

roll call report

House OKs draft budget

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

HOUSE

DRAFT REGISTRATION: By a vote of 219-180, the House approved spending \$13 million to begin registering young men for possible draft into the military service. The bill (HJ Res 521) was sent to the Senate.

If the registration plan gets final approval, the approximately four million men born in 1960 and 1961 will be required to fill out forms at their local post offices.

Rep. Elwood Hillis, R-Ind., a supporter, said "premobilization registration is nothing more than an insurance policy against a future international crisis."

Rep. Silvio Conte, R-Mass., an opponent, called the plan "a meaningless gesture which will put the nation through a divisive and rather worthless postcard registration in order to send a weak and mixed signal to the Soviets."

Members voting "yea" favor draft registration.

Rep. David Bonior, D-Mt. Clemens, voted "yea."

Reps. Carl Pursell, R-Plymouth, William Ford, D-Taylor, William Brodhead, D-Detroit, James Blanchard, D-Pleasant Ridge, and William Broomfield, R-Birmingham, voted "nay."

IRAN PROBE: The House killed, 214-90, a resolution (H Res 527) calling for a probe of one aspect of the Administration's dealings with the Iranian government. The probe was to have looked into the conciliatory letter the Iranians claimed to have received from President Carter in late March.

Carter repudiated the letter, which, according to the claim of Rep. George Hansen, R-Idaho, was written by an Argentine lawyer working as an intermediary between Washington and Iran in the hostage negotiations.

Rep. William Broomfield, R-Mich., a supporter of shelving the resolution, said that "because of the sensitive and deteriorating situation in Iran" any congressional debate on the Administration's handling of the hostage ordeal should be postponed until the hostages are safe.

Challenging the Argentine's lawyer's trustworthiness, Hansen, the sponsor of the resolution, told the House it is "extremely dangerous when we find ourselves on the edge of the cliff of warfare, perhaps WW III, to have an intermediary of this kind of shadowy background" working in behalf of the U.S. government.

Members voting "nay" want to debate and vote on a resolution questioning one aspect of the Administration's Iran policy.

Pursell, Bonior, Ford, Brodhead, Blanchard, and Broomfield, voted "yea."

INTERNATIONAL BANKS: By a vote of 211-180, the House sent back to a House-Senate conference committee a bill (S 662) setting the level of U.S. contributions to the Inter-American Development Bank, Asian Development Bank, and African Development Fund. The bill called for \$4 billion in contributions through 1982, compared to the \$2.5 billion the House voted in March.

Rep. John Ashbrook, R-Ohio, who supported sending the bill back, asked: "How can we ask U.S. taxpayers to give their wages so that nations with dubious support records of American positions can bask in cheap loans?"

Rep. Hamilton Fish, R-N.Y., an opponent, said: "We can hardly afford to look like we are abandoning the needy and the poor."

Members voting "yea" favor a lower contribution to the banks.

Broomfield voted "yea."

Pursell, Bonior, Brodhead and Blanchard voted "nay."

Ford did not vote.

SENATE

THE LUBBERS NOMINATION: The Senate confirmed, 57-39, the nomination of William A. Lubbers as general counsel of the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB), the independent agency established in 1934 to mediate differences between labor and management. Lubbers was seen as "pro-labor" by conservatives, and organized labor regarded his confirmation as a victory.

Sen. Harrison Williams, D-N.J., a supporter, said Lubbers "will win the praise and admiration of both labor and management for his ability and his impartiality as general counsel."

Sen. Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, an opponent, called Lubbers "an ivory-tower bureaucrat having no practical labor relations experience as well as extremely limited (NLRB) experience."

Senators voting "yea" want Lubbers to be the NLRB's top lawyer.

Sens. Donald Riegle and Carl Levin, both Democrats, voted "yea."

Oakland NOW to discuss ERA

The north Oakland chapter of the National Organization for Women (NOW) will hold its monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, May 8, on Oakland Community College's Auburn Hills Campus.

