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SENATE

Monday, June 17, 1963

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. Alton E. Maxell of Augusta.

On motion by Mr. Farris of Kennebec, the Journal of the previous session was read and approved.

House Papers

Non-concurrent matters

Bill, "An Act Relating to Establishment, Maintenance and Operation of Regional Technical and Vocational Centers." (S. P. 383) (L. D. 1036)

In Senate, June 6, passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "A" (S-282)

Comes from the House Indefinitely Postponed in non-concurrence.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Farris of Kennebec, the bill was tabled pending consideration, and especially assigned for later in today's session.

Bill, "An Act Amending Certain Statutes to Conform to the District Court Law." (S. P. 150) (L. D. 581)

In Senate, June 10, passed to be engrossed, as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-284)

Comes from the House, passed to be engrossed, as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and by House Amendment "A" (H-447) in non-concurrence.

In the Senate, House Amendment A was read, and the Senate voted to recede and concur.

Committee Reports — House

Report of Committee of Conference

The Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature, on Bill, "An Act Authorizing Forest Commissioner to Permit and Regulate Dredging in Great Ponds." (H. P. 1015) (L. D. 1469) reported that the House should recede from its action whereby the Bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendments "A" and "B", adopt Senate Amendment "B" and concur with the Senate in passing the bill to be engrossed as amended by

House Amendments "A" and "B" and Senate Amendment "B"

Which report was read and accepted in concurrence.

Leave to Withdraw

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill, "An Act Relating to a Power of Sale in a Mortgage and Sale Under a Power in a Mortgage." (H. P. 292) (L. D. 386) reported that the same should be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Which report was read and accepted in concurrence.

Ought to Pass As Amended

The Committee on Municipal Affairs on Bill, "An Act to Incorporate the Town of Waldoboro School District." (H. P. 548) (L. D. 764) reported that the same Ought to pass, as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-77) and by House Amendment "A" (H-411)

Comes from the House, passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and by House Amendment "A".

In the Senate, the report was read and accepted, Committee Amendment A and House Amendment A read and adopted; under suspension of the rules, the bill as amended was given its two several readings and passed to be engrossed.

Ordered sent forthwith to the engrossing department.

Petition Declined

The Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred the Petition of Lucien T. Turmenne to the One Hundred and First Maine State Legislature, filed under Article 1, Section 15 of the State Constitution (H. P. 561) reported:

This Legislature recognizes the right of the petitioner in presenting his petition. Under our Constitution our Government is divided in three branches; the Executive, the Legislative and the Judicial. The lack or want of due process of law is entirely within the province of the Judicial branch of our Government. Until that branch has adjudicated a lack or want of due process, it is unconstitutional for the Legislative branch to either accept or reject the prayer called for in the petition. The petitioner has failed to show

that he has exhausted his judicial remedies. Accordingly, the petition is declined.

Which report was read and accepted in concurrence.

Committee Reports — Senate

Ought to Pass - New Draft

Mr. Campbell from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill, "An Act to Allocate Moneys for the Administrative Expenses of the State Liquor Commission for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1964 and June 30, 1965." (S. P. 135) (L. D. 412) reported that the same Ought to pass in New Draft (S. P. 632) (L. D. 1595)

Which report was read and accepted, the Bill in New Draft read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Ought to Pass, as Amended

Mr. Porteous from the same Committee on Bill, "An Act to Authorize the Construction of Self-Liquidating Student Housing for the State Teachers Colleges and the Issuance of not Exceeding \$1,434,000 Bonds of the State of Maine for the Financing Thereof." (S. P. 94) (L. D. 231) reported that the same Ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A"

Which report was read and accepted, Committee Amendment "A" was read and adopted, and the Bill as amended read once. and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Second Readers

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following Bills:

Senate

Bill, "An Act Relating to Salaries of County Officials and Municipal Court Judges and Recorders." (S. P. 628) (L. D. 1589)

Which was read a second time. Mr. Wyman of Washington presented Senate Amendment B and moved its adoption.

Which amendment was read and adopted, and the bill, as amended was passed to be engrossed.

Ordered sent forthwith to the House.

