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142 to Receive Their Diplomas

Franklin Township schools will graduate 142 8th Grade students from Pine Grove, Middlebush and Kingston Schools in exercises this week and next.

The first graduation will be at 8 p.m. tomorrow in Pine Grove with 69 students getting diplomas. Thirty-one will graduate from Middlebush Tuesday night and 42 Wednesday night from Kingston.

Diplomas at the three schools will be presented by Leonard J. Bardsley, president of the Board of Education. The graduates will be presented to Mr. Bardsley by Dr. James M. Lynch, school superintendent.

The theme of graduation at all three schools will be "Our American Heritage of Freedom." Students will narrate elections made famous in American history by such men as George Washington, Abraham Lincoln and Thomas Paine. Portions from the Declaration of Independence and the Mayflower Pact also will be recited.

The Rev. Francis X. Donovan of St. Peter's R.C. Church will give the invocation and benediction in Pine Grove Manor and Linda Gebhardt will welcome parents, relatives and friends on behalf of the graduating class. Frank Rotatori will present the class.

In Middlebush the Rev. Vernon

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Stults Ordained By Presbytery

C. Richard Stults of Shaw Drive, Kingston, was ordained Thursday in the Kingston Presbyterian Church.

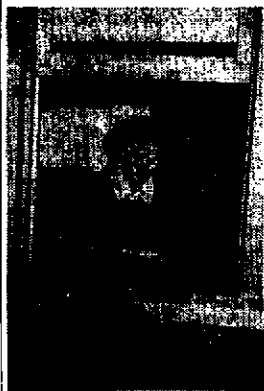
The ordination service was conducted by the Presbytery of New Brunswick, Rev. G. Hale Bucher, Moderator of Presbytery, presiding. Dr. Bucher is pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in New Brunswick.

The sermon at the ordination was given by Dr. Howard T. Kuist, professor of English Bible at Princeton Theological Seminary. The Rev. Henry W. Heaps, pastor of Kingston Presbyterian

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Rev. C. Richard Stults



Mrs. Edna Bowen

Park Post Office To Be Upgraded

Franklin Park Post Office will be advanced to second class status July 1, Postmaster Edna Bowen has announced. The office now holds third class ranking.

The Franklin Park office postal unit becomes the second in Franklin Township to be ranked second class, Kingston being the first.

Post offices are ranked according to receipts for a one-year period. To be advanced from third to second class, Franklin Park had to have receipts totaling more than \$8,000 annually.

In the period from Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1955, receipts totaled more than \$9,200.

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Structo Bids Rejected; Public Meeting Called For Tuesday at 8 p.m.

Advisory Group Considers Next Move in Structo School Mix-up

The Lay Advisory Committee is planning to meet later this week to determine where it stands in its relationship to Structo School Corp.

The Committee will seek to map the action it will take at the open-to-the-public conference Tuesday night in Pine Grove Manor School, where Structo, Board of Education and Lay Advisory members are scheduled to be present.

A volunteer civic group organized to aid the Board of Education plan and develop schools in the Township, the Lay Advisory Committee is seriously disturbed by Structo's actions Monday night. The committee was instrumental in getting the Structo propositions accepted here early this year.

Some of the members feel that

a serious mistake was made in not having the committee sit in on discussions between Structo engineers and the board's architects, Micklewright & Mountford, when plans and specifications were drawn.

Members of the committee had come to the meeting Monday night prepared to ask many questions. They had been informed that the original plans and specifications had not been followed.

Saturday night they obtained a copy of the plans and specifications from the board and in a meeting Sunday prepared a list of questions to throw at the board and Structo last Monday night. They were forestalled when the board rejected the bids and called for the meeting with Structo, the architects and the committee next Tuesday night.

Structo Schools Corp. will be given a last chance Tuesday night to bid for contracts to build two new elementary schools in Franklin.

The Board of Education after rejecting Structo's bids in a special session Monday night in Pine Grove Manor School, decided to hold a public meeting with Structo officials, representatives of the firm's architects, Anderson & Nichols, the board's own architects and members of the Lay Advisory Committee.

The meeting will begin at 8 p.m. Tuesday in Pine Grove Manor School.

If Monday night's special session to consider Structo's bids was any indication of the future, Tuesday's meeting may be somewhat strained and bitter.

\$ Half-Million Over

After hearing and rejecting the bids made by Structo which came to \$515,161 more than the \$998,000 bond issue that was passed

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Housing Authority, Site Approved, Now Rushing to Beat U.S. Deadline

Now that the Franklin Housing Authority has been granted a site for its 60-apartment unit low-rent Federal public housing development, it is racing the calendar to prepare all necessary plans and specifications required for approval by the U. S. Public Housing Authority before the June 30 deadline.

Mrs. Elizabeth Niebyl, executive director of the local Authority, expressed confidence Tuesday night that the Federal deadline can be met. If the deadline for some reason is not met, the Authority will be frozen out of this year's housing appropriations.

Committee Unanimous

The biggest local obstacle to the Authority's plans was cleared Tuesday night when the Township Committee in a special meeting unanimously approved a resolution to sell to the Authority township-owned land for the site. Cost of the site will be based on an appraiser's estimate. Committeeman W. Russell Laird abstained in the vote because he is chairman of the Authority.

The Township Committee's action followed immediately a special meeting of the Planning Board which declared the site

would not interfere with Franklin's zoning plans.

The Planning voted 5-0 in favor of the resolution with Fred Bascom and Wendell Forbes abstaining.

The five-acre housing site is between Hamilton and Somerset Streets and Millstone Road and Matilda Avenue. It is part of 20 acres of municipal property that has been for years proposed for park use but never formally dedicated to that purpose.

The Township Committee, however, promised to formally dedicate the remainder of the area to park use and to add other land it owns to make up for the portion allocated to housing.

Acquisition of the site raised a good deal of opposition from many of the people living in the area. They contended that the land had been promised as a park and that it was needed more for that purpose than for dwellings.

Protests Heard

These opponents have turned out at Township Committee, Housing Authority and Planning Board meetings in the last several weeks to bitterly protest the decision.

Tuesday night was no excep-

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Code To Dedicate 20-Acre Park Site

An ordinance formally dedicating to park use approximately 20 acres of land between Hamilton and Somerset Streets and Millstone Road and Eugene Avenue is scheduled for introduction tonight at the Township Committee meeting, according to Mayor James G. Maher.

He made the announcement Tuesday night at the joint meeting of the Planning Board and the Township Committee held to pass on a resolution approving the site for a low rent Federal public housing development in that area.

