depend on an auditors' report, which will not be ready for three weeks.

## DISASTER DRILL SLATED BY YAMPS, CIVIL DEFENSE

Franklin Township fire companies will participate in a County-wide disaster drill at 2 p.m. this Sunday. All companies with two or more trucks will dispatch one to Somerville to aid in the mock disaster which will be staged by Civil Defense officials. The drill will test communications systems, as well as police and fire company readiness.

## 600 Hear Forbes-Engelhard Debate Plan for Chimney Rock Reservoir

A debate that started Friday night on television between State Senator Malcolm Forbes (R.) and his opponent in the forthcoming election, Charles Engelhard (D.), was continued Tuesday evening before a crowd of almost 600 persons.

The subject was water, and the stage in Martinsville Inn, located in the area which the Legislature may convert into the Chimney Rock reservoir.

In the State Assembly a bill was introduced Monday to create a 5-member board to supervise New Jersey water supply operations, including the Somerset reservoir. Last week the Senate introduced a bill calling for a referendum on a \$78,000,000 bond issue to finance the reservoir and other water improvements in the State.

Tomorrow, in Trenton, public hearings on the referendum bill will be started by a Senate committee.

### A Hostile Crowd

Though he came to debate his political opponent in what is normally Republican territory, Senator Forbes was confronted by a hostile audience. With some 400 families scheduled to be displaced should the reservoir be authorized, the Senator reiterated his previously announced stand that Chimney Rock was the best possible immediate solution to the water emergency providing that a compensating reservoir be built along the Raritan River, a causeway across the Chimney Rock reservoir be constructed, and that Somerset and affected municipalities be compensated annually by the State for loss in ratables.

Mr. Engelhard also agreed that New Jersey needs additional water supplies, but he renewed his claim that this situation does not mean a reservoir in Somerset. He continued his claims that no water supply program can be successful unless it utilizes the Delaware River, that the Elizabethtown Water Company plan for reservoirs on the Raritan would be a more practical program, and that the Legislature should not make a decision until the final engineering report on the water supply plan is received in December.

### 'Professional Hangers'

The Forbes-Engelhard debate lasted more than three hours, but the climax came when a man from outside the County walked up to the microphone at the speakers' table and denounced the Chimney Rock referendum. He was Oscar Wisnisky, counsel for the North Jersey Water Commission set up by the State to find a solution to water shortages in eight metropolitan cities.

He was sharply critical of the Chimney Rock program, stating he had lived with the water problem for many years as an Assemblyman, State Senator, and now a counsel for the commission. He supported Mr. Engelhard's claim that the Supreme Court decree governing water rights to the Delaware River could provide for New Jersey's needs.

Mr. Wisnisky's remarks drew strong applause from the audience, and an angry retort from Senator Forbes.

As the commission lawyer left the microphone, Senator Forbes called him to wait. "Don't go away, Oscar," he exclaimed. Pointing at the man, Mr. Forbes told the audience: "This is the gentleman who fought Round Valley," a proposal for a reservoir in Hunterdon County which was beaten in Trenton. As for the North Jersey Water Commission,

the senator offered no words of admiration. "These professional hangers are only looking to protect their jobs," and the commission is "pretty well run" by Mr. Wisnisky, he added.

The commission counsel tried to refute the Forbes counterattack by claiming the commission decided to oppose Round Valley because the development would not provide recreational facilities. Originally, the commission had sought to get Round Valley for a water site.

### To Tax Somerset

The Assembly bill introduced Monday to create the 5-man board included a provision to tax Somerset as one of the seven counties to be benefited by the Chimney Rock program, and this point drew Mr. Engelhard's criticism. The senator contended, however, that the reservoir development and compensating water would make Somerset the biggest beneficiary of the program.

In his opening remarks the Democratic candidate announced that the State's water needs must be fulfilled. "Senator Forbes has said that the water needs of New Jersey have not been met because of cheap, tawdry politics. In this I agree with him. The people of New Jersey can thank 30 years of machine politics for the plight we now face."

Attacking the engineering report on which the Chimney Rock program is based, Mr. Engelhard declared that one of the men responsible for preparing the survey had had trouble with his estimates before. He stated that Morton Lieberman, a consulting engineer for Tippetts-Abbett-McCarthy-Stratton of New York City, had done a sewerage program in 1948 for Kearny. His estimated cost for the improvement at that time was \$650,000, Mr. Engelhard said, but by the time the system was built in 1954 the cost had risen to \$3,500,000.