Bill, "An Act Relating to a Permit for Processing of Imported Lobster Meat Under Bond." (S. P. 574) (L. D. 1519)

Which was read a second time. Mr. STILPHEN of Knox: Mr. President, I move that the bill and all accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed, and I ask for a division.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Porteous of Cumberland, the bill was tabled pending motion by Mr. Stilphen, and was especially assigned for later in today's session.

As Amended

Bill, "An Act Repealing the Regulation of Herring for Canning Purposes from December 1st to April 15th." (S. P. 189) (L. D. 488)

Which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed, as amended.

Ordered sent forthwith to the House.

Orders of the Day

The President laid before the Senate the 1st tabled and today assigned item (H. P. 1106) (L. D. 1587) Bill, "An Act Establishing an Excise Tax on Livestock"; tabled on June 14 by Senator Harrington of Penobscot pending adoption of Senate Amendment A; and on further motion by the same Senator, Senate Amendment A was adopted, the rules were suspended, the bill read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Ordered sent forthwith to the House.

The President laid before the Senate the 2nd tabled and today assigned item (S. P. 527) (L. D. 1448) Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Forbidding Discrimination Against Any Person Because of Race, Religion, Sex or Ancestry''; tabled on June 14 by Senator Farris of Kennebec pending motion by Senator Whittaker of Penobscot to recede from indefinite postponement.

Mr. FARRIS of Kennebec: Mr. President, I yield to the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Porteous because he is Chairman of this committee.

Mr. PORTEOUS of Cumberland: Mr. President and members of the

Senate: As I understand it, this bill has been engrossed as amended in the other body, evidently by a very wide margin. We originally in this Senate adopted by a very slight majority - I believe it was an 8 to 7 vote — the "Ought not to pass" report. Now there are those who feel, and of course the Constitutional Commission must have felt, that this wording was worth while to put into the Constitution. It is a very small amount of new wording and would be Section 6-A "Discrimination and would read: against persons prohibited. No person shall be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law nor be denied the equal protection of the laws nor be denied the enjoyment of his civil rights or be discriminated against in the exercise thereof because of race, religion, sex or ancestry." The rest of the bill has to do with the time when the vote shall be taken. What I have read is the sum and substance of this proposed amendment to the Constitution.

I would not oppose the addition of this to the Constitution e v e n though I signed the majority "Ought not to pass" report, because the general feeling was that while it was good language it was not necessary because there has been none of that discrimination insofar as the equal protection before the courts and so forth in this State is concerned. There seemed to be those who were strongly in favor ot it, and for that reason I would not oppose any further the addition of this language to the Constitution.

I am not going to make any motion at this time. I would therefore yield to the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Whittaker, the sponsor of the bill.

Mr. WHITTAKER of Penobscot: Mr. President, I move the pending question.

Mr. FARRIS of Kennebec: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I also, along with the Chairman of the Constitutional Amendments Committee, signed the "Ought not to pass" report, and at the time we were discussing it and had the two reports before us the resolve was substantially as indicated by the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Porteous, as he

read it this morning. However, the minority group, that is seven on committee on Constitutional Amendments, made up a special report, of which I had no knowledge. where they put out a report "Ought to pass as amended," and the amendment does delete the words "sex or ancestry" and so forth and makes an entirely different proposition than the so-called anti-discriminatory feature of the bill, and as amended I do believe that it merely is a re-affirmation of our federal constitution on the matter of de-priving persons of life, liberty or property without due process of law; and when it discusses "a person shall not be denied the enjoyment of his civil rights", I have discussed this with many people since that time, and it is the belief of attorneys that have studied this matter, and from what cursory re-search I have had opportunity to do, I concur with that opinion, that when we talk about a civil right we are talking about a political right or a public right or the right of any individual to have access to the courts and to a jury trial and so forth. Originally there was some confusion because there is no set definition of a civil right, but on the basis of that being the understanding of the majority now of the Constitutional Amendments Committee I certainly concur with passage of this resolve as amended and want the record to so show.

The PRESIDENT: The question before the Senate is the motion of the Senator from Penobscot, that the Senate recede from its former action whereby the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

The motion to recede prevailed.

