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**HOUSE**

Friday, January 16, 1942.

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Washburn of Hallowell.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Mr. Seeger of Kittery, presented the following Order and moved its passage:

WHEREAS, the House is informed of the birth of a baby girl to Representative Cleveland Sleeper and Mrs. Sleeper, and

WHEREAS, the Members of the House are much pleased and wish to extend their heartiest congratulations to Mrs. Sleeper and her husband,

BE IT ORDERED, that the baby girl be named Harriet Sleeper, and that the Clerk of the House be directed to send to Mrs. Sleeper an attested copy of this Order.

The SPEAKER: All those in favor of the passage of the Order will indicate their approval by rising and standing in their places.

Thereupon, the Order received passage. (The Members rising and applauding)

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Rockland, Mr. Sleeper.

Mr. SLEEPER: Mr. Speaker, I wish to thank the House, through the Speaker. It was rather a hard job, but it took me two days to get this little girl. The Federal government, in its ever-increasing arrogance and dictatorial manner, has attempted to put priorities on girl babies for the duration of the emergency. For two days I kept the Stork hovering outside the hospital with boy babies, and demanded a girl, because I already have three boys. I thank the House. (Applause)

**House Reports of Committees Refer to 91st Legislature**

Mr. Belanger from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to Ordinances for Certain Employees of the city of Bath" (H. P. 1955) (L. D. 1193) reported that it be referred to the 91st Legislature.

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Bill "An

Act relating to the Term of Certain Subordinate Officers of the city of Bath" (H. P. 1954) (L. D. 1192)

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

**Legislation Inexpedient Reports Tabled**

Mr. Eddy from the Committee on Motor Vehicles on Bill "An Act relating to Inspection of Motor Vehicle Tires" (H. P. 1992) (L. D. 1223) reported legislation inexpedient.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Perham, Mr. Bragdon.

Mr. BRAGDON: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I do not know, but I imagine this Legislature is not going to be very willing to table matters, due to the fact they are going to be here only a short time; but I did not have an opportunity to get in before the Committee yesterday—or I missed that opportunity, perhaps, I should say. I was not aware that this particular Bill was coming up for hearing, and I did not get a chance to appear before the Committee. I would really like to know the feeling of some of the members of the Committee on it. For that reason, I would ask that the Report be tabled.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Perham, Mr. Bragdon, moves that the Report and accompanying Bill lie on the table pending acceptance of the Report. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed, and the Report, together with the Bill, were tabled pending acceptance of the Report.

Mr. MacLeod from the Committee on Motor Vehicles reported legislation inexpedient on Bill "An Act relating to Inspectors in the Department of Secretary of State" (H. P. 1957) (L. D. 1195)

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Brewer.

Mr. BREWER: Mr. Speaker, I would like to be able to get some more information on this Bill, and I would like to have it tabled and specially assigned for Tuesday morning.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Brewer, moves that this Report, with accompanying Bill, lie on the table and be specially assigned for next

Tuesday morning. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed, and the Report, together with the Bill, was so tabled.

Mr. MacLec d from the Committee on Motor Vehicles reported legislative in expedient on Bill "An Act Regulating Motor Truck Registration Fees during the Winter Season of 1942" (H. P. 1993) (L. D. 1224)

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

#### Ought Not To Pass

Mr. Slosberg from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to the Theft of Motor Vehicles, Tires, certain Petroleum Products and Motor Vehicle Parts" (H. P. 1941) (L. D. 1182)

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state that the next item on the printed calendar has been recalled by the Committee and is not before the House.

#### Ought To Pass

Mr. Dwinal from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act Changing the Name of Northern Finance and Investment Corporation to 'M-A-C Plan of NE'" (H. P. 1940) (L. D. 1181)

Report was read and accepted.

#### Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: Is it now the pleasure of the House to take up out of order a paper from the Senate?

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Monday, January 19th, 1942, at four o'clock in the afternoon, (S. P. 615)

Came from the Senate, in that body read and passed.

In the House, the Order was read and received passage in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Smith of Thomaston, the House voted to take from the table, Bill "An Act to Change the Southern Southwestern and Western Boundaries of the city of Rockland, (H. P. 2001) tabled by that gentleman on January 14th, pending reference.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Rockland, Mr. Sleeper.

Mr. SLEEPER: Mr. Speaker, I introduced this Bill in behalf of the Mayor and the administrative group in the city of Rockland, and it has to do with changing the boundaries, so that a certain bridge will come all in one town and they will be able to get State aid for that bridge. They thought that was an emergency matter, but we now find that to do it right, we should wait until after the Thomaston town meeting, which comes in March, so I now beg leave to have this Bill withdrawn.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Rockland, Mr. Sleeper, asks leave to withdraw the Bill. Is this the pleasure of the House?

Thereupon, the motion prevailed, and the Bill was withdrawn.

The