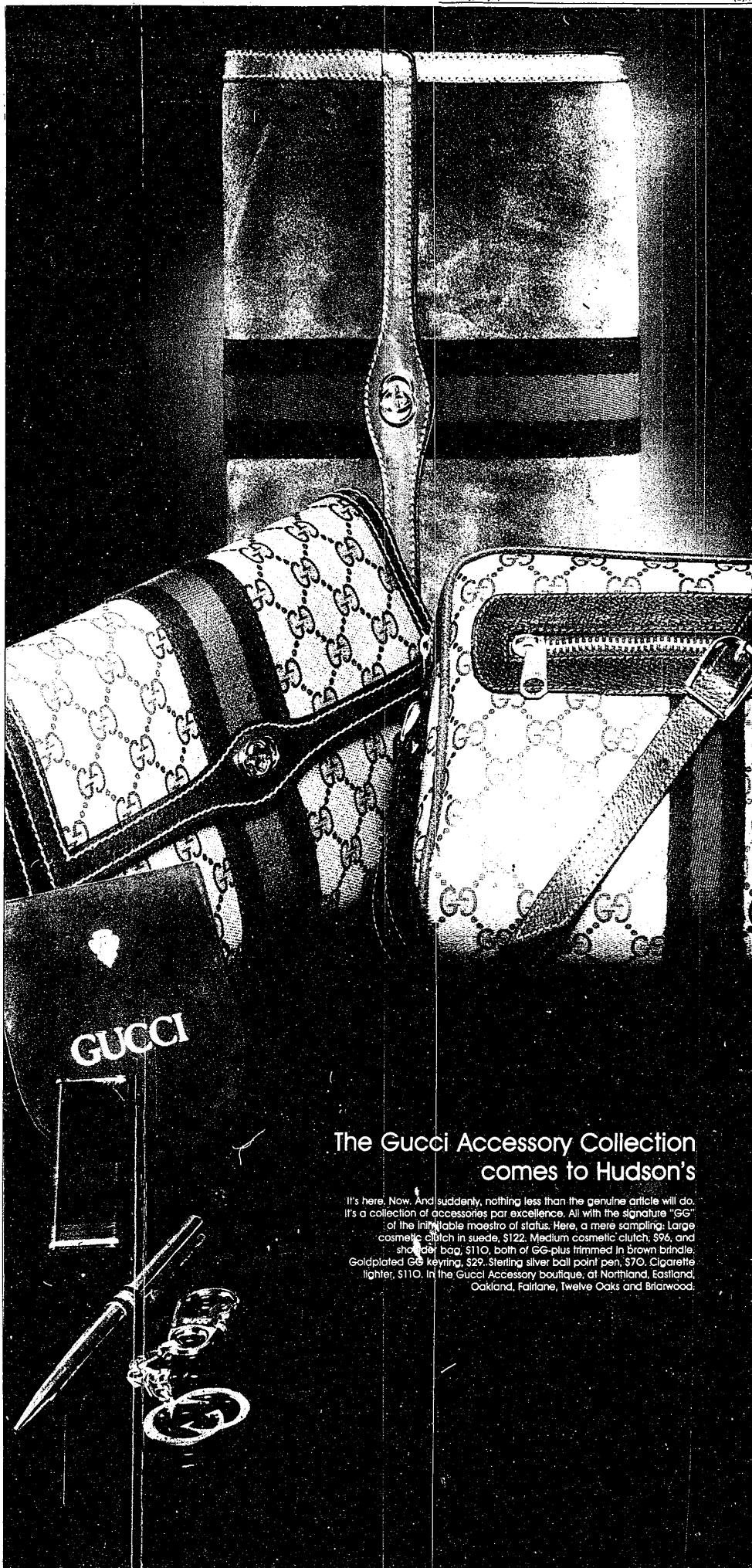
Laura Callow, chair of Michigan ERAmerica will speak on, "ERA and the Homemaker." The meeting will be in Building C, room 255.

Hold the presses

On May 11, 1854, Ottmar Mergenthaler was born in the tiny hamlet of Hachtel, Germany. Originally a watchmaker, Mergenthaler quickly developed an interest in machinery.

In 1884 he revolutionized the printing industry with his typesetting machines, which allowed printers to set whole lines rather than a letter at a time.

Henry Ford Museum, Dearborn, Mich., offers visitors a chance to see his 1884 brand machine, Mergenthaler's first composing machine, and a 1901 lotype, one of his last ideas.



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