Thereupon, on motion by the same Senator, the Minority report of the committee was accepted, Committee Amendment A read and adopted, the rules suspended and the bill given its two several readings and passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Ordered sent forthwith to the engrossing department.

The President laid before the Senate the 3rd tabled and today assigned item (H. P. 1092) (L. D. 1567) Bill, "An Act Relating to Exempting from Property Tax Pleas-

ure Boats in the State for Storage"; tabled on June 14 by Senator Wyman of Washington pending enactment.

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President and members of the Senate, in view of the fact that we have an amendment in the process of being prepared, I move that this be retabled until later in today's session.

The motion prevailed and the bill was so tabled and assigned.

The President laid before the Senate Item 1-1 on today's calendar Bill, "An Act Relating to Establishment, Maintenance and Operation of Regional Technical and Vocational Centers" (S. P. 383) (L. D. 1086) tabled earlier in today's session by Senator Farris of Kennebec; and on motion by that Senator, the Senate voted to insist on its former action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment A, and to ask for a Committee of Conference.

The President appointed as Senate conferees, Senators: Farris of Kennebec, Johnson of Somerset and Ferguson of Oxford.

Ordered sent forthwith to the House.

The President laid before the Senate Item 7-2 Bill, "An Act Relating to Salaries of County Officials and Municipal Court Judges and Recorders" (S. P. 628) (L. D. 1589) tabled earlier in today's session by Senator Porteous of Cumberland pending the motion of Senator Stilphen of Knox to indefinitely postpone; and on further motion by Senator Porteous of Cumberland, the bill was retabled and especially assigned for later in today's session.

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President, may I inquire if L. D. 1563 is in the possession of the Senate? It is An Act Shortening the Period of Real Estate Mortgage Foreclosure.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will reply in the affirmative, the bill having been held at the request of Senator Kimball of Hancock.

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President, having voted on the prevailing side in the last action on

this bill, I now move that the Senate reconsider that action.

Thereupon, the Senate voted to reconsider its action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendments A, C, and D.

Mr. Wyman of Washington yielded to Mr. Stitham of Somerset.

On motion by Mr. Stitham of Somerset, the bill was tabled pending consideration and was especially assigned for later in today's session.

On motion by Mr. Edmunds of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the Special Appropriations Table S. P. 61, L. D. 111, Resolve Providing for Revision of the Statutes; and on further motion by the same Senator, the rules were suspended and the Senate voted to reconsider its former action whereby the resolve was passed to be engrossed; the same Senator presented Senate Amendment A and moved its adoption.

The Secretary read the amendment.

Mr. EDMUNDS of Aroostook: Mr. President, let me first apologize to the sponsor of the bill and the Chairman of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary. I meant to check with him this morning but in the rush I could not. However, the Director of Legislative Research has informed me that it will be possible to accomplish the job which is done every ten years for \$190,000 rather than the \$210,000 which was originally provided for in this act, and all this amendment does is reduce the appropriation from \$210,000 to \$190,-000

Which amendment was adopted, and the resolve as amended was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Edmunds of Aroostook,

Recessed to the sound of the gong.

After Recess

Senate called to order by the President.

Mr. Edmunds of Aroostook presented the following order out of order and under suspension of the rules.

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ORDERED, that for the remainder of the session, the Secretary of the Senate may send matters forthwith to the House and to the engrossing department.

Which order received a passage. The PRESIDENT: The Chair would like to say that if any Senator desires to hold a bill, will you please notify the Secretary or the Assistant Secretary of the Senate prior to the matter leaving the Chamber.

Additional Paper from the House

Out of order under suspension of the rules, Bill, "An Act Continuing the Committee on Aging." (S. P. 384) (L. D. 1087)

On motion by Mr. Edmunds of Aroostook, placed on the Special Appropriations Table pending enactment.

Non-concurrent matters

Resolve, Appropriating Moneys to Provide for National Advertising for Maine's Recreational Industry.

In House, June 10, Indefinitely Postponed. (S. P. 95) (L. D. 232)

In Senate, June 14, passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-260) and by Senate Amendment "A" thereto (S-303)

Comes from the House, that body having insisted and asked for a Committee of Conference. The Speaker appointed as House Conferees: Mr. Pease of Wiscasset, Mr. Littlefield of Hampden, and Mr. Mac-Leod of Brewer.

