field, and other communities should do the same. Youth and idleness spell mischief, and we must stop dilly dallying and act now."

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The present property of the 4-H Center was obtained in 1941 as part of tax-reverted land on Parrish St. in Pontiac. A suggestion was made to sell the land in order to build new

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the millage increase is already commarked to buy more land and park areas in the future.

"We need to rally forces in support of this youth activity." Said William Mainland Ob-Milford D.

"They're working on the creation of a 4-H club in South-terms of the proposed facility."

Proposed 4-H Unit

Inght of other priorities.

DANIEL T. MURPHEY, chairman of the County Board of Auditors, said the new center, to be constructed at the Springfield Oaks Park in away program and the money from the miliage increase is already earmarked to buy more land and park areas in the future.

Funds A Puzzle

and the question of how to firm ance a proposed \$827.000 4:11
Youth Activities Center, tops on the county's capital improvements priority list, is the subject of controversy on the Oakland County Board of Commissioners.

Commissioners.

Stating that the next county budget would be tight, some commissioners felt Thursday that the facility should be paid by funds from the recently approved, one-quarter mill property tax increase for county parks and recreation, instead of the general fund.

The County Parks and Recreation Commission says it can operate the facility at no cost to the county, but it would

## How 3-Mill Tax Request Got On Oakland Ballot

stemmed from a legal opinion which storped the county from taxing over the 15-mill limit (\$15 per \$1.000 of equalized validation).

The decision by the Tax Allocation Board to ask voter



approval of an increase from the current is to 18 mills began to take shape when State Atty.

Gen. Frank Kelley maintained in the spring of 1980 that exceeding the tax limit on a long-term basis is illegal.

Since 1986, Oakland County is familia. The trie-mill increase would far the county's share of property taxes when combined with anonyted local school, county.

Since 1966. Oakland County faxes, when combined with non-voted local school, county school and township rates, have exceeded the constitu-tionally set limit which may be levied without the consent of the electorate.

Funds billed to the taxpayer wer the ceiling had been used o pay off bonding debts, a ractice in effect for many

KELLEY'S OPINION reduced the county's expected income by about \$3 million and the Oakland County Board of Commissioners had to pay bonded indebtedness from within the 15 mills and slice \$3

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Southfield Mayor Norman Feder, recently appointed to the seven-man Tax Allocation Board, was the only member opposed to the proposed tax increase and fixed allocation.

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"I was vigorously opposed to this proposal because if would mean allocations would be locked in forever." Feder says. "The schools may need more. I am also opposed to an increase in the county may need more. I am also opposed to an increase in the county tax millage at this time."

THE SOUTHFIELD Tax-payers' League is expected to use Kelley's opinion as another weapon in its suit against the city, instituted three years' ago, which alleges the city ille-

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The complaint charges that taxes collected over the limit were used to retire a timote, 3.13 million bonding debt not included in the budget, tacking another .339 mills on tax bills.

The tax rate dropped to 7.275 mills in 1968 and in 1969 rose to 7.766, with .141 mills for voterapproved road bonds and .565 mills for state-authorized police and fire pension contributions.

THIS YEAR, the rate is 7,886, with 338 mills for road bonds and 3-88 mills for police and fire pensions. The building and site levies have been included in the budget as require expenditures since 11987, because passage of the road bond issue temporarily alleviated the financial strain on the general fund.

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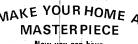
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