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OF THE

One-Hundredth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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SENATE

STATE OF MAINE ONE-HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

Wednesday, January 4, 1961

Pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution and the laws of the State of Maine, the Senators-elect to the One-Hundredth Legislature convened in the Senate Chamber and were called to order by Chester T. Winslow, Secretary of the Senate of the Ninety-ninth Legislature.

Prayer was effered by Rev. John Brett Fort of Bangor.

Communication from the Secretary of State:

STATE OF MAINE
Office of the Secretary of State
January 4, 1961
Augusta, Maine

To Chester T. Winslow, Secretary of the Senate of the Ninety-ninth Legislature:

In compliance with Section 1 of Chapter 10 of the Revised Statutes, I hereby certify that the following are the names and residences of the Senators-elect to the One-Hundredth Legislature, as appears by the report of the Governor and Council under date of November 28, 1960:

ANDROSCOGGIN COUNTY

ROMEO T. BOISVERT of Lewiston PAUL A. COUTURE of Lewiston EMILE JACQUES of Lewiston

AROOSTOOK COUNTY

AUGUSTA K. CHRISTIE

of Presque Isle
EDWARD P. CYR of Madawaska
E. PERRIN EDMUNDS
of Fort Fairfield

CUMBERLAND COUNTY

RALPH D. BROOKS, Jr.

of Yarmouth

EARL W. DAVIS of Harrison HAZEL C. LORD of Portland L. ROBERT PORTEOUS, Jr. of Falmouth

FRANKLIN COUNTY

SHELTON C. NOYES of Rangelev

HANCOCK COUNTY

DWIGHT A. BROWN of Ellsworth JOSEPH T. EDGAR of Bar Harbor

KENNEBEC COUNTY

RALPH W. FARRIS, Jr. of Gardiner SYLVIO J. GILBERT of Augusta ROBERT A. MARDEN of Waterville

KNOX COUNTY

CARL M. STILPHEN of Rockland

LINCOLN COUNTY

NORMAN S. CHASE of Whitefield

OXFORD COUNTY

NORMAN K. FERGUSON

of Hanover HAROLD S. PIKE of Waterford

PENOBSCOT COUNTY

ROSWELL P. BATES of Orono EARLE M. HILLMAN of Bangor JAMES S. STANLEY of Bangor

PISCATAQUIS COUNTY

CLARENCE W. PARKER of Sebec

SAGADAHOC COUNTY

HOWARD W. MAYO of Bath

SOMERSET COUNTY

MILES F. CARPENTER of Skowhegan RICHARD W. SAMPSON

WALDO COUNTY

of Skowhegan

WILLIAM R. COLE of Liberty

WASHINGTON COUNTY

WILLIAM F. BOARDMAN of Calais J. HOLLIS WYMAN of Milbridge

YORK COUNTY

GORDON E. BREWSTER of Wells JAMES S. ERWIN of York RALPH M. LOVELL of Sanford

> IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have (Seal) caused the seal of the State to bе herewith affixed at Augusta this fourth day of January, A. D., 1961, and of the Independence of the United States America the one hundred and eightyfifth,

> (Signed) HAROLD I. GOSS Secretary of State

Which was read and ordered placed on file.

The roll being called, the following Senators-elect responded to their names: Bates, Boardman, Boisvert,

Brewster, Brooks, Brown, Carpenter, Chase, Christie, Cole, Couture, Cyr, Davis, Edgar, Edmunds, Erwin, Farris, Ferguson, Gilbert, Hillman, Jacques, Lord, Lovell, Marden, Mayo, Noyes, Parker, Pike, Porteous, Sampson, Stanley, Stilphen, and Wyman.

33 Senators-elect having answered to the roll-call, the Secretary declared that a quorum was present.

On motion by Mr. Cole of Waldo, that Senator-elect was charged with a message to the Governor and Council informing them that a quorum of the Senators-elect was present in the Senate Chamber ready to take and subscribe to the oaths of office required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Subsequently, Mr. COLE of Waldo reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged and the Governor was pleased to reply that he would attend upon the Senators-elect forthwith for the purpose of administering to them the oaths of office required by the Constitution.

