

House Unit Adds Token Parochial aid to School Aid Bill

From Our News Wires
LANSING—The House Appropriations Committee yesterday added a token \$100,000 in parochial funds to the present state school aid bill and declared the practice of giving state aid to non-public schools was "the public good and general welfare."

Further changes were expected in the \$845.44-million, Senate-approved bill before a final committee vote. The Senate did not include parochial aid in its school bill for the 1969-70 school year. The parochial amendment also calls for an additional \$44 million for the 1970-71 school year.

Committee approval came on a 10-3 vote. Voting against were Jack Faxon, D-Detroit; Arthur Law, D-Pontiac; and Roy Smith, R-Ypsilanti. The committee's addition of the amendment thus sends the controversial parochial concept to the House floor on the coattails of the general public school

operation appropriations. If House Speaker William Ryan and his chief parochial lieutenant, J. Robert Traxler, D-Bay City, muster the more than 56 required votes they say they now have, the concept of state aid to church-run schools would be clearly spelled out. Gov. William Milliken said the com-

mittee action was not inconsistent with the guidelines he laid down earlier this year in his education message to the Legislature. However, he noted that traditionally the Legislature does not commit tax aid funds for future years no matter how hard-pressed public schools are for money.

Under the amendment, the State Board of Education would pay teachers and other professionals for secular teaching and services. No state funds would go directly to a school or parent and none could be used for primarily religious activities.



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Sale Of 'Smut' To Those Under 18 Is Illegal

Law Aims to Keep 'Smut' From Young

(Second in a four-part series.)

By DICK ROBINSON

"Censorship" is a dirty 10-letter word to most people. Yet many feel it is allowable when the young are involved. Obscene material can't lawfully be sold to children.

What is considered an Oakland County test case of this law goes before a judge today. It centers on three Pontiac cashiers who were arrested last week on charges of selling obscene magazines to a minor.

Legal authorities now foresee more crackdowns on the sale of erotic literature to minors throughout the county.

SUPREME COURT RULING

"These may come about as the result of more police departments becoming aware that the U.S. Supreme Court approved a law in April 1968 designed to zero in on sales of pornography to children," Assistant Prosecutor-Dennis Donohue explained.

The high court ruling was its first setting different standards for printed material sold to children and that offered to adults. It is called "variable obscenity."

Upheld in the decision was a 1965 New

York state law. It prohibits sales of obscene magazines and other literature depicting nudity, "sexual excitement, sexual conduct and sadomasochistic abuse" to anyone under 17 years of age. Adults may still read and see what they choose as guaranteed by the First Amendment, the justices ruled.

MICHIGAN LAW

Pontiac's three cases and one pending in Royal Oak are being prosecuted under a Michigan law amended in 1964, Donohue said.

"Anyone who knowingly sells or distributes obscene, lewd, lascivious, filthy or indecent" material "tending to corrupt the morals of youth to persons under 18 years old" can be taken to court, the law reads.

Donohue said the law contains a "pretty stiff" maximum penalty of one year in jail and/or \$1,000 fine. But what is meant by the words "obscene, lewd, lascivious, filthy and indecent"?

JUSTICES CAN'T AGREE

Even the Supreme Court can't agree upon that. There are as many definitions of obscenity as there are justices.

Many law experts feel the law should include precise definitions of what can't be sold to minors. Otherwise, there could be many individual trials to determine whether books or magazines are obscene.

Although judges have supplemented "obscene" with phrases aimed at defining obscenity—"pruriently appealing" or "patently offensive"—they are just as vague, critics claim.

State Sen. Basil Brown, D-Highland Park, is heading a move to clarify existing laws on obscenity.

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Showers Clouding Weather Picture

The weatherman predicts considerable cloudiness with occasional showers and thundershowers through tomorrow. Temperatures will continue warm, with a low of 53 to 58 tonight. The high is expected to rise into the low 70s tomorrow.

