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Letters To The Editor...

Editor of Suburban Life:

I would like to make one final statement before this September 10 franchise vote in Cascade Township.

The township board is submitting this franchise. And the sole and only purpose being to protect the health and property values of our citizens, by making available a pure, inspected and approved water system, completely under the control of the township board, Michigan Public Service Commission, and both the Kent County and State Health departments.

There are no strings attached to it. The efforts of a few newly arrived citizens in this community to becloud the issue and read into this franchise fantastic products of their own imagination should be disregarded.

If one child should die because the parents were unable to secure pure drinking water, I would not hesitate to mention names and lay this to the charge of those individuals opposing this franchise. It is unAmerican to play politics when human lives are at stake. Let us quit splitting hairs an infinitives.

I am convinced that this franchise is good for Cascade. It has been approved by the Michigan Public Service Commission and the Attorney General's Office. It is safe, it is sound, it is reasonable. I will vote for it, and would urge every forward looking citizen to do the same.

Your interests are and will be protected. If this vote fails, this franchise will not be re-submitted to the voters at any time.

Gerrit Baker

Letter To The Editor:

Reviewing the several articles written to date regarding the Water Franchise to be voted on at the September 10 Special Election I feel the important questions raised by the opposition have not been satisfactorily answered by Mr. Baker.

Mr. Somerville has gone on record admitting that large industrial users can lower a water table yet he refuses to allow any control by the Township Board over industrial use in the 'additional one mile around the perimeter of the Township' which he wishes to service.

The other equally important point still unanswered is concerning the area of the Township Mr. Somerville intends to service. Again, it is a matter of public record that he has no intention of filing with the M. P. S. C to service Cascade Township.

He will file for a few select areas and only those will come under any commission rules and regulations. With the franchise so written he is certain to file for areas of maximum usage and leave other areas that may be in serious need of water to find some other method of supply. This is in spite of the fact that the franchise gives him irrevocable rights to the entire township.

There are other provisions of the franchise that bear further criticism, but the above two are ample reasons for a NO vote.

The electors of Cascade Township would do well to re-read the franchise in its entirety and decide for themselves whether a major natural resource should be handed over with minimum controls to the Somerville Construction Company.

Copies of the original franchise and further objections to the franchise—as written—can be obtained by contacting the writer.

William F. Foy
6665 Burger Drive, SE
Grand Rapids, Mich.
949-1475

Editor
Suburban Life

Dear Sir:

As president of the Somerville Construction Company, which is seeking voter approval of a water distribution franchise, I do not care to enter any controversy, by way of letters, regarding this issue.

However, I think it incumbent on me to answer the implication that we are about to do our township some great disservice and that our supervisor and the town board are incompetent.

Mr. Stormzand, in a letter to your paper, states that we are being put in the water business for $250.00. The $250.00 has been paid to the township to cover the cost of a referendum in which the voters may vote as they wish. It gives our company nothing, but does relieve the township of any cost of the election. The cost of a water distribution system in Cascade Township will be several hundred thousand dollars.

Unlike Mr. Stormzand, we do not believe the town board is giving away the rights and interests of the people of Cascade Township. They had excellent legal counsel in the drawing of the agreement and at two regular meetings of the board, representatives of the Somerville Construction Company presented our plans in detail. These meetings were well publicized and like all township meetings were open to the public.

We cannot understand Mr. Stormzand's great alarm regarding the sudden shortage of water. The use of water should not be too much greater if secured from a few large wells than many small wells. Also the production of water is not an extractive operation, as in the case of oil and gas. Water is continually being replaced by rainfall.

The remainder of Mr. Stormzand's letter, regarding the date of an election somewhere else and an article in the Grand Rapids Press, are irrelevent enough to sound like the utterances of someone who was attempting to make a political issue of an important civic improvement.

Other objections have been raised at special meetings requested by various groups. At these meetings we agreed to any changes which did not make the operation of a water system economically unfeasible. Many of the requests concerned sections of the proposed franchise which had been thoroughly discussed in previous meetings with the township board.

As a long time resident of Cascade Township, and a relatively large property owner, I believe the proposed water system would be an improvement which will assist in the development of our community.

I think Mr. Baker, our supervisor, and the Township Board have acted wisely in endorsing the franchise and I question the wisdom of those who see some evil plot in the board's decision.

Yours truly,

R. B. Somerville

AUCTION SALE

Mrs. Sylvia McCaul of Lowell, who will retire from the antique business will sell at public auction on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, September 10, 11, and 12, at the 4-H Fairgrounds in Lowell, her shop and personal collection of over 5,000 articles. Art Glass, fine china, furniture, dolls, silver banks, toys, lamps, metals, primitives, family heirlooms, etc. Call or write W. J. Wilson, sales manager, Flint, Michigan, CEdar 2-4431. Dealers, collectors, curators, and visitors welcomed. Perkins Sales Service. p25

Eastmont Reformed Greets New Pastor

New pastor of the Eastmont Reformed Church, corner of Ada Drive and Forest Hills Avenue, is the Rev. Robert Eggebeen, a Wisconsin native who comes to the local church from a pastorate in Feura Bush, New York.

Rev. Eggebeen was formally installed at the Eastmont Church last week and preached his first sermon Sunday.

The new minister was born in Sheboygan, Wisconsin, on April 26, 1935. He spent his childhood there and graduated from North High School in 1953.

In 1957 he graduated with a B. A. degree in botany from Central College in Pella, Iowa, and that fall he enrolled in Western Theological Seminary in Holland, Michigan, from which he received his bachelor of divinity degree in 1960.

Rev. Eggebeen began his first pastorate at the Jerusalem and Onesquethaw Reformed Churches of Feura Bush, N. Y., following his graduation.

He is married to the former Carol Cook of Holland. A graduate of Holland High School and of Hope College, Mrs. Eggebeen met her husband while he was attending Western Seminary, and they were married in June of 1959.

Mrs. Eggebeen taught school during her husband's last year at the theological seminary, and she still enjoys substitute teaching occasionally.

The Eggebeens have two children, Deborah Carol, 2, and David Robert, 5 months. The Pastor and his family reside at the parsonage at 4637 Ada Drive, S. E., Grand Rapids.

John M. Kelley, 65 Succumbs To Cancer

John M. Kelley, 65, of 7040 Whitneyville Road, Alto, and formerly of Grand Rapids, died of cancer last week at Mary Free Bed Children's Hospital and Orthopedic Center after a month's illness.

Mr. Kelley was born in Moline, and then moved to Grand Rapids as a young boy. He lived in Grand Rapids until he moved to Alto in 1955. Before his retirement in January, Mr. Kelley worked in the maintenance department of Lear Seigler, Inc. for 13 years. He was a World War I veteran of Navy service.

Survivors include his wife, Grace; a son, John M. Jr. of Grand Rapids; a daughter, Mrs. Donald (Patricia) Smith of Middleville; three sisters, Mrs. Glenn Hand of Flint, Mrs. Thomas Braybrook and Mrs. Margaret Nichols of Grand Rapids; and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services were held last Thursday at St. Joseph's Church with burial in Resurrection Cemetery.

Music Association Meets September 9

The Forest Hills Music Association will hold its first meeting of the season on Monday, September 9, at 8 p. m. in the B Building at the Forest Hills High School.

