Senate kills anti-abortion effort | Marine's death probed

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate yesterday rejected an effort to amend millions of Americans as a vote the Constitution to bar abortions, voting 47 to 40 against putting the issue to a final vote.

The action turned back a move by Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., and others opposed to legalized abortions to include a "right-to-life" provision in the Constitution.

Helms told senators that in voting against bringing up his proposal for formal consideration, they were actually voting to kill it.

He said the vote "will be viewed by against the protection of the life of the unborn.'

Helms' proposal would have amounted to a flat ban against all abortions, in effect overturning the landmark 1973 Supreme Court decision which invalidated state antiabortion laws.

Sen. Birch Bayh, D-Ind., led the successful battle to table consideration of the measure, saying Helms was trying to bypass a Senate

subcommittee which rejected the measure last September.

Bayh said that under Helms' proposal all abortions would be banned including those deemed necessary to safeguard the life of the mother.

The Supreme Court ruled in January 1973 that a state may not prevent a woman from having an abortion during the first six months of pregnancy. Although the case involved laws in Georgia and Texas, the

effect of the decision was to invalidate similar laws in nearly every

Helms brought his proposal directly to the Senate floor through a parliamentary manuever which bypassed the Senate Judiciary Committee, where a subcommittee last September blocked his and a number of similar measures. Any senator could have blocked the move for a floor vote by registering an objection to the procedure, but none

House votes down defense budget cut

WASHINGTON (UPI) - defense budget authority, would shift \$2.5 billion from The House, after a sharp debate over U.S. military power, yesterday rejected a proposal to cut \$300 million from next year's defense spending.

Rep. Robert Giaimo, Dwho proposed the across-the-board-cut, said it would have made the Pentagon "weed out marginal and overfunded programs."

His proposal also would have cut \$2 billion from

most of it involving spending defense to job programs, in future years.

Its defeat, 255 to 145, left 1977 defense spending in a budget resolution being considered by the House at \$100.6 billion, which is \$8.4 billion more than 1976, and nearly the amount President Ford asked.

However, Rep. Elizabeth Holtzman, D-N.Y., was ready with another amendment, to be debated today, which

welfare, education, and law enforcement.

Giaimo said his proposal 'will not jeopardize national defense. It will not make us second to the Soviet Union."

Rep. Delbert L. Latta, R-Ohio, said the Russians are ahead of the United States in virtually every weapons category except helicopters. He said "the world map is becoming more red every year" and "the United States is the last bastion" to protect

Rep. George H. Mahon, D-Tex., chairman of the Appropriations Committee, said this was a "poor" time to cut defense.

"The Soviet Union is engaging in a record build the Soviet Union in arms too effective. I believe it would be a bad signal to place ourselves in the position of making sharp cuts in defense at this particular time."

Earlier, the House voted to add \$1.8 billion for veterans to next year's federal budget.

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veterans to continue eligibility would be extended receiving cost-of-living in- are 65 years old. creases in benefits for disablement, pensions and G.I. bill education.

President Ford did not request these cost-of-living increases in his budget

The veterans money raised to \$415.4 billion the proposed 1977 budget on which the House was working.
About \$600 million of the

additional money would allow 563,000 veterans discharged from the services between 1955 and 1966 to continue G.I. Bill eligibility for two years after May 31, when it would expire..

The education extension proposed by Rep. Robert W. Edgar, a freshman democrat from Pennsylvania, was opposed by major veterans organizations and by Rep. Ray Roberts, chairman of the Veterans Affairs Committee.

Roberts said the education extension would apply to veterans of peacetime service between the Korean and Vietnam wars.

Other opponents said some

money which would allow of those whose education

That brought the proposed

Rep. Delbert Latta, R-Ohio. committee.

achieve a zero deficit.

budget recommended to the House by the House Budget Committee was nearly \$18 billion more than President Ford requested. It included a deficit of '\$50.6 billion, \$6 billion more than Ford's revised deficit figure.

The House adopted Edgar's adopted the over-all increase

1977 budget which the House is considering to \$415.4 billion. This figure was under attack from several directions.

Ford threatens bill veto proposed on behalf of Republicans an amendment to cut \$13.7 billion in spending, while restoring \$10.9 billion in new tax cuts rejected by the budget

mended Ford be given \$8.4 billion of the \$8.8 billion increase he requested in arrest record and a history of mental

during mock bayonet practice.

sticks with padded ends.