The outlook for Thursday is mild with a chance of showers. Probabilities of precipitation in percent are 40 today, 50 tonight and 40 tomorrow.

The low temperature before 8 a.m. in downtown Pontiac was 52. By 2 p.m. the mercury was near 66.

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Punishment Ruled Out

No Trial for Bucher

WASHINGTON (AP) — Navy Secretary John H. Chafee today ruled out any punishment for any U.S. personnel connected with North Korea's seizure of the spy ship Pueblo even though a Navy court of inquiry urged courts-martial for skipper Lloyd M. Bucher and a chief assistant.

Setting aside major recommendations of the 80-day inquiry, Chafee declared of the men who served on the Pueblo: "They have suffered enough, and further punishment would not be justified."

While prisoners of the North Koreans, he noted, "They suffered extensively from physical abuse and torturous treatment."

All charges lodged against Pueblo crewmen will be dismissed. TRIALS RECOMMENDED

"I am convinced," Chafee said, "that neither individual discipline, nor the state of discipline or morale in the Navy nor any other interest requires further legal proceedings with respect to any personnel involved in the Pueblo incident."

The Navy court of inquiry, he disclosed, had recommended after piling up 4,350 pages of testimony that general court-martial trials be held for Cmdr. Bucher and Lt. Stephen R. Harris, his "research" officer.

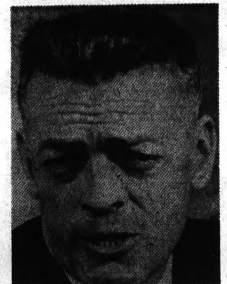
Bucher would have faced five court-

martial charges, dealing mainly with failing to resist the North Korea takeover of Jan. 23, 1968, and allowing classified information to fall into the North Koreans' hands.

Harris, the court of inquiry held, ought to be tried on three counts dealing with his so-called research detachment's lack of ability and readiness to destroy secret materials before the North Koreans boarded the vessel. But Chafee wiped out those charges.

HASN'T TALKED TO NIXON

At a news conference explaining his position, Chafee said he had not talked to President Nixon about the course of action he had chosen.



CMR. LLOYD M. BUCHER

There has been some public controversy over the question of whether the Navy was trying to saddle Bucher and his men with the blame for the Pueblo debacle when higher-ups ought to be held accountable, too.

'Nixon Won't Control ABMs'; Cost Is Soaring

From Our News Wires
WASHINGTON — President Nixon will have to delegate to others the authority for firing Safeguard antiballistic missiles (ABMs) — now priced tagged at \$7.8 billion for just two bases — according to members of the House Armed Services Committee.

ABM defenders and critics differ on whether, for the first time since development of the atomic bomb in 1945, someone other than a living and capable functioning American president should give the orders to set off a nuclear explosion.

"It (launch authority) will have to be delegated," committee Chairman L. Mendel Rivers said. The South Carolina Democrat said he was not bothered by the idea.

Two outspoken critics of Safeguard, Democratic Reps. Lucien Nedzi, Mich., and Otis G. Pike, N.Y., warned there could be situations in which the president would not have ample time to assess information and make a decision on whether to launch.

COST FOR TWO BASES

In the most detailed analysis given Congress so far, Deputy-Secretary of Defense David R. Packard gave a figure of \$6.6 billion for the complete system intended to protect two Minuteman missile bases in North Dakota and Montana.

But spokesmen for the Pentagon and the Atomic Energy Commission confirmed yesterday that the cost of nuclear warheads for the defense missiles — \$1.2 billion — was not included in the Defense Department estimate.

State Aid OK'd for MCOM, if...

The Michigan College of Osteopathic Medicine (MCOM), under construction in Pontiac, may receive state funds and recognition if it affiliates with Oakland University as a result of a bill approved 78-25 by the Michigan House of Representatives yesterday.

