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Who's out on the end of a limb—Kim Sigler or the state legislature?

That was the interesting question at the state capital this week, following the adjournment of the special session of the state legislature at midnight Wednesday, April 28.

Rejected also were other planks in the Sigler program: Removal from the November ballot of proposed repeal of the sales tax diversion amendment; removal also of a call for a state constitutional convention; and a one-mill state property tax.

Legislators were of a majority opinion that the folks back home were not enthusiastic about these reform ideas. They also inclined to a belief that too many things were going to the voters in No-

ember for decision and that the Sigler reforms would add a general confusion.

Rebuffed by the legislature, Governor Sigler declared, "My fight to try to improve Michigan's government is only beginning."

Previously he had warned legislative committees that he might call solons back for a second special session, should they decline to submit his program to the voters. He also considered making an appeal direct to the "jury"—the people—by circulating petitions to place the reform amendments on the November ballot.

There is every probability that he will employ the second and latter method rather than the first. Sigler now has a new campaign issue, wrapped up and tied, all ready to be tested. He is a dynamic public speaker; he enjoys audience contacts; he likes a good scrap. Never lacking in high courage and still convinced that he is right in his convictions how better government may be achieved, Governor Sigler is not likely to back down because of the legislators' rebuff. He is more apt to take his fight direct to the people.

The legislature did approve the governor's recommendation

## D. J. Healy Shop Reopens Saturday

After three weeks of being closed for remodeling, the Birmingham branch of the D. J. Healy Shops is ready for their far-  
place this coming Saturday. Besides having new decorations and fixtures throughout, the store will have a new manager in Miss Dorothy Janisse who has been

that an amendment to remove limitations of state officials and legislators be placed before the voters in November. Last week Attorney General Eugene F. Black ruled that the governor's expense allowance of \$10,000 a year was unconstitutional. Legislators countered promptly, voting a "grant" of \$12,500 to the governor for a total compensation instead of \$17,500.

Ironically enough it was Black, selected personally by the governor for attorney general, who has displayed consistent independence to date by saying exactly what he thinks. Black has often done so bluntly and non-diplomatically in direct opposition to the man who picked him for the office.

Mr. Black has no concern for his political future. He expects to retire from office at the end of his present term. Particularly irritating to Mr. Black is the fact that 12 employees of his department receive more compensation from the State of Michigan than he does. This doesn't make sense to the young Port Huron attorney.

As Mr. Black was hand-picked by Governor Sigler at the 1946 Republican state convention for the post of attorney general, the legislators were cool to the governor's recommendation that the constitution should be amended whereby this office would become appointive, rather than elective.

It all adds up to one thing, as we have often observed. People do not think alike. Presented with identical information, they react differently. Honest differences of opinion are to be expected as a natural course of events in a democracy.

The important thing is that the people should have access to complete information. This often comes through a popular debate of issues in which both sides are presented, and the people thus have an opportunity to choose.

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with the Healy company for a number of years. Most recently she has been in charge of the company's store in the Grand River-Southfield district. Mrs. Lorraine Hastrieter of Birmingham is to be assistant manager.

Among the many changes in the store, the most prominent is the one which eliminated the west entrance. In place of the doorway, a large display window has been erected. Another improvement is in the fitting department where capacity has been increased from three fitting rooms to eight. New carpeting is another feature.

A new sportswear department has been added and is to be found on a mezzanine situated at the back of the shop. This department will feature casuals and sporting togs in season, Miss Janisse said.

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