This increase, Senator Forbes replied, was due to increased costs of labor and material during the 6-year interval.

## Sutphen to Head Registration Drive

Douglas Sutphen of Branchburg will head a 8-man Republican committee to promote registration of voters for the forthcoming General Election. His appointment was announced today by Lewis J. Gray, chairman of the Somerset County Republican Executive Committee.

Mr. Sutphen, secretary of the County Board of Elections, said his group would meet with a Democratic registration committee headed by Frank Politano of Manville to plan a county-wide registration drive.

"We have approximately 52,000 registered voters in Somerset, but I feel potentially we could register 80,000," Mr. Sutphen said. "I also feel the two committees should work in cooperation with the League of Women Voters and all political groups, and we must also enlist the support of press and radio."

Members of the committee are Donald D. Dates, Basking Ridge; Mrs. Page Weaver, Bound Brook; Mrs. Antoinette Wilson, Bridgewater Township; Mrs. Mercer D. Smith, Franklin Township; Mrs. Elva S. Skillman, Montgomery Township; Mrs. Harriet B. Cooper, North Plainfield; Mrs. Margaret Albers, Warren Township, and Thomas Esposito, Raritan.

## TICKLERS

By George



"Honey! I found a pair of pillows in the glove compartment. Would they help?"

# The Coming School Vote... 5,300 Eligible To Vote Tuesday On Referendum

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across the nation have praised the Middletown board for its foresight, for choosing a site that will soon become the center of population.

### 'Not Enough Room'

It appears to be the same in Franklin. Here, the Middlebush site is actually several miles from the current center of population. However, the site is bounded by land already tagged

for housing developments of more than 1,000 homes, and it will soon become the numerical, as well as geographical, center.

Dr. Sampson G. Smith, County Superintendent of Schools, put the clincher on the site arguments this week in a statement to The News.

"In Franklin," he said, "the Board of Education could probably buy both sites, and still not have enough room for future development of schools."

### Which Comes First.

Is an elementary school needed before a junior high school? The answer is "No," if you take into consideration the fact that the junior high will be used primarily for elementary pupils when it first opens. According to Board of Education member Leonard Bardsley, four out of every five students in the junior high building would be elementary graders. Only four of the 28 classrooms would be used immediately for 9th Graders, Mr. Bardsley stated. He said the other rooms could handle Grades 5 through 8 to relieve overcrowded conditions at other schools.

The board also pointed out that those children at this time crowding 5th and 8th Grades will be jamming 8th and 9th Grades when the junior high is opened.

An elementary school to be built in the future, according to the board's overall plan, would alleviate further overcrowding. Board estimates say that an expected elementary population of 1,970 next year could be cared for adequately without double sessions, if the junior high is built, but double sessions would be inevitable should voters fail to approve the junior high in next week's referendum.

### Breakdown Given

Here's a breakdown on what will happen to elementary students in each of Franklin's schools should the new building be opened:

Kingston children will attend classes in Kingston up to Grade 6 and then transfer to the new building for Grades 7 and 8. For 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th Grades they will go to Princeton High.

Franklin Park-Griggstown area children will go to Phillips School up to the 5th Grade, then to the new building. Pupils who formerly attended Princeton High will leave the new school after 8th Grade. Those normally going to New Brunswick would finish the 8th Grade in the new junior high before switching to New Brunswick.

Children in the area near South Bound Brook attend either the Middlebush or Pine Grove school up to the 8th Grade. They will then attend the junior high for Grades 7, 8 and 9 before going to New Brunswick High.

The Middlebush School will handle pupils only to either the 5th or 8th Grades. The new school will take these children until they are ready to enter

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1,007 votes were cast. The junior high school proposal was defeated by a count of 594 to 413, a margin of 181 votes. Highest opposition was registered in the 4th District, Hamilton School, where it was defeated by 185 votes, and in District 8, where the margin was 82 to 16 against. Only Districts 2 and 3 approved the measure.

Since the first vote, the cost of the proposed school has risen about \$94,000. Cost of the site has remained the same. Furnishings and the cost of the 28-classroom building have accounted for the difference.