Parents of students in the Music Department and any one in the community interested in this association are invited to attend these meeting which are held the first Monday of each month at the high school.

The purpose of this organization is to help further the music education and purchase the band uniforms that are still needed.

RECEIVES CALL FROM CHURCH IN ELLSWORTH

Rev. Arthur J. Verburg, pastor of the Ada Christian Reformed Church, has received an invitation to become the minister of the Ellsworth, Michigan, Christian Reformed Church.

Cascade Businessmen's Head Charges Some Cloud, Distort Water Issue

An Open Letter to the Voters of Cascade Township:

To over-simplify the Water Franchise question which is before the voters of Cascade Township would be a dereliction of duty for a member of the township board. But for any resident—or more correctly two or three residents—to confuse and deliberately trouble the minds of people on the issue is, in my opinion, a criminal thing. And this a few have tried to do; one or two people—so self-serving in their attitudes and so disproportionately concerned about "their" river, a matter incidentally which is very well in hand—these few grossly misguided persons have clouded the issue to the extent that they should be reprimanded publicly.

My purpose now is to try to undo this damage and explain the issue which in reality is very simple. I want to clear the air of at least some of the half-truths and even some completely untrue things these persons have so irresponsibly spread about. And like a good old-fashioned sermon, if you will, let's do it with three points assuming the foregoing as an introduction to the matter.

Let us consider these three important thoughts:

1. The Need
2. The Solution
3. The Result

First then, Why is the water franchise question before us at this time when it appears most everyone has a well that works and it even appears to many that we hardly need pray for rain? Any community that continues to grow soon reaches a point when the congestion of many septic systems begins to pollute the soil making it hazardous to draw water from the ground in that particular area. Since this trouble has already begun to occur in our township and because we should prepare for the day when the problem will become extreme this question ought to be treated now. Facing a need that in time can only compound itself we will solve it now with a deliberate plan—a plan which has been under town board consideration for more than a full year. It is an economically sound plan for all concerned.

Of course, we cannot stop people from building homes in our township, keep industry out or keep either segment from drilling water wells of their own into our water table. Nor should we want to. Rather, we should work to control any new construction in our area to avoid the pitfalls and hardships so many communities have let arise, only later to moan about the run-away taxes and the patch-work efforts required to correct the problems. Cascade Township will one day need—in fact to some degree already needs—some suitable water supply system which is safe, adequate and economical. To attract good and useful industry to help broaden our tax base our township must put itself in a competitive position.

Many wells in our area may be good for thirty or even more years. But there will be many others which will not be suitable sources. It is clear that water is our problem at this time and not sewers. If we satisfactorily solve the water problem now our septic systems for the much greater part will never become a burdensome problem. But let us not now care for the water problem and we'll some day have both to deal with and then on a most costly basis. There is no escaping this fact.

Now Point Two—What's the Solution?

Right here in our area is one of the finest pipeline construction firms in America with equipment, resources and the willingness to help this community—their community—solve the water problem. The Township Board, knowing that a municipal water and sewer system would create a tremendous additional tax burden upon every taxpayer in the township with only limited areas requiring service for many years to come, believes the best solution is in making water available where it is needed and letting those who need it pay for it. If and when such a system would develop to the point where our entire township required service and if it is in the best interest and in the public good to do so, the people of Cascade Township for themselves can acquire the system on a municipal basis.

There is no question that water made available to us now in the same manner as is electricity and gas—a private utility carefully controlled and state supervised—is for us, with our broadly spaced residential community, a far better solution than any other. And it should be patently obvious to any thinking person that to make the franchise at all acceptable to any reliable firm the franchise must of necessity be irrevocable to eliminate pressure-group tactics being applied against a supplier.

The Michigan Public Service Commission, a diligent watch-dog over these operations, together with our own township board, can and will have the required control over the supplier to cause it to work for our good. In fact, an unbiased reading of the franchise itself clearly delineates not only this point but it also provides for termination of the franchise in any part of our area the supplier should feel it ought not be required to serve. This does not at all eliminate any and all requirements for reasonable extensions to the system. This burden the supplier is forced to assume the moment the system begins to function. The termination clause, however, does open the way for any other firm who feels the area could be served to be granted the right to do so. The implementation of this right to serve, as always, rests with the people of Cascade themselves.

This franchise, so carefully drawn and approved by M.P.S.C., is designed to provide our community with water if, when and however we might need it. A separate contractual agreement legally binding upon the supplier limits any transfer of water—of our water resources—and takes effect upon passage of the franchise. It limits the holder, its heirs and assigns to just one mile beyond our township boundaries. Thus contigous and adjacent plats within this radius might be served as a unit.

It is really quite simple, isn't it? Wells will be placed in safe areas to serve unsafe areas as and when the need arises or there exists a sufficient desire on the part of residents to be so served. There will be no jeopardy to any other existing wells. Costs will be borne by the supplier and reasonable prices for water will be M.P.S.C. established to assure fairness to all. No township money, no assessments, no headaches or problems for anyone except the company supplying the water.

And let this thought arise: Any profit anyone could hope to make is carefully determined by M.P.S.C. and that profit, which is always minimal, makes franchises such as this unique. It could only happen in a community fortunate enough to have a company such as Somerville nearby with equipment and manpower available in off-peak seasons; a local concern—profit-minded to be sure—but a company none-the-less having itself a big stake in our community and possessed of a genuine concern for the public good.

And now Point Three—what will the result be? Our Yes vote on Sept. 10th will allow water to be supplied privately to those who either choose not to drill their own well or who cannot. It will be a great step forward for Cascade Township. In one fell-swoop we will have accomplished many things. There'll be no need to worry about a public sewer system for at least a generation to come; the orderly growth of homes and industry will occur without creating water diversion problems and without hastening in any way the lowering of the water table in any existing well in the foreseeable future.

There'll be no new taxes but there will be a considerable reduction in fire insurance rates where a pressurized water hydrant is within useful reach. No fears about others raiding Cascade water resources, an encouraged township board stimulated to go on to other important matters awaiting our attention. We will have intelligently approached a community problem and we'll have the mechanics of a water supply system nearly packed into a take-it or leave-it proposition.

I earnestly believe for us to bypass this opportunity would be to do ourselves a great disservice. Further, I just as firmly am convinced, another like situation—so helpful to us all—will not occur again. It is my considered judgment, and that of every other township board member, that no franchise other than proposed, could be formulated that would be acceptable to any good supplier or that would meet the aims and purposes of the township board.

Finally, I believe the objections thus far raised against the franchise are not valid, are either based on misconceptions or are cleverly worded, politically motivated propaganda designed to scare the majority of our residents away from what is very really in the best interests of all. I strongly urge your Yes vote Sept. 10th.

Respectfully submitted,
A. Heemstra

Editor's Note: Mr. Heemstra is a member of the Cascade Township board, currently serves as president of the Cascade Businessmen's Association and the Snow Community Farm Bureau.

Start Appraisal Of Property In Ada Township

The Doane Appraisal Service has opened its office in the Ada Township Hall and will start the work of appraising the property this week. The Doane Appraisers were hired by the Township Board.