Mayor Maher said the Committee would include in the park enough land to make up for that portion detached from the housing site.

Most of the Township-owned land in that area has been set aside for park use, but no ordinance ever was passed formally dedicating it. Mayor Maher said that once formally dedicated it could not be used for another use.

Women Dem Club Elects Miss Feller

Miss Beate Feller was elected president of the Women's Democratic Club Monday night at a meeting held in the home of Mrs. Thomas Del Casale of Bensenville Lane.

Others elected were Mrs. Michael Pascos of Coppermine Road, vice-president; Mrs. Victor Diczeghy of Cortelyou Lane, secretary, and Mrs. Charles McCloskey of Cooper Avenue, treasurer.

Guest speaker at the meeting was Leonard Ruppert, public relations chairman of the Township Housing Authority.

Miss Feller succeeds Mrs. Morgan Upton as president of the club.



Miss Beate Feller

In the Mail

Sicora Questioned

Editor, The News:

Several days ago I was present at a citizens' meeting where four out of five of our Township Committeemen were called upon to answer questions concerning some of the major issues facing the taxpayers of Franklin.

Among the questions was the one about the bad condition of our roads and when the taxpayers could expect some improvement in them.

Mr. Sicora, who has served as road commissioner for two years, stated that this year's road budget was only \$30,000, and that in the past we had received \$18,000 to \$20,000 from the State, but allocated by the county, for new roads. He said that this year we did not get the State money, so that with the \$30,000 all that could be done was to put a little patch here and there on different roads.

Asked why the \$18,000 was taken away, the answer was that county authorities felt that since Franklin had an allotment every year for several years, it was time for some other municipality to get the money.

It is a well-known fact that the State Highway Department includes in its budget a sum of money for each county, which in turn allots it to the various municipalities, and it is intended that each municipality get a share. According to Mr. Sicora's statement, Franklin is not receiving any of this road money. Why is this so? Our Township is the second largest in the county; our roads are in extremely poor condition and getting worse daily. Yet we are denied by the county the funds intended for us by the State.

Here now is your elected Township official, who has, so far as is known, put up no resistance to this condition. Has he given the county authorities an argument about it? Has he quoted facts and figures to show Franklin's need for roads? Has he applied to the county organization for reinstatement of any of this money? No questions asked, no quarter given.

The time has come for the taxpayers of the Township to assert themselves and make it plain to our elected officials that we will stand up and be counted when our welfare is threatened.

We will elect officials who will act in the best interests of the people. This Mr. Sicora has failed to do. He has remained strictly silent on any of the major issues, including the present discussions between Township officials and the taxpayers over a

promised park, located within site of his own back yard. As he is up for election this year, the people have a right to expect from him a statement of where he stands on this and other vital issues which have to be faced in the coming year.

Michael Lisi

Runyon Holstein Ranked 1st for '55

Bridge Point Ormsby Sally, a 7-year-old Holstein owned by Herbert R. Runyon of Millstone, averaged 25 quarts of milk daily to lead New Jersey milk production by registered Holsteins last year, according to the Holstein-Friesian Association of America.

Four other county Holstein breeders also were listed in the official production records, as follows:

Runyon farm—Amcans Dame Bridget produced a total of 15,989 pounds of milk and 581 pounds of butterfat as a 7-year-old. In 360 days she averaged 21 quarts of milk daily. Bridge Point Ormsby Sally produced 16,435 pounds of milk and 558 pounds of butterfat as a 7-year-old. She was tested for 312 days.

J. Warren Mathers farm, Somerville—New Center Nudine Ormsby produced 14,854 pounds of milk and 528 pounds of butterfat as a 4-year-old. In 327 days she averaged 21 quarts of milk daily.

Israel D. Phillips farm, Somerville—Ann Johanna Lochinvar produced 16,371 pounds of milk and 578 pounds of butterfat as a 7-year-old. In 318 days she averaged 24 quarts of milk daily.

Pillar of Fire farm, Zarephath—Zarephath Rose Korn dyke Echo produced 15,245 pounds of milk and 535 pounds of butterfat as a 14-year-old. Her average for 365 days was 19 quarts of milk daily.

J. Irving Stryker farm, Neshaanic—Modelyne Mistress Trailblazer produced 14,275 pounds of milk and 543 pounds of butterfat as a 9-year-old, averaging 18 quarts of milk in 365 days. Modelyne Lucy Chieftain produced 18,033 pounds of milk and 628 pounds of butterfat as an 8-year-old with a daily average of 23 quarts.

All Holsteins tested were milked twice a day. Supervision of the weighing and testing, which is part of the Herd Improvement Registry of the Holstein-Friesian Association, was done by the New Jersey State College of Agriculture.

The program provides individual lactation and lifetime production records on every regis-

BIRTHS

In Princeton Hospital

June 8—A son, to Mr. & Mrs. Louis Amalfitano, Washington Street, Rocky Hill.

June 8—A daughter, to Mr. & Mrs. Donald W. Rogers, Washington Street, Rocky Hill.

tered Holstein in participating herds. These records are considered valuable for selection of blood lines important to successful dairy cattle breeding.

SOMERSET REPRESENTED IN STATE ART EXHIBITION

A landscape and an abstract from Somerset County artists are among 50 watercolor paintings by living New Jersey painters now on exhibition in the New Jersey State Museum in Trenton.

Morgan Drake Hart of Pluckemin submitted "Landscape," and Alice Van Orden of Pottersville presented "Windy Monday," an abstract based on laundry being blown as it hangs on a clothesline.

The exhibition will be open until Sept. 3.

PICNIC NEXT PLAY IN FOOTHILL THEATRE

"Picnic," the hit Broadway play by William Inge, will open Wednesday in Foothill Play House on Beechwood Avenue, Middlesex. It will be presented also June 21, 22, 23, 27, 28, 29 and 30.

The Playhouse production of "Separate Rooms" closes Saturday.

The Southern Confederacy was organized in Charleston, S. C., Dec. 20, 1860.

Legion's Essay Contest Won by Peter Guzzo

Two students in the Kingston School and one Pine Grove Manor School student were the winners in the safety essay contest sponsored by American Legion Post 383 of South Bound Brook.

First prize winner was Kingston School student Peter Guzzo, son of Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Guzzo of Bennett's Lane. Second prize was won by John Fedor Jr. of Pine Grove. He is the son of Mr. & Mrs. John Fedor of 887 Hamilton Street. Third prize went to Kingston School's Dorothy Goetz, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Goetz of Main Street, Kingston.