Thereupon, the Governor, the Honorable John H. Reed, attended by the Executive Council, came in, and the Governor addressed the Senate as follows:

GOVERNOR REED: Mr. Secretary and members of the Senate for the 100th Maine Legislature: One of my first pleasant responsibilities is to administer the oath to the members of this Centennial session of the Maine Legislature.

First, may I say on behalf of Mrs. Reed and myself, that we welcome you here to Augusta, to the State Capitol, as you proceed to discharge your duties, and we wish to offer to you our best wishes for a most prosperous and industrious legislative session. I know, of course, we have a great deal of serious business to transact here, and that is definitely the primary responsibility of you individuals and I k n o w that you will spend a great deal of time and effort in conscientiously discharging these obligations. course, in addition to that, as those who have been members of previous legislatures know, we do have our lighter moments, and surely on the social side I know that you will there too enjoy the hospitality and the friendliness that has always been connected with Maine Legislatures and those who are associated here with the State House family. Mrs. Reed and I have thoroughly enjoyed, during the years that it has been our privilege, when I have been a member of this Legislature and have associated here, to recall the deep friendships we have developed, and I know that you here as individuals will likewise cherish these memories that will be established during the months ahead.

I also want to say of course, that it would be most appropriate to remark on the beautiful new furniture you have here, and that it will be your happy privilege to occupy these chairs in this fine new renovated chamber. Surely it is magnificent, and I congratulate all of those who have had a part in preparing this renovation which has added immeasurably to the beauties and the dignity of this chamber here.

I note in the Senate Chamber some former colleagues of mine: Senator Woodcock and Senator Lessard, who I know had a great deal to do with these renovations. It is a pleasure to welcome them here this morning to take part in the opening ceremonies of this 100th Maine Legislature.

Now I know that you have other responsibilities to discharge and it will be my privilege tomorrow to have your attention for a length of time, so I will limit my remarks this morning and proceed to administer your oaths of office as members of the Maine Senate for the 100th Legislature. At this time I would ask you to stand and receive your oath of office. (Applause)

Thereupon, the Senators-elect took and subscribed the oaths of office required by the Constitution.

The Governor and Council then withdrew from the Senate Chamber.

On motion by Mr. Stanley of Penobscot, the Secretary appointed the following committee to receive, sort and count ballots for the office of the President of the Senate:

Senators:

STANLEY of Penobscot CARPENTER of Somerset JACQUES of Androscoggin Subsequently, the Committee reported as follows:

Total number of votes cast.

Which report was accepted and Hon. Earle M. Hillman having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected President of the Senate for the political years 1961 and 1962.

Whereupon, Mr. Hillman was escorted to the Chair by Mr. Couture of Androscoggin and addressed the Senate as follows:

The PRESIDENT: Members of the Senate, it is with mixed feelings that I stand before you this morning. Mixed feelings because I have always felt that it was an honor and privilege to sit with you as a State Senator in my former seat No. 14. Now you have elected me to be your presiding officer for the 100th session of the Maine Legislature.

This is indeed a distinct honor for which I am deeply grateful. There is no less, a deep and personal appreciation on my part of the duties and responsibilities attached to this office. I will do my best to discharge these duties in a manner in keeping with the excellent tradition of those who have held this office in the previous ninety-nine legislative sessions.

None of us, at this time, can have a detailed conception of the multitude of problems that will shortly be presented for consideration and decision. I am positive that whatever the decisions may be, they will be in the best interests of the welfare of the people of Maine.

There are many new members of the Senate. To the new and the former members I want to say that the door to my office will always be open. Feel free to consult with me. Your visits, suggestions and comments will be welcome and appreciated.

With full cooperation by all, we can be sure that this 100th session of the Maine Legislature will go down in history as being outstanding in dealing with pressing problems.