Each property in the township will be visited by an appraiser. Each building will be measured on the outside. Then the appraiser will inspect the interior of the building. He will note the interior construction such as floors, woodwork, heating plant and bathroom.

He will then ask the occupant of the property about the age of the buildings and other questions pertaining to the property.

The re-appraisal program is an attempt to establish a fair and just value on each piece of property so that when a tax is levied it will reflect the actual proportion that each property has in its responsibility to support the local government.

The people doing the appraising will carry proper identification.

Robert Brouwer To Show New Pictures

If you enjoy beauty of nature or music, you will want to be present at Cascade Christian Reformed Church, Friday, September 6, at 8 p. m. Robert Brouwer will present his all new program "Great is Thy Faithfulness."

Those who have seen his previous programs will be sure to be there. Those who have never seen them are in for a new treat.

The program consists of three-dimensional colored pictures shown in conjunction with stereophonic sound. This rare blending of sight and sound will give you inspiration you will long remember. The ordinary takes on new meaning and the outstanding is seen at its best in this setting.

Come for an enjoyable evening for the whole family. Sponsored by the Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Society. A free will offering will be received.

Edith A. Loranger, 66 Dies In Havre, Montana

Mrs. Edith A. Loranger, aged 66, the wife of Raoul F. Loranger, of 7322 Thornapple River Drive, Ada, passed away suddenly Wednesday evening of last week in Havre, Montana.

Also surviving are a brother, Adolph Bowman of Blue Island, Illinois; three sisters, Mrs. Allen L. (Mildred) Bacon of Grand Rapids, Mrs. A. M. (Anna) O'Connor of Coon Rapids, Minnesota, and Mrs. Arthur (Esther) Saindon of Escanaba; a granddaughter and two great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Loranger was brought to Metcalf Mortuary where funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 p. m. Rev. Charles Schwartz, assistant pastor of Faith Lutheran Church, officiated. Interment was in Ada Cemetery.

Music Teacher Is Missionary In New Mexico

Miss Sally Irene Story, who was the elementary music teacher in the Forest Hills school district this past year, has received an assignment to assume duties as a music teacher at Harwood School, a Methodist mission school at Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Miss Story, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Story of 3903 Hall Street S. W., is a member of the Grandville Frist Methodist Church. She received her assignment this past week from the Board of Missions of the Methodist Church. Miss Story has been director of the church choir for the past two years, and she has represented the church at youth camps of the denomination and other activities, both in music and education, for the local church.

Miss Story is a 1952 graduate of Michigan State University, holding a bachelor of music education degree. She also earned her master of arts in music education from MSU in 1957. She spent six weeks this summer at Scarrit College in Nashville, Tenn., in preparation for her mission work.

In addition to teaching in Forest Hills elementary, Miss Story has also taught vocal music in the Battle Creek, Mason and Sparta elementary schools.

Cascade Businessmen To Meet; Elect New Officers

The Cascade Businessmen's Association will hold their regular meeting on Wednesday, September 11, at the Cascade Fellowship Hall on Orange Street at 12 noon.

The business part of the meeting should cover the election of new officers.

Letter to the Editor:

Private, Not Public Water System Advocated For Cascade By Ada Man

To the Editor:

This is in reply to recent articles that have been appearing in the Suburban Life, concerning the thirty-year grant of a water franchise (Cascade) to Somerville Construction Company.

Arguments, pro and con, have arisen about the intent and feasibility of such a grant. This is healthy, but perhaps the issues have been out of focus.

It has been written that Mr. Somerville, president of Somerville Construction Company, will pay $250.00 for such a franchise, then suddenly reap huge returns. No mention is made by anyone of Mr. Somerville's imagination, risk, planning, time, payrolls, and personal capital that must be spent before a return of one cent.

An author hints that Mr. Somerville could obtain the franchise, then quickly sell out, "never turning a shovel of earth." This author refers to the project as a "thing." Now, anyone in the Cascade area who is acquainted with Mr. Somerville will understand this question of Mr. Somerville's intent is, to say the least, appalling. Mr. Somerville's continuing interest in local matters throughout the past years, his personal reputation and character should close the door to any doubts that the franchise will be used "at the expense of the voters."

As to Somerville Construction making a profit from the franchise. Let us rest assured that Somerville Construction Company does indeed intend to make money. I would be mighty wary if I were told there would be no profits, and I would like anyone to tell me why Somerville Construction Company should not make money. The very existance of every citizen in Cascade and these United States depends solely on Somerville Construction Company and other American companies making a profit. Therefore, the profit involved in this venture has absolutely nothing to do with the phrase "at the expense of the voters."

There should be no doubt that sometime Cascade is going to require a central water system. If private enterprise is not encouraged to fulfill the need, then the voters of Cascade will vote to pass a bond issue for a public owned water system. History has proven that public-owned enterprises make the voters no money. Rather, public-owned enterprises are the ones that are run at "the expense of the voter." Look at the father of all public-owned enterprises, the United States Post Office. It runs at a loss every year, never making the voter a penny, costing the hapless voter millions. United States Senator Carl Mundt once told me: "If we could put the Post Office under control of the J. C. Penny Company, I believe the Post Office would make money within a year." Think about it.

I believe Mr. Somerville has expressed real imagination in the attempt to give the citizens of the Cascade area something really unique—water to any desiring citizen within Cascade at the lowest possible price. Mr. Somerville lives in Cascade, and holds a high reputation; therefore, interested citizens know he holds their interests at heart. I only wish we could vote for it in Ada.

Sincerely,
Fred G. Bradley
Ada, Michigan

Former Cascade Resident, James Nulty, 77, Passes

James Nulty, 77, who was a native of Cascade and former resident of Grand Rapids, passed away last week at the Veterans' Administration Hospital in Ann Arbor.

While living in Grand Rapids, Mr. Nulty worked as a salesman for Winegar Furniture Company. Since moving in 1912, he worked in Wisconsin, served in the Army in World War I, and operated a store in Lake Linden before retiring about 12 years ago. Since retiring, Mr. Nulty had lived in Ypsilanti.

Surviving are a son, Tim of Chicago; two daughters, Mrs. Norbert Bueschel and Mrs. Leonard Dupuis of Ypsilanti; two brothers, John P. and Patrick W. of Grand Rapids; and thirteen grandchildren.

Former Township Treasurer To Be Honored At Coffee

Jake A. Oosterhouse of 1918 Spaulding Avenue S. E. is moving this week to Cutlerville in order to be near his son and grandchildren, Mr. Oosterhouse has been a resident of Cascade Township for many years, having moved to 1918 Spaulding in 1916.

Mr. Oosterhouse, who is 78 years of age, has been a farmer all of his life. He has served on the Board of Review for ten years, and has been the Township Treasurer for six years. He is a member of the East Paris Christian Reformed Church and has served his church for many years as a deacon.

There is one son, John W., who lives in Cutlerville, four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. Mrs. Oosterhouse passed away in October of 1961.

Next Saturday, September 7, neighbors of Mr. Oosterhouse are having a "Coffee" in his honor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Kimble, 1850 Spaulding Avenue S. E., from 2 to 4 p. m. Close friends and neighbors of Mr. Oosterhouse are invited.

