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## New Brunswick To Continue as Receiving District

New Brunswick High School and Roosevelt Junior High School will continue to receive pupils from Franklin, local school authorities were told at a meeting with the New Brunswick Board of Education last week. Franklin pupils from the 9th through the 12th grades attend the schools.

A statement, made by New Brunswick board members about a verbal agreement between themselves and the Township board, said the meeting "was arranged by reason of the fact that news reports tended to indicate that Franklin Township students might be excluded from our junior and senior high schools."

The statement continued: "Having in mind that there shall be no overcrowding of our schools, and within our physical capacity to receive students from sending districts without overcrowding our schools, we have assured the Franklin Township Board of Education that we shall continue our policy of receiving students from Franklin Township. However, we have agreed that we shall meet annually for the purpose of exchanging information and reviewing the program."

"It has been our policy to prefer students from North Brunswick, Milltown and Franklin. This policy will be continued in order to prevent any future over-enrollment in our senior and junior high schools; students from schools other than those named will first be refused." New Brunswick schools also receive pupils from Edison and Piscataway.

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## TOURNEY SCHEDULE TO BE PREPARED

Michael Bodnarik, recreation director of the Youth Guidance Council has requested basketball team captains and managers interested in joining the Township Recreation Basketball League to meet at 7 p.m. tomorrow in Pine Grove Manor School to prepare a schedule.

## No Basis for Suit, Plumbers Advised

Opponents of Franklin's first plumbing code, who were questioning its validity, have been advised by their legal counsel, Assemblyman William Ozzard, that "court action would be an unnecessary expense to both you and the Township."

Edmund Jenkins, unofficial head of the group which includes several plumbers, was told by Mr. Ozzard to "rely on the judgment of the new Township Committee," scheduled to take office Jan. 1. "The procedure which was given in passing the code does not give any real basis for court action," Mr. Ozzard told The News.

**To Seek Reversal**  
Mr. Jenkins said last week that, in a meeting with "about six men," who felt they were representing a majority of the Township, it was decided to query the code's legality since Committee-man Charles Jackson, a plumber, refused to abstain from voting on it.

Mr. Jenkins said he would "seek the help" of the new administration to rescind the code and to pass a more satisfactory one.

Mr. Jenkins also answered a charge by George Hubner that no plumbers were protesting the legality of the ordinance.

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## Enraptured by the Yuletide



(News Photo)

THE WONDER OF CHRISTMAS is reflected in the attitude of 4-year-old Linda Sicora, standing beside the glittering Christmas tree at the fourth annual Christmas party given Sunday by Franklin Volunteer Fire Company Women's Auxiliary. The party was attended by 150 persons.

## Ordinance to Give Water Company 25-Year Contract Still Under Study

Water was the subject of a brief discussion at a brief three-quarter hour meeting of the Township Committee last Thursday in Township Hall. A scheduled zoning hearing was postponed until Dec. 22.

Referring to a proposed ordinance granting a 25-year franchise to the Bound Brook Water Company, Joseph Tanora, a spectator at the meeting, said he didn't think the Township should tie itself to any single firm. "Maybe some other company wants to come in the Township," he said.

Should the ordinance be approved by the Committee at some future meeting, the water company would extend its mains into the Township along Canal, Douglas and Elizabeth avenues, paying a franchise tax to the Township while assessing consumers.

Mayor Joseph Staudt said the Committee intends to give the matter "further study" before introducing the ordinance.

### Assessors Named

The Committee appointed two commissions to prepare assessments for sewer extensions and curbs and gutters on Rodney, Franklin, Dayton and Runyon avenues.

On the sewer commission are Joseph Sackas, John Collins and Clifford Miller. Assessing for curbs and gutters will be William Nagy, James Thompson and Ott Lettanzio.

Payment of \$1,761.86 to the Blacktop Construction Company of New Brunswick was authorized for maintenance and repair work in the Township.

The municipality will also pay \$592.09 for added County taxes

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## Runaway Trip of Mayor's Son, Girl Ends in Florida

A 13-state East Coast police alarm for Robert Staudt, son of Mayor Joseph Staudt, and a girl companion, both 15, was cancelled at 4:50 p.m. Tuesday, when Police Lt. Russell Pfeiffer notified the State Police that both youngsters were safe.

The end of their trip came as they stepped off a bus in West Palm Beach, Fla. The News learned. A routine check of transportation facilities made after they were reported missing Sunday morning, turned up a ticket agent who had seen the pair boarding a bus in Somerville Saturday afternoon carrying several suitcases. No reason is known for their leaving home. Police refused to divulge any information, and the parents could not be reached yesterday.

### Mayor Files Suit

Mayor Staudt left for Florida from Newark Airport Monday morning. The youngsters, picked up by the Florida police, were released in the custody of an acquaintance living in that area, and they were staying in the Pennsylvania Hotel, West Palm Beach, pending the Mayor's arrival.

The boy, grandson of County Freeholder C. I. Van Cleaf, is a cousin of Jack Van Cleaf, who, with two friends, ran away to California on Nov. 8, and returned Nov. 15.

### LT. PFEIFFER COMPLETES COURSE GIVEN BY F.B.I.

Police Lt. Russell Pfeiffer recently completed an FBI-conducted course in "methods of arrests" given in Somerville police headquarters. He was one of 10 county policemen who took the course.

## Company Gets Approval To Build Asphalt Plant

The Jones Contracting Company of Lincoln Highway has been granted permission by the Township Planning Board to erect an asphalt plant in a heavy industrial zone on Churchill Avenue.

Commenting on the decision, acting chairman W. Russell Laird said "The board has given this much consideration and several inspections. We think that with the proper controls the plant will not be an annoyance to the area. If the controls are not complied with, we can stop operations immediately."

Among the conditions imposed on the plant were that it would not be enlarged without approval, that adequate dust collectors be installed, that dust, smoke and fumes be eliminated, and that failure to comply with these provisions would result in immediate suspension of operations. The board made these stipulations at its meeting in Township Hall a week ago last night.

Several persons living in the plant area asked Township Attorney Robert Gaynor for a copy of the resolution so they could study

its provisions more carefully.

In another action, Mr. Laird handed the chairmanship over to Township Clerk Fred L. Bascom, when the board considered a subdivision in which the chairman had an interest. John J. Bill Jr. of Franklin Park Road requested a subdivision of 10 acres on his property, to be sold to Mr. Laird. The resolution was passed.

The board also approved minor subdivisions of property on Skillman Lane owned by Mrs. Thessa Negri; on Lincoln Highway near Dobbs' Two Acres, owned by Mrs. Olga Adler, and on Easton Avenue, owned by Mrs. Dorothy McC. Brill.