In the Senate, that body voted to insist and join in the Committee of Conference.

Subsequently, the President appointed as Senate conferees, Senators: Porteous of Cumberland, Edmunds of Aroostook and Campbell of Kennebec.

Bill, "An Act Relating to Civil Liability of Legal Entities and Certain State Agencies." (H. P. 909) (L. D. 1316)

In House, June 13, passed to be engrossed.

In Senate, June 14, indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

Comes from the House, that body having insisted and asked for a Committee of Conference.

In the Senate:

Mr. FARRIS of Kennebec: Mr. President and members of the Senate: You will recall that at the time this body voted to indefinitely postpone this particular measure I explained that an order had already been introduced and passed in both the Senate and the other body for a study of this issue and we did not wish to have any legislative intent manifested at this time because a similar case was pending before the Supreme Court of the State of Maine. On June 14th the Court handed down its decision in relation to charitable immunities, socalled, and I would like to quote for the record a portion of the Court's decision whereby it states: "If the doctrine of charitable immunity from tort liability were to be abolished in Maine such a farreaching change in policy should be initiated in the legislature and receive careful legislative consideration." We now have such an order passed by this legislature and will be giving this very careful study, and for that reason I would move that we put this bill to rest and move that we adhere.

The motion prevailed and the Senate voted to adhere.

Orders

WHEREAS, 13-year old David Marshall of Millinocket was the winner of the Class A division Championship of the 16th Annual Soap Box Derby held at Brewer on June 15, 1963; and

WHEREAS, in winning the News-Chevrolet sponsored race, he received the S. V. Knudson Plaque and will receive an expense-paid trip to Akron, Ohio to compete on August 3rd in the 1963 Soap Box Derby for the \$7,500 college scholarship; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the Senate concurring. that the Legislature of the State of Maine extend congratulations to David Marshall for his achievement and wish him every success in the forthcoming national competition at Akron, Ohio, and be it further

ORDERED, that attested copies of this Joint Order be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to David Marshall and his

mother, Mrs. Shirley Macken. (H. P. 1112)

Comes from the House, read and passed.

Which was read and passed in concurrence.

Committee Reports — House Ought to Pass — As Amended

The Committee on Education on Bill, "An Act to Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in the Educational Laws." (H. P. 960) (L. D. 1306) reported that the same Ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-453)

Which report was read and accepted in concurrence, Committee Amendment "A" read and accepted in concurrence, and the Bill, as Amended, read once and under suspension of the rules given its second reading, and passed to be engrossed, as amended, in concurrence.

Ought to Pass in New Draft

The Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill, "An Act Appropriating Moneys to Provide for Longevity Pay for State Employees." (H. P. 19) (L. D. 44) reported that the same Ought to pass in New Draft, New Title: (H. P. 1108) (L. D. 1590) "An Act to Provide for Longevity Pay for State Employees."

Which report was read and accepted in concurrence, the Bill read once in New Draft, and under suspension of the rules it was given its second reading and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The Committee on Constitutional Amendments and Legislative Reapportionment, on Recommitted Resolve, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Clarifying Provisions Governing Assumption of Office of Governor by the President of the Senate or the Speaker of the House. (H. P. 992) (L. D. 1435) reported that the same Ought to pass in New Draft under same title, (H. P. 1110) (L. D. 1592)

On motion by Mr. Porteous of Cumberland, the bill was tabled pending acceptance of the report and especially assigned for the next legislative day.

Majority — Ought Not to Pass Minority — Ought to Pass

The Majority of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill, "An Act Relating to Allocation of Moneys from Eastport-Perry Causeway for Recreational Development of Bog Lake." (H. P. 176) (L. D. 245) reported that the same Ought not to pass.

(Signed)

Senators:

EDMUNDS of Aroostook CAMPBELL of Kennebec

Representatives:

PIERCE of Rockport MINSKY of Bangor SMITH of Falmouth BRAGDON of Perham HUMPHREY of Augusta

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject matter reported that the same Ought to pass.

