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## Education association figures show 78% school tax approval

Unofficial figures released by the New Jersey Education Association indicate about 78% of school district voters approved the 1979-80 school tax increase. This is the third consecutive year the approval rate has been around 80%.

Monmouth—40 of 54 passed.  
Morris—36 of 40 passed.  
Passaic—30 of 34 passed.  
Somerset—14 of 21 passed.  
Union—18 of 19 passed.  
Warren—19 of 21 passed.  
Westfield—14 of 21 passed.  
Camden—29 of 40 passed.  
Cape May—12 of 15 passed.  
Gloucester—12 of 15 passed.  
Hudson—12 of 15 passed.  
Mercer—18 of 21 passed.  
Middlesex—14 of 21 passed.

## Quinn & Boden purchase tab cut by \$350,000 by court

The \$2 million purchase price for the business of Quinn & Boden Co. of Rahway was reduced by \$350,000 April 4 in an agreement approved by United States District Judge Edward J. Ryan.

Attorneys for the International Paper Research Corp., a Los Angeles liquidating firm which bought the assets of the New Jersey bookbinding company, sought unsuccessfully in federal court to force Quinn & Boden to pay the \$2 million purchase price.

## State statistics show youth not likely voters

By R.R. Paszczewski

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following article, a summary of New Jersey voter participation based on economic, social and educational classification, is the second in a series on a report on electoral participation in the state recently released by the New Jersey Secretary of State Donald Lutz. The third and final installment, "Conclusions and Recommendations," will be published on Thursday, April 19.

A national trend of electoral participation being at its lowest levels among 18 to 20 year olds and then increasing gradually up to those in their 40's and 50's was reflected in the 1977 gubernatorial election in New Jersey.

A poll by the Eagleton Institute of Politics at Rutgers University in New Brunswick listed 69% of the respondents in the 18-to-24 age-class category as probable non-voters. For respondents in the 25-to-34 age-class category, the percentage of probable non-voters were 59% and 51% respectively.

For respondents in their 35, 45 and 55 age-class categories, the percentages of probable non-voters were 49%, 40% and 27%, respectively. The study suggests the problem of declining voter participation is more the result of young citizens not being turned on to politics than of habitual voters being turned off. "Today's youth do not perceive the fundamental differences between the parties which had emerged out of New Deal political cleavages," it concludes.

category were 13 to 20 year olds, currently estimated at 10.2%.

The report continues, "A study of the economic and social characteristics of the 18-to-24 age-class category as probable non-voters, for respondents in the 25-to-34 age-class category, the percentages of probable non-voters were 59% and 51% respectively. For respondents in their 35, 45 and 55 age-class categories, the percentages of probable non-voters were 49%, 40% and 27%, respectively.

When the study looked at educational levels, the percentage of probable non-voters remained relatively constant from those with an eighth-grade or less education to those who did not complete high school—41 to 47%.

income, paid for guardianship of the property and are still paying for that and education," he said, adding some creditors may have given out of business while waiting for their money.

But Mr. Rowlin said in addition to a number of legal problems which would hold up the sale and consume months of litigation, he would reluctantly accept the \$350,000 figure to preserve the company's assets.

"We've spent \$30,000 on property taxes during the interim, paid for guardianship of the property and are still paying for that and education," he said, adding some creditors may have given out of business while waiting for their money.

These included an easement, an old sewer line, a railroad right-of-way, a 10-acre tract on Elizabeth Ave. has not increased and the sale of personal property and equipment has caused other problems.

The judge said he saw the need for some abatement, but hardly one which was 25% of the purchase price. After some legal negotiations, he agreed to sign an order affecting the sale of the company's assets with a reduction of \$350,000.

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Prospective jurors are summoned for two weeks of jury duty. If this period ends while they are sitting in a trial they continue to serve for the duration of the trial.

During the two weeks of jury duty, the jurors are divided into two groups of prospective jurors, usually numbering 100 to 150. The first one selected becomes the jury. In a criminal case the jury is composed of 12 jurors, although a trial is expected to be lengthy 14 or more jurors may be picked.

All six during the trial and at its end 12 are selected by lot to participate in the jury deliberations. A conviction must be by unanimous vote. In civil cases, the jury is made up of six to 12 members, and affirmative votes by five-sixths of the jury are necessary for a verdict.

A jury trial is never mandatory except when the prosecutor is seeking the death penalty. A defendant in any other criminal case may waive his right to a jury trial. In a civil case in which there is a right to



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## City taxicab ordinance amendments would increase fares, add new zone

By R.R. Paszczewski

An ordinance amending the city's taxicab law to divide Rahway into three zones instead of two and providing for fare increases in each zone was introduced by the Rahway City Council Monday.

Present cab fares are \$1 in the first zone and \$1.50 in the second. An additional 50¢ fare would be allowed between midnight and 5 a.m.

The first zone would begin at the intersection of W. Hazletwood and St. George Ave., running north along St. George Ave. to the intersection with W. Grand Ave., east to E. Grand Ave. and to Lawrence St. south along Lawrence St. to its intersection with E. Hazletwood Ave. to W. Hazletwood Ave. and its intersection with St. George Ave.

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## John Horan, Merck chairman, heads U. S. pharmacy group board

The chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Merck & Co., Inc. of Rahway, John J. Horan, assumed duties as chairman of the board of the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Assn. following his election at the PMA annual meeting in Boca Raton, Fla.

Mr. Horan succeeds Dr. W. Clarke Wenzon, chairman of the PMA board, Dr. Wenzon will remain on the board of directors. Thirty-three members of the United States Pharmaceutical Council, the Business Roundtable and other business and professional groups.

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## Council okays \$4 million in tax notes

A resolution authorizing the issuance of \$4,000,000 in tax anticipation notes in order to meet city obligations for this year was adopted by the Rahway City Council on April 11.

The Council also authorized the borrowing of \$482,275 from those notes to make up for \$482,275 required by the New Jersey Commissioner of Education to the city's 1977-1979 school budget.

Two traffic licenses were approved for the St. Thomas the Apostle Altar Society of Rahway.

The Rahway Chamber of Commerce will request the use of the Rahway City's Park on Broad St. for the Easter Egg Hunt on April 13, from Irving St. to Campbell St. and W. Cherry St.

The Chamber's meeting on March 12 Rahway Det. Chester Holmes and Mrs. Marilyn Mauer of the Rahway Police Crime Prevention Bureau gave a presentation and showed a film.

It was reported the Fifth volunteer organization in Rahway has 50 members. Applicants for loans from the Union County Economic Development Corp. will be considered soon. Approximately \$180,000 in loans have been applied for. Funds are expected to be available in June.

Chamber president, Robert B. Mackay, reported the National Recreation and Park Assn. has asked the group to host the local Pitch, Hit, and Run competition for June 10-12, for 10-12 year-old children. The Chamber will look into the idea further.



SMILES OF PEACE . . . Egyptian President Anwar Sadat, shown left, and Rep. Marjorie J. Rinaldo, whose district includes Rahway and Clark, right, recalled private talks they had held together in Cairo when they met again during a congressional reception in Washington, D.C., following the signing of the Israeli-Egyptian peace pact. With them at the Capitol Hill reception is House Speaker Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill. Rep. Rinaldo praised the peace-making roles of Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin, President Sadat and President Jimmy Carter.



CITY CULTIVATORS . . . The Rahway Chamber of Commerce and city officials, including Mayor James Kennedy, shown left, and Fred Oliveira, right, discuss the project. The Chamber president, Robert B. Mackay, reports the planning should be completed by the beginning of next month.

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