A petition by Howard Craig for a subdivision of property on Bunker Hill Road was filed until Mr. Craig gets more frontage on his land. Another petition by Mrs. Lucy Gatti of Monmouth Junction was approved, providing she combines the three pieces of land under consideration on Hamillon Street into one, totaling 3.09 acres. Michael Taormina is purchasing the land from Mrs. Gatti to add to his present dwelling site which adjoins it.

## Speeder, Racing 85 MPH, Finally Halted by Crash

Police of three municipalities were involved in chasing a speedy driver who finally caused a serious accident on Canal Road near Zarephath Monday about 9:15 p.m.

Michael Lazar Jr., 29, of 230 S. 8th Street, Manville, who was driving on a conditional license returned to him last month after a conviction for drunken driving in 1953, is in critical condition in Somerset Hospital with internal injuries.

He was spotted by South Bound Brook Patrolman Paul Bohay while speeding on Edgewood Terrace. Lazar went through two stop signs and into Canal Road. Patrolman Bohay radioed the Manville police, who joined the chase. Franklin Police Chief Edwin Voorhees, Lt. Russell Pfeiffer, Patrolmen Rolf Tjornetol and Carl Erbecher, in two police cars, tried their hands at intercepting the speeder.

Before they could catch up with Lazar, who was doing 85

miles per hour, he had crashed on Canal Road into a car driven by Leonard Wojciechowski, 31, of 145 Lamont Avenue, Bound Brook.

### 3 Others Hurt

Lazar, Madeline Fanning, 18, of 12 Fisher Avenue, Bound Brook, who was in Mr. Wojciechowski's car, and Mr. Wojciechowski were taken to Somerset Hospital by the South Bound Brook Rescue Squad.

Mr. Wojciechowski was released after treatment for cuts and abrasions. Miss Fanning, with a laceration of the scalp, a chipped tooth and a possible concussion, was reported in good condition Tuesday.

The speeding driver will be charged with reckless driving. Although the most serious, the Wojciechowski-Lazar accident was only one of five in the area from Friday to Monday. Hazardous driving weather and icy roads accounted for the others, but no one was injured seriously.

# Frankly Speaking

On a high plateau, beyond the farthest reaches of man's vision, four horsemen wait to welcome a brother who has earned the right to join them on their terrible ride.

There, on powerful steeds, Conquest, War, Famine, Pestilence stand and scan Earth for the Fifth Horseman. They have already named him. He is the Beckless One, and he approaches quickly. He is young—a mere 50 years—but he already has learned the thrill and the danger of speed. He already has acquired distaste for the Law and disregard for safety and life.

He is different from his brothers on horseback, for he is man-made. Around his neck he wears a chain of clanking metal signs, twisted and torn images of man, and bent and irreparable wheels and engines.

He has risen quickly, this terrible brother, to his place among the killers. He started, innocently enough, as just another invention in the minds of a few, but the ingenuity of his creators added to his power, stripped him of his awkward, speed-slowing lines, made him sleek and strong and dangerous. They made of him more than a convenience. They made him a danger. They gave him to the young and to the foolish, as well as to the wise and the careful.

But their confidence is misplaced. He has no mind; he is a parasite relying on the brain of his master. He follows blindly where his master leads him; he stops when told to stop; and flies down bent and dangerous highways when given the sign.

But such is his blind, unseeing strength that he can maim and mangle, kill and decapitate; destroy in one fearful crash the hopes of parents, the future of children, all the bright and wonderful events of life.

He has many enemies, this Fifth Horseman. Men declaim against him. His disciples are warned of his treachery. Laws are written to hold him, to rob and sap him of his propensity for death. But in the confines of his body, his master laughs and says, "Stop twice tomorrow," or "Just this once." But then, tomorrow never comes and the laugh is heard no more.

In a courtroom, where men are hushed and quiet in the face of the majesty of the law, a judge looks at his audience and pleads for caution, for an understanding of a new ordinance dictating greater punishment for those who survive. Drawing his judicial robes around him he sentences one man to prison for flagrant disregard for human life and safety. Some spectators are shocked at the judge's edict. "Isn't that a little stiff?" they say. And then they walk outside and into their machines and race down the highways. They have already forgotten his words.

But we must not forget. We must remember them every time we cross the street, start an engine, step on a gas pedal. We must keep alert constantly, and awake always. There must never be "one for the road," for often, after that one, the road will disappear.

The Fifth Horseman has not reached his brothers yet. They have lived for 5,000 years. He for only 50. But give him time. He'll get there.

J. J.

## LEGION REPRESENTATIVES TO HEAR N. J. COMMANDER

American Legion Post and county officials from Somerset, Hunterdon, Morris, Sussex and Warren will attend a district conference with state and national American Legion officials tonight in the Morristown American Legion Post building.

Don Hart, of Bridgeton, State Legion Commander, will be the main speaker.

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## Franklin Events

Organizations are invited to list their functions in this column without charge. Deadline for this copy is Monday at 11 a.m.

Dec. 15—Christmas party, Ladies Aid Society, Kingston Methodist Church, home of Mrs. James Edwards, Main Street, Kingston, 8 p.m.

Dec. 15—Christmas program, Young Women's League, Griggstown Reformed Church, 8 p.m.

Dec. 15—Candlelight Service, East Millstone Reformed

Church, 8 to 9 p.m.

Dec. 17—Christmas party, Methodist Youth Fellowship, Kingston Methodist Church, Hopewell Methodist Church, 8 p.m.

Dec. 18—6th annual Christmas Carol Sing, Franklin Park Community Council, Franklin Park Firehouse, 6:30 p.m.

Dec. 18—Candlelight Service, East Millstone Reformed Church, 8 to 9 p.m.

Dec. 18—Christmas Sunday School program, Middlebush Reformed Church, 4:30 p.m.

Dec. 18—Young Married Couples Carol sing, Middlebush Reformed Church.

Dec. 19—Meeting, Board of Education, East Millstone School, 8 p.m.

Dec. 20—Meeting, Franklin Volunteer Fire Co. Women's Auxiliary, Community Firehouse, 8 p.m.

The original patent on an automobile was granted to Charles E. Duryea, of Massachusetts on June 11, 1899.

## - Births -

Princeton Hospital  
Dec. 7—A son, to Mr. & Mrs. Henry Racks, Crescent Avenue, Rocky Hill.

## With the PTAs

The Kingston School PTA met yesterday in school to celebrate the fast approaching Christmas holidays. Miss Dorothy Hall, county chairman of the International Relations Groups, presented a program of slides with the theme, "Christmas in Many Lands."

