

## roll call report

WASHINGTON: Here's how area members of Congress were recorded on major roll call votes Sept. 10-16.

### HOUSE

**MILITARY PAY:** The House rejected 170-232 a plan to increase all military paychecks 7-12 percent, with higher raises getting the biggest raises. Defeat of the amendment left intact a proposed 14.5 percent across-the-board raise. Both plans would take effect Oct. 1 and cost taxpayers an estimated \$3.2 billion in fiscal year 1982. The defeated amendment emphasized retaining experienced personnel, while the 14.5 percent raise is designed to upgrade the quality of recruits. The bill was sent to conference with the Senate.

Sponsor Joseph Addabbo, D-N.Y., said that "if we are to retain those men and women from those critical ranks where we are now losing experience in droves, we must provide extra incentive to these people to stay."

Opponent Bill Nichols, D-Ala., said "The 14.5 percent increase does better in attracting high-quality high school graduates into the military."

Members voting "yes" preferred 7-22 percent military pay hikes to a 14.5 percent across-the-board hike.

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

Reps. David Bonior, D-Mt. Clemens, and William Brookfield, R-Birmingham, voted "no."

**COAST GUARD:** The House rejected 129-260 an amendment to increase fiscal year 1982 Coast Guard spending by \$84 million to a total of \$2.7 billion. The added money was to go mainly for upgrading equipment and training personnel. The vote occurred during debate on an appropriations bill later sent to the Senate.

Supporter Bill Young, R-Fla., said "the Coast Guard is a vital national resource that is being allowed to fall apart before our eyes."

Opponent Adam Benjamin, D-Ind., noted that many members advocating the extra money had voted previously for the Administration budget blueprint that limited spending for the Coast Guard and most other federal agencies.

Members voting "yes" wanted to hike Coast Guard spending by \$84 million in FY 1982.

Bonior, Ford, Brodhead and Blanchard voted "yes."

Pursell and Brookfield voted "no."

### SENATE

**BUSING:** By vote of 60-39, the Senate adopted language to virtually ban federal courts from ordering busing as a school segregation remedy and prevent the Justice Department from taking part in pro-busing litigation.

A retroactive provision would allow existing court busing orders to be voided. The language was attached to a Justice Department authorization bill on which final action was delayed.

Supporter Nancy Kassebaum, R-Kans., said "busing has failed" and that

it "now serves to frustrate rather than promote the goals it is intended to achieve."

Opponent John Heinz, R-Pa., said he opposes busing but objects to the retroactive provision and fears the legislation is unconstitutional.

Senators voting "yes" wanted to virtually end federal court and executive action in behalf of school busing.

Democratic Sens. Carl Levin and Donald Riegle voted "no."

**MILK:** The Senate killed 35-41 an amendment to increase dairy price supports paid milk producers under the new farm bill. The amendment sought to peg price supports at 75 to 80 percent of parity, with reductions below 75 percent if farmers produced excessive surpluses. Left standing by this vote is a plan — costing \$1 billion less — to set milk price supports at 70 percent of parity. The government defines parity as theoretically a fair price for farm commodities. Presently, parity for milk products is at 80 percent. The vote occurred during debate on the four-year farm bill that was headed for final passage by the Senate.

Sen. Bob Dole, R-Kans., a supporter of killing the amendment, said "it is not that we all do not like dairy producers and dairy products. We all like cheese, milk and ice cream. The question is we do not have any money."

Sen. Larry Pressler, R-S.D., called it "important that we keep a dairy program that will assure the American consumer an adequate supply of milk, and to do this, we must assure dairy farmers a fair price."

Senators voting "yes" favored higher federal price supports for dairy farmers.

Levin and Riegle voted "no."

**PEANUTS:** The Senate adopted 51-47 an amendment that ends the monopolistic system of acreage allotments for peanut farmers but retains the

production controls that artificially prop up prices by limiting production. Most senators voting "yes" preferred keeping the existing peanut program intact but supported the amendment as a compromise that would head off more drastic reforms. Most senators voting "no" thought the amendment failed to go far enough in moving the peanut industry into the free-market economy.

Doing away with acreage allotments means that any farmer can grow peanuts, not just the 59,000 present holders of government "franchises." The amendment was attached to the new four-year farm bill.

Supporter Jesse Helms, R-N.C., said, "I am a little puzzled by the attacks on the peanut program, which has to be one of the most successful farm programs ever devised by this government."

Opponent Paul Tsongas, D-Mass., chided conservatives and others who argue for continued heavy federal regulation of peanut farming in apparent contradiction of their "long history of arguing for less government."

Senators voting "yes" thought the compromise amendment too protective of peanut farmers.

Levin and Riegle voted "no."

## OCC gives police academy \$1.7 million campus home; construction to begin soon

By Tim Richard  
staff writer

Construction will start within days on a Criminal Justice Center building at Oakland Community College.

"They're really gonna have a home of their own. It's been an orphan for a long, long time," said OCC Board Chairman Earl Anderson as the board last week gave 7-0 approval to the \$1.7 million project.

The building will be attached to the Physical Education Building at OCC's Auburn Hills campus east of Pontiac. "But it will have an identity of its own," said Soeren H. Gozmann, director of physical facilities.

The building is scheduled to open in fall 1982.

**THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE CENTER** will have 12 classrooms, each with a capacity of 30 students, and a firing range of 10 stations, in addition to storage and office space, according to the design of Straub, Van Dine, Associates, architects in Troy.

About one-third of the 200 or more students take basic training. The other two-thirds will be police officers taking advanced courses.

The basic course lasts eight 40-hour weeks. A person completing it earns state certification as a police officer, according to Dr. Marion Rice, Auburn Hills campus provost.

"We're one of 14 regional academies in the state," said coordinator Joel Allen. Local police and county sheriff departments from anywhere in Michigan could send trainees to OCC, although most are from southeast Michigan.

Allen himself works part-time in law enforcement at rural Green Oak Township of Livingston County in order to maintain his active state accreditation. He is former public safety director of South Lyon and was once on the Wayne State University public safety force.

**MOST BASIC** trainees have been accepted by a police agency, but Allen said a few are "pre-employment" stu-

dents who have at least two years of college and want to take police training at their own expense.

While there is no permanent facility, 40 professional persons in the criminal justice field teach one or more courses, Allen said.

While the criminal justice center is sometimes referred to as the "police academy," Allen said it also has offered instruction in persons in jail operations and district court probation departments.

In its 10-year life, the Criminal Justice Center has operated at four Oakland County sites, Dr. Rice said. It currently is housed in the barracks of the former Army Nike missile site on the Auburn Hills campus.

"We hope it will be at Auburn Hills permanently," said Dr. Rice.

"THE PRICE was 19 percent, or \$400,000, under our budget," Gozmann told the trustees. The estimated price had been nearly \$2.1 million.

Chief reason: Contractors are paring prices to get any kind of work during a recession that is a virtual depression in the building industry.

"The room was packed with contractors," Gozmann said of the Sept. 14 bid-opening meeting.

General contractor will be DeMar Building Co., Inc., at a bid over \$1 million. The other 19 bids ranged up to \$1,348,000.

Mechanical contractor will be Steve Krucko Co. at \$148,000. Electrical contractor will be Meachum Electrical Co. at about \$145,000.

The center's glass will be limited to narrow windows only in areas where a view is desired — to the southeast and southwest. The windows will have blinds for light and solar control, according to architect's plans.

In other action affecting the Auburn Hills campus, the OCC board accepted the low bid of Pabco Field Power Co. for nearly \$23,000 in equipment for the fluid power technology and hydraulics program. Federal aid will cover 46 percent of the cost.

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