

## Legislature Facing Long Tax Session

The prospect of a long fall session of the Legislature is indicated from the subject matter to be discussed.

Gov. George W. Romney will ask the Legislature to consider fiscal reform, but there is still no real indication that Romney will get the full cooperation of his own Republican legislators.

The Legislature will also have a number of bills designed to bring Michigan law into conformity with the new Constitution which will take effect Jan. 1.

Only priority measures will be considered by Rep. Rollo G. Conlin's tax committee.

Here, whose department administrators Michigan's elections, to ask for ways to call the local issue questions to voters attention.

Here said a study of voting habits on machines as compared with tallies on paper ballots showed many machine voters consistently fail to cast ballots for minor offices and special questions.

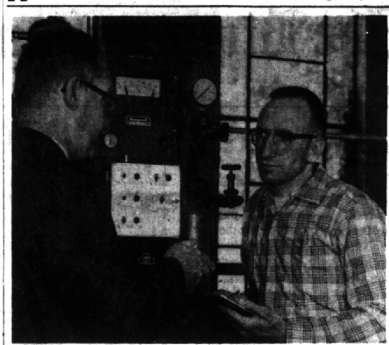
Here thinks lack of familiarity with the machines could be a major factor. He may propose that each voter get a refresher course in operating the voting machine at each election.

SEVERAL CITIES are planning to use economic development legislation passed this year, but Pontiac gets the "first" rating.

State Rep. Gilbert E. Bursley, Ann Arbor Republican, notes that Pontiac officials plan to set up a business development corporation to help industry location.

VOTERS WHO overlook or deliberately fail to cast ballots on machines for local issues and special questions may one day get biennial lessons in voting.

The recent recount of the votes on the new Constitution has prompted Secretary of State James M.



### Seminar at Cornell

James D. Bedor (right), a physics teacher at Seaholm High School, Birmingham, stands beside a miniature fermentation plant as Cornell University instructor Jack Howatt explains how fermentation processes are used in making chemicals and pharmaceutical products. Bedor is one of 50 teachers who have received fellowships to attend a summer seminar sponsored at Cornell by the Shell Companies Foundation, Inc.

## THE GOLDEN YEARS

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My appeal is a timely one because the men coming up for retirement in the 1960's are very much short on adventure, and on the kind of fun that man has found useful since civilization came.

COULD HE, over these last 20 years of his mature life, have packed up his wife and kids and kettles and trekked over the Appalachians to colonize Indiana farms?

Ha! If gold had been discovered in California in, say, 1952, could he have afforded to tell his corporation "So Long" and have gone? Ha!

Too many chains have moored him to where he was.

THE HEAVIEST CHAIN that has held him has been his pension. Along about 45 or so, when dreams of adventure were running high, he was 10 or 15 years into the pension system of his company.

If he could just hold on to 65 he would get \$167 a month for life.

The sanctity of seniority came along with the pensions, and the man who had been around the longest could supervise the finished product on the assembly line, instead of squirting grease in the crankshaft.

THEN THERE WAS the fearful matter of health insurance, with the itemized listing of all the things that could happen to him. With the years he had it, over these later years.

Could he transfer it to California, or the beaches of Florida? It seemed prudent not to gamble.

The house on the 50-foot lot, which became quite the thing to have after World War II, was the fourth chain holding the man in place and what he was. There was the mortgage, of course. But there was the sense of property, the sense of responsibility.

AND THERE WAS the matter of the U.S. mail... insurance premiums, income tax, charge accounts, household goods.

social security, voter registration. A man has had to stay put these last 20 years just to get his mail.

So, as stated, the retiree of the 1960's has been badly inhibited, and is soon to suffer some frustrations in his retirement because of it all.

The \$2000, tax free, would about take care of things for him. And it won't be a recurring expense.

Yours Truly,  
Mr. Golden Years

## Happenings

(Continued from 1-B)

the downtown area, may be announced next week, Mayor Milton F. Mallender revealed at Monday night's city commission meeting.

"I am not at liberty tonight to disclose their names, but I have already contacted them and they have indicated they probably will be willing to serve on the committee," the mayor explained.

At a special meeting held last week at the township hall, 16 Mile and Livernois, the Troy township board of supervisors asked its attorney, Charles H. Losey, to prepare an opinion concerning whether township voters will be able to vote on the proposed annexation of 43 acres of township property to the City of Birmingham.

Building contractors who waste city water are going to be hauled to court and made to pay for their extravagance, the city commission has decided. Under a new ordinance which is now being drafted, the builder no longer for a nominal flat rate water fee will be able to use city water for construction purposes, watering of lawns and other assorted uses.

### Junior Achievement Begins New Center

Junior Achievement President Ben D. Mills broke ground recently for the organization's new business center in Redford Township.

Mills, of 780 Vaughan Rd., Bloomfield Hills, a vice president of Ford Motor Co., was assisted by Henry J. Moses, of Orchard Lake, chairman of JA's program committee.

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