Mrs. Salvatore Pappalardo, publicity chairman of the Middlebush PTA, has requested that all chairmen be present at today's meeting in Middlebush Reformed Church at 8 p.m. Final plans for the Christmas program, titled "The Holiday Season the Wide World Over," will be made at that time.

The Phillips Players, Phillips School PTA dramatic group, will present "The Dutch Detective" at 8 p.m., on Jan. 27 and 28 in Middlebush School. The play is being directed by George Olson of Griggstown.

## Princeton Seminary Choir Sings Entire Service in Kingston Church

Members of the Kingston Presbyterian Church heard an entire service Sunday conducted by the Princeton Seminary Choir, Dr. David Hugh Jones directing.

Composed of college graduates who are now preparing for the ministry, the choir sang choral music by Palestrina, Lotii, Bach, Handel and Hadyn.

Dr. Jones, who has been Seminary director of music since 1934, has led the choir in about 80 services each Winter for the past 16 years. During the Summer, his choral groups have toured the United States, Cuba, Mexico, Canada, Hawaii, Japan and Korea. A trip through Central America is planned for next Summer.

Altogether, the group has sung more than 2,000 times and has appeared in more than 1,000 churches.



Dr. David Hugh Jones

## BABY BAPTIZED

Kim Sharon, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Petrone of Franklin Park, was baptized Sunday in the Six Mile Run Reformed Church. The Rev. Leonard Jones officiated.

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## Freeholders Get Another Request For Additional Probation Officer

A letter from Lafayette School Parent Teachers Association in Bound Brook asking for a full-time county probation officer to handle juvenile cases was added Friday to a growing stack of similar notes received by the Board of Freeholders.

The board continues to get letters requesting the addition, although Robert L. Adams, director of the board, has said the decision rests with the Courts department, and the Freeholders have funds in the budget to pay the new employee if and when he can be found.

## Agriculture Report

An annual report from Agricultural Agent R. W. Gardner showed 678 farm truck and tractor certificates were issued this year.

## RUPPERT BABY BAPTIZED

Susan Jane, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Ruppert, was baptized in St. Joseph's Church on Dec. 4, the Rev. John P. Adamowski officiating.

Indicating progress in agricultural methods were statements that calf vaccination and artificial insemination are in general use, 51 dairy herds are tested each month to improve breeding, feeding and management methods, and spraying with lindane to control stablebug is a general practice.

Fifty-two cooperating woodsmen planted 109,850 seedlings and transplants, and the Department of Conservation marked more than 745,000 board feet of timber for sale, and interest is growing in raising Christmas trees, the report added.

## NEW RESERVE FORCES ACT ASKS 6-MONTHS DUTY AWAY

The new Reserve Forces Act calls for volunteers from 17 to 18 1/2 years of age to serve six months away from home, school or work, and the remainder of their military obligation with a reserve unit having weekly paid drills and meetings near home.

The plan differs from the Draft Act, which requires two years of active duty and four years with a reserve unit, and which may call a man to duty any time before he reaches his 26th birthday. The area Reserve Training Center is at 292 George Street, New Brunswick.

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There's no success like success, 'tis written by writers with nothing better to say.

But in Somerset this year, one of the greatest political successes to come down the pike in many moons was a failure not long ago.

He's Charley Engelhard, the Democrat who almost became a State Senator.

Defeated Democrats in Somerset are more often than not tossed into a corner like dirty towels in a public locker room. But to more than one politician around New Jersey's hub, Charley has become a new symbol. It's something like the halo they've draped on Adlai Stevenson and his 28 million votes against Ike.

Despite Charley's protestations during his campaign against Malcolm Forbes, there is now little doubt that he will consider another fling at seeking elective office. Already the pressure is being generated in Democratic circles other than Somerset.

Back during the campaign, Charley insisted he had no ambition other than to serve the people of Somerset in Trenton. This was an obvious slam at Malcolm's obvious ambition to be governor.

But, whether Charley wants it or not, he's going to be exposed to some pretty smooth talking this year, and possibly for the next five years, to take something more than a scholarly interest in government.

For one thing, as indicated here several weeks ago, they're going to try to convince him he should run against Peter Frelinghuysen for the Fifth District's Congressional seat next year, and we've an idea that Peetah already is reconciled that Charley will be his opponent.

Also, in the recesses of these Democratic craniums, another Forbes-Engelhard battle is being conjured. But the next contest will be played with blue chips, maybe, because Charley might like the governor's chair better than the one in Washington.

The talk from Trenton in the last few days has set the pace for the Engelhard speculation on this side of the tracks.

Here's the way they have figured at this writing:

Bob Meyner will sit back and thron while they beam him for President, Vice-President and other lesser Federal spots. But at the last minute, 'tis said, he'll reluctantly announce that he can't leave New Jersey in the hands of the Republicans. Then, for four years, Bob will vegetate in his 1928 glory, and in 1932 he'll make the grand plunge for top notch on the National Democratic ticket.

Meanwhile, Charley Engelhard will be groomed as Meyner's suc-

cessor. Assuming that Bob survives the GOP onslaught on the State House in 1937, and that Malcolm still pursues the job, Somerset Hills might once again become involved in a battle of canapes and cocktails.

Now this may all sound silly, but down in Perth Amboy, which is the address of more than several Democratic voters, Dave Willets has been rubbing his hands in recent days. Visions of sugar plums are running through his brilliant Democratic head.

Dave, who is a former State Attorney General, and one of New Jersey's most powerful Democrats, has been noising the name of this stranger Engelhard around Middlesex as the Fifth District's great white hope.

Charley might say he hasn't been asked, but his protests will sound like those of the little boy who hasn't yet been invited to his classmate's birthday party. The chance that Morris County Democrats will insist on offering one of their boys to the sacrificial altar is considered small at this point.

Somerset's GOP Freeholders are expected to come out any day with their choice for the post of county counsel for '33. As it looks now, Grover Kipsev, who has held the job for an eon, will not be reappointed.

Grover's ill health has reduced his effectiveness as the county's legal beagle. For his place, a fine covey of Republican names has been uncovered. The list includes Gus Dreier, Fred Onore and Charley Reid, all hailing from patronage-laden North Plainfield.

Others said to be interested in the job are Robert Thompson and Ed Hogan, both of Somerville. And then there's John Macko of Raritan, a man who's always available for anything.

As for next year's Freeholder contest, which is certainly a point of political interest even at this early date, there'll be no retirement for C. I. Van Cleef, the perennial. This is the im-

pression we got from gabbing with him during last week's G.O.P. victory brawl.

Which means the Democrats better get started now—because C. I. is never off the campaign trail.

As for his being appointed director of the Board of Freeholders come January, C. I. contends he has never discussed the subject with Freeholder-elect Harry Featherston—a point which you can buy or leave.