For anyone wishing to know his new address, it is 748—72nd Street S. E., Grand Rapids 8, Michigan.

If wives only knew what secretaries think of their husbands, they wouldn't worry.

Mark ye well, the way out of trouble is never as simple as the way in.

AREA RESIDENTS AMONG 78 SUMMONED FOR JURY DUTY

Area residents among the 78 persons who have been summoned for jury duty in the September term of Circuit Court are Mrs. Jean Atkinson of Ada, Mrs. Alice Keating of Caledonia, and Mildred Eckelstafer of Cannon Township.

Other summoned are Mrs. Dorothy Scripps of Cascade, Jake Van Houten of Paris, and Mrs. Peg Gerhart of Vergennes.

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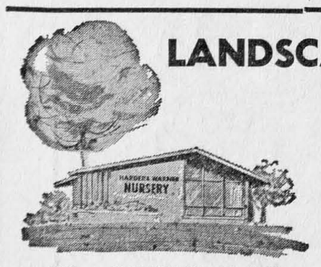

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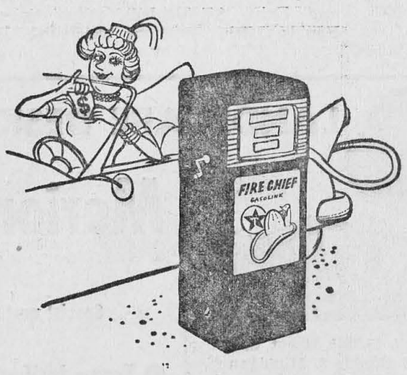

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Absentee Ballots for the Sept. 10th special election may be obtained from Mrs. Edna Osmer, Township Clerk, up until noon Sat., Sept. 7th. Mrs. Osmer's address is 6062 Burton, S. E. Phone 949-1787.

Reason No. 1—No Township Taxes Involved

Not now or ever. A reputable pipeline company—right in our own area—has offered our township a unique opportunity to avoid all of the problems of a municipal water system with it's costly bond issues and expensive installation of mains, pumps and plant structures. As with our present gas and electrical services Cascade can also have a modern water utility on the same take it or leave it basis. If your present well is sound you can ignore the water line that some day will have to pass your way—but it will be there if and when you need it! And you won't be assessed at any time for any part of the system. Fair and equitable rates established by the Michigan Public Service Commission will control the price you'll pay for water if and when you choose to use it.

Reason No. 2—No Fear of Pollution or Water Scarcity

It's only common sense to observe that any growth in our township residentially or industrially, each new venture putting in a new well, will add to water consumption from our available sources. Anyone at all who moves in of necessity will need to draw water. As connection will be made to the water system those particular users will cease to draw direct and simply draw from a main or central source. A controlled and state supervised use of our water resources is in our own best interest. The septic tanks in Cascade areas can and do threaten public health. A planned placement of water wells to serve our needs will protect us all and extend the life of septic systems for many, many years. We must think of the future.

Reason No. 3—Great Savings on Fire Insuranc e

We live in a growing township which has little industry to share our tax load. Our schools must operate on our taxes with little help from any large industrial concern. It's well known to us all that every new family only brings more problems and adds to the burden. Every step we can take to keep our taxes and other home-owner costs in line must be taken or we'll all suffer the consequences. Where in the future any water main is placed, our township can install hydrants and in those areas fire insurance rates will be drastically reduced.

Reason No. 4—Mich. Public Service Comm. Protection

Several times now we've mentioned the M. P. S. C. which governs all private utilities such as gas, electric and water. Your Township Board submitted this franchise agreement to them for review. They have indicated to us we could never hope to get a better one for our township. They have explained how they control and establish rates and supervise these utilities including any requests for extensions of the service to new areas. Your Town Board also understands the right of the township to appropriate the system should such a step be required. The franchise will be subject to good rules and regulations **and will allow Cascade Township to control its own water resources** including the Thornapple River. No other township or city will be able to transport our water thru our township into another. On this point your Town Board is certain sure.

CASCADE WATER FOR CASCADE USE—FOR CASCADE BENEFIT

Your Township Board has for many months considered ways and means to best protect our water resources for our own use.

Your Yes vote on this franchise is in your own best interest!

Resolution For Call of Special Election

WHEREAS, the Township Board of the Township of Cascade, County of Kent and State of Michigan, did on the 9th day of July, A. D. 1963, grant to Somerville Construction Company, a franchise to use the highways, streets, alleys and other public places of the Township for the production, distribution, transmission and sale of water for public and private consumption and other purposes and to lay and maintain under and along the public streets, avenues, alleys and public places within the said Township of Cascade, a system of mains, pipes, conductors and other necessary and convenient devices for the carrying on of said business, in such Township subject to such reasonable regulations as may be prescribed from time to time.

The Contractual Agreement

The Somerville Construction Company hereby agrees with the Cascade Township Board and the electors of the Township of Cascade in the event the vote is favorable on the franchise granted the undersigned by a resolution of the Cascade Township Board of July 9, 1963, that in consideration of said favorable vote, the said grantee shall and hereby does limit the franchise to the express restrictions that any water taken under the franchise in Cascade Township, Kent County, Michigan, SHALL NOT BE TRANSPORTED FARTHER THAN ONE (1) MILE FROM THE BOUNDARIES OF SAID TOWNSHIP.

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Area Church News

Cascade Christian Church

Thursday, September 5, the first choir rehearsal of the new fall season will take place at the church at 8 p. m.

Saturday, September 7, The church awards class meets at the church from 10 a. m. until noon. The youth in this class will be happy to accept your orders for Indian Corn (for decorative purposes).

Sunday, September 8, we will return to our regular schedule of worship services at 9:45 and 11:00 a. m. We will observe Promotion Day in our Sunday School, with sessions taking place at 9:45, 11:00 and 5:00 p. m.

September 6-8, C.Y.F. Week-End Conference at Crystall Christian Assembly.

Monday, September 9, State Steering Committee, in connection with Capital Funds Drive, meets at Cascade Church at 11 a. m.

Tuesday, September 10, The Church Board will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 8 p. m.

Monday, September 9, Lydia Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. Robert Lee at 2106 Engleside Drive at 8 p. m.

Wednesday, September 11, Mary Martha Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. D. Dryer at 6044 Burton Street at 8 p. m.

Thursday, September 12, the Dorcas Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. Harold Krebs at 948 Clifford S. E. at 9:30 a. m.

Ada Christian Reformed

Friday, September 6, the Christian Education Committee of the Ada Christian Reformed Church is sponsoring its second annual church dinner, which will be held in the church at 6:30 p. m. The purpose of the dinner is to secure adequate financial support for the Ada Christian School and the Grand Rapids Christian High School. The film "Sharing Responsibility" will be shown.

Monday, September 9, consistory will meet at the church at 8 p. m.

Advance Notice: On Sunday, September 15, the Southend Hymn Sing will be resumed at the Kelloggsville Christian Reformed Church at 9 p. m. Every one is invited to attend.

Ada Community Ref.

An Appreciation Dinner, given by the Sunday School staff and their spouses, will be given on Friday evening, September 6, at 6:30 p. m. honoring John Zoodsma who is retiring from active teaching. Mr. Zoodsma is retiring because of ill health after having served as a teacher for 29 years. He also has served as Sunday School Superintendent.