Should Tuesday's referendum fail to be approved, the State Department of Education would have to give its consent before another vote for the same expansion program could be held.

either Highland Park or New Brunswick High.

East Millstone youngsters will use their local school for pre-1st and possibly 1st Grades. They then will follow the same schedule as Middlebush students.

Hamilton area students will attend Hamilton School for the first three grades. Then they will transfer to Pine Grove, and then to the new building for classes up to Grade 9. Grades 10, 11 and 12 will be in New Brunswick. Pine Grove will take children up to Grade 8. They will then go to the new junior high and on to New Brunswick.

### To Manville?

Although officials won't comment publicly on the idea, a possibility exists that some Franklin high school students will be shipped to Manville in 1938, or the following year. This is at the "ace in the hole" stage now for Franklin; the plan is being kept in reserve until the time New Brunswick declares an emergency situation there.

Should that time come, Franklin officials realize that Manville could be ready and able to take some high school students in the school now being constructed. And by the time Manville runs out of space, officials are secretly hoping to be well under way with plans for Franklin's own high school.

New Brunswick tossed what could have been a bombshell at Franklin last week, when Superintendent of Schools Maurice Rowland asked the Township for a definite commitment on future high school students. This was prompted by an official request from Edison Township, asking that its high school students be permitted to continue in New Brunswick through 1937-38. Since Edison's request was supported by Mr. Rowland, observers foresee approval by New Brunswick's Board of Education—and overcrowding there in 1937.

Mr. Rowland contends that overcrowding might force a "slight" reduction in the number of students received by New Brunswick, but nothing serious, and his statement to Franklin was not an "ultimatum," as was felt in some quarters. The latest belief is that Franklin will sign a 9-year pact with New Brunswick to cover its students there through 1964. Such a contract should ease the minds of those who insist that a critical school room condition is developing for

the Township's high school population.

Likewise, the use of the new structure for elementary students should prove to those who are worrying about elementary space that such facilities would be available.

### Big Pitfall

The last big pitfall in the path of a successful referendum is voter apathy. In the April referendum only 1,007 persons voted, and the strong-voiced, but numerically weak opposition core succeeded in beating the "Yes" vote that stayed away from the polls.

This can, and will, be a different story in next Tuesday's referendum, school officials predict. If a majority of the registered voters get out to the polls, they feel, they will vote an overwhelming "Yes" to the two questions on Tuesday's referendum. That's the prediction being offered by the Board of Education, and hundreds of residents who have spent the past four months fighting for a junior high school.

They could be right.

## In the Mail

### The Referendum

Editor The News:

On April 29 a referendum on a junior high school in Franklin Township was defeated. Subsequently the Lay Advisory Committee and Citizens' Advisory Committee were formed to study the school needs of our Township.

On July 1 the Board of Education voted to resubmit the same proposal to the voters on Aug. 23, without taking cognizance of recommendations by the committees on design or site.

Since the voters are again asked to approve an expenditure of more than \$1,000,000 for a junior high school, is the board calling no public meetings to explain this expenditure to the people?

Are they afraid of honest, open debate on the proposal in view of discrepancies in their reports to the people?

Do we need a junior high school at a higher cost per pupil to accommodate approximately 5 percent (5th Grade) of our school population when the other 95 percent (Kindergarten-8th Grade) are facing part-time education? The Board of Education admits the real need is for elementary rooms when they state "four out of five pupils in the new junior high school will be elementary pupils." They further state that "only four of the 28 rooms in the new school are scheduled for the 9th Graders." (The Franklin News, Aug. 4, 1935).

The cost for the junior high is estimated by the board to be approximately \$1,300 per pupil. Plans available to the board for elementary schools run about \$750 per pupil.

Both Princeton and New Brunswick are willing to accept our 9th to 12th Grades for several years to come. Is our board using "delaying action" to force us into building a junior high by not reaching an agreement with the New Brunswick Board of Education?

Our country has developed on the democratic principle of recognizing the dignity of the individual. A democracy is based on the will of the majority with benefits for the majority first, and then minority groups. A democratic government is based

upon an "informed" public. Democracy may be slow but it has stood the test of time.