### Blasciak Elected By E. F. Firemen

John Blasciak was elected president of the East Franklin Township Volunteer Fire Company at the group's meeting recently in the firehouse.

Others elected for the coming year are Michael Uhall, vice-president; Vincent Sidotti, treasurer; John Falger, financial secretary, and John Lysy, recording secretary.

Mr. Sidotti is also the new fire chief; Mr. Uhall, first assistant; Ernest Szabo, second assistant; Mr. Blasciak, captain and business agent; Mr. Falger, lieutenant; Ernest Katko, engineer, and Wallace Willson, foreman.

Mr. Uhall, William Mogar, Carmen Carpentiero, Lawrence Collier and Mr. Uhall are on the executive committee, with Raymond Nuzzo as trustee.

### How Lane Driver Hits Utility Pole

Fred Kahlsdorf Jr. of How Lane, was given a summons for careless driving by Police Lt. Russell Pfeiffer Thursday after he demolished his 1926 Pontiac on Easton Avenue near Leupps Lane at 12:30 midnight.

Mr. Kahlsdorf, who suffered cuts and abrasions, left the road 50 feet south of Leupps Lane. The car hit a utility pole, snapping it off a foot from the ground, and then continued 360 feet before coming to a halt.

The driver told Lt. Pfeiffer he was doing 50 miles per hour when he crashed.

**YOUNG G.O.P. PARTY SET**  
State Senator Malcolm S. Forbes will be guest of honor and speak at the annual Christmas party of the Somerset County Young Republicans tomorrow in Raritan Valley Inn.

### Victory Brings the Smile



(News Photo)  
**PORTRAIT OF A WINNER.** State Senator Malcolm S. Forbes, overshadowed by a serious campaign portrait of himself, reflects a gayer mood as he speaks at the County G.O.P. victory dinner. At right is Harry L. Featherston, Freeholder-elect.

Thank-you speeches by the four victorious Republican county candidates and a brief address by State Senator Malcolm S. Forbes, State Assemblyman William E. U. S. Rep. Peter W. Frelinghuysen, Sheriff Roy E. Hunne- well and Freeholder-elect Harry L. Featherston make brief addresses.

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## Wanted: A Dose of Foresight

As the year approaches its end and governmental financiers map the budgeted future, there is need to remind the Board of Freeholders that progress does not come smoothly without solicitation.

The necessity for reminding the county government of such a trulism is predicated on the fact that this has been for too long a stand-pat outfit. The Freeholders turned their eyes away from the welfare homes mess a few years ago, though the revelations bordered on the scandalous; after prolonged and sharp prodding over many years, they finally consented to discuss the possibility that Somerset might have need for a technical high school; they have listened patiently, but moved nary an inch to develop a county parks system; they have consistently brushed off requests to hold at least a share of their meetings at night, though the public might be served better through such a procedure, and their efforts to provide better pay for civil servants have been turtle-slow, though they bumped their own stipends considerably a few years ago.

Though all of this, Somerset again will have a Republican in each of the three Freeholders chairs when the administration is reorganized next month, and there is nothing that can be done to change the political complexion of membership until the next election. However depressing this political hammerlock might be, it is not sufficient to throw a quietus over the county.

If the men who will administer Somerset's affairs in 1956 are as profound as they would like everyone to believe, they can help make a little headway on the proving ground by taking a

good look at Somerset's industrial potential, and offer something more than vocal acrobatics about planning for orderly growth. If they desire to look at the future right smack in the pupil, they can appropriate sufficient money in the '56 budget to give Somerset a capable, intelligent industrial planning commissioner and provide him with funds and facilities to bring new, substantial ratables to our midst.

We adore the Somerset countryside as much as any anti-industry folk, but we also contend that reputable industry could be located in this region so as not to mar the rural atmosphere. A capable, intelligent industrial commissioner could help bring about such a choice situation, which also could increase the standard of living in our area and provide municipalities with tax revenues they need for costly school construction and expansion of municipal utilities and services, things which are already needed before any new industrial ratables are brought here.

This cry for an orderly industrial build-up for Somerset is not new; it has been proposed, propounded, and proposed again over the years, but always to the boredom of the Board of Freeholders.

Somerset's citizenry has a right to expect its Freeholders to exhibit some vigor and foresight. The people of the county have a right to expect that the county governors will get the cobwebs out of their caucus—and take constructive measures for the future.

If the 1956 all-Republican freeholders continue avoiding the future, they certainly will be guilty of at least failing to analyze the election returns in last month's Freeholder contest.

## Microscope



## Communism

By Dr. Alexander S. Solinsky

Rutgers Specialist in Russian Affairs and Economics

Unknown to most of us, there are several colonies of escapees from behind the Iron Curtain living right here in our own Garden State of New Jersey. Some have been living here for almost seven years. Others are recent arrivals. Almost all have escaped from the clutches of Soviet rule at the risk of their lives.

Fifty such families have been living in peace and prosperity in Seabrook, New Jersey. Many of them already have succeeded in making an excellent adjustment to life in a new and (for them) strange country.

A very recent event in their lives has served to upset that adjustment. Again, they are being haunted by the spectre of Soviet rule. One day recently, each of these families received a personally addressed letter from the Soviet Union. It was a letter imploring them to leave the United States and come back to the Soviet Union or the satellite from which they had escaped.

### Amnesty Included

The mystery of how the Soviet Union came into possession of their names and present addresses is easily solved. This writer was able to learn that many of the escapees subscribe to a patriotic, anti-communist paper printed in their own tongue, and the Soviet government managed to get possession of the subscription lists.

The letter sent here is signed by 20 former escapees who have returned to the Soviet Union. The Soviet government also enclosed a printed amnesty decree signed by Bulganin. It promises that no reprisal shall be taken against those who have escaped and who now wish to return.

The entire letter is far too long for publication in this column. But it raises two such important and interesting questions that its essence, in exact and unaltered quotations, is presented here. Care has been taken not to quote out of context.

### The Soviet Pitch

The letter follows:  
"Dear fellow Countrymen! Brothers and Sisters!

"We have all felt the hardship of living in a foreign country. But now, after returning to our homes, we live among our relatives and friends, we work and raise our children, and we are assured of a bright future.

"But we cannot keep silent while many of us are still suffering in foreign countries. We know that your lives are filled with hardships. Many of you are undernourished and do not have decent housing. Most of all, you are lacking decent and honorable work. The few of you who have filled your bellies, how can you be sure of tomorrow?

