roll call report

Here's how area members of Con-ress recorded on major roll call votes

HOUSE

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HOUSING HELP—By a vote of 350 for and 54 against, the House passed and sent of the Senate a bill (III 6294) providing in fiscal 192 a 43 billion tied 4,000 new home purchases. Moderate 4,000 new home purchases. Moderate and low-income buyers of single-family homes would have 4-6 of their interest percentage points paid by the government for up to seven years. This could set mortgage interest rates for many purchases at 9.5 percent. The administration opposed the bill as a budget-busting "bailout" of the housing industry, while supporters said it would stimulate the economy by providing 140,000 jobs and generating 13; Dillion in increased federal, state and local tax revenues.

Supporter Ron Wyden, D-Ore, said:
"We are not talking about a subsidy
here today, we are talking about the
survival of one of the most important
cectors of our economy."
Opponent Robert Mitchel, R-III., said
be could "swallow hard" and support
the bill if he were sure it would cost
only \$1 billion, "but we all know the
truth — this billion dollar ballout has
all the potential of becoming another of
our great multi-hillion (dolar) boondoggles."

SIDING

GUTTERS

Members voting "yea" wanted to stimulate the housing industry with \$1 billion in mortgage-interest subsidies. Reps Carl Pursell, R-Plymoth; Da-vid Bonior, D-Mt. Clemens, William Ford, D-Taylor, William Brodhead, D-Detroit, James Blanchard, D-Pleasant Ridge, and William Broomfield, R-Bir-mingham, voted "yea."

mingham, voted "yea."

WESTERN WATER — The House passed, 228 for and 117 against, a bill that expands the acreage of farms eligible to receive federally subdicted inrigation water from federal reclamation projects in 17 western states. The new maximum is 860 acres, up from 180 acres per single ownership or 320 acres for a married couple. A federal court ordered stricter enforcement of the 1902 Reclamation Act after environmentalists filed suit charging agribusiness interests were adusing the acreage limitations.

Supporter Don Clausen, R-Calif, said releanation water benefits the agricultural economy of the whole nation, and he said the bill should be addressed on its metrits "and not on a regional or East water thanks."

West basis."

East vs. West basis."
Opponent James Weaver, D-Ore, said the bill is a "a bald-faced, antifamily farm package of direct subsidies of the richest of America's agribusiness interests."
Members voting "yea" supported liberlizing the 1902 Reclamation Act

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Broomfield voted "yea." Bonior, Ford, Brodhead and Blanc-

MINE SAFETY — By a vote of 186 for and 220 against, the House rejected an amendment to make the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) — rather than the Mine Safety and Health Administration (MSHA) — responsible for policing working conditions at surface sand, gravel, phosphate, stone and clay mines.

Sponsor John Rousselnt Paralle MINE SAFETY - By a vote of 186

mines.

Bassor John Rousselot, R-Calif, said his amendment was necessary because MSHA regulation "ill serves the objectives of employee safety and health, impose unnecessary burdens upon the separate industries, and dilutes government enforcement resources."

Opponent Joseob Gaydox D-Pa. said

Opponent Joseph Gaydos, D-Pa., said mine operators want the switch be-

cause understaffed OSHA makes infre-quent cheeks on the mines compared to MSHA's two annual inspections. Members voting "yea" wanted OSHA rather than the more aggressive MSHA to police the surface mining operations listed above. Pursell, and Broomfield voted "yea." Bontor, Ford, Brodhead and Blanc-hard voted "nay."

DEFENSE WATCHDOG — By a vote of 45 for and 46 against, the Senate refused to table the more independent of two approaches to establishing the office of inspector general at the Defense Department. Senators woing "nay" want the Pentagon IG to be independent of the defense secretary as he or she seeks to ferret out waste, fraud and corruption, although the secretary could oversee probes jugded to endanger "national security." Senators voting "yea" want the IG to be under the authority of the defense secretary.







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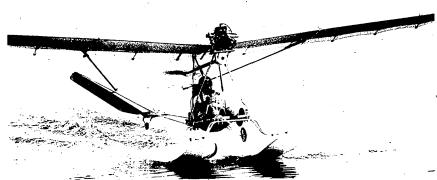
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