Again I want to thank you. (Applause).

On motion by Mrs. Lord of Cumberland, Mr. Parker of Piscataquis was authorized to cast one ballot on

the part of the Senate in favor of Chester T. Winslow for Secretary of the Senate. This was done, and Chester T. Winslow of Raymond was declared duly elected Secretary of the Senate for the political years 1961 and 1962.

At the request of the President, Mrs. Lord of Cumberland escorted the Secretary-elect to the C o u n c i l Chamber for the purpose of taking and subscribing to the necessary oaths of office to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of the duties of the Secretary of the Senate.

Subsequently, Mrs. Lord of Cumberland reported to the Senate that she had attended to the duty assigned to her, and that Chester T. Winslow had, before the Governor and Council, taken and subscribed the oaths of office required to qualify him for the discharge of the duties of the Secretary of the Senate.

On motion by Mr. Chase of Lincoln, Mr. Wyman of Washington was authorized to cast one ballot on the part of the Senate in favor of Waldo H. Clark for Assistant Secretary of the Senate. This was done, and Waldo H. Clark of Jefferson was declared duly elected Assistant Secretary of the Senate for the political years 1961 and 1962.

On motion by Mr. Cole of Waldo, Mr. Porteous of Cumberland was authorized to cast one ballot on the part of the Senate in favor of Leland S. King for Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate. This was done, and Leland S. King of Jefferson was declared elected Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate for the political years 1961 and 1962.

On motion by Mr. Carpenter of Somerset, Mr. Stilphen of Knox was authorized to cast one ballot on the part of the Senate in favor of:

LELAND F. KING
for Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms
HARLAND C. LEIGHTON
for Postmaster
MAURICE KNOWLES
for Doorkeeper
RUTH P. FOSTER
for Page
LOIS E. BEAUCHAINE

for Page

This was done and the President declared the several foregoing officers duly elected.

Mrs. LORD of Cumberland: Mr. President and members of the Senate: It seems fitting at this time to have exercises to dedicate the newly-decorated and furnished Senate Chamber, brief, of course, because of the time limit. We know the tradition of the Senate and while we have these exercises to dedicate the Senate Chamber we should all as Senators dedicate ourselves to do the best job possible for the citizens of Maine.

At this time I will ask the Reverend John Brett Fort to offer prayer.

Prayer by Reverend John Brett Fort.

Mrs. LORD: Mr. President, when our Legislature appropriated money to refurnish the Senate Chamber they set up a committee to work with the Secretary of the Senate: Senator Earle Hillman, Senator Allen Woodcock and Senator Alton Lessard. At this time I will ask the Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms to escort Senator Woodcock and Senator Lessard to the rostrum.

Senators Woodcock and Lessard were escorted to the rostrum by the Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms amid the applause of the Senate.

Mrs. LORD: Senator Hillman has done quite a bit of talking this morning and I am just going to relieve him of any further responsibility, and I will ask Senator Woodcock to speak about anything he wishes to. He is a former Senator; he is an ex-Senator by choice, and we would like very much to hear from him. (Applause)

EX-SENATOR ALLEN WOOD-COCK: Senator Lord, Senate President Hillman and members of the Senate: It certainly is pleasant for one who has had the privilege of serving in the Senate Chamber to return for a few moments through the gracious invitation of your President and to participate in the dedication of the new Senate chamber. I think as time goes on and each of you has occasion to look back upon your Senate service you will be impressed by the fact that it was one of the most interesting and worthwhile experiences of your

life. As Governor Reed said, your moments in the Legislature will not all be serious, you will have your lighter moments. If I may, I would like to illustrate for you one of my lighter moments at the last session of the Maine Legislature.

I had the profound thrill of placing upon the head of the former Senator, Alton Lessard, Esq., one of those stocky hats — you know the Paul Bunyan hats — and that is one of the remembrances I have of the last session. Incidentally, when he had the hat on Senator Lessard locked very dignified and debonair.