(Signed)

Senator:

PORTEOUS of Cumberland Representatives:

JALBERT of Lewiston EDWARDS of Raymond

Comes from the House, Majority—Ought not to pass report accepted. In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Edmunds of Aroostook, the Majority Ought not to Pass report was accepted in concurrence.

The President laid before the Senate Item 7-2 on today's calendar, Bill, "An Act Relating to a Permit for Processing of Imported Lobster Meat Under Bond" (S. P. 574) (L. D. 1519) tabled earlier in today's session by Senator Porteous of Cumberland pending motion by Senator Stilphen of Knox that bill and accompanying papers be indefinitely postooned.

Mr. PORTEOUS of Cumberland:
Mr. President and members of the
Senate: This bill, I hope, will receive the continued approval of this
Senate. I have talked with one of
the opponents of this bill recently
at length and gave him every opportunity to express to me the reason that they would rather see it
fail than pass, and I think that all
the evidence before us that has been
given to us by the Senator from
Washington, Senator Wyman, and by

other proponents such as myself still stands: that this is a good bill for the State of Maine.

I think one of the basic things to consider here is whether we are going to stand as a Senate for an increase in job opportunities and the encouragement of new and various kinds of industry to locate here in the State or whether we are to give our consideration more to an existing group who, while making a large contribution to the state in their own endeavors, I believe take a very narrow and selfish view in being against the continued progress of a packing industry that can only survive and increase with the passage of this law.

One of the things that has been said most against this is that it is the introduction of short lobsters into this industry that makes it offensive. I think it has already been said, but after being home several days over the weekend I think it is well to say it again: the only reason for having a law limiting the size of lobsters is for conservation on our Maine coast. The few lobster tails under the Maine legal limit that might show up in a five-gallon tin of lobster meat that would be imported from Canada would be very few and would of course have nothing to do with conservation in Maine waters because these would be a few short tails from lobsters that were caught in Canadian waters. Then too, they say that this would be competition to Maine lobstermen. The Maine lobsterman is selling all he can catch. Further than that, there is in this law provision that none of the product as packed can be sold here in the State of Maine and the packers are under bond to be sure that this is

This bill would provide for one remaining industry to stay here and perhaps for opening up new and increased job opportunities. I do not promise nor do the sponsors promise that this is going to set the world on fire as far as more jobs are concerned but at the same time if we don't pass this bill and don't leave this door open to us then opportunity has not a chance of getting in. So I hope that as you consider this in its second

reading you will give it further approval and send it along to the other body with the same favorable vote which was 19 to 11 the last time you gave it on Friday. Thank you.

The PRESIDENT: The question is on the motion of the Senator from Knox, Senator Stilphen that the bill and accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed.

A division of the Senate was had. Nineteen having voted in the affirmative and five in the negative, the motion prevailed and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

The President laid before the Senate the 3rd tabled item, (H. P. 1092) (L. D. 1567) Bill, "An Act Relating to Exempting from Property Tax Pleasure Boats in the State for Storage"; tabled earlier in today's session by Senator Wyman of Washington pending passage to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, the rules were suspended and the Senate voted to reconsider its former action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed; and the same Senator presented Senate Amendment A and moved its adoption.

Senate Amendment A was adopted, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed, in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. STILPHEN of Knox: Mr. President, I would like to inquire if L. D. 1593, "An Act to Pay School Subsidy on the Basis of Uniform Local Effort," is in the possession of the Senate?

The PRESIDENT: The Chair replies in the affirmative, the bill having been held at the request of the Senator from Somerset, Senator Stitham.

Mr. STILPHEN of Knox: Mr. President, having voted on the prevailing side when the action was taken to accept the Minority Ought Not to Pass report, I move that the Senate reconsider that action.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Stitham of Somerset, the bill was tabled pending the motion by Mr. Stilphen of Knox to reconsider. The President laid before the Senate, L. D. 1563, An Act Shortening the Period of Real Estate Mortgage Foreclosure, tabled earlier in today's session by Senator Stitham of Somerset.

On motion by that Senator, the rules were suspended and the Senate voted to reconsider its former action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed; and the same Senator moved the indefinite postponement of Senate Amendment A.