As a parent with a child in the Township schools, in view of the obvious need for elementary classrooms, and since elementary schools can be built for September 1936, and it takes 15 to 18 months to build a junior high school, it is my considered opinion that a "No" vote on the junior high proposal will make it possible to get the necessary elementary classrooms so that our children may have a firm educational foundation. Then, if need be, proceed to the junior and senior high schools.

We do not build a house by putting on the roof before the foundation is built.

Mrs. Margaret K. McGarrath

[Editor's note: Mrs. McGarrath forgets to mention that in the same story on Aug. 4 The News amplified the point by reporting that "Mr. Bardsley said only four of the 28 classrooms in the new school are scheduled for immediate use by the 9th Graders." The big word here is "immediate." Mr. Leonard Bardsley is a member of the Board of Education.]

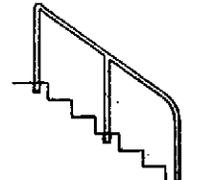
## Church Fete In Freezer

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all the food has gone, but she is willing to predict "it'll all be back" a week from Saturday.

This was the first washout in the history of the harvest home supper. Had it been just raining, Mrs. Hoyvik explained, the affair could have been moved indoors. But the parking lot and causeway near the church were flooded, and water came within a few feet of the church building itself. Thus the party was called off and put into cold storage.

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Store for rent. 277 S. Main St., Manville. Call RA 5-0871. (s-8-16b)

**AT FOREST LAKE**

Mrs. Cooper O. Vickery of Amwell Road is vacationing with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Brown at their summer home in Forest Lake, Pa. Also spending the week at Forest Lake is Mrs. Vickery's brother, Ralph Brown of Pittsburgh.

**Church News**

**KINGSTON PRESBYTERIAN**  
The men's softball game which was rained out on Thursday night will be played tonight on the school athletic field at 6:30 p.m. A watermelon party for the men and their families will follow.

Mr. Richard Stults of Kingston, a senior at Princeton Theological Seminary, will preach the morning worship services on Aug. 23 and Sept. 4. The Rev. Henry Heaps will be on vacation those two weeks with his family. The Couples Club is planning a treasure hunt and doggie roast for Sept. 10.

**SIX MILE RUN REFORMED**  
Dr. William A. Weber of New Brunswick will preach the last of a series of three sermons Sunday. He is a retired professor of religious education at New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

**EAST MILLSTONE METHODIST**  
Services this Sunday will be the last in the church until Sept. 11, when the pastor, Rev. Wilbur A. Thomas, returns from vacation. The church school will be held at 9:45 a.m., morning worship at 11 a.m.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet in the home of the pastor, 145 E. 2nd Street, Dunellen, on Sept. 7.

The annual harvest home turkey dinner will be held in the church Sept. 14 from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tickets are now being sold by church members.

**KINGSTON METHODIST**

The Methodist Youth Fellowship will meet Sunday at 8 p.m. in Hopewell with the Youth Fellowship of Hopewell Methodist Church.

The Rev. Lynn Boyer will preach the second of a series of sermons based on lessons from the Book of Job at Sunday's morning worship service. "God's Search for Man," this Sunday's topic, also will be his theme in the union service he will preach later in the day in Hopewell Methodist Church.

**FAIRHURSTS HOME**

Mr. and Mrs. William S. Fairhurst and daughter Susan have returned to their Skillman Lane home after vacationing for six weeks in Lavelle, N. J.

**IN STRATFORD**

Mr. and Mrs. Guido Weigand of Rodney Avenue and Mr. and Mrs. W. Bruce Armstrong of Butler Road attended a performance of "The Tempest" last Saturday at the Globe Theatre, Stratford, Conn.