Charges in the incident, which has

provoked the most intensive criticism of the

Corps since six recruits drowned in a training

march 20 years ago, ranged up to negligent

homicide and involuntary man-slaughter. Pvt. Lynn McClure, 20, of Lufkin, Tex., was

knocked unconscious last Dec. 6 in his second

day of training and died in the Houston, Tex.

veterans hospital on March 13. An autopsy

showed McClure had suffered massive skull

and brain damage apparently after being battered by "pugil sticks," stave-like wooden

McClure's mother has filed a \$3.5 million

wrongful death claim against the Marine

Corps. A congressional investigation has

been urged by Rep. Charles Wilson, D-Tex. The commandant of the Marine Corps Recruit Depot said Tuesday that he expects one to be held. Wilson said McClure should never have been recruited because he had an

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The Marine Corps ordered courts martial yesterday for three Col. R.A. Seymour, who commanded the special training unit, and a second captain drill sergeants and a captain in the death of a agreed to accept administrative nonjudicial punishment for dereliction of duties, a 110-pound recruit who was beaten savagely

Marine spokesman said. The Marines have made several changes in training methods since McClure's death. These changes included an end to Sunday workouts and the banning of drills with pugil sticks, although a spokesman said the McClure incident did not spark the reforms.

McClure entered the Marine Corps after passing a written examination in Austin, Tex. He had failed a similar test earlier in his hometown. The Corps has said it checked with local authorities but was not advised that McClure had a police record.

Seymour's discipline will not be made public to avoid violating his right to privacy, the spokesman said.

After studying the investigation report Houghton ordered a general court-martial for Sgt. H.E. Aguilar, S. Sgt. Harold L. Bronson and Capt. C.V. Taylor. He ordered a special court-martial for S. Sgt. H.C.

Food, music slated for Gentle Thursday

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The annual Gentle Thursday celebration will take Creek Ramblers; place today from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on the HUB lawn.

Free merchandise and food will be distributed all day, Bill Ferris, coordinator for the event, said.

The schedule of musical entertainment is as follows: 10 a.m.—10:50 a.m. — Mary Fitz Patrick;

-11:10 a.m. to 12 - Ellen as a Goose; and Edvar and Tom Sheehan;

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- 12:20 to 1:10 p.m. - Spring

2:40 to 3:30 p.m. Backstage;

5:00 to 5:50 p.m. — Nairobi Quintet; 6:10 to 7 p.m. — Mother

—8:30 to 10 p.m. — Thief

-1:30 to 2:20 p.m. - Taxi; - 3:50 to 4:40 p.m. — Artisián

Funk; - 7:20 to 8:10 p.m. — Loose

8:30-8:30

up," Mahon said. "Our efforts to reach accommodation with control talks, have not been

proposal by 218 to 188 and for veterans, 397 to 6.

Rep. John Rousselot, R-Calif., urged spending cuts to

The \$413.6 billion 1977

The committee recomdefense spending over 1976.

separate bill for the next might offend Arab states. fiscal year, which begins in

WASHINGTON (UPI) -The Senate yesterday gave final congressional approval to the \$3.1 billion foreign military aid bill, most of it earmarked for Israel, and sent it to the White House where President Ford has threatened to veto it.

Senate action came only a few hours after the House passed the measure by a vote that narrowly defeated a Republican-led attempt to kill it. The Senate vote was 51 to 35, the House vote 215 to 185.

These margins indicated there might well be insufficient votes to override a

presidential veto. The legislation is for the current fiscal year. A

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October, is pending in

congressional committees. Ford has threatened to veto the current measure because of provisions for tighter congressional control over sale of arms to foreign

These include placing a \$9 billion annual ceiling on commercial as well as government-to-government sales of military weapons.

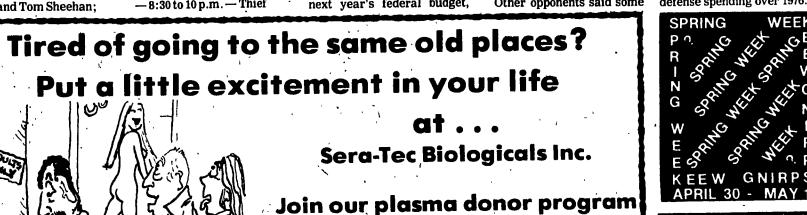
forbids Another discrimination against U.S. employes involved in arms sales by foreign governments on the basis of race, religion, sex or national origin, which the administration fears incident.