The contest was for students in the 7th and 8th Grades in Franklin Township schools. Gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded.

Guzzo and Fedor are 8th Grade students. Miss Goetz is in the 7th Grade.

VICTOR CALVO HOST AT GRADUATION PARTY

An open house party for his classmates in St. Peter's High School graduating class was given Saturday night by Victor Calvo.

The party was held in the home of his parents, Mr. & Mrs. Casimiro Calvo of 11 Reeves Avenue, about 175 of his classmates attended the party.

MR. & MRS. KEREKES CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Mr. & Mrs. John Kerekes of 7 Reeve Avenue, celebrated their 18th wedding anniversary June 5.

Fire Chiefs Adopt Association Code

A constitution and by-laws were adopted by the Fire Chiefs Association at a meeting in the 2nd District Firehouse a week ago last night.

The chiefs decided that the new constitution and by-laws were needed for the implementation of the fire ordinance approved May 24 by the Township Committee.

This ordinance gives the fire chiefs responsibility for inspecting homes and businesses for fire hazards and issuing warnings where dangerous conditions are found.

The association is now preparing fire permits, inspection and violation forms.

Pelham Stewart, Franklin Park fire chief and president of the chiefs' association, said that even though permits are not ready yet, the provision in the ordinance prohibiting kindling of open fires without permission is in effect.

Anyone wishing to kindle an open fire must apply to the chief of his fire district for a verbal or temporary permit. This does not apply to covered trash burners.

The chiefs will meet again July 10 in the Community Volunteer Firehouse with Mayor James G. Maher to discuss further fire control plans.

DANCE HELD BY PTA FOR GRADUATING CLASS

The Pine Grove Manor School PTA Saturday night sponsored a party and dance in the school for the graduating class.

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The Somerset-Raritan Valley Sewerage Authority has decided how much dough it needs from each one of its municipal members to construct and operate its treatment facilities. The only impediment now is getting Somerville and Bridgewater to shell out.

The authority last week established a new set of pro rata figures after Johns-Manville flew the coop as a potential paying customer.

Despite a boost of some 5 Ga a year, Raritan said 'twould go along with the new levies. Somerville also came out in neat fashion, experiencing a drop of about nine big Ga.

And then from somewhere in midair they came up with a figure for Bridgewater which more than doubled its share. The new prices are based largely on future use of the pipes, SA said, so sprawling Bridgewater which is bloated with residential and industrial growth has to pay the piper.

The new rates came after a quick chit-chat between the Authority engineers and the municipal engineers of Somerville and Raritan. Then, after a quicker (closed) meeting of the SA, out came the prices.

Bridgewater Mayor Jim Dobson turned up at an Authority meeting Monday with fire in his eyes, but he never got a chance to recite the numerical sonnet he'd memorized. Seems Somerville's engineering brains didn't show, and Jim wasn't going to spill the figures he'd memorized unless big brother was there.

Somerville's coy folk evidently hoped to read the papers Tuesday to get the details of Bridgewater's reaction to the new fees, because they didn't bother to notify the Authority officially that they had other things to do Monday afternoon, the time set for full-dress rate talks among the towns.

So, a few short weeks after almost being put out of business by the State Dept. of Health because of its snail-like habits, the SA returns to its shell and flounders until tomorrow night when everybody is supposed to bring his marbles to a meeting in Bridgewater Municipal Building.

SA Chairman Freas L. Hess should arm himself with a wallet full of trading stamps to pass out to the boys who behave most like men tomorrow night.

Somerset, as well as most other counties in this fair land, is in the grip of the premium glim-mick called stamp madness.

A small super market down North Plainfield way has carved a new crease in the philatelic craze. A large sign over the pickle barrel blares out this

message: "Bring in all your old green stamps and convert them to our yellow stamps."

It was pointed out here some time back that this man Philip B. Hofmann is a real versatile guy. There's no reason to retract this. Matter of fact, this week we second the motion.

You can bet all your yaller stamps that it wasn't green stamps that Phil conveyed last week to Mathilda Woerner, ticket chairman of the county Democrats' upcoming \$10-a-plate in Somerville Inn.

Phil's experience as a former County GOP finance chairman paid off when some Democrats complained that Phil's free planning pork roast next Thursday night in Far Hills Inn would drain the county of many eligible ticket purchasers.

Phil's 1,500-name invitation list would leave only baby sitters at home in Somerset's 21 towns, and wouldn't it be a shame to leave Gov. Meyner eating alone, the Dems wailed.

Regardless of Hofmann's giveaway, the Dems expect a full house to greet their No. 1 Boy.

Democrats and Republicans alike are toeing the mark this week, all set to bring truth to the masses once again between now and November.

Somerset Democrats are going back to school this summer, when the County Committee sponsors a series of classes for candidates.

In Trenton Saturday, Somerset was well represented at a publicity clinic held for GOP release writers, both amateur and professional. The seminar was led by Al Fulling of Bedminster, former Associated Press newboy who is now the State Committee's publicity director.

Al's advice to his underlings was to make sure each local publicity chairman had a typewriter on hand. So, getcher glasses on girls. You'll have reading matter aplenty twixt now and November.

By the way, that Democratic school-for-candidates is a most commendable program. Candidates who know what they're talking about during a campaign have a lot better chance of doing a better job after they're elected.

4TH YOUTH WORKSHOP HELD OVER WEEKEND

The fourth annual Youth Workshop at the State 4-H Camp in Stokes State Forest Saturday and Sunday was expected to attract close to 200 teen-age and young adult Grange members.

Four lectures and discussion workshops were scheduled, featuring a lecture by Franklin C. Nixon of Vincentown, master of the State Grange. A safe driving contest, a campfire get-together, religious services, and hiking, swimming and other events was planned.

Jack D. Sharp of Swedesboro, chairman of the State Grange youth committee, was in charge of the program, assisted by Mary E. Lucas, Charles L. Rue Jr. and Edgar V. Woolf.

STATE CHAMBER ELECTS B. L. ENGLAND PRESIDENT

The New Jersey State Chamber of Commerce elected Bayard L. England, president of Atlantic City Electric Company, its president last Thursday at the annual Chamber board of directors meeting in Newark.

He succeeds John C. Williams, president of the Williams & London Agency in Newark.

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No Place to House Delinquents, Morhart Tells Board of Freeholders

John A. Morhart, chief probation officer for Somerset County, notified the Board of Freeholders Friday that he has no place to detain juvenile delinquents.