"We know . . . that nobody cares about you in a foreign land . . . Who really needs you there? And even if anybody does, you are employed as a common laborer at the hardest jobs. And

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## THAT'S A FACT

**ME AND MY SHADOW**

WHY THE NAZIERS FEDERAL COUNCIL OF SEATTLE WENT TO THE GREENSTONES OF NEW BUILDINGS WAS DISCOVERED A GREAT BUSINESS IN SELLING SHADOWS FOR THE SAME PURPOSES WAS DEVELOPED IN SOME PARTS OF EUROPE.

**IMPORT**

IT WAS THE COMMUNISTS WHO INVENTED BACK GARDEN PLANNING AS ONE OF THE FRUITS OF THEIR DIVISION OF ISLAM. THEY TOOK UP THE CUSTOM FROM THEIR BROTHERS THE BRITONS.

**UMBRELLA**

RAINING NEEDS JUST FOR RAINY DAYS! U.S. BUYERS SHOULD WILL MAKE THE FUTURE ONE SUNNY AND BRIGHT—BECAUSE THEY BRING THE SECURITY THAT MEANS FREEDOM FROM FINANCIAL PROBLEMS!

## Of Books, Plays & Sundry Things...

### The Bard's No Saint!

There is much to be said for youth. By itself it is perhaps of no particular value artistically, but when it is combined with imagination and talent, experience has to go a long way to beat it.

The production of "Macbeth" now on view in the Jan Hus House may not give to the poetry quite the emphasis it deserves, but it certainly makes the play seem as fresh and new as tomorrow. The Shakespearewrights, as the group renting the auditorium on 74th Street calls itself, have impressed critics for the past three seasons with their spirited and down-to-earth approach to Shakespeare. Their "Macbeth" is quite in the style which we have come to expect of them.

The little bust of Shakespeare which adorns the program characterizes the approach. It is grinning—even on the "Macbeth" bill, and "Macbeth" is a lurid tragedy. The Shakespearewrights refuse to treat Shakespeare like a saint. They will not allow themselves to become burdened by the awesome truth of his fantastic genius and reputation. They dare to deal with him simply as a playwright, which, in the final analysis, is the only way to deal with him successfully.

### Dead Is Dead

The result is that this "Macbeth," like the "Twelfth Night" and "Othello" which preceded it, is the liveliest one to have hit the metropolis in many a year. The blood is red, the sword fights are real, Banquo's ghost is there for you to see. As one critic put it, in this production when an actor falls down dead, you know he is dead.

Not a single performer appears to be over 30 years old, which undoubtedly has much to do with the extreme vigor of the production. What a pleasure to see a Macbeth who in his strength looks the part of the successful warrior. But Pernel Roberts has more than his looks to recommend him. He brings a

magnificent speaking voice and a fine intelligence to the title role. Mel Dowd's Lady Macbeth was a bit too artificially mannish in the early part of the play, but her performance of the sleep-walking scene was quite unexceptionable. All the lesser roles were well performed, but especially commendable were Charles Aidman as Macduff, Laurinda Barrett as Lady Macduff and Philip Lawrence as the first witch.

### Smooth Without Scenery

The pace of the performance was greatly aided by the three-sided platform stage completely unencumbered by scenery. When one sees the fluidity possible in such a setting, one realizes the pointlessness of weighing down a production of Shakespeare with scenery which he never intended. In his staging, Brian Shaw showed much imagination, and whatever visual effects were needed were adequately supplied by Walter Silver's lighting.

With great fanfare the backers of the Stratford Shakespeare festival in Stratford, Conn., set out to create an American style of doing the Bard. In spite of the big names who performed in their productions, in spite of a brand new theatre, they generally succeeded in achieving, according to most critics, only fairly tame imitations of previous productions. In their unpretentious way, the dedicated group on 74th Street with their youth, their approach to real ensemble playing and their realistic attitude toward Shakespeare, may be coming nearer to the goal of an American interpretation of Shakespeare than those whose efforts are more conscious.

—Barb

The State Department has lifted passport restrictions barring Americans from travel in Communist-dominated Russia, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Romania and Hungary as evidence of this country's sincere efforts to lower barriers between East and West.

## TICKLERS

By George



"How do you like my den? All my life I've wanted a room full of money. It's only stage money but it does give a feeling of security!"

## Microscope On Communism

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when you are no longer of any use, they will throw you away like an old rag.

"We know that many of you have expressed a secret desire to return to your homeland . . . but you don't dare do it . . . you are kept in constant fear . . . by the lords (capitalists) and their agents.

"These dishonorable people have informed you that you will be persecuted on your return to the Soviet Union. Don't believe it! It's all untrue! . . . Remember one thing: a foreign country is like a wicked godmother. You can crawl on your belly before her, but she is still your enemy. Your home country is your true mother. Only she understands everything and will forgive everybody. . . .

"Why do you live a life which is filled with fear and hardship . . . break those bonds that keep you imprisoned in a foreign country . . . Those people who left relatives behind, do you still remember those gray-haired mothers who are waiting for you, your wives who have become widows, or your children who have become orphans? Return and help to wipe off their tears.

"Don't believe those crooks (Americans) . . . they are making plans to destroy our country. But this will never happen. Our country is more powerful than ever before. Whoever shall raise the sword against us will be destroyed by the sword.

"A man lives on this earth only once. Do the crumbs of bread which fall from your master's table really satisfy you? Make up your minds . . . return to your home country . . . Your native country remembers you! Your native country welcomes you!"

### What's the Reason?

This letter raises a very personal problem for its recipients. For the rest of us it raises two questions. It would be natural to presume that if the Soviet leaders wished to induce the escapees to return that they would employ the most effective type of propaganda. It is hardly effective to tell those who now live here and enjoy American prosperity that they are undernourished and treated like dogs. Living here they obviously know the difference. These people now have good jobs and good incomes. Some of them have fine automobiles. They have all the comforts and many of the luxuries of American life. They eat well and they have comfortable homes. They aren't jammed four and five families to a tiny apartment. They don't have to wait in line for bread, or meat or shoes. They know that they won't be shipped off to Siberia if they disagree

with the Republicans or Democrats. Having escaped the Iron Curtain at the risk of their lives, they are hardly an audience which would easily believe Soviet promises. What, then, is the reason for such obvious and ineffectual lies?

Could it just possibly be that these letters, written at the direction of top Soviet leadership, spoke the truth as the Soviet leaders see it? Could it be that Bulganin, Krushchev, Kaganovich & Company really believe what they say about life in the United States?

They have never been here; they accept the reports of their observers who have been sent to the United States. Is it inconceivable that these observers tell the Soviet leaders exactly what they want to hear? Could it be that Krushchev and company have so surrounded themselves with such "yes" men, that they are told only what they want to believe?

### America's Duty

It takes little talent to see that the escapees are not going to bite on the first come-home-life-is-terrible-in-America approach. But what about the others—the love of homeland, separation from loved ones, memory of old and loved places?