The bill, introduced by Rep. Josephine Hunsinger, D-Detroit, provides for state support of an osteopathic college to be located somewhere within Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

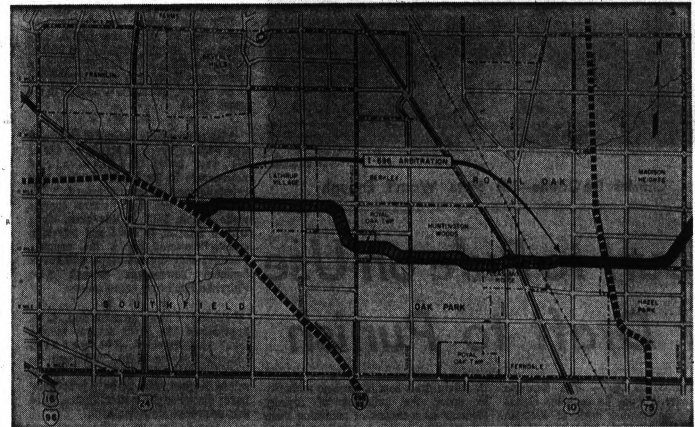
Pontiac's MCOM, at Auburn and Opdyke, is the prime object of the bill, supporters say.

The amended bill specifies that it be affiliated with "an established state university authorized to grant baccalaureate degrees."

LINK WITH OU

Sponsors of the amendment say the college undoubtedly would be connected

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AP Photo

Freeway Still 6 Years Off

I-696 Law Upheld

LANSING (UPI) — Michigan's Supreme Court has settled a 10-year dispute over the I-696 east-west freeway route through southern Oakland and Macomb counties, but state highway officials say it will still be another six years before traffic flows over the 7.4-mile stretch.

The high tribunal decision upholds a law establishing a three-member state panel to arbitrate the route. Yesterday's vote was 5-1, with Justice Harry F. Kelly not participating.

The arbitrated route will link the eastern section of I-696 starting in St. Clair Shores to the western part which now ends at the I-696 interchange in Southfield, allowing travel from Lansing to the northeast side of Detroit without cutting through the center of the Motor City.

The State Highway Commission said

that while the ruling removes the major roadblock to construction of the freeway, "it will be late 1975 at the earliest before traffic begins rolling."

TIMETABLE

The commission said it hopes to complete route location surveys by next January, right-of-way acquisition by mid-1973 and project bids by late 1973. "Construction," it added, "will require a minimum of two construction seasons."

Estimated cost of the project was pegged at \$85 million, including land purchases and engineering studies. Some 300 homes in the proposed path of the freeway would be displaced.

LAW UPHOLD

The Supreme Court decision was against Pleasant Ridge, Lathrup Village and a Lathrup citizens' group.

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New in Brief

WASHINGTON (UPI) — In a direct reference to the Abe Fortas controversy, Republican congressional leaders said today that Congress should consider legislation to require Supreme Court justices to make public sources of all outside income.

Senate GOP leader Everett M. Dirksen and House leader Gerald R. Ford made the suggestion following a conference with President Nixon.

They said the controversy involving disclosure that Justice Fortas accepted — and later returned — a fee of \$20,000 from the family foundation of a convicted financier had been discussed.

N. Ireland Amnesty

BELFAST (UPI) — Premier James Chichester-Clark today announced a "wipe-the-slate-clean" amnesty which will free Protestant militants Rev. Ian Paisley and Ronald Bunting from prison terms and drop charges against civil rights leaders.

Paisley and Bunting had been sentenced to three months each for "illegal assembly" during civil rights demonstrations for minority Roman Catholics.

Franc Hits Bottom

PARIS (UPI) — The French franc plummeted to its rock-bottom level today, and gold prices soared to their highest since April 30 in a new burst of international jitters about France's economic future.

The franc hit 4,974 to the U.S. dollar, forcing the Bank of France to intervene to shore it up. It was the lowest point it has touched since former President Charles de Gaulle's defeat and resignation April 28.

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