However, most of your moments here will be on the serious side, and that is as it should be, for upon the results of your deliberations and your considerations to a marked degree the State of Maine, its future and its success and its progress as well as its well-being will depend. Thank you very much. (Applause)

SENATOR LORD: Thank you, Senator Woodcock.

I would like now to introduce Ex-Senator and former Democratic Floor Leader Alton Lessard, who will give you a little historical data. (Applause)

EX-SENATOR LESSARD: Thank you Senator Lord. I also wish to thank the President of the Senate, and may I congratulate him on his Presidency, a personal friend of mine, Senator Hillman of Penobscot County.

It is indeed a pleasure for me to be here today. I had not hoped to get into any colloquy or any funraising with Allen Woodcock as I have for many years. I also miss my old colleague, Rodney Ross, who would debate with me no matter if I said white was black or black was white, because Rodney was always willing to debate the issue.

At this time I would like to give you a little historical background as to our Senate.

As this Senate convenes for the 100th session of the Maine Legislature, we are at once reminded of our history and of the uncharted days ahead. Today we dedicate this lovely room to the uses of this and future Senates in the name of the people of the State of Maine. Equipped, furnished and ventilated with the finest of modern materials and devices, this chamber still ac-

knowledges the accumulated traditions of 129 years in Augusta.

When the capitol was established here, the eminent architect, Charles Bulfinch, was engaged to design a building which would be like the State House in Massachusetts but on a reduced scale. Ten and one-half townships of public land were ordered sold to provide building funds and this sale produced \$60,000.00, nearly half the cost of the entire project and only slightly more than has just been spent on this one room.

Under the Bulfinch plans the Senate chamber was a 30 x 50 foot room, located on the Capitol Street end of the building, double fireplaces flanked the desk of the President and were faced on the other side of the room by stoves, over which was a small gallery. Details of the columns, panelling, drapes and coloring lead this to be considered one of Bulfinch's finest interiors. Elected to preside over that 12th Senate of twenty-five members which convened on January 4, 1832 was Robert P. Dunlap of Brunswick; Samuel E. Smith of Wiscasset was Governor.

Over the years very few basic changes were made in the room. Leaks were repaired; ceilings repainted and replastered; a committee room or two fitted in alo g the sides; a window added in the corner near the assistant secretary's desk; but the "arrangement of members at the Senate Board" remained the same.

By 1909 the general overcrowding of the whole building demanded action. There were only three r e at committee rooms. Nearly every afternoon the Senate was occupied by the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs which had to move into the Council Chamber to hold executive sessions. Provision was finally made for the addition of the north and south wings in 1909-1910.

Thus, exactly fifty years ago today the 75th Senate opened its sessions in this room, Nathan Clifford of Cape Elizabeth presiding, William C. Hanson of Machiasport, Secretary, and Frederick W. Plaisted of Augusta, Governor. For the first time since 1847 both branches of the Legislature were Democratic and in the excitement of the occasion no special notice seems to have been taken of the new surroundings. In all the work done on the building; care was taken to preserve the Bulfinch front and to make additions in harmony with his original ideas. The Report of the Commission on the Enlargement of the State House says simply: "The new Senate at the South end of this floor is about 60 percent larger than the old one and is, perhaps equally as attractive as the House."

This hall has seen spirited debates; produced its share of governors; and, we hope, faithfully mirrored the will of its constituents. Today we think it suffers by comparison with no room and in its freshness invites the men and women of good will "arranged at the Selate Board" to clear, fresh thoughts on the matters to come before this 100th session of the Legislature. And may I wish you Godspeed. (Applause)

Mrs. LORD: Thank you, Senator Lessard.

To conclude our program I will ask the Reverend John Brett Fort to offer benediction.

Benediction by Reverend John Brett Fort.

