Birdseye view of jet sites sells Lance on Burlington

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An aerial survey of the Great Swamp area of Morris County convinced State Senate President Wesley L. Lance yesterday that Burlington County is better for a proposed jetport.

Lance admitted, however, there are two, big "ifs" about Burlington.

An independent air traffic study would have to insure the feasibility of fitting Burlington airplanes into national air patterns and something would have to be done to cut ground travel time from the site to Newark and New York, the Hunterdon Republican said.

A Turnpike spur from Bordentown past Ft. Dix to the site was offered by Lance as a possible answer to the ground time problem.

"A cutoff from the Bordentown interchange would have a very material effect on driving time," Lance said.

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He said he was unsure of the route to be followed by the Turnpike spur but that it was unlikely to interfere with either Ft. Dix or McGuire Air Force Base.

The air traffic study problem could be solved "once and for all" by approval by the federal government of a Burlington County Planning Board request for $300,000, Lance said.

A previous request for the study money was turned down when the Aviation Agency ruled it unsuitable, but county officials rejected the FAA as "superficial." Lance said he preferred Burlington to the Morris site for two reasons.

"My air trips over both sites have convinced me Burlington has more unlimited, level, cheap and uninhabited land than Morris, and my conversations with officials in both places have convinced me the jetport has regional acceptance in Burlington and not in Morris," Lance said.

He said yesterday's survey of the Great Swamp area--suggested by the Port Authority as the best spot for the jetport--confirmed his opinion many communities stand to be troubled by jet noise.

"Although the Great Swamp itself appears a good spot for the airport, the swamp is ringed by many communities which would suffer," Lance said.

After his airplane flight, Lance made an automobile tour of the Great Swamp area. He was accompanied by representatives from Harding, Passaic and Chatham Townships.

$1,000 bill passed three times as $10
CORNER BROOK, NFLD., (AP) - A $1,000 bill was passed here three times before the people realized it was not a $10 bill.

A Chinese restaurant cashiered Bill Blake's pay check and gave him the $1,000. Blake used the bill to pay his landlord. Both mistook it for $10. It wasn't until several hours later the landlord discovered the mistake and told Bill about it.

Meanwhile the restaurant had reported it had been robbed of $350. Bill got his $10 and a $50 reward when he showed up with the $1,000 bill.