

OCC race unaltered by recount...

The numbers may have changed, but the results are still the same. Dennis Rogers has been nudged from his seat on the Oakland Community College (OCC) Board of Trustees. While Sandra Ritter, a political upstart from Waterford Township walked away from the June 12 election as top vote-getter, a close race for the only remaining seat ensued. In spite of a recently completed recount, that seat may still not be decided. Lila Johnson, a 14-year trustee vet-

eran from Huntington Woods, squeezed past Rogers after two votes counts. Following the election, Mrs. Johnson was tabbed the winner as she out-poll Rogers 10,178 to 10,145.

Rogers, however called for a recount. The results were the same, but the margin changed. Mrs. Johnson said this time garnered 10,188 votes. Rogers vote total read 10,157. "It may or may not be an end. I haven't decided," Rogers said. "It has

been an exhausting three months." Rogers three weeks ago filed a suit in Oakland County Circuit Court challenging the results of two Rochester precincts. Rogers contends 80 voters from outside OCC's district voted in the election.

According to Rogers much of the case has been heard by Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Richard D. Kuhn. Rogers said he has not decided if he will drop the case.

The OCC election marked Rogers second consecutive defeat. Earlier he ran for a seat on the Troy City Council.

In spite of his defeat, Rogers retained control of the college's most important committee, the presidential search committee. When he accepted the chairmanship of the committee was guaranteed he would continue in the position even though he might be beaten at the polls.

...as attention turns to \$\$ veto

While some community college officials are livid over Gov. William Milliken's veto of a \$120 million funding proposal, Oakland Community College (OCC) response has been restrained. A statement by acting OCC President Derek Nunney said he is disappointed by the timing of the veto. The action, he said, complicates planning for the coming academic year. OCC would have received \$8.3 million of the community college appropriation.

Persons in charge of OCC's budg-

etary affairs could not be reached for comment.

Some community college officials, however, have been harsher. According to published reports, a Lake Michigan College official called on the state legislature to override Milliken's veto. William Neimi, vice president for business affairs for LMC, said he was worried that if no override attempt was forthcoming, badly needed state funding would be a long time coming.

MILLIKEN VETOED the State Senate's funding bill because, he said, it attempted to dilute "local control over program offerings and internal management decisions."

Specifically, the bill provided that a percentage of each community college's state appropriation be targeted for certain programs, such as remedial education and student counseling. Milliken said the bill as written "has the potential of restricting local auton-

omy and could prove detrimental to efficient and effective delivery of educational services."

The legislature could decide to override Milliken's veto when it reconvenes Sept. 5. It also can introduce another funding proposal that would remedy Milliken's objections.

It would take a two-thirds vote of both the state house and senate to override Milliken's veto. Only once has the legislature succeeded in doing so.

MESC ends late hours

As part of a cost-cutting move, the Michigan Employment Security Commission (MESC) has discontinued a program which kept many of its offices open until 6 p.m. every Wednesday, an hour-and-a-half longer than normal.

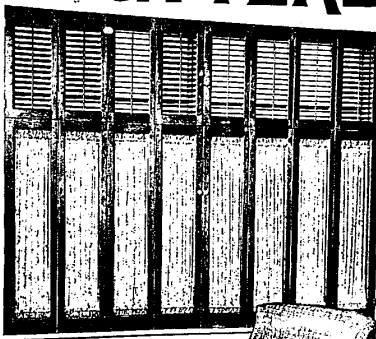
S. Martin Taylor, MESC director, said the office stayed open later each Wednesday for claimants who had gone back to work. They could then visit MESC offices to receive jobless benefits for their last week of unemployment.

Offices in this area which are affected include: Royal Oak, 408 S. Lafayette; Plymouth, 8825 General Drive; Livonia, 28003 W. Eight Mile; and Pontiac, 242 Oakland.

Taylor said MESC will now use a mail program to send those who return to work their last unemployment check. The mail program is already used by the agency's other 52 offices.


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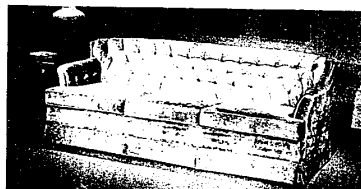
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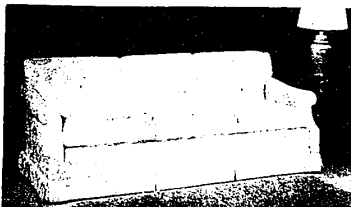
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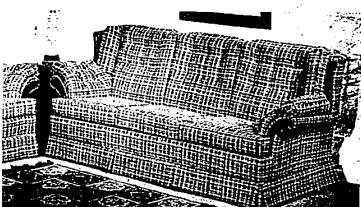
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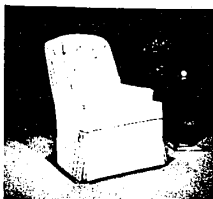


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