If only a small fraction of those now living here are affected by this nostalgia, the Soviets will have won their point. If they can reclaim only a few, they can make propaganda of it far out of proportion to the number returning. We have a responsibility to prevent such a victory.

There is only one sure cure for their nostalgia. It is to make those fortunate enough to have escaped to the United States doubly welcome, doubly comfortable in their new homeland. Russia wants them back. But we need them, too. We need them as a living, breathing example of the fact that all is not well in the workers' paradise.

## To Continue as Receiving District

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way townships, and will continue this policy, Franklin board secretary Mrs. Florence Randolph told The News, if conditions permit, until high schools in those areas are completed, probably by 1957.

"In any event," the statement added, "the Board of Education of the City of New Brunswick considers its primary obligation is to the students of our city and then to those other students whom our physical facilities will permit us to accept."

### Tuition Increased

The agreement also provides that if New Brunswick is unable

to take Franklin students, a two-year notice will be provided. Currently, about 200 local pupils attend schools in the city. Mrs. Randolph said the enrollment probably will stay at that number until about 1960, when a substantial increase is expected.

Tuition rates for Franklin students, now at \$385 for grades 10 through 12, and \$350 for the 8th grade, will be raised next year to \$408 and \$370, respectively.

Township board members at the meeting were Dr. C. Rexford Davis, president; George Spiro, vice-president; Mrs. Catherine Pattison, George Carr, and Kenneth Fink, chairman of the tuition committee. Also present were Dr. James Lynch, superintendent of schools, and Mrs. Randolph.

### FARM WORKERS' TAX DUE FROM EMPLOYER JAN. 31

Social security taxes apply to cash wages paid every farm worker who received \$100 or more cash wages during 1955. District Director of Internal Revenue Joseph F. J. Mayer, has announced. The taxes, two percent employer tax and two percent employee tax, apply only to cash wages paid to covered farm workers.

Every farm employer who owes these taxes must file a return on Form 943 and pay the taxes by Jan. 31, 1956. A penalty may be charged for late filing.

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## Van Cleefs to Celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary Saturday

Freeholder & Mrs. C. I. Van Cleef will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Saturday with an open house from 2 to 5 p.m. and from 6 to 9 p.m. in their farm home on River Road, Belle Mead.

A member of the Board of Chosen Freeholders for the last 17 years, he owns and operates with his sons 1,000 acres of farmland in Franklin and Hillsborough, and runs a school bus service. He is a native of Montgomery Township.

Mrs. Van Cleef is the former Miss Alite Edna Smith, daughter of the late Mr. & Mrs. William S. Smith of Franklin Township.

The Van Cleefs were married Dec. 14, 1905, in the bride's home, the late Rev. John Thompson of the Middlebush Dutch Reformed Church officiating.

Two of their wedding attendants are expected to be at Saturday's celebration.

They are the bride's twin sister, Mrs. Arthur J. Smalley of New Brunswick, who will be present with her husband; and a cousin, Elmer Smith of Middlebush, who was an usher. The Smalleys will celebrate their own golden anniversary in 1957.

Mr. & Mrs. Van Cleef have lived in Belle Mead the last 14 years, moving there from Franklin Township.

Their children, all still living in Somerset County, are C. Irving Van Cleef, county road super-

visor, of Belle Mead; Mrs. Joseph Staudt of South Middlebush Road, wife of Franklin's outgoing mayor; John H. Van Cleef of Franklin Township, and twin sons, Warren Van Cleef of Ne-shanic and William Van Cleef of Belle Mead.

They also have 14 grandchildren.

Mr. Van Cleef and two sons, Jack and C. Irving Van Cleef, operate school bus routes to New Brunswick High School, Somerville High and grammar schools in Franklin and Hillsborough townships.

### HOME ECONOMIC BRIEFS

Pork is the plentiful food feature on the U. S. Department of Agriculture list for December. Among other foods in good supply this month are potatoes, apples, turkeys, broilers and fryers, cranberries, sweet potatoes, grapefruit and winter pears.

Newest thing in appetizer treats—bite-sized fritters! To make, use a popover mix, preparing batter as directed on the package, then stir in contents of 1 small can of deviled ham. Dip drained

Serve lamb kabobs from your rotisserie on buttered noodles. To make the kabobs, alternate cubes of lamb leg steak and apricot halves on skewers. To serve, place the kabobs atop cooked medium noodles and dizzle with hot browned butter.

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**Church News**

**GRIGGSTOWN REFORMED**  
A Consistory meeting was held in the parsonage Tuesday.

A meeting of the Young Women's League is scheduled for 8 tonight. The Christmas program, supervised by Mrs. John Langfeldt, will include carols and an exchange of gifts. There will be a short business meeting after the party.

The Junior and Senior choirs, directed by Miss Betty Jean Britt, and the Griggstown Choral Group headed by Mrs. Martin Sorenson, will sing at a Christmas candlelight musical service in the church at 7:30 p.m. Sunday. The Rev. Merle W. Hoogheem, pastor, will read a Christmas message.

**E. M. METHODIST**

The young peoples' and children's groups met Sunday to practice for the presentation of the play, "The Meaning of Christmas," to be given on Dec. 23 at 7:30 p.m. Laverne Rayhon Jr., Donald and Janet Kupper, Evelyn Couvert and Ronald and Roger Williams make up the cast. Santa Claus will appear at a party following the play.

The Rev. Wilbur Thomas and Mr. Rayhon will read "The Innkeeper's son," at the church's "Service of Carols & Candles," at 8 p.m. Sunday.

The senior choir, under the direction of Mrs. Harold Smith, met for rehearsal in the church Monday.

There will be a family Communion Service in the church at 7:30 p.m., Dec. 24.

**ST. AUGUSTINE'S**

Mrs. Joseph Geng was elected president of the Altar & Rosary Society at the group's meeting last Thursday. Serving with her are Mrs. Leonard Tharney, vice-president; Mrs. Harry Riley, treasurer, and Mrs. Carl Hongart, secretary.

The women will have a Christmas party with members of the Holy Name Society at 8:30 p.m. Sunday. Mrs. Tharney, Mrs. Joseph Galbraith and Mrs. Hongart are in charge. The society also will sponsor a bake sale of Christmas cakes and cookies after 9:30 a.m. Mass that morning. Mrs. John Bobal and Mrs. Margaret Heryniewicz are supervising preparations.

**ST. JOSEPH'S**

The Holy Name Society elected Alexander Dusky president for 1956 at its meeting last Thursday. Other officers are John Tamburini, vice-president; James Cronan, treasurer, and Joseph Posda, secretary.