Monday, September 9, a special congregational meeting is to be held at 8 p. m. at the church.

Ada Congregational

Thursday, September 5, Senior Choir will begin their rehearsals by meeting at the church at 7:30 p. m.

Thursday, September 12, Senior Choir rehearsal at the church at 7:30 p. m.

Thursday, September 12, the Junior Choir will begin their fall rehearsals by meeting at the church at 4 p. m. This choir includes children from the third grade through the eighth grade.

Cascade Christian Ref.

Friday, September 6, Jr. Mr. and Mrs. Society is sponsoring Robert Brouwer, who will present his new program "Great is Thy Faithfulness." Time—8 p. m.

Tuesday, September 10, Junior Mr. and Mrs. Society will meet at 8 p. m. at the church.

Eastmont Ref. Church

Monday, September 9, the regular consistory meeting will be held at 7:30 p. m. with the wives meeting at the parsonage. The men will be joining their wives after the meeting for an hour of fellowship.

Friday, September 6, the first meeting of the Women's Guild for Christian Service will have a special speaker from the Alcoholic Anonymous. The men and women from the church and community are invited to attend this meeting. There will also be special music.

Wednesday, September 11, the Sunday School teachers and officers will meet at the church at 8 p. m.

St. Robert's Catholic

Daily Mass at 9 a. m.

Sunday Mass at 8 a. m. and 11 a. m.

Friday, September 6, is First Friday and the Mass will be at 6 p. m.

Saturday, September 7, children who were in the 7th and 8th grade catechism class last year, taught by Mrs. Fred Beahan, will be entertained by a picnic breakfast immediately following the 8 a. m. Mass. Children are to attend Mass, and transportation will be provided to the picnic grounds. Each child is asked to bring 25 cents.

Knapp St. Reformed

Monday, September 9, Consistory will meet at 8 p. m. in the church.

Monday, September 9, the Women's Guild will meet in the church at 8 p. m.

Tuesday, September 10, Ladies Aid will meet at 7:30 p. m. in the church.

Thursday, September 12, Choir rehearsal will begin at 7 p. m. in the church.

E. Paris Christian Ref.

Monday, September 9, there will be a Council meeting in the church at 7:30 p. m.

Our Savior Lutheran

Thursday, September 5, the Sunday School teachers will meet at 7:30 p. m. in the school.

Sunday, September 8, three new teachers will be installed in the service at 7:30 p. m. at the Martin Luther School. New faculty members are Harold Reed, Miss Barbara Senechal and Mrs. Russell Kautz.

Tuesday, September 10, there will be a meeting of the Voters Assembly at 8 p. m. at the school.

R. L. D. S. At Alaska

Sunday, September 8, at the 11 a. m. service, Priest Floyd Lalone will speak on "The Book of Mormon Witnesses for Him." Sunday evening at 7 p. m., Elder Merrill Champion will speak on "I Witness for Jesus Christ."

Tuesday, September 10, the Women's Department will meet at 8 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Merrill Champion, 9239—28th Street, S. E. This will be for election of officers. The program will be presented by some of the women who were at the two reunions this summer.

Wednesday, September 11, the theme for the evening prayer service will be "My Faith in Christ is Strengthened."

Snow Methodist Church

Thursday, September 5, the Methodist Men's Group will meet at the church at 8 p. m. Robert Shaler will be in charge of the refreshments and entertainment.

Wednesday, September 11, the Snow WSCS will serve a supper at the Hall. Serving will begin promptly at 5:30 p. m. Mrs. Alex Robertson and Mrs. John Blading will be the hostesses for the evening.

St. Michel's Mission

Sunday, September 8, Rev. Tepe will celebrate Holy Communion at 10 a. m.

The Mission Committee will meet following the service.

hospital notes

Fred Bliss of Grand River Drive, Ada, has returned to Blodgett Hospital.

Mrs. John Postema of Goodwood Drive, S. E., is recovering from surgery performed last Wednesday at Butterworth Hospital.

Mrs. Fred Berkenpas of Kirk Street, S. E., has been a surgical patient this past week at Butterworth Hospital.

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Ada Girls Hold Neighborhood Carnival Earn Money For The School Library

It was Carnival Day for the Kiddies in Ada last Thursday, and a group of young Ada girls took the opportunity to turn the neighborhood event into a money-making project for the Ada school library.

Master-mind behind the carnival project was a twelve-year-old 7th grader at Forest Hills who raided her own piggy bank to buy the prizes.

Young Jo-Ann Ward spent the days prior to the carnival working on extra house-cleaning tasks for her mother. She saved the money she earned until she had enough to buy plenty of prizes, which were given away to the winners at her "concession booths."

Approximately fifty youngsters flocked to the backyard of Jo-Ann's home when the carnival got underway Thursday and tried their luck at the games of chance.

Some of the children even brought their parents along.

Gailey decorated booths of all kinds highlighted the carnival. A big hit was the map game booth, in which contestants drew slips of paper which had the name of a state capital printed on them.

Their next task was to identify the state, and the contestant was then given a dart to throw at a large map of the United States. Those whose darts landed in the proper states received a prize.

Other games included a bean-bag shoot, a ball throw, and a penny toss.

And, of course, no carnival would be complete without a fish pond.

When it was all over, Jo-Ann and her friends counted up their pennies, nickels, and dimes and discovered that they had made $15.00.

The money was given to the treasurer of the Ada Parent-Teachers Association—to be used to buy books for the school's new library.

"I would like to thank all the people who helped to make my carnival a great success," Jo-Ann says.

"My helpers were Sally Bier, Marcia Fase, Kathy and Debbie Nellist, Barbara Huizing, Karen Bier and her friend Dianne, Marlene and Darlene Cheseboro, and Debbie Ward."

Jo-Ann is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ward of 7390 Rix Street.

Nature Notes

by Edith Jarvi

By this time the great fall migration of birds is well under way.

The Bobo-links have been gone since the middle of July, followed by the Swallows. These drift down river valleys in loose flocks and gather on wires or trees at evening in great numbers. All are gone by mid-August. The Chimney Swifts leave soon after and the Whip-poor-wills about the same time, leaving the evening skys to the Night Hawks.

The Warblers have been drifting south for some time, with some that nest in the far north passing through our area now, although others will not be here until late October and some, like the Myrtle Warbler, may stay until mid-November.

The Olive-baked Thrush is migrating now and might be seen near a watering place with a gathering of Robins.

Bluebirds will soon be seen about their nest holes and boxes as if the parents wish to show the young a place to nest if the old ones should not return. Or, perhaps, they are just staking a claim for next spring.

Watching the great parade of fall migrants is fascinating, but many watchers may miss much of it because some of the travelers start when others are still raising late broods of young.

Cascade Wranglers Place At State 4-H Show

4-H members of the Cascade and Caledonia community did well with their animals at the State Show last week in Lansing.

In dairy, Nancy Walma received First Place with her two-year old Brown Swiss; she was Senior Champion and Grand Champion; and she received Second Place with her eggs.

Albert VandenToorn received Second Place in beef, and Ninth in Pleasure Class with his horse.