A former agreement with Mercer County to keep the youngsters there until their cases are heard is no longer in effect, Mr. Morhart said in a letter to the Freeholders, and cited three recent cases where he has had juveniles on his hands and no place to put them.

The matter was referred to Freeholder C. I. Van Cleef, chairman of the Welfare Department, who said he and Mr. Morhart are to confer with Morris County officials on a proposal by Morris that Somerset juveniles be detained in a home that the county plans to build.

Road Work Requests

The Freeholders received three requests for road work, which were referred to County Engineer Donald Stires and Road Supervisor C. Irving Van Cleef.

Plainfield Area Safety Council asked for cooperative action by Somerset and Middlesex counties to widen the N. Washington Avenue bridge in Dunellen and Green Brook Township. Raritan's Mayor & Council asked for excavation and removal of trolley ties from Somerset Street between Old York Road and Route 208, and installation of a catch basin near the Raritan Valley Country Club. The Warren Township Civic Association reported a hazardous condition on roads where white center lines are worn away and have not been repainted.

A request was made in person by a Somerville resident for concerted county, state and municipal action to check a storm sewer which is eroding land behind his home. Louis F. Vossel of 121 Easton Avenue, Somerville, said the problem has become more acute, and ganges have been washed away by the ever-widening gully.

The Freeholders approved a contract form drawn by the county engineer and Robert Thompson, county attorney, to keep the county free of any law suits that might be incurred if they enter municipalities for stream clearing or dredging operations. An indemnity contract was recommended for all counties at a recent joint county engineers' meeting.

Bids Awarded

Road material contracts were awarded to eight bidders. Doeh-King Co. Inc. of Whippany will furnish road tar. Barrett Division of Allied Chemical & Dye Corp. of New York City, Kingston Bituminous Products Co., Somerset Crushed Stone Inc. of Bernardsville, and Uniset Asphalt Sales Corp. of Westfield will furnish bituminous concrete.

Broken stone will be supplied

Strictly Fresh

WELL proportioned young women aren't likely to stage in politics. Who ever heard of a pretty girl organizing a whistle-stopping campaign?

Late harvest this year. All the corn won't be husked until bell



time on Election Day.

Times change. The frost is on the pumpkin all year around—in the home freezer.

A poor sport is the fellow who always bets on the wrong horse.

You don't hear of the wolf baying at the door, these days. He's been lured inside and skinned for pelt money by the head of the house.

by Kingston Trap Rock Co., North Jersey Quarry Co. of Morristown, Somerset Crushed Stone Inc., and Somerset Trap Rock Corp. of Westfield.

The Freeholders authorized the employment of Miss Jean C. Conover of 95 Vanderveer Avenue, Somerville, as clerk-typist in the county clerk's office for \$2,200 a year, to succeed Mrs. Lucy B. Amerman, who has resigned.

14 Get Final Tests For Citizenship

Fourteen area residents will take final citizenship examinations and, if successful, will become naturalized citizens at 10 o'clock this morning in the County Court House in Somerville.

County Clerk Robert B. Bergen will administer the citizenship oath.

The class includes two husbands and wives from Manville, Tadeusz and Jennie Jaszuk of 53 Sidoraki Street, and Stanley and Janina Zaklets of 723 Lincoln Avenue, and two sisters from Franklin Township, Rita and Daina Lielmanis of 141 Green Street.

Others taking the test will be Lissolotte Emily Domitrowsky of 163 N. 9th Avenue, Lucy Jankowski, 237 N. 6th Avenue, and Anna Fedorciw, 219 Wyoming Place, all of Manville; Elziana Rolande Palanis, RD 2, Somerville; Walter Fedaraks, Route 20, RD 2, Somerville; Eugenia Johnson, 23 Williams Street, East Millstone; Wasy Iwanoczko, Arnwell Road, Millstone, and Joseph Derkack, Old Mill Road, Neshanic.

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Home Agent, Somerset County Extension Service

TO SPEED SEWING

For accuracy and speed in home sewing, be certain that you are putting to work the up-to-date sewing machine devices that have been designed to help you. Do you have trouble in stitching a straight line? Use some form of guide line.

Some home sewers use basting stitches and others work with carefully placed pins in gauging seam width. However, the cloth seam guide attachment offers an easier and more accurate method. This guide can be attached to the machine with a thumb screw and is adjustable for accurate stitching from approximately an eighth of an inch to one and three-eighths inches from the edge of fabric. All you need do is keep the side of the fabric against the cloth guide in sewing.

For Top Stitching, Tucking

The attachment may also be used when top stitching is needed at the edges of collars, cuffs, pocket flaps, facings and lapels. It is handy for accuracy in sewing tucks.

Until the zipper foot was designed for sewing machines, the insertion of a slide fastener into a garment was sometimes a discouraging and difficult task for many persons. Today a zipper can be put into a garment with considerable ease if the home sewer uses this handy device on her machine. The zipper foot allows the machine needle to enter the fabric close to the metal part of the slide fastener without any danger of breaking the needle or damaging the fastener.

STURDY WALL COVERING

If you have been looking for wall coverings that will resist

scuffing and can be scrubbed, ask your wallpaper dealer to show you the new, unusual and attractive vinyl wall coverings. Some wall coverings are made of tough, firmly woven cotton fabric, bonded with vinyl plastic, in numerous designs and colors.

These heavy duty wall coverings are designed for areas that get hard use in the home—stairways, halls, children's rooms, bathrooms and kitchens and in public buildings also.

Take Scrubbing

They will withstand scuffing, scratches and even scrubbing without marring the color or texture. Ordinary stains can be washed off easily with soap and water, stubborn stains with petroleum naphtha.

Such a wall covering can be used on ceilings or wainscoting in combination with a washable but more economical covering for the upper walls.

This wall covering requires minimum care but gives maximum use. It is both attractive and practical.

SLACKS SLACK ENOUGH?

If you're thinking about making some slacks or shorts for yourself, first ask yourself two questions: "Do I have the figure for them," and "Do I have the time and skill to make them fit just right?"

If your hips measure rather large in relation to your other body measurements, wear attractive, well-designed skirts instead.

Assuming your hips are slim enough and you have the time and skill for careful tailoring, you have a wide choice of available commercial patterns, from Bermuda shorts to tapered ankle-

length 'fancy pants.'

Buy to Fit Hips

In any case, buy your pattern according to your hip measurement. You can always adjust the waistline in cutting and fitting. Check the measurements of the various pattern pieces against your hip, crotch length, waist, thigh and leg length measurements.