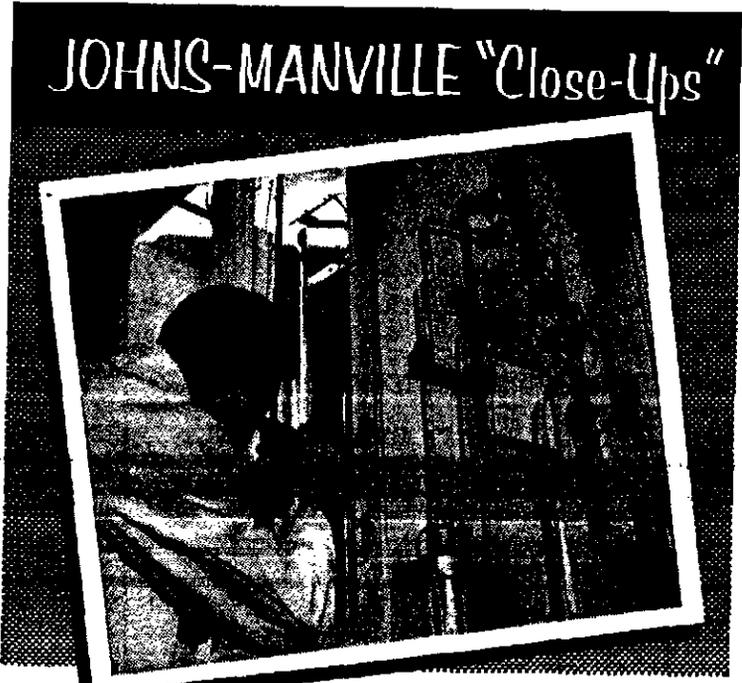
**GOC Participates  
In Air Force Drill**

Griggstown plane spotters participated recently in a special 12-hour air alert. Members of the Griggstown Ground Observer Corps manned their observation post on Bunker Hill Road for the drill called by the Air Force. On duty were Wayne Miller, Miss Louise Lens, Mrs. Bertha Arnesen, Mrs. Anita White, Mrs. Lillian Sabatella, Mrs. Annie Hoyvik, Joseph Kozesnik and Louis Katona.

Mrs. Sabatella, secretary of the group, reports that more volunteers are needed for the post, especially on week days. Eight persons are needed each day and only a total of 12 volunteers are available. Training in aircraft recognition will be given to anyone willing to serve a few hours a week.

Edward Tornquist, supervisor, says the post will have new steps soon, Gunner Gundersen volunteering to do the job.

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**Kingston Tops Dist. 2, 19-0; Takes Youth Loop Crown**

**FINAL STANDINGS**

	W	L
Kingston	9	1
District 2	4	4
Pine Grove	3	5
Middlebush	0	6

Kingston, which dominated the Youth Guidance Council Softball League all season, ended the year in championship style.

The Lower Enders lost to District 2, 4-3 last week for their first setback of the season. But they bounced back like true champs for a 19-0 pasting over the same District 2 team.

They were the only games scheduled as the league ended play.

Four District 2 runs held up for five innings in the win over Kingston. Jim Housell's 1st-frame circuit clout with two on was the big blow in the upset win. Dick Kolesar drove in the other tally. Kingston scored in the 1st, 2nd and 5th, but fell short in the last inning.

In the 19-0 pasting, played on the Kingston field, only one extra-base blow was hit. That was Ken Luck's triple. But Kingston had 14 hits, and every player scored at least once, with seven tallying twice each.

Center-fielder Weep led the RBI parade with four.

District 2 got just two safeties off the slants of Paul Teresky, who wound up with a record of nine wins against a single loss for the season. He appeared in all Kingston games.

Middlebush, playing under the handicap of having too many young players, failed to gain a win through the year.

The line scores:

Kingston ..... 11 001 - 3  
District 2 ..... 4 000 x - 4  
Barch and Eads; Teresky and Davall. HR—Miller, Kingston; Housell, District 2.  
District 2 ..... 0 0000 - 0  
Kingston ..... 11 880 x - 19  
Teresky and Davall; Barch and Martin, Thomas.

**Softball, PTA Programs End; Boys See Yanks-Red Sox Game**

Franklin's Youth Guidance Council softball league ended the summer season last week with a wind-up party held at each of the four playgrounds, Kingston, Middlebush, Second District and Pine Grove.

In Middlebush, the PTA's program of playground activities also concluded, with a final day picnic scheduled for tomorrow. The girl's sewing group had its final meeting Tuesday morning at the home of Mrs. Vito Resta. See Yanks-Bo Sox

Forty-five boys chosen from the softball squads on the basis of sportsmanship and regular attendance were taken to New York Wednesday to see a game at Yankee Stadium. Playground Directors Walter Shirley, Pine Grove; George Ostergren, Middlebush; Richard Chergey, Kingston, and Donald Randolph, Second District, accompanied the boys.

The 12-inning American League contest ended with the Yanks downing the Boston Red Sox, 3-2.