President HILLMAN: The Chair wants to thank the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Lord, for the fine way in which she handled these ceremonies. Knowing that Senator Woodcock and Senator Lessard would perhaps like to be relieved of their duties here at the rostrum, the Chair will simply say that we appreciate the fine work that you did. It was not an easy job to do what you did here today. These two Senators were a great help to me and to our Honorable Secretary, Chester Winslow, who was on hand at all times. (Applause)

There are two others in the room that I would like to recognize as being very helpful: Robert Caines, Superintendent of Buildings and Miss Edith Harey, one of our Librarians. Will they stand, please. (Applause)

On motion by Mrs. Christie of Aroostook

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the returns of votes for the Governor, given in the several cities, towns and plantations of the State for the political years 1961 and 1962 be referred to a Joint Select Committee of seven on the part of

the Senate, with such as the House may join.

Which was Read and Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

The President appointed: Senators:

CHRISTIE of Aroostook PORTEOUS of Cumberland GILBERT of Kennebec CHASE of Lincoln FERGUSON of Oxford CARPENTER of Somerset BREWSTER of York

On motion by Mr. Stanley of Penobscot

ORDERED, that a committee of seven be appointed by the President, to whom the returns of votes for Senators for the political years of 1961 and 1962 shall be referred for examination and report.

Which was Read and Passed. The President appointed: Senators:

> STANLEY of Penobscot COLE of Waldo SAMPSON of Somerset MAYO of Sagadahoc BOARDMAN of Washington DAVIS of Cumberland LOVELL of York

Communication from Secretary of State:

STATE OF MAINE Department of State

Augusta, Maine January 4, 1961

To the President of the Senate and to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the One-hundredth Legislature of the State of Maine:

In compliance with the Constitution and laws of the State of Maine, I have the honor to herewith transmit the returns of the votes cast for Governor in the Several cities, towns and plantations in the State of Maine at the General Election held on November 8, 1960, as submitted by the appropriate officials of the municipalities involved immediately following said election.

Respectfully,
(Signed) HAROLD I. GOSS
Secretary of State

Which communication was read and referred to the Committee on Gubernatorial Vote

Sent down for concurrence.

Communication from the Secretary of State:

STATE OF MAINE Office of Secretary of State

Augusta, Maine January 4, 1961

To the President of the Senate:

In compliance with the Constitution and Laws of the State of Maine, I have the honor to herewith transmit the returns of the votes cast for State Senators in the several cities, towns and plantations in the State of Maine at the General Election held on November 8, 1960.

Respectfully,

(Signed) HAROLD I. GOSS Secretary of State

Which communication was Read and Referred to the Committee on Senatorial Vote.

On motion by Mrs. Christie of Aroostook

ORDERED, that the Secretary of the Senate be directed to invite the clergymen of Augusta, Hallowell and Gardiner to officiate as Chaplains of the Senate.

Which was Read and Passed.

On motion by Mr. Marden of Kennebec

ORDERED, that the official Reporter of the Senate be authorized to procure the services of an assistant reporter and typist during the present session.

Which was Read and Passed.

On motion by Mr. Couture of Androscoggin

ORDERED, that subordinate officers of the Senate be appointed as follows: by the President, a Secretary to the President; by the Secretary, a Secretary to the Secretary, a Secretary to the Assistant Secretary, an Index Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Public Address System Operator, and a Mimeograph Operator.

Which was Read and Passed.

On motion by Mr. Gilbert of Kennebec

ORDERED, that the Secretary of the Senate be directed to secure uniforms for the subordinate officers of the Senate.

Which was Read and Passed.

On motion by Mr. Boisvert of Androscoggin

ORDERED, that the Secretary of the Senate prepare and have printed one hundred fifty diagrams of the Senate Chamber for the use of the Senate.

Which was Read and Passed.

On motion by Mr. Farris of Kennebec

ORDERED, that the rules of the Senate of the Ninety-ninth Legislature be the rules of this Senate.

Which was Read and Passed.

On motion by Mr. Sampson of Somerset

ORDERED, that the Senate hold one session a day commencing at ten o'clock in the forencon until otherwise ordered.

Which was Read and Passed.