Frequently adjustments are required in the length of the crotch and the length of the legs, particularly in slacks. You can avoid bagginess in the seat if you shorten the crotch to fit your measurement. When additional length is needed to avoid snugness in the crotch, this also can be taken care of by lengthening the pattern piece before cutting into your fabric.

When you have cut out your pattern, assemble each unit as indicated in the pattern instructions and baste together. Be certain to try on for fit, right side out. Check the fitting through the hip and thigh areas by sitting to find whether there is sufficient ease. View your silhouette in front of a mirror from front, back and side to see that the garment does not have a draw look.

Make any fitting alterations that are necessary and then proceed to stitch the garment together permanently following pattern instructions.

PLAN PACKING

Plan your vacation packing in advance. That way all items will be conveniently accessible and you'll have fewer wrinkles in your clothes at the end of the journey.

Plastic bottles and jars should be used for all cosmetics to save weight and prevent possible breakage. Because shoes take up much more room and add weight, keep them down to a minimum number. Hats should be small and packable.

May Want Hangers

Coat hangers might be included for convenience, particularly if you are traveling abroad. If you must take several bags, list articles contained in that particular suitcase on a paper attached to the inside lid. Be certain toilet and sleeping articles are always within reach.

Pack your suitcase in layers. The bottom layer should consist of odd shaped articles—shoes, jewelry case and odd items not used regularly, such as bathing suit, extra handbag, hat, gloves and blouses.

Make the second layer dresses, suits and skirts. Cover as much

of the flat area of the suitcase as possible with a minimum of folds. Tissue in sleeves and between folds helps prevent crushing.

The top layer will take care of those articles that are usually needed first—robe, bedroom slippers, pajamas and in some cases umbrella, raincoat and rubbers if you feel the need to carry them. Nylon lingerie and stockings as well as your cosmetic kit will also go here.

Authority Site Gets Approval

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tion, and they fought a last ditch fight to have the site approval resolution turned down. However, Tuesday's audience also contained several who were for the site.

Dr. Otto J. Plescia of 84 Lawrence Street argued that the area and the park were two different issues having no bearing on one another.

Speaking against the site, Miss Barbara Biellinski asked, "Do the people want to help themselves? They seem perfectly content with their shacks." She was referring to the people living in the blighted area which the housing development is meant to help eliminate.

Most of the opposition, as before, was based on taking away park land. Karl F. Doktorich and others in the audience contended that they were not against public housing, but that there was other land available in the Township just as good if not better where it could be built.

'Behind the Times'

In the discussion during the Planning Board meeting, acting chairman Al Michanowski took the floor. He said that he had been living here 17 years and that Franklin Township was 40 years behind the times.

"Everytime we try to do something somebody objects," he said. "Too many people here say what was good enough for my grandparents and for my parents is good enough for me."

He said that the housing project is a good thing and that the Planning Board wants to see the slum areas cleared. The board

also wants to see the park developed and it was going to recommend to the Township Committee that it take immediate steps to do so, he argued.

After Mr. Milchanowski finished, Mr. Doktorich declared that statements to the effect that the development would be built and supported with Federal money and would not cost the Township tax money for building and maintaining sewerage and water lines were incorrect.

2 Abstain

Mrs. Niebyl replied that the site would be bought from the Township which would pay for the utilities and that 10 percent of the rents collected would go to the local government to offset maintenance costs.

When the Planning Board vote was taken, Mr. Forbes explained his abstention by saying he was away when the public hearings were held.

Mr. Bascom explained that he favored another site because he thought it better located. However, he said, he didn't want to vote against his good friend Mr. Laird, whom he had known for years along with his grandfather and father.

Mr. Bascom said the site he favored on Millstone Road near Franklin Boulevard was more valuable than the site chosen. He wondered why, he said, the park site wasn't threshed out before the Planning Board before being made public.

Park Post Office To Be Upgraded

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Mrs. Bowen has been postmaster in Franklin Park since May 2, 1939. At that time it was a fourth class office. It was advanced to third class July 1, 1949.

The developers of Kendall Park have asked the Post Office Department to allow city delivery from Franklin Park for 495 homes in their development two miles north of Franklin Park on Route 27.

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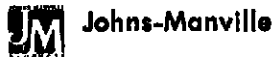
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Dethmers of Middlebush Reformed Church will give the invocation and benediction. An address of welcome will be offered by Darrel Luty and the class presentation by Mary Lou Madson.

Benediction and invocation in Kingston School will be delivered by the Rev. Henry W. Heaps of Kingston Presbyterian Church. Introduction will be by Edward King and class presentation by Janice Sanner.

F. G. Rieck, commander of the Franklin Park Veterans of Foreign Wars post will present pins to the best all-around boy and girl.

The list of graduates in each school follows:

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Frank Meyerhofer, George Moody, John Polo, Frank Rotatori, Nathan Sanders, Raymond Sassman, Robert Shipley, Raymond Skurbe, Jerry Swan, William Teodorczay, Angelo Yatauro, Barbara Barrett, Linda Behrend, Patricia Bekarlan, Maria Alberta Bongiovanni, Karen Campbell, Dorothy Cardwell, Margaret Cheh, Lois Ciancia, Barbara DeSisto, Marilyn Day, Eva Mae Flowers, Margaret Ford, Laureale Fox, Linda Gebhardt, Irene Holley, Cheryl Jerskey, Nancy Kintzer.

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Middlebush

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Frederick J. Lamfuss, Daniel La Rue, Victor Darrel Luty, Mary Lou Madson, John McKeon Jr., Leonard Petlick, Theodore Pochinski, Jr., Ruthann Reynolds, Robert Ross, Doris L. Thompson, James T. Uby, Janet L. Voorhees, Linda Wallace, Robert Yellen.

Kingston

Judith Bagley, Rose Ida Baldino, David Bapptist, Elizabeth Bernard, Frances Burnett, Joan Burnett, Shirley Burnett, Carol Carlsen, Richard Coleman, Robert Coles, Barry Davall, Margaret Dunn, Ronald Edwards, Lanny Eichert, Richard Gingles, Richard Giske, Dorothy Goetz, John Gogely, Arnold Gunderson.

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DEATHS

WILLIAM RENEELS, 68
The Rev. Cyrus E. Grant conducted funeral services for William Reneels, 68, at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Anderson Funeral Home, New Brunswick. Burial was in Van Liew Cemetery, New Brunswick.

