

Suburban GOP Cool To Transit Plan

By TIM RICHARD

From the figures, it looked as if Gov. William Milliken won a big victory when he persuaded the Republican state convention to reject a resolution opposing the state's new two-cent gasoline tax hike.

The vote was 436 in favor and 1,223 against a floor proposal calling for repeal of the tax hike, which includes a half-cent for public transportation. On paper that looks like nearly a 4-1 victory for the governor, a champion of "balanced transportation," but in truth there are some soft spots:

- Two voice votes were so close that convention chairman Nancy Chase Ann Arbor had to resort to the roll call.
- Milliken himself took



MARI EGBERT got guidance on the floor of the GOP state convention from State Sen. Carl Pursell, who helped her win the third (youth) vice chairmanship of the state party. (Observer photo)

Students Stir Up GOP Convention

Anyone who expected last weekend's Michigan Republican state convention in Detroit to be dull was counting on Mari Egbert and Kent Aitchison.

Miss Egbert, 20, formerly of Northville and now legally a Livonia resident, and Aitchison, 19, of northwest Detroit, ran campaigns as sophisticated as any senior party member had ever put together.

Miss Egbert won the third vice chairmanship in a roll call vote that concluded the convention. The third vice seat by party rules must go to someone between the ages of 18 and 24.

The unannounced final tally was 1,440 to 227 in favor of Miss Egbert, although the spread was tighter until the closing minutes. A third candidate, Bill Whitlock of Hope College, withdrew, sought out the Egbert forces for bargaining purposes, and threw his support to the lady.

Sailing Course Set At S'craft

A sail course for both new and experienced sailors will be offered at Schoolcraft College beginning at 7 p.m. Feb. 23 in the Forum Building.

Sponsored by the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 125, the course was developed by the Coast Guard with assistance from experienced sailors, marine authors and staff members of Yachting magazine.

The eight-week course will be taught by experienced sailors and guest lecturers.

Topics will include types of sailboats, sail dynamics, wind, stability, sail handling, tuning, docking and anchoring, helmsmanship, navigation and rules of the road. It is designed to give new

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the podium, interrupting the roll call (improper under most parliamentary rules), to denounce the proposal as "irresponsible" and say its passage would be a "direct repudiation" of him and his works.

• Two big suburban delegations, the 14th and the 17th, were bound up in recounts so that their votes were never recorded.

• There were other weak spots in suburban delegations, even though the suburbs would be among the chief beneficiaries of a major tax hike goal: Takeover by the Southeastern Michigan Transportation Authority of Detroit's DSR bus system and a metropolitan bus system.

TAKE, FOR ONE notable example, the case of the 17th District, which covers north-

west Detroit, Redford Township, Southfield and Farmington.

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She began her career at 14 in the Northville Teenage Republican Club and in 1970 was a youth coordinator in the successful campaign of State Sen. Carl Pursell (R-Plymouth).

Pursell returned the favor by letting the Egbert team use his office in Lansing and by advising them on strategy.

"You know, she's got at least five persons working for her in every congressional district," Pursell marveled.

It showed. She carried 17 of the 19 congressional districts; Aitchison won one, and another failed to complete its tally.

The 2nd (Livonia, Plymouth, Northville, Washtenaw and Monroe) went for Egbert, 85 to 10; the 15th (Garden City, Westland, Canton and points south) backed her, 46 to 18. Only his home 17th (northwest Detroit, Redford, Southfield, Lathrup and

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IT TOOK SO LONG to tally the vote of the 17th District that its delegates were never tallied as the Republican state convention rejected a resolution calling for repeal of the state gasoline

tax hike. Chairman Denzil Hammond (on chair) counts "pros" on right, "antis" on left, in the rear of Cobo Hall. (Observer photo)

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