Sunshine Club To Hold First Fall Meeting Sept. 12

The Sunshine Club will start it's first meeting of the fall season with a pot-luck luncheon at 1 p.m. on Thursday, September 12, in the home of Mrs. Rolla Brown of 1501 Galbraith, S. E.

Cancer pads will be sewn in the afternoon.

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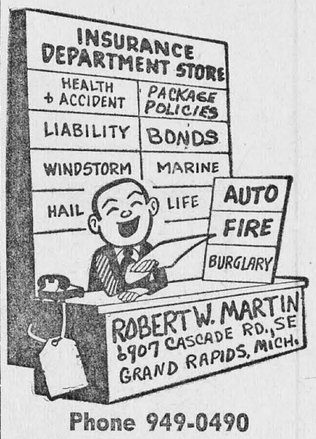

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Back To School

At this time of year, children complain because they have to return to school. Secretly they are happy to meet their friends again. Mothers breathe a sigh of relief as peace and quiet return to the home. It is too bad that the interest in our children's education often does not go beyond such superficial interest. That is one of the reasons for the sad state of education in many places. The Bible and prayer are outlawed as devotional exercises. Thus we make the sad mistake of educating the mind without training the heart. They tell us this is to be done in the home and church. Yet three-fourths of our people seldom, if ever, go to church and do not have devotions in the home. What are you doing for your child's soul? How about your own? We would like to help you with our church and Sunday School.

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Joseph A. Childs

JOSEPH A. CHILDS, Commissioner

THE RECORD

	First five months 1962	1963
DEATHS*	512	613
INJURIES*	37,562	45,656
ACCIDENTS*	92,242	103,709
COST (in millions)**	$58.7	$68.3

*From State Police Reports
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BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Winkels of 918 Orchard, S. E., are the proud parents of a son born at the Blodgett Memorial Hospital on August 28. The baby has been named Timothy Richard.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kramer of 28th Street, S. E., are the new parents of a baby daughter born August 27 at Butterworth Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. William Havenga of Three Mile Road, are the parents of a daughter, Carol Elizabeth, born on September 1 at Butterworth Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. David L. Carpenter of Geneva, Illinois, are proudly announcing the arrival of a son, Kenneth Jay, born on August 26. Mr. Carpenter is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David E. Carpenter of Thornapple River Drive, S. E.

Many's the bride, though given away, becomes a most expensive gift.

News From The Elementary Schools

Cascade School Mothers' Club Executive Board meeting will be held promptly at 9:30 a. m. on September 10 at the home of Mrs. Robert Titcombe, 6449 Wendell Street S. E., and Mrs. Merlin Hulbert will be co-hostess. All members are urged to attend or send a representative. There are many important things to discuss.

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Thornapple Thumbs Group will have their first meeting September 10 at 12:30 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Larry McPherson, 3544 Goodwood Drive.

Burdell Group will hold their first meeting September 16 at 8 p. m. at the home of Mrs. William Wiersma, 6558 Wendell S. E. Everyone is urged to come and help make plans for the coming year.

Westway group will have a potluck luncheon September 16 at 12:15 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Gene Olson, 6300 Cascade Road S. E. Everyone plan to join us and get acquainted all over again.

Takes Four Awards At State 4-H Show

Lyman Baker, 17, came home from the State 4-H Fair in Lansing last week with four awards for his prime Jersey cattle.

Young Baker received "firsts" in the 2-year-old cow and the "county herd" categories and a second place in the aged cow class.

He also brought home a reserve grand champion ribbon.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Menno R. Baker of 9144 36th Street, Ada, Lyman is a member of the Snow Community 4-H Club. He is a senior this year at Lowell High School.

The State 4-H Show was held on the campus of Michigan State University in East Lansing on August 26 through 29.

Turtles have had their shells since the Triassic Period about 175 million years ago.

"Wherever you turn nowadays you find progress stymied by the curse of too much government."

Painters Invited To Join T. V. A.

Every Tuesday evening at 7:30 p. m., the Town Hall takes on an aura of oil paint, water color, wood shavings, lint from various yarns and threads, and sundry other tattle-tale evidences that denote "Artist at Work."

It must be emphasized that although this group's title is Thornapple Valley Artist, it is in reality a meeting of people that share a common urge, to be creative or expressive in any of the various facets of the field of art. Some of our members are trained artists, and others are of the "do-it-yourself" school; however, all enjoy the weekly opportunity to get together with others that share a similar interest.

The last meeting was typcial of the diversified talents of the group—Leish Woodrick was decorating goose eggs and turning them into stunning christmas decorations; Mrs. Ruth Mays was designing a leaf and acorn motif that would be transferred to a cookie jar; Mrs. Lundberg was painting a fall setting; and Mrs. M. Kennedy was beginning a landscape to be done in water colors; others doing landscapes or still lifes were Elaine Gabriz (our acting chairman), Jean Laird, Jean Rockett and Don Vandenberg. Our ceramicist, June Engin, was also trying her hand at oil painting while June Smith, our single abstractionist, was abstracting.

Delphine Lozano was preparing to do some crewel embroidery and Francis Klepser was finishing a landscape. Lest the reader think that only painting and yard goods are working upon, Bud Bruins Slot and Bill Lozano were working away at their wood sculpturing and whittling. Thus it is obvious that the "artists" utilize the meeting time to continue or learn ways of doing art things.

If you have the feeling, somewhere within your liver or soul or wherever it lies, that you are talented (latent or overt), we invite you to join our group and share with us your talents, or take on ours.

As a reminder to those of you who wish to learn rug making and creative embroidery, a class is being offered beginning Friday, September 13, meeting for 10 weeks at a cost of $5.00 plus your materials. If you are interested or wish more information, call Mrs. Lozano at 676-1059 any day after 5 p. m.

Wagner lived from 1813 to 1833.

"Good manners are shown by being able to put up with bad ones."

Caroline Prins Exchanges Vows With H. J. Hoeks

Miss Caroline Prins recently became the bride of Henry J. Hoeks in the Battjes Memorial Chapel of LaGrave Avenue Christian Reformed Church, with Rev. Henry DeMots performing the ceremony.

Miss Prins is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit Prins of Ada, and the parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Barney Hoeks of Cicero, Illinois.

The bride chose for her wedding gown a sheath of peau de soie accented with pearl design. Her elbow-length veil was secured with a matching pillbox embroidered with pearls. She carried a single long-stemmed white rose.

The bride's honor attendant was her sister, Mrs. Ronald Reistma. She was attired in a gold floor-length gown and a matching pillbox veil. She carried a long-stemmed rose.

The best man was Robert P. Swierenga of Iowa City, Iowa. Ushers were Everett Hoeks of Cicero, brother of the bridegroom, and Richard Houskamp.

Calvin College Commons was the scene of the wedding reception. Following a wedding trip to Lake Missaukee, the couple will make their home at 4730 Burton Street.

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Vote "NO" On Water Franchise TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

I would like to make the following reply to Mr. Baker, Supervisor of Cascade Township, relative to his letter in Suburban Life dated August 29th, 1963, in which he had much to say about what a bargain Cascade Township was getting with the water franchise granted by the Cascade Township Board and now awaiting a vote of the people in the coming election on Sept. 10th, 1963.