Mr. Reneels, of 403 Girard Avenue, died last Thursday in Roosevelt Hospital, Edison, where he had been a patient for three years.

Before his illness he was employed by the Bellmore Dress Company, Inc., New Brunswick. He was an overseas Army veteran of World War I.

Mr. Reneels survived by his wife, Mary; three daughters, Mrs. Pinkie White of New Brunswick, and Mrs. Bertha Wallace and Mrs. Lottie Hawkins, of New York City; a brother, Arthur, of Pennsylvania, and 10 grandchildren.

COUNTY REPUBLICANS

PLAN JUNE 26 PICNIC

The Somerset County Republican Executive Committee's annual picnic has been scheduled for Tuesday, June 26, at 5 p.m. on the farm of Freeholder C. I. Van Cleef, River Road, Blackwells Mills.

The affair had been held on the farm of former Assemblyman Anderson Fowler of Bedminster in recent years. Nearly 400 Republicans are invited, County Chairman Lewis J. Gray announced.

Moses led the Israelites out of Egypt in 1450 B. C.

Maher Recommends Freeholders Create Industrial Commission

Mayor James Maher of Franklin Township asked the Board of Freeholders Friday to establish a county industrial commission.

The News has been campaigning editorially for the creation of a county industrial agency.

The mayor, whose recommendation was taken under advisement by Freeholder Director Henry Fetherston, said a county-level setup is essential if municipalities are to compete with surrounding areas for new industries.

Municipal industrial commissions established by Franklin, Montgomery, Hillsborough and other communities in the county are mere stopgaps, the mayor said, and cannot afford to do the kind of research job that a county body could do.

Mayor Maher, who is a member of the County Planning Board, suggested that the industrial commissioner staff be made independent of the Planning Board but work in cooperation with it.

Township Committeeman Charles Sicora of Franklin supported the mayor's appeal.

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The three Sicora brothers, Charles, Steve and Harry, have purchased 2.64 acres near Leupp Lane on the west side of Canal Road. The land, bought from Best Corporation, formerly was part of the 800-acre RCA property which Best purchased last year.

The purchase includes three steel and masonry buildings on the property, two of which are six-room homes and the other a large dormitory.

Township Committeeman Charles Sicora said that his brother Harry would live in one of the homes and that his other brother would either live in or rent the other.

He said that they are negotiating to rent the dormitory building and would make an announcement about it in the near future.


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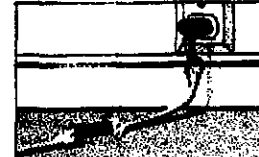
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Support for an Industrial Agency

The proposal that an industrial commission be established for Somerset County got a significant shove Friday morning when Franklin Township's Mayor James Maher appeared before the Board of Freeholders and formally recommended that the county government create such an agency.

Establishment of such a commission was proposed here last month, and it has been a subject of much editorializing over the years by this newspaper organization. Creation of an industrial agency has found limited conversation in official quarters, though Freeholder C. I. Van Cleeve went so far in the last Primary campaign as to endorse an industrial department for Somerset. However, the conversation never made much headway, and C. I.'s campaign announcement got lost as soon as he had won renomination.

Friday morning there were a few murmurs of approval from the Freeholders, Director Henry Fetherstone agreeing to study the proposition, and perhaps we should classify this as progress.

Taking the floor at the Board of Freeholders meeting to put the proposition on the record is another indication of Mr. Maher's growing political stature in the county. A Republican like the three Freeholders, he could have promoted the proposal privately, or through the County Planning Board of which he is a member. Instead, he supported the industrial commission publicly where all could hear and the record could be inscribed.

Though only a first-term mayor, Mr. Maher is deeply conscious of a community's growing pains and the tax ailments that accompany them. His 40-square mile municipality has a tremendous future before it, but up to

now Franklin is composed mainly of homes and farms, the commercial strength of the municipality being comparatively nil. New homes are rising in Franklin every month, and new homes mean more school rooms, more roads, more police protection, more municipal employees and higher taxes, and Mayor Maher knows that industry must come in to balance the economic load if spiraling taxes are to be avoided.

Mr. Maher is deeply concerned, but one must wonder if the Freeholders are sufficiently aware of the dangers confronting some Somerset municipalities. The Mayor contends that municipal industrial commissions, like the one he created this year in Franklin, are only stopgaps, that individually the municipalities cannot afford to do the industrial commission job like it should be done, that therefore this is a county task.

Franklin Township's mayor scores a good point, and there is no time like the moment for the Board of Freeholders to give some slight indication that it knows we are living in a fast moving world.

"We have contended for long," The News editorialized recently, "that industrial development can be made in Somerset without disturbing the lovely countryside in which we live. A county industrial commission working intelligently with municipal industrial development groups could channel efforts to bring to a community those kinds of enterprises it would like to have."

Such a goal might be achieved if the Board of Freeholders would generate a little speed. The G.O.P. Trio certainly would get a move on if more individuals of Mr. Maher's calibre would express approval publicly.

MICROSCOPE ON COMMUNISM

By Dr. Alexander S. Balinsky
Assistant professor of economics and specialist in Russian affairs and economics, Rutgers University, the State University of New Jersey.

As one who is daily concerned with the teaching of our younger generation, this columnist is impelled to issue a warning and some useful advice to parents. The moment will arrive soon when the current generation of high school and college students again will be endangered by the "united frontism" of the American Communist Party.

Based upon a careful study of the American communist press, as well as conversations with communists, this writer has been able to piece together the "New Party Line," effective as of this moment. It is a line which (unless carefully guarded against) will have a profound and dangerous influence on the behavior and future of our children.

Here is what American communists are and will be saying: Since the death of Lenin (in 1924), or soon thereafter, the Soviet Union has been nothing but an oversized slave labor camp. Everything that the anti-communists have been saying about the U.S.S.R. is true and undeniable. Party members are admitting publicly that the many accounts of Soviet terror, suffering and inhuman discipline reported in the American press are not only true but understatements of the real situation as it exists in Stalin's Russia.

All Stalin's Fault

Of course, the blame is all placed at the corpse of Stalin the Terrible. For in Khrushchev's own words, all prior ills were due to the "savagely, half-mad and power-crazed" Stalin. Up to this point we can agree with both Khrushchev and the American communists. It's what follows that portends danger for us and our younger generation.

Following these admissions of guilt and error, the American communists say: All that is in the past. Now communists are intent on building a truly new world—a real worker's paradise.