On motion by Mr. Cyr of Aroostook

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Joint Rules of the Ninety-ninth Legislature be the Joint Rules of this Legislature with the amendment of one additional Joint Standing Committee to be inserted in the proper alphabetical order in Rule No. 1. This additional Committee shall be a Joint Standing Committee on Industrial and Recreational Development.

On motion by Mr. Pike of Oxford ORDERED, the House concurring, that three hundred twenty-five (325) copies of the Legislative Record for the session of 1961 be printed and bound, one copy for each of the members of the Senate, House of Representatives, the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House, and the remainder to be deposited in the State Library for exchange and library use; and be it further

ORDERED, that four hundred (400) copies of the Legislative Record be printed in pamphlet form for distribution from day to day to members of the Legislature and the

State Departments, under the direction of the Document Clerk, and be it further

ORDERED, that suitable index be prepared for such Legislative Record under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House. (SP 4)

Which was Read and Passed.

On motion by Mr. Boardman of Washington

ORDERED, the House concurring, that all printing and binding authorized by the Legislature shall be under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House.

Which was Read and Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Jacques of Androscoggin

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Superintendent of Public Buildings is hereby given charge of all assignments of rooms for hearings in the Capitol building, and that all applications for rooms for hearings must be made to him in writing forty-eight hours previous to the time when said rooms are to be used for that purpose.

Which was Read and Passed.

On motion by Mr. Brown of Hancock

ORDERED, that a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a Convention of the two branches of the Legislature at 1:30 o'clock this afternoon in the Hall of the House for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, State Treasurer, Commissioner of Agriculture, Attorney General, State Auditor, and seven Executive Councilors.

Which was Read and Passed. The Secretary delivered the mes-

At this point a message was received from the House of Representatives, borne by Harvey R. Pease, Clerk, informing the Senate that the House concurs in the recent proposal for a Joint Convention, to be held this afternoon in the Hall of the House at the time and for the purposes set forth in the message.

Mr. NOYES of Franklin: Mr. President, five minutes after we recess, we would like to have a meeting of all Chairmen of Committees, in the Judiciary room, After the Joint Con-

vention this afternoon, we would like to have a meeting of all Senators, Democratic and Republican.

On motion by the same Senator, Recessed until 1 o'clock this afternoen.

After Recess

Called to order by the President.

Mr. Noyes of Franklin presented the following order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, that there is hereby appropriated to the Bureau of Public Improvements from the Legislative Appropriation the sum of \$5000 or as much as may be necessary for the following purpose:

To make renovations in Room 420, 422 and 424 to provide the Senate with space for retiring room with rest room facilities and space for a new mimeograph machine and a small room for a public stenographer and to install partition in door in Room 320 for the President of the Senate.

The PRESIDENT: Maybe this order needs a little explanation. As you know, we are pretty crowded on this floor because of the use of so many offices for the Executive Department. We tried during the summer when we were renovating the Senate to increase this space, but the only way possible seemed to be for us to go to the fourth floor for our retiring rooms, for the office of our secretary to the Senators, for the mimeograph machine, for the Sergeant-at-Arms, and so the Superintendent of Buildings came up with a plan that they move the Water Improvement Commission to the Vickery & Hill building and give us those quarters upstairs where it will be quiet, restful, and we hope peaceful, and give us this large office which you have been using as a retiring room for the President of the Senate. Until such time as a wing can be added to this building, that seems to be the only answer to the problem we have of congested and crowded quarters. The office that I am using at the present time will be used by the Executive Department. If there is any question about this order before I put it to a vote, I would like to have the Senators feel free to discuss it. Are there any questions?

Mr. CARPENTER of Somerset: Mr. President, may I ask a question, please? If this money is appropriated how long will it be before the rooms will be completed?

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Somerset, Senator Carpenter, has asked the question: How long before this work will be completed.

The Superintendent of Buildings has told us that it will take probably two to three weeks to do this work and that it will be done weekends and nights.

By the way, the biggest job they have to do is to move the toilets from the third floor to the fourth floor.

Are there other questions?