This franchise granted by the township board to the Somerville Construction Co. has many things wrong with it and is far from the bargain Mr. Baker would lead us to believe. There are some who may have forgotten the bargains he has gotten for us in the past, such as the acreage the township gave to the city of Grand Rapids by resolution, which of course was legal. I refer to the new Cascade airport acreage which is now annexed to Grand Rapids, which of course was done to circumvent the vote of the people of Cascade township on the sale of liquor by the glass in the township. The two deals were no bargains.

Once this franchise is ratified by a vote of the people, it can then be **sold or assigned** by the Somerville Construction Co., and they need never have turned one shovel of earth.

It has now been stated that the water supply for this water system will come from wells to be driven or bored, and Mr. Baker is only wishfully thinking when he states that private wells of each householder will be, as he says, "enhanced" by this water system. The only enhancement the private owner of a well in Cascade township will get is the problem of and the cost of drilling his well deeper. Although Mr. Baker seems to feel that he is quite an expert on the water situation, along with our township board, they might be able to gain some valuable knowledge should they do a bit of checking in Ada.

This franchise was offered to Ada Township but evidently they didn't consider it such a bargain as Mr. Baker did. If it's such a good idea for us, why didn't they accept it? Evidently they wanted no part of it. Under this franchise the Somerville Co. will be able to furnish water to **users outside the township.** That's no no bargain for the Cascade township resident. We need all the water we have for now and the future.

Many people are under the impression that Mr. Somerville will furnish water wherever desired in the township. Under this franchise he does not have to do this, but to quote Mr. Baker in an article in the Grand Rapids Press of Sunday, August 18th, 1963. Mr. Baker stated, "The primary area to be served is in the area of Cascade village, but water mains can be laid in any township area for citizens to get water by making the **necessary financial** arrangements with the Somerville Co. This of course applies to those are as in need of this service, as no doubt many will be when the system gets going and we get a further drop in the underground water table of this area, the water table now being much below the normal level as no doubt many Cascade residents have found out. Any water taken by deep wells must and will be replaced by water closer to the earth's surface. That is when the shallower privately-owned well will feel the water shortage. Let's not be stampeded into something we will be sorry for later. This franchise, if granted by our voters on this coming Sept. 10th election will have us tied up for the **next 30 years,** as that is the term of the franchise as granted by our township board, and during that time should we desire some other suitable water arrangement, we would not be able to do so.

Under this franchise it will be possible for the Somerville Construction Co. to run as many lines out of Cascade township as they many desire. And when this happens we no doubt will need those ten gallon cans Mr. Baker speaks of in his letter.

Any verbal agreements in connection with this franchise would be null and void and you will vote on the franchise as advertised in Suburban Life in the July 18th, 1963 issue, and reprinted here, for your information and guidance in voting.

FRANCHISE
SOMERVILLE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY
A Michigan Corporation

An Ordinance granting to Somerville Construction Company, a Michigan Corporation, **ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS,** the right power, authority and permission to use the highways, streets, alleys and other public places of the Township of Cascade, County of Kent, State of Michigan for the purpose of laying and maintaining water pipes, mains, conduits, valves, drips, hydrants, reservoirs, meters, stand-pipes, and all necessary appurtenances in, under and along the highways, streets, alleys and other public places of said Township, and the right, power and permission to conduct and operate a general water business and distribution system in said Township of Cascade, County of Kent, State of Michigan, for a period of thirty (30) years.

The Township Board of the Township of Cascade, County of Kent, State of Michigan, hereby Ordains:

Section 1. The Township of Cascade, County of Kent, State of Michigan, hereby grants to the Somerville Construction Company, a Michigan corporation, **ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS,** a franchise to use the highways, streets, alleys and other public places of the Township of Cascade, County of Kent, State of Michigan, for the purpose of constructing, maintaining and operating a water distribution system in said Township with full right, power and authority to establish, construct, maintain, extend and operate plants, stations, mains, pipes, conduits, valves, drips, faucets, hydrants, meters, reservoirs, filtering plants, dispensing units and all other appurtenances, apparatus and appliances within the corporate limits of the Township of Cascade, County of Kent, State of Michigan, for the purpose of supplying and distributing to said Township and its inhabitants water for consumption, public and private use and protection and other purposes and, for such purposes, to enter upon and use the streets, avenues, highways, alleys, and public lands of said Township and lay, maintain, operate, repair and extend therein through and thereunder such mains, pipes, conduits, valves, drips, apparatus, meters, faucets, hydrants, reservoirs, appliances and other appurtenances as may be necessary and proper for the distribution of water throughout **AND BEYOND SAID TOWNSHIP** and for the purpose of conducting and operating a water business in said Township subject to the terms and conditions hereinafter provided.

Section 2. The grantor shall have the right to examine grantee's plans for construction and distribution and may appoint an engineer to inspect and, in the event a disagreement occurs, the grantor and grantee shall each appoint a representative who shall choose a registered Hydro-engineer whose report shall be followed in any development of this franchise and; in laying its pipes, mains, and other appurtenances and repairing and maintaining the same, grantee shall interfere as little as may be necessary with public travel. After opening any portion of the public highway or places, grantees shall within a reasonable time restore the same as nearly as possible to the same condition as prevailed before opening. While any portion of the highways is open, it shall maintain reasonable barriers and lights at night and other warnings to the users of said highway or public place.

Section 3. Grantee shall at all times save said grantor harmless from any loss, damage or expense of any kind on account of the laying, constructing, maintenance, and use of said mains, pipes, conduits and other appurtenances and grantee shall at its expense provide insurance against any such liability in companies licensed to do business in Michigan in maximum amounts or lesser coverage approved by grantor.

Section 4. The rates to be charged by grantee and all rules of service shall be those which are established from time to time by the Michigan Public Service Commission or such other body as shall or may succeed to the jurisdiction, rights, powers and authority of said Commission.

Section 5. **THE RIGHTS GRANTED IN THIS FRANCHISE SHALL CONTINUE IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT FOR A PERIOD OF THIRTY (30) YEARS** from the effective date thereof. The effective date of this franchise shall be the date of the acceptance of the ordinance by grantee, which acceptance shall be filed by the grantee, in writing, within sixty (60) days after the enactment of this ordinance.

Section 6. The franchise herein granted shall be revocable at the will of the governing body of this township, PROVIDED, however, that the same shall become irrevocable if and when confirmed by a majority of the electors voting upon the question at the next general election or at any special election called for that purpose and when so confirmed shall grant to said Somerville Construction Company an exclusive franchise as herein limited for said purposes. Such election shall be held at the request of said grantee.

Section 7. This franchise shall be exclusive only as to all areas being served by grantee or to which mains have been extended or are in the process of being extended at any given time, but grantee shall be allowed ninety (90) days to prepare to serve any particular area within the Township before a franchise may be granted to any other party for said area.

Section 8. In the event of a special election, it is determined that the sum of Two Hundred Fifty ($250) Dollars will be sufficient to defray the expenses thereof which amount shall be deposited with the clerk of this Township by the grantee.

Adopted at a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Township of Cascade, County of Kent, State of Michigan, held on the 9th day of July A. D., 1963, by a vote of five (5) for, None against, unanimous.

