

# Roll Call Report

Here's how area members of Congress were recorded on major roll call votes Feb. 17-23.

## HOUSE

**ADJOURNMENT:** Rejected, 109 for and 224 against, a motion that the house go into adjournment Feb. 18, 19 and 20.

Although the vote blocking adjournment was quickly reversed, it did serve as a vehicle by which some members expressed their views on the pay hike, which for congressmen was an increase from \$44,600 to \$57,500 annually.

The rationale of the vote was that by staying in session over the week-end the house might improve its chances of conducting an up-or-down vote on the pay raise. In the absence of such a vote before Feb. 20, the hike would automatically take effect.

Some of the 224 members voting to stay in session sincerely opposed the pay hike. But many others in that group wanted the extra salary and voted against adjournment as a gimmick to impress constituents. Thus, whether or not a member voted among the 224 was not a true test of his sentiment on the pay raise. This was, however, the house's only record vote even remotely related to the issue.

Rep. William Ford (D-Mich.) a supporter of the move to adjourn, said staying in session would do nothing to halt the pay raise because "I will be here to object until the cows come home. We will not get a vote on this issue if I can help it."

Reps. William Brodhead (D-Ill.) and James Blanchard (D-Ill.) voted "yea." Rep. William Broomfield voted "nay." Rep. David Bonior (D-Ill.) did not vote.

**BUDGET:** Approved, 239 for and 169 against, a resolution setting a higher spending ceiling and lower revenue floor for the federal budget in the current fiscal year. This resolution (H. Con. Res. 110) did not appropriate money, but set revenue, expenditure and debt limits which the Congress must obey as it proceeds with individual money bills. A Senate version of the resolution was previously passed (see vote below) and the issue was sent to conference.

The budget changes were necessary to accommodate President Carter's

economic stimulus package. Carter wants increased federal spending and lower revenues to stimulate the economy and cut unemployment.

Bonior, Brodhead and Blanchard voted "yea." Broomfield voted "nay."

**TAX CUT:** Rejected, 148 for and 238 against, an amendment to replace President Carter's plan for one-shot individual tax rebates with a permanent across-the-board tax cut.

Rep. John Rousselot (R-Calif.), the sponsor, said: "The purpose of a permanent tax rate reduction is to reduce the tax bias against work, saving and investment... to increase the reward to work, save and invest and to make it more desirable for people to invest and to hire unemployed and produce more real long-term jobs."

Broomfield voted "yea." Bonior, Brodhead and Blanchard voted "nay."

## SENATE

## GI Bill tightened

Veterans going to school under the GI Bill could wind up in debt to the federal government if they drop courses or receive non-punitive grades under certain conditions.

A recent congressional amendment to the GI Bill requires the agency retroactively to cancel assistance payment for a course dropped without a grade. This applies in cases when a course is completed but the grade assigned is ignored by the school for graduation requirements.

The new regulation is a major change in the GI Bill benefit payments policy and does not apply when the situation was caused by circumstances beyond the student's control.

Students enrolled under the GI Bill are urged not to drop a course or request a non-punitive grade until they have contacted their school's veterans affairs office. Students should fully understand what effect the withdrawal from a course or grade may have on their monthly VA checks.

**BUDGET:** Adopted, 72 for and 20 against, S. Con. Res. 110, the Senate's version of the fiscal 1977 budget changes necessary to accommodate President Carter's economic recovery blueprint.

The Senate resolution was the same in approach as the house's, but differed considerably on dollar amounts.

For example, the Senate recommended a lower annual deficit for fiscal 1977—\$82.2 billion compared to the house's \$70.3 billion. Differences between the versions were to be settled in conference.

Sen. Robert Griffin (R) voted "nay" and Sen. Donald Riegle (D) voted "yea."

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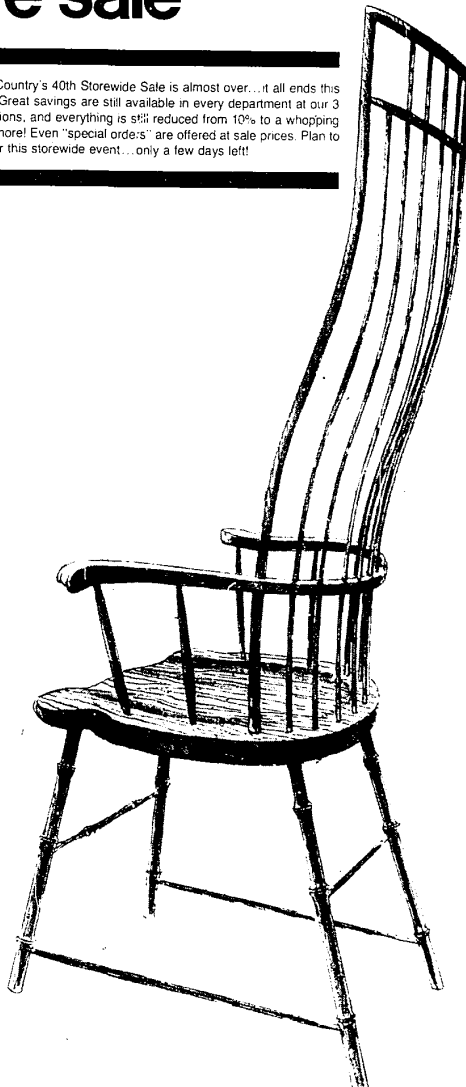
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