Mr. PORTEOUS of Cumberland: Mr. President, it seems to me this is the first thing we have to decide on that calls for the spending of money, and I was wondering about the moving of the plumbing to another floor. Has this been studied by some committee?

The PRESIDENT: This has been studied by the engineers and architects in the Bureau of Public Improvements. They won't have to move anything, the plumbing is all there, and they have just got to put in the actual toilets and lavatories that we have here now. It will be very inexpensive, I believe.

Mr. PORTEOUS: Thank you. I just wanted to satisfy my curiosity as to whether there would be any unnecessary expense involved.

The PRESIDENT: I think it has been pared right down to the minimum. As you probably know, we have been cramped for quarters now from two to four years and this seems to be the most economical way that it can be handled and give us some space for our own business.

Mr. PORTEOUS: Thank you, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT: Please note that we have an economy minded Senator.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Bates of Penobscot, the Order was tabled and especially assigned for tomorrow.

Mr. STANLEY of Penobscot: Mr. President, could we see the plans? The Bureau of Public Improvements must have a plan.

The PRESIDENT: To answer that, I will say that it might be well to have Mr. Carnes come over and explain exactly what is going to be done. He probably can show you a rough plan. It does not take specific plans to change the rooms as he has planned.

At this point, the Senate retired to the House of Representatives where a Joint Convention was formed.

(For proceedings of Joint Convention, see House Report.)

In the Senate

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Joint Select Committee Report on Gubernatorial Vote

The Joint Select Committee of the One-hundredth Legislature on returns of votes for Governor given in the several cities, towns and plantations of this State for the political years 1961 and 1962, has attended to its duty and asks leave to report that the whole number of votes returned for Governor was 417,315; and that John H. Reed of Fort Fairfield had 219,768 votes; and that Frank M. Coffin of Lewiston had 197,547 votes.

(Signed) AUGUSTA K. CHRISTIE Chairman on the part of the Senate

> DAVID J. KENNEDY Chairman on the part of the House

Which report was Read and Accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Communication from the Governor STATE OF MAINE EXECUTIVE CHAMBER

Augusta, Maine January 4, 1961

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

In compliance with the Constitution of the State I herewith communicate to the Legislature e a c h case of reprieve, remission of penalty, commutation or pardon granted during the years, 1959 and 1960, stating the name of the convict, the crime of which he was convicted, the sentence and its date, the date of reprieve, remission, commutation of sentence, and the condition, if any, upon which the same was granted.

(Signed) JOHN H. REED Governor

Which was Read and Ordered Placed on File.
Sent to the House.

Mr. BATES of Penobscot: Mr. President and members of the Senate, in connection with the work of the Committee on Legislative Procedures, which was a joint interim committee to report to the 100th Legislature, I will be presenting a series of orders. These are not all of the orders in connection with the committee because some of the or ders will be emanating as Joint Orders, some will be entertained only by the House and some will be orders that you will have before you in the Senate today. It is my un-Mr. President and derstanding. members of the Senate, that the material in these orders and the material in the reference manual of my committee will be discussed in this room by all of us at the close of the session this afternoon.

Thereupon, Mr. Bates of Penobscot presented a series of Orders and moved that reading of the Orders be waived, and that the Orders be laid upon the table pending passage, and be especially assigned for Tuesday next.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Mayo of Sagadahoc presented an Order, moved that reading of the Order be waived, that the order be reproduced and further moved that it be laid upon the table pending passage, and be especially assigned for Tuesday next.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Parker of Piscataquis presented the following order and moved its passage.

ORDERED that the President of the Senate be authorized to appoint a courier for the Senate for the current session.

Which Order was read and passed.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will make this announcement in conjunction with Senator Bates remarks. With reference to the meeting to be

held after adjournment, the C h a i r would request that the Senate Chamber be cleared of our fine guests in order that we may have a discussion of the rules that will be presented to us by the Chairman of the Rules Committee.

On motion by Mr. Noyes of Franklin

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.