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Behind the Cascade Water Controversy

Debate Over Water Plan's Wording Comes To Head In Tuesday Election

By Cary P. Stiff

Next Tuesday Cascade Township voters go to the polls to indicate their approval or disapproval of a proposed water supply plan.

Up for consideration on the September 10 ballot is a 30-year franchise granted by the township board last July 9 to the Somerville Construction Company, a building concern which has headquarters in Ada and major offices in Toronto, Montreal, Minneapolis, Peoria, and Beaver Dam, Wisconsin.

The Somerville Co. has done pipeline work under contract for many of the country's major oil industries and for public utilities.

The franchise, if approved by the electors next Tuesday, would permit the local company to construct a system of water mains throughout Cascade Township.

According to the franchise, the Somerville Construction Co. would then operate the water supply system as a private business, "subject to such reasonable rules and regulations as may be prescribed from time to time."

"Uncommon" Proposal

State Health Department representatives say that the proposed Cascade water utility is "uncommon" in Michigan.

"A public water system is usually a municipal operation," Theodore VanderVelde of the State Health Department reports.

The state's primary interest in such a proposal is to see that the water system is properly built and financially sound. Any private firm building such a utility must obtain a permit from the State Health Department.

The fate of the unusal proposal will be determined after votes are counted following the closing of the polls Tuesday.

Mrs. Edna Osmer, Cascade Township clerk, said polls will be open from 7 a. m. to 8 p. m. Precinct 1 votes in the Cascade Town Hall, and Precinct 2 in the Cascade Fire Station.

Supervisor Supports Plan

Like most public issues, the proposed water distribution plan has stirred up its share of public controversy over the past few weeks.

On August 15, Cascade Township Supervisor Gerrit Baker told of his support of the franchise in a letter to the Editor of Suburban Life.

Baker pointed out that a year ago a similar plan had been presented to the township board by the Somerville Construction Co., but the "franchise did not materialize at that time."

The Supervisor then went on to list several reasons why he felt that voters should approve the granting of the franchise:

1. Several local wells in the township had recently been found to be contaminated.

2. The franchise has been granted subject to voter approval—on a public utility basis, but the township will not be bonded, and no assessment will be made against Cascade Township properties.

3. If the proposal is approved at the polls, service and rates would be regulated by the Michigan Public Service Commission.

4. No one would be compelled to use the water service, but "any part of the township requesting this public water supply" would be served.

5. The source of the water will be wells located within the township. The water thus obtained will be tested by the State Health Department as well as by the Kent County Health Department.

6. Baker pointed out that, as a conservation measure, the township board and the Somerville Construction Co. have agreed that no water shall be transported "farther than one mile from the borders of Cascade Township."

This one-mile-limit agreement between the township board and the construction company is not a part of the official text of the franchise.

And it was precisely this point that some of the opponents of the proposal questioned.

Citizens Committee Writes

Speaking for the "Cascade Citizens Committee," Willard Stormzand of 3420 Goodwood Dr., S. E., was the first to reply to Supervisor Baker's letter.

In a letter to the Editor in the August 22 issue, Stormzand said the proposed franchise "puts the Somerville Construction Co. in the water business in this area for the sum of $250"—the cost of staging the September 10 election.

Stormzand and the Cascade Citizens Committee questioned the advisability of taking excessive amounts of water from wells. After alluding to the water shortage created in Byron Township when the city of Wyoming pumped heavily in that area, the letter writer went on to state that "it is a known fact that the water table has dropped in this area (Cascade) in some wells as much as 10 feet in four or five years."

The spokesman for the citizens' committee also questioned the meaning of the "beyond said Township" phrase which is written in the franchise and which would permit the sale of Cascade water to other communities.

"This so-called franchise," Mr. Stormzand wrote, "is very much lacking in the protection of the rights and interests of the people of Cascade township, but it is ecidently hoped you will vote those rights and interests away on September 10. Where did our township board get the idea they are doing us a good deed in promoting this deal?

Why does the franchise read "beyond the limits of Cascade township? This franchise also permits the Somerville Co. to sell or assign this franchise and they need never turn one shovel of earth."

Stormzand closed his letter by hinting at collusion between the township board and officials of the city of Wyoming who are seeking water sources to supply their own needs.

"Isn't it possible," the Cascade Citizens Committee asked, "that our water franchise election date of September 10 and the one in Wyoming on September 17 are not just a coincidence?"

Also Question Wording

In the same issue of Suburban Life, a letter to the Editor from the "Cascade Thornapple Association" was published. The letter, signed by Mrs. Ruth Clay, secresigned by Mrs. Ruth Clayy, secretary of the Association, commented on safe-guards missing in the franchise as well as other passages which had been included in the wording.

The Cascade Thornapple Association—not to be confused with the "Thornapple Association Inc.," an organization of property owners whose land borders on the Thornapple River—commended the township board for recognizing the need for a water system, but maintained "that the proposed franchise—as now written—is not in the best interests of Cascade Township."

The CTA board, in its meetings with the township board, in its letters to that body, and in its letter to the Editor, made the following observations and suggestions:

1. "Water within the limits of Cascade Township should not be distributed beyond the boundaries of Cascade Township." The CTA Board then agreed with Mr. Somerville and the township board "that residential usage of water within one mile of the perimeter should be allowed, but felt that any commercial or industrial use should have the approval of the Cascade Township Board."

It was felt that this restriction would enable property owners to protect the investments which they have made in their existing wells, and the Thornapple River would continue to be a major attraction in the settling of the area.

2. "That source of water supply should be approved by the Township Board." CTA members seemed to fear that either the Thornapple River would be used as a source for water, or that the Somerville Company's wells, when drilled to the 100 feet proposed by Mr. Somerville, would interfere with existing private wells.

3. "The way the franchise is drawn the Michigan Public Commission could not require Somerville to service the entire area although his franchise would be for the entire area."

4. In the wording of the proposed franchise there is no restriction or limitation preventing the construction company from selling its franchise without obtaining the approval of the township board or the Public Service Commission.

5. The CTA also pointed out that the wording of the franchise does not provide for revocation of the franchise in the event that the Somerville Construction Company does not give proper service to the township.

Baker Replies

Last week, in replying to the earlier letters, Supervisor Baker expressed his belief that the wording of the franchise which is perhaps not as explicit as many could have wished, was sufficiently strong to "give us a safeguard against any and all abuses . . . by Mr. Somerville or any of his assignees."

Baker pointed out that the ballot Tuesday will present the proposal with the words "subject to such reasonable rules and regulations as may be prescribed from time to time" included in the phrasing.

The Supervisor added that the proposed franchise has received unanimous (5-0) approval of the township board, and that the Michigan Public Service Commission, the Attorney General's office, and the Michigan Department of Health have also studied the proposal and given their sanction.

Baker concluded by pointing out that it is the intention of the township board to provide Cascade with an adequate supply of safe drinking water for the next thirty years.

Other letters discussing the advantages and disadvantages of the proposed water utility appear elsewhere in this issue of Suburban Life.

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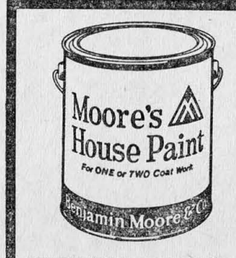

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