Legislature Not to Get Jetport Plan for Year

Politics in Way of Action

By JOSEPH W. KATZ
If the Port of New York Authority is to adopt its plans for a Morris County jetport, it will have to convince lawmakers who don't answer to voters in the vicinity of the airport site.

This was made clear by reaction after the Essex House luncheon yesterday in which the PA undertook to persuade New Jersey leaders that the jetport is a keystone of the state’s future priority.

Reaction ranged from the violent opposition of Morris County legislators, in whose county the jetport would be located, to enthusiasm for the project by Vincent J. Murphy, secretary-treasurer of the State AFL. The most favorable legislative reaction was recognition—by some non-Morris lawmakers—that the airport is essential and that the PA plan is worthy of intensive study.

Without the approval of both the New Jersey and New York Legislatures the project can only wither on the drawing boards. Austin J. Tobin, the authority’s executive director, summed up the situation in future: "If a plan is not won legislative approval, saying: 'We'll stop Period.'

Series of Actions

The Legislatures, according to Tobin, will have to take a series of actions before the PA can break ground on the airport.

First, the port district must be expanded to include Harding Township’s Great Swamp region, which would become one of the world’s great air terminals. The jetport area would not necessarily have to be contiguous with the rest of (Continued Page 14, Column 3).

REV. GEO. KNIERIEMEN
New Vernon

"Doesn’t Make Sense"

MRS. PHYLLIS LLOYD
Green Village

Fears for Property

JOHN E. SCHARRER
Meyersville

"I Don’t Like It"

Resentfully Resigned:

Residents Fear Jet Airport May Obliterate Quiet Towns

By DALE P. CARLISLE
Resident resignation seemingly grips residents of Green Village, New Vernon and Meyersville yesterday in the wake of the disclosure that their communities might be the construction of a jet airport in Morris County.

The Port of New York Authority’s statement that it had approved the Great Swamp area as the "only appropriate site" for the airport caused wide concern. The Port authority to kill the plan which, he said, would destroy "years of planning and zoning aimed at making the township a well-balanced community."

A major concern among residents was how fairly they would be treated should the jetport become a reality.

"I would not want to be here in an airfield—" said Mrs. Phyllis T. Lloyd of Village Rd., Green Village, "but my greatest fear is that our properties would be wiped out."

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N.J. Truck Law Urged

Speed Differential Law Favorable by State Police Official

By JOHN O. BAVIER JR.
Trenton Bureau

TRENTON — An "enforceable" truck speed differential law is being favored by state police officials.

Christmas Fund

Dreads Holiday For What Her Five Will Not Have

A blind mother dreads the coming of Christmas, not because of her own handicap, but because her five children, including a polio-crippled son, will have nothing.

The father works steadily. However, his earnings are not enough to cover all the expenses of a large family.

Acceptance by Public Sought

By ALBERT M. SKEA
The Port of New York Authority today said it will not submit plans for a "politically possible" jet terminal in Morris County until the 1961 session of the State Legislature. It is said that the proposed airport could be in full operation by 1969.

Austin J. Tobin, executive director of the bistate agency, said the reason for the delay in seeking "required legislative green light is to allow full public consideration of the PA's plans (Continued Page 21, Column 3).