Mr. Posda is heading the committee which will erect a nativity scene on the site of the church Grotto next week.

The Rev. John P. Adamowski, pastor, reports that 24 men were present at recent Nocturnal Adoration services in St. Joseph's Church, Bound Brook.

Mrs. Stanley Brzoska is in charge of plans for the Children's Christmas party to be given Saturday at 2 p.m. in the church hall. Movies will be shown, with games, carols and Santa Claus also on the program.

**MIDDLEBUSH REFORMED**

Sunday will be a busy day in the church. At 4:30 p.m. Sunday School students will have their Christmas Candlelight service, headed by Robert Courtney.

At 6:30 p.m. the Young Married Couples Fellowship will meet, and hay wagons will take the group on their carol-singing rounds, led by Howard Rexon. The group will congregate on the corner of Anwell and S. Middlebush roads at 7:30 p.m. for a tree-lighting program, and will return to the church at 8 p.m. for refreshments.

Mrs. James Torrans will direct the choir at the annual Candle-

light Service in the church on Dec. 24.

**SIX MILE RUN REFORMED**

Sunday School teachers will meet today at 8 p.m. in the chapel to trim the group's Christmas tree for the school Christmas party tomorrow at 7:30 p.m.

Party goers will exchange gifts, see the motion picture "Silent Night," and witness a Bible presentation ceremony to those students who have finished special projects during the year. Mrs. Bruce Armstrong is in charge.

Members of the congregation will dedicate offerings for next year during Sunday's morning service beginning at 10:45 a.m. The service also will include special Christmas music by the Junior and Youth choirs, directed by Mr. & Mrs. Colin Lancaster, and the Senior choir, under the supervision of Mrs. Robert Tornquist.

At 7:45 p.m. Sunday, Robert Smock's Christmas pageant, "The Little Lord Jesus," will be presented by church members. Mrs. Tornquist will be at the organ.

The church will hold a Christmas Eve service from 11:30 p.m. to midnight on Dec. 24.

**E. M. REFORMED**

A special Candlelight Service will be held in the church from 8 to 9 p.m. Friday and Sunday. Dr. Milton Hoffman, pastor, will speak on "The Meaning of Discipleship" at Sunday's 11 a.m. service.

The Sunday School will have a Christmas program with gifts, music and recitations at 7 p.m., Dec. 23.

**KINGSTON PRESBYTERIAN**

The Rev. Henry W. Heaps' sermon at Sunday's 11 a.m. service will be "Unto You Is Born a Savior."

The Junior High School Westminster Fellowship will meet in the church Sunday at 2 p.m. to leave for New York City to attend Vesper services in the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church.

The Senior Christian Endeavor Society Christmas play, "The Shoemaker's Guest," will be presented in the church sanctuary at 7:30 p.m. Sunday. Miss Dorothea Potts is director.

**KINGSTON REFORMED**

The Methodist Youth Fellowship will meet at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the Hopewell Methodist Church.

Sunday School students will celebrate Christmas with a program including special music, recitations, refreshments and a visit by Santa Claus. The program will be held 7:30 p.m. Sunday in the Hopewell church.

The Ladies Aid Society has changed the place for its Christmas party from the home of Mrs. James Edwards to that of Mrs. Rachel Grove in Princeton. The party, which begins at 8 tonight, will include an exchange of gifts.

**BONE FROM FUNERAL**

Dr. & Mrs. Eugene E. Howe of Elizabeth Avenue returned recently from a week in Garrison, Kans., where they attended the funeral of Dr. Howe's sister.

**CHRISTMAS PLANS**

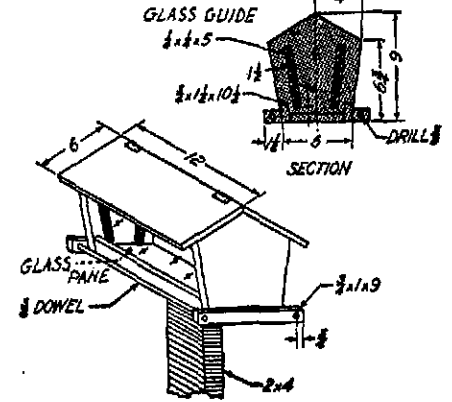
Mrs. William C. Bird of East Millstone will entertain friends and relatives at Christmas festivities over the holiday weekend.

The SS United States crossed the Atlantic in 1952 in three days, 10 hours, 40 minutes.

**HERE'S HOW...**

**MAKE A BIRD FEEDER**

This feeder makes an attractive lawn decoration. Cut the ends, as shown, first drawing a pattern on a piece of 3/4 by 10-inch lumber. Attach the glass guides with 3/4-inch brads. Next, cut the roof pieces and bevel the mating edges to fit snugly. Then add the sides, beveling the bottoms to fit flush with the bottoms of the end pieces. Assemble the ends, sides and one top member. The top is placed temporarily. Use 4-penny finishing nails. Add the bottom, beveling it to fit between the sides. Then add the perch supports; insert the dowels, securing them with 3/4-inch brads. Remove the temporary top, and join the top pieces with 1 1/2-inch butt hinges. Insert glass, and add the top, nailing one piece to the ends. Mount the feeder, with 3-inch wood screws, to a 2 by 4-inch treated or decay resistant post.



**Quick's Herd High Producer in Nov.**

J. Preston Quick Jr. of New Center had high herd for milk and butterfat production in the Somerset County Herd Improvement Association for November, according to the report of the tester, Stanley Glick. His herd of 40 Holsteins averaged 1146 pounds of milk and 46.3 pounds of fat per cow for the month.

Second place went to J. Warren Mathers of South Branch, with 1013 pounds of milk and 39.8 pounds of fat.

I. D. Phillips of South Branch was third for butterfat, with 36.3

pounds per cow, and Frank Kinney of North Branch had third herd for milk, with 930 pounds. A Holstein in Mr. Quick's herd was high cow for fat, with 100.8 pounds. High milk cow, owned by Mr. Kinney, gave 2430 pounds.

**SHOPPING TRIP**

Mr. & Mrs. Luther Eyer of Main Street, Kington, went to Philadelphia Tuesday on a shopping trip. Accompanying them were their daughters, Jeryle and Carol Lou.

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## No Basis for Suit, Plumbers Advised

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Mr. Hubner, who maintained he was "the unofficial head" of the local plumbers, told The News before the Township Committee meeting last week that none of the plumbers were dissatisfied with the code.

Introducing a list of 21 plumbers, nine from Franklin, Mr. Hubner said he already had received checks from some for master plumbers' licenses, as required in the code, though he has no power to grant the permits. Licenses will be issued by a Board of Examining Plumbers, which has yet to be named.

Mr. Hubner resigned from the code-writing committee a short time before the ordinance was passed.