Mr. STITHAM of Somerset: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I feel I should explain the reason for my motion. An examination of the amendment would disclose the fact that this is going to create an almost insurmountable problem with the lawyers and with property owners who may purchase property which has been foreclosed under this act, particularly on this matter of farm property where it savs: "the mortgagor derives his principle source of income from the operation of such farm property whenever created." The wording is such that I do not believe that any lawyer could ever pass title to a piece of property which was foreclosed under this act and under the six-months provision. In each case it would be necessary, in order to clear title, to go into court on the equity side of the court and have the court determine whether or not that particular piece of farm property was one from which the owner derived his principle source of income. I believe the other day we did not give that side of it adequate consideration. I believe that this would cloud titles for many years to come and would create a tremendous amount of litigation. I call attention to Section 4 of the bill as originally reported, which gives the mortgagor and the mortgagee the right to make any number of months or even any number of years the terms of foreclosure. I believe that the farmers would be adequately protected under that provision. In other words, if a farmer obtains a loan from the bank or from any other person and the provision is written into the mortgage that the redemption period is to be one year that it will cover the

same ground as this amendment would cover.

I further feel sincerely that the very proponents of this amendment should be the ones opposing it. In those areas they need money and it is when the banks are short of money that they are forced to foreclose earlier than they might at another time. I feel that the bill without this amendment would enable those areas where the farmers need money and in those areas where businesses are seasonal to obtain outside help in their financing, in participation loans and in discounting mortgages. I sincerely hope that on reconsideration this amendment would be indefinitely postponed.

The PRESIDENT: The question before the Senate is the motion of the Senator from Somerset, Senator Stitham, that Senate Amendment D be indefinitely postponed.

Which motion prevailed.

Thereupon, the bill was passed to be engrossed.

Mrs. Christie of Aroostook was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate.

Mrs. CHRISTIE of Aroostook: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I would like to call to the attention of the Senators a paper which has been left on your desks today, and I will read it just to remind you of it:

"One hundred years ago, two great armies were locked in a bitter struggle, the outcome of which determined that Federal government, as envisioned by the signers of the Declaration of Independence, would prevail and that this great democracy would continue to be a guiding light and a helping hand to all the oppressed peoples of the world who wanted freedom.

The United States Army exhibit unit at Cameron Station, Virginia and the Office of Chief of Information have sent us this mobile van which interestingly depicts scenes and sounds of that great war.

Featured is a changing three dimensional diorama theater of famous events in the North, South conflict. A motion picture depicts the war in capsule form and 'hearphones' enable spectators to hear songs the way "Billy Yank" and "Johnny Reb" sang them.

It is with great pleasure that on behalf of the Maine Civil War Centennial Commission I invite, ask you to visit this display. It will open Wednesday and Thursday the 19th and 20th of June directly behind the State House.

This van, which is sponsored by the Maine Civil War Centennial Commission, Mr. Maurice Warner, Chairman, is part of that commission's continued effort to remind the people of Maine of the proud role played by more than 70,000 Maine men.

Thank you."

On motion by Mr. Edmunds of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the Special Appropriations Table H. P. 414, L. D. 567 Resolve Providing for Revenue Producing Park Facilities on Mt. Battie; and on further motion by the same Senator, the rules were suspended and the Senate voted to reconsider its action where the bill was passed to be engrossed; and to further reconsider its action whereby Committee Amendment A was adopted.

Mr. Edmunds of Aroostook presented Senate Amendment A to

Committee Amendment A and moved its adoption.

Mr. EDMUNDS of Aroostook: Mr. President, the intent of this amendment is obvious. It is to reduce the amount of money required from \$156,000 to \$100,000 and I have checked with interested parties and they are entirely in accord with the intent of the amendment.

Thereupon, Senate Amendment A to Committee Amendment A was adopted, Committee Amendment A as amended by Senate Amendment A was adopted, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. EDMUNDS of Aroostook: Mr. President, before I make the adjournment motion, may I explain why the hour is different than is usually adopted. It is to enable the members of both branches to attend the funeral of Representative Giroux who passed away so suddenly this weekend.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Edmunds of Aroostook,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at eleven o'clock.