

# It's Now Official -- Obear To Head OU

Frederick W. Obear, 35, is the new Provost of Oakland University. He takes over immediately having been appointed to the Michigan State University Board of Trustees. A member of the OU faculty and administrative staff since 1960, Obear fills a position vacated by Donald D. O'Dowd, who became chancellor of the university on Feb. 1, 1970. Obear has crunched a dual appointment as acting provost

and as associate professor of chemistry. He became acting provost in June 1969, while O'Dowd was on leave and he continued in that capacity after O'Dowd became chancellor. The appointment as Provost, Oakland's chief academic officer, was recommended by O'Dowd and supported by students and by the ad hoc committees of faculty and admin-

istrators consulted about possible candidates for the position. OBEAR HOLDS the BA degree with high honors in chemistry from Lowell Technological Institute and a doctorate from the University of New Hampshire, where he has been a teaching fellow and an instructor in chemistry. Since coming to OU, Obear has been an assistant and then an associate professor of chemistry and from 1964-66 he

was dean of freshmen. He became an assistant provost in 1965, vice provost in 1968 and acting provost in 1969. During the 1967-68 year Obear was on leave as an academic intern at Rice University after being selected as a fellow in academic administration under a program sponsored by the American Council on Education and funded by the Ford Foundation. He is a member of numer-

ous learned and professional societies including the American Chemical Society, Society of Sigma Xi, and the American Association for Higher Education. In addition to writing articles for professional publications, Obear is the author of a chapter in the recently published anthology, "Protest! Student Activism in America." Obear is a native of Malden, Massachusetts.

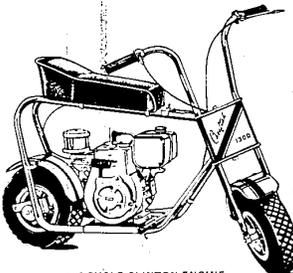
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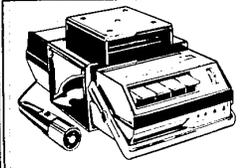
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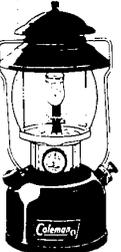
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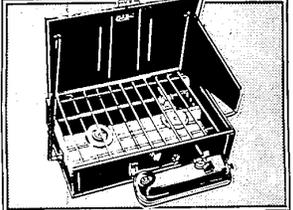
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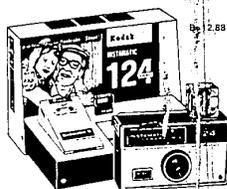
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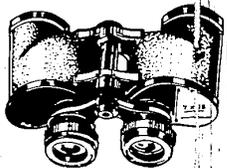
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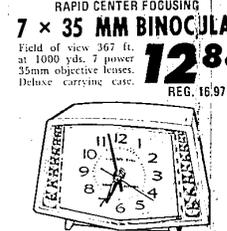
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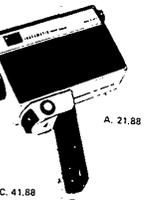
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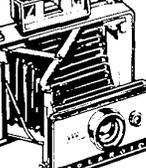
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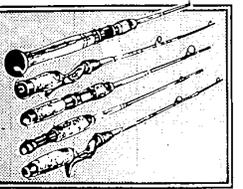
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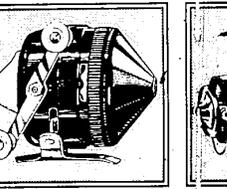
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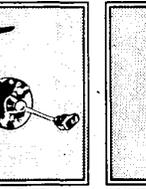
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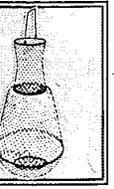
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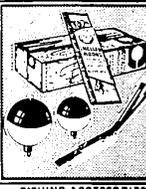
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