Here are the boys who made the trip:

From Middlebush — William Butler, Dorell Luty, Roger Luty, Theodore Pochinski, James Kietz, Daniel LaRue, Wallace LaRue, James Gathy; from Kingston — Paul Teresky, Barry Davall, William Weep, Donald Jones, Richard Miller, David Potts, Douglas Remsen, Kenneth Luck, Keith Van Note; from District 2 — Michael Stolarick, Walter Barch, Stephen Warchol, Kenneth Rathbone, James Housell, James Jackson, Walter Lapczynski, William Thomas; from Pine Grove — Marvin Williams, Raymond Robinson, Ernest Caselo, Raymond Nuzzo, Eric Sisler, Anthony Siodotti, John DiBlasi, Richard Tie-

telzweig, John Kolesar, Thomas Williams, Donald Williams, Stephen Suznovich, Stanley Bell, Robert Madama, Frederick Dohn, Joseph Zangara, Vincent Segel-sky.

**Plumbing Code Aired; Hearing Set for Sept. 8**

Franklin Township's plumbing code got its first public airing Monday night before a packed audience at Township Hall. The session lasted less than a half hour, as the Committee announced it would conduct a public hearing on the already-controversial code Sept. 8.

At a meeting last week, several plumbers voiced objections to the proposed code.

All arguments Monday night were held off by the Committee until the public hearing. Area plumbers and interested persons were given copies of the code to study before the hearing.

The code was opposed as early as last Thursday. Scores of residents jammed the meeting room to hear the measure read, but Mayor Joseph Staudt told the audience that it was "not quite ready."

A petition was presented by Edmund Jenkins. It bore 179 signatures against the proposed plumbing code, scheduled to have been introduced that night. The petition was signed by persons from all walks of life, including housewives and a college professor, and gave three objections: local plumbers had

**REID ATTENDS FOUR-DAY TAX PROBLEMS SEMINAR**

Stephen C. Reid, Township tax assessor, attended a four-day Institute for Assessing Officers last week at Rutgers University. The institute included a series of lectures, discussions, Reid trips and model appraisals. Nearly 200 tax officers were enrolled in the program.

not been consulted by the Committee prior to the introduction of the ordinance; fears that the code could lead to a monopoly for a few licensed plumbers and possible added costs arising from disposal tank and drainage field requirements.

In other developments Monday, the Committee authorized residents of Hollywood Homes to use New Brunswick sewerage facilities. The construction costs will be borne by the developer, according to Raymond P. Wilson, Township Engineer.

A quarterly rental will probably be paid by the residents to Franklin Township, which in turn will reimburse New Brunswick, officials indicated. New Brunswick now has a minimum sewerage rental of \$15 per quarter.

The Committee accepted a low bid of \$10,593.25 from V & H Contracting Co. for the extension of water lines in the Pine Grove section.

**HOME FROM EUROPE**

Mrs. Bernard McLaughlin of Canal Road, East Millstone, and her father, Rene LeVaillant, have returned from a three-and-one-half-week vacation in Europe. They visited members of their family in France and England. They traveled both ways by air.

Vote Tuesday  
Polls Open 2 to 8 p.m.

**Flooded Franklin Braces for Storm**

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Flood waters inundated low sections on roads all along the canal. Police detoured traffic through Middlebush until about 4 p.m. Saturday, when high water on Easton Avenue near the RCA transmitting station blocked the route from New Brunswick to South Bound Brook.

The Millstone River hit a high mark late Saturday afternoon, leaving only the East Millstone bridge passable. Other spans were under three to five feet of water. Causeways at Weston, Blackwells Mills, Griggstown, Rocky Hill and Kingston were completely under water, and one point on the Kingston-Rocky Hill Road was blocked for several hours.

**Cellars Flooded**

Smaller streams went on the rampage, too. Six Mile Run covered South Middlebush Road at the foot of Clarks Hill to a depth of more than three feet. Flooded cellars were the rule rather than the exception, and fire companies were kept busy until late Sunday answering emergency calls for pumping jobs.

Reports of tree damage came from throughout the area, and the police switchboard was flooded with calls. In East Millstone, a large tree was uprooted near the Reformed Church, and held upright by tangled electric lines. A Public Service emergency crew got the lines operating and freed the huge tree.

Power and telephone failures, affecting hundreds of residents, were corrected by late Saturday.

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