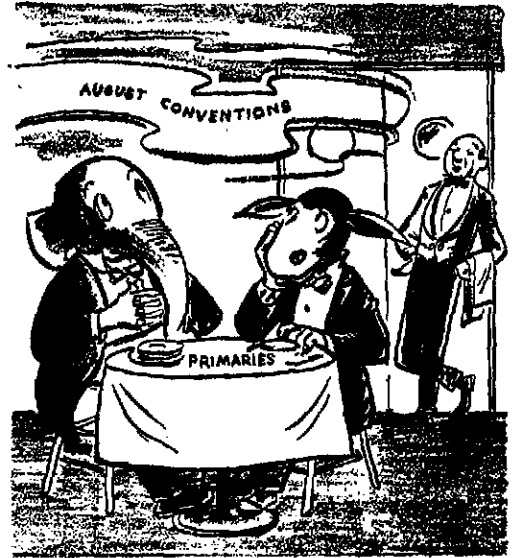
The danger to our youth comes in the fact that the communists are and will be telling them that the responsibility for correcting the ills of the world is theirs—through the Communist Party.

Time for Teaching

American youth was told this same story by the communists in the 1930s during the period of the United Front. Many believed it and joined the communists only to be embittered and disillusioned by the many changes in the party line between 1939 and 1955. A good number of those who suffered through the Congressional Investigating Committees during the McCarthy era were the gullible, idealistic youths of the 1930s.

We have lived through this period—and have learned our lesson. History tells us that as the "cold war" gave way to the "new look," so the "new look" can give way to the "new offensive." After all, Khrushchev did not say anything about Stalin which Stalin had not said about others and that others may not again say about Khrushchev. Isn't this the time when the intelligent parent should help his child learn the lesson of history?

Waiting for the Main Course



Of Books, Plays & Sundry Things...

Comfort Me with Apples

The truly comic novel is a rare occurrence in the modern world. Somehow writers seem unable, these days, to sustain the comic spirit for 350 pages. Collections of comic sketches are not at all infrequent. Autobiographical essays on the order of Clarence Day's "Life With Father" are very popular. Novels like J. D. Salinger's "Catcher in the Rye" are riotously funny on the surface, but underneath them runs a deep current of something that is very nearly tragedy. None of these fulfill the requirements of the comic novel.

But Peter de Vries is brilliantly able to produce a real comic novel, one which is very funny without ever being silly, pointless or stupid. "Comfort Me with Apples," his second effort in this form, recently was published by Little-Brown. It is a delightful satire on small city life, middle class morality, intellectual snobism, Sherlock Holmes type mysteries, the free life and almost anything else of which you can think. If kidding any two of these things (middle class morality and the free life) in the same book seems contradictory, well, Peter de Vries manages it.

Affectionate Approach

He manages it because his book is not a satire in the Swiftian sense. He loves all his crazy, mixed-up characters. His attitude toward life is basically an affectionate one. He has no particular axe to grind; he sees foolishness in all forms of human behavior. His object is not to tear down one way of life or one kind of person in order to build up another.

"Comfort Me with Apples" is the autobiography of one Chick Swallow, resident of Decency, Connecticut. As an adolescent Chick belongs to a clique of "pimpled boulevardiers" who sit around in fin-de-siècle annual trading aphorisms built on the Oscar Wilde model. They argue constantly, but agree on one thing—they will never be trapped into normality. The rest of the book traces Chick's assumption of every one of those characteristics which is abhorrent to him.

His initiation into the mysteries of sex causes him several weeks of agony concerning the possibility of becoming a father. When his girl, one Crystal Chick-

ering, informs him that this will not come to pass, he asks her to marry him "in an ecstasy of gratitude." From there on in he's a goner.

Columnist by Inheritance

Chick's father-in-law, a shirt sleeve philosopher who writes a column called "The Lamplighter" for the local daily, dies while rounding third base in a charity baseball game. Chick takes over as the Lamplighter in order to support his growing family, and before you know it, he has succumbed to the Pepigrams, invented by his father-in-law to close his columns, and for which Chick has such a knack. The old Oscar Wilde man ("Instead of coming to one's senses, how much more delightful to let one's senses come to one") makes Edgar Guest look like the last word in sophistication ("If you keep your sleeves rolled up, you won't get so much on the cuff").

A Mrs. Thickness becomes Chick's soul-mate, his escape from the world of Pepigrams. The affair is a fantastically platonic one, but Chick is nevertheless eaten up by guilt concerning the whole thing. He indulges in complex daydreams in which his wife repays him for his pedicillos by devastating him with the acid wit he always had wished she might possess. Prosaic Crystal becomes, in his fantasies, the toast of the international set.

As a matter of fact, the dream just about comes true, but not until after the unfolding of a very complex chain of events involving a small time thief named Pete Cheesebe and Chick's near-dwell brother-in-law who has a talent for nothing except deductive reasoning.

By the time the whole thing is over, reality has been reduced to a quivering mound of jello, but a tastier mound cannot be imagined.

—Barb

TICKLERS

By George



"Let's pretend that I'm your minister. Kindly move to the back of the church!"

Structo Bids Rejected Public Meeting Called

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In February for a 21-room Elizabeth Avenue and a 10-room Franklin Park school, considerable tension arose because of the sudden increase in costs.

Board members were particularly resentful because Structo distributed a prepared statement to reporters and public at the same time it was given them.

The Structo statement blamed the excessive costs on deviations from its original plans, which it said were now "tantamount to individually designed schools as against the Structo school as we conceive it. This cost cannot under the existing circumstances be lowered."

The reason behind the increased costs was laid to high bidding by individual contractors who have allowed themselves "an abnormally high margin," to the short time given the company to prepare its estimates, in the increase of the square footage of the buildings since the original estimate and to "changes, relocations, enlargements and additions in basic facilities in the buildings." These changes, the statement declared, make "the execution of the original Structo design and plan of erection and installation impossible to duplicate in this instance."

Structo offered the services of its staff to work with the board and its architects for the designing of school buildings along its original plans.

Explanations Sought

The board, which had been shocked at Structo's bids of \$1,422,938 as compared to the \$907,779 which it had allotted for the construction, was incensed over the publicity statement.

Board members quickly rose to seek an explanation from William Deegan, executive vice-president of Structo, but he disclaimed any advance knowledge of the statement, though he said he was willing to accept responsibility for it.

Questions as to why the bids were so much higher, why Structo said it could not get bids from plumbers, why changes were made in the original plans and specifications, were turned aside by Mr. Deegan with the comment that he was unfamiliar with the technical end of the job and that those questions would have to be answered by "technical" people of his firm.

Mr. Deegan obviously was embarrassed by the barrage of queries which he said he could not answer. Previously he had told Leonard J. Bardsley that he would have to leave the meeting early in order to catch a plane to Chicago.

But when he attempted to leave the meeting, members of the audience demanded that he stay and Mr. Deegan stuck it out to the bitter end.

Part of the difference between the Monday night bids and the figure called for in the board's program was caused by the increase in specifications for a multi-purpose room in each school.

Structo's original design called for dimensions of 54 x 81 feet, but the board, spurred on by the Lay Advisory Committee, asked its architects to change the specifications and increase the room's size. The present plans call for a 53 x 120-foot room.

The multi-purpose room will be used as an auditorium, cafeteria and assembly room.

Spiro Critical

While there, he listened to charges of former board member George Spiro that "Structo had sold Franklin Township down the river."

To all questions about high bids and to charges of ill faith, Mr. Deegan replied that his company would be glad to sit down with the board and its architects and draw up a construction plan that would fit the original cost of \$907,779.

Mr. Bardsley told Mr. Deegan that he couldn't understand the high bids made by Structo and why they had come at this late hour. He said that Structo should have been aware of any design changes and increased costs at every stage because its engineers had been doing the major share of the mechanical design with the board's architects, Mickelwright & Mountford.

Architect Explains

Albert Mickelwright then gave a history of the relationship of his firm with Structo. He said their technical people had been in on every phase of the designing.

Changes in specifications, he said, were made with the approval or at the instance of Structo's designers.

Mr. Mickelwright also took note of criticism on use of Philippine mahogany for paneling. Turning to Mr. Deegan, he said, "Your architects made the recommendation for that paneling."

Later Mr. Mickelwright compared the cost per square foot for the Franklin schools as to other New Jersey schools now being built. Structo pre-engineered schools originally were estimated to cost one-third to one-

half less per square foot than conventional construction.

As now designed, Mr. Deegan estimated that the Franklin Park school would cost \$20 per square foot and the Elizabeth Avenue school \$22 per square foot.

However, he said, a school being built by his firm in another state would cost \$13.77 per square foot.

Several schools now being designed throughout the State by his firm, Mr. Mickelwright said, range from a cost of \$11.89 per square foot in Lakewood to \$15.70 per square foot for a "plush" school in Freehold.

Broken Promises

Board member John J. Kelly charged that Structo had not lived up to any of its promises except for "the one we got in writing giving us a 10-year guarantee on the two schools."

Mr. Kelly made the motion to reject all bids. He also moved that the architect prepare plans substituting masonry walls for Structo steel while making use of the remainder of Structo plans, but he withdrew this at the suggestion of Mr. Mickelwright who advised waiting until after the meeting Tuesday night with Structo.

After Mr. Deegan made his statement that his company had great difficulty getting firms to submit sub-contractor bids, a contractor told newsmen present that many were "scared off" by the \$75-a-day penalty for failing to meet the completion deadline. He said this penalty was unusual.

Questioned after the meeting by a News reporter, Mr. Mickelwright said penalty clauses were common in public jobs, although not in private construction.

To Sell Bonds

In other business, the board approved a resolution providing for the sale of temporary bonds to provide funds for expenses already incurred for the new schools.

The board will sell \$85,000 in bonds at 3 percent interest to the Peoples National Bank of New Brunswick. The bonds will mature December 31.

The remainder of the \$998,000 of bonds will be sold at interest not to exceed six percent. State law forbids paying higher interest.

Two janitors were hired, Arthur Spain for Franklin Park and Robert Brian for Kingston School. They will be paid \$230 a month.

Stults Ordained By Presbytery

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Church, delivered the charge to the newly ordained minister.

Others participating in the ordination were Dr. E. Van Dyke Wight, formerly Stated Supply member of the Kingston Church; the Rev. Wilbert J. Beeners, associate professor of speech at Princeton Seminary; the Rev. Carl A. Luthman, pastor of the Lafayette Federated Church, and Dr. Donald H. Gard, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Trenton.

Rev. Stults' first pulpit will be the First Presbyterian Church in North Baltimore, Ohio. Before assuming his pastorate in July, he will marry Miss Nancy Bootman of Haddonfield on Saturday.

Rev. Stults is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Charles W. Stults of Kingston. He graduated from Princeton High School and from the College of Wooster, Ohio. He received his Bachelor of Divinity Degree June 5 from Princeton Seminary.

Director Outlines Program For Franklin Playgrounds

A tentative playground calendar for the Summer recreation program was outlined Tuesday night to the Youth Guidance Council by Edward Blumberg, new Township recreation director.

Mr. Blumberg, head football coach in New Brunswick High School, was appointed to his post last week by the Council to succeed Michael Bodnarik, who resigned.

July 8th Opener

The program will begin July 9 and end Aug. 17 and includes three trips for children enrolled.

During the third week children will be taken to the Bronx Zoo in New York City and during the fifth week a trip will be made to the Walker-Gordon farms in Plainsboro. A trip also is planned to see a New York major league baseball game, but arrangements are incomplete.

Organization of the play areas will be conducted by Mr. Blumberg July 5 and 6. He has called a special meeting of his staff for June 22 in Township Hall.

The first week of the recreation program will be devoted largely to registration and a pet show.

Other proposed activities include boys and girls softball teams, a girls volleyball team, an O'Leary contest for girls, a hopscotch contest for girls, a kite competition for boys, a ve-

hicle show, arts and handicrafts, checkers, darts and dominoes tournaments, doll show and a Township track and field championship meet.

The Staff

Members of Mr. Blumberg's recreation staff signed to date and tentative areas assigned are Mrs. Vance Dunn, Franklin Park; Donald Randolph, District 2; Miss Elizabeth Barbey, Pine Grove; James Takacs, Middlebush; Walter Shirley, Pine Grove, and Miss Eileen Peters, Middlebush. Miss Loreen Loncsak, arts and handicrafts instructor, will work at all the playgrounds.

It was reported also at the Council meeting that scraping of the field back of Middlebush School in preparation for black-top has begun. The Council has been given Township equipment for the job.

Next Council meeting is scheduled for June 28.


CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS COUNT TO ORGANIZE

The second organizational meeting for a proposed new court of the Catholic Daughters of America will be held at 8:15 p.m. Wednesday in the Sacred Heart Church auditorium in Manville.

Catholic women of all ages from the Millstone-Manville area are invited. The first organizational meeting was held June 6 in the church auditorium.

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