The legislation also

prohibits providing military aid to nations whose governments violate rights of their own citizens a measure congressional sources said was aimed mainly at South Korea.

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. Ferguson Township police reported a woman was either raped or indecently assaulted on Deibler Road, located in Pennsylvania Furnace, around 11:30 a.m. yesterday. Police are investigating the

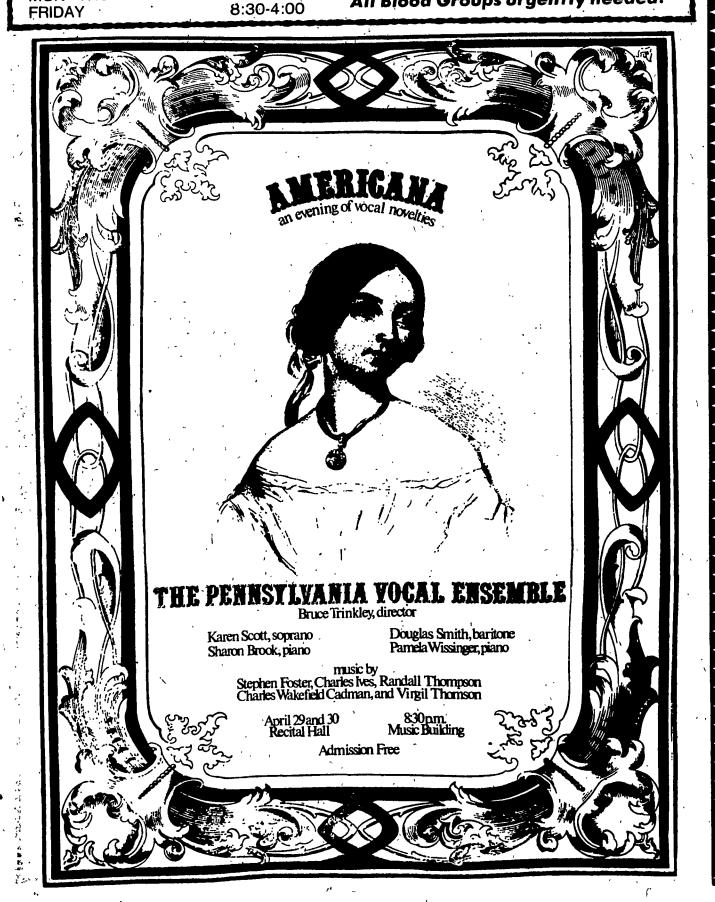


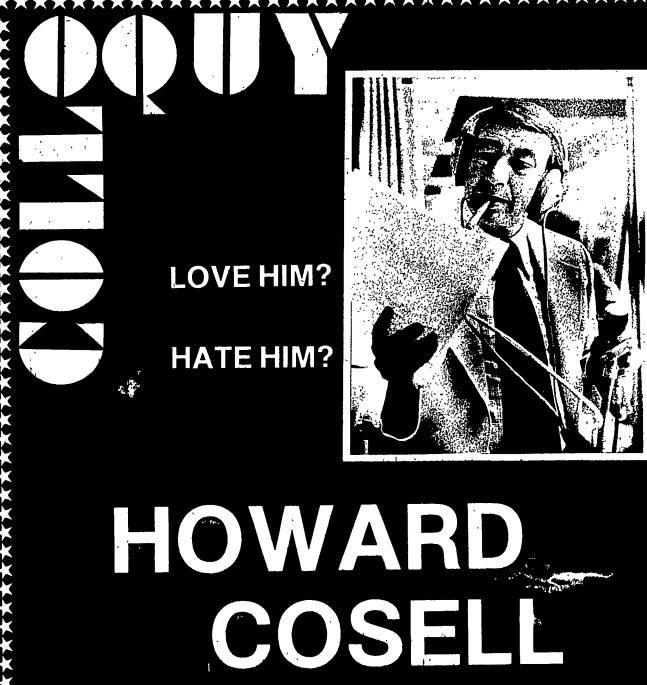


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