Mr. Jenkins continued to maintain, however, that he was representing plumbers, "small plumbers," even though he was a

building contractor. Questioned about his interest in the protests, he said he had worked in communities with "closed plumbing codes" and in every case building costs were 100 percent above normal. "And I can prove it," he stated.

The plumbing code was passed by the Township Committee on Nov. 28 after months of hearings and protests. Mayor Joseph Staudt and Mr. Jackson voted for it, Committeeman Charles Sicora casting the negative vote.

## Answer Summons, Or Pay Extra \$\$

A recently passed traffic law went into operation in Township Court Monday night, when Pete Preston of Brunswick Heights was fined \$2 with \$3 costs for illegal parking on Nov. 6.

Mr. Preston failed to answer the summons at an earlier hearing. Ordinarily, he would have been fined \$1 and \$2 costs. But the new law states that if a letter is needed to bring the person to court, the fine is doubled. If a new summons is needed, the fine and costs are raised five times their original amounts.

Gregory Allan Boyle, 17, of Millington was fined \$11 for careless driving on Easton Avenue on Dec. 1; and Stephen Deb Becker of Plainfield had his license suspended for 30 days and paid a fine of \$19 when found guilty of careless driving on Lincoln Highway on Nov. 19.

### STATE POLICE ACADEMY TESTS SET FOR JAN. 20

Written examinations of applicants for the New Jersey State Police Academy will be held Jan. 20 at 7:30 p.m. in the National Guard Armory, Somerville, in Princeton High School and in 10 other locations, Col. Joseph D. Rutter, Superintendent of the State Police, announced today.

Applicants must be between 22 and 35 years old as of April 15, 1956, he said, and must be at least 5 feet 8 inches and not over 6 feet 4 inches tall without shoes. Weight must be between 150 and 225 pounds, and the applicant must have a good reputation and sound moral character.

### RETURNS FROM MICHIGAN

Mrs. O. H. Perry of Elizabeth Avenue returned last week from a Convention of Land-Grant Colleges in East Lansing, Mich. Mr. Perry accompanied his wife to Detroit for a brief holiday, after which Mrs. Perry, who is associate editor of the Rutgers University evening colleges publicity division, went on to the convention.

## Deaths

### MRS. MARY REID

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Reid of Middlebush, mother of Township Tax Assessor Stephen C. Reid, will be held today at 2 p.m. from the Maher Funeral Home, New Brunswick.

The Rev. Vernon Dethmers of the Middlebush Reformed Church will officiate. Interment in Cedar Grove Cemetery will follow.

Mrs. Reid, who died Monday in Middlesex Hospital, is survived by another son, Russell, also of Middlebush, and four grandchildren. Born in New Brunswick, she had been a resident of the Township for many years.

### MRS. MARION G. BAIRD, 69

Services for Mrs. Marion G. Baird, 69, of Franklin Park, who died Monday in Middlesex Hospital, will be held from the Quackenboss Funeral Home in New Brunswick at 2 p.m. today. The Rev. James B. Mulder, pastor of the Highland Park Reformed Church, will officiate. Interment will be in Elmridge Cemetery.

Mrs. Baird, who was born in Succasunna, is survived by her husband, Percy T. Baird, and two stepsons, Clifford of North Plainfield, and Walter of Milltown.

### THOMAS M. ARNESEN, 68

The funeral for Thomas M. Arnesen, 68, of Washington Avenue, who died Saturday in his home, was held from the Griggstown Reformed Church Tuesday afternoon, the Rev. Merle W. Hoogheem officiating. Interment was in Griggstown Cemetery. Funeral duties were performed by the Quackenboss Funeral Home in New Brunswick.

Mr. Arnesen, who was a missionary for the Norwegian Seaman's Church in Brooklyn, is survived by his wife, Marie Jensen Arnesen; five sons, Arne of New Brunswick, Jens, Ole, Edmund and Henry of Griggstown, and nine grandchildren.

## 32nd Hospital Ball To Be Held Dec. 28

The 32nd annual ball of the Women's Auxiliary Board of Somerset Hospital will be held in Far Hills Inn, Dec. 28 from 8 p.m. to 3 a.m. Mrs. Paul Dreisbach and Mrs. George H. Shay are co-chairmen for the event.

Table reservations are being taken by Mrs. Richard Lothian of 285 N. Bridge Street, Somerville. Other committee leaders are Mrs. Jack Theilm, tickets; Mrs. Palmer Beteman, publicity; Miss Florence Burns, door; Mrs. Richard Cawley, entertainment, and Mrs. Nathan Cushman, flowers.

Progressive Lodge No. 17 of the Prince Hall Free & Accepted Masons will hold a Communion Breakfast Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the basement of the First Baptist Church of Lincoln Gardens.

## Politano Named To Lead Heart Fund Drive in '56

Frank J. Politano of Manville, will be chairman of the 1956 Heart Fund Campaign in Somerset County, Dr. Robert C. Wilson, president of the Somerset County Heart Association, announced Tuesday. Mr. Politano is a former Democratic candidate for Freeholder.

The new chairman will head the second annual Heart Fund Campaign to be staged in the area. It will run from Feb. 1 through Feb. 29. Last year \$10,143 was collected for the fund, part of which went toward the purchase of a resuscitator for the Bradley Gardens Rescue Squad.

The American Heart Association says in its appeal that almost all cases of heart diseases can be helped by proper treatment, especially after early diagnosis. Rheumatic fever, hardening of the arteries and high blood pressure take top priority in research study, the association added, as these are responsible for more than 90 percent of all heart disease.

England's first five kings were named Egbert, Ethelwulf, Ethelbald, Ethelbert and Ethelred. Queen Victoria reigned the longest, 63 years.

## Council Yule Sing To Be Held Sunday

Church bells ringing in Franklin Park at 6:28 p. m. Sunday will be the signal heralding the start of the Community Council's Sixth Annual Christmas Carol Sing on the firehouse grounds. If Sunday's weather proves inclement, the sing will be held in the building.

The program, with Bruce Armstrong as master of ceremonies, will include solos by Alfreda Riederling and Thad Tharney, Leonard Bardsley, Vance Dunn, Carl Hallgren and Stanley Zolto will treat listeners to their quartet singing. Local organizations will join the Community Chorus members on the second verse of each song.

A four-piece brass ensemble from the Joseph Gross orchestra will accompany the singing. The ensemble will be furnished by the Music Performance Fund, administered by New Brunswick Local 204 of the American Federation of Musicians.

Each of the six classes in the Kingston School is holding a Christmas party, complete with a tree and entertainment. The classes also will take part in a Christmas assembly tentatively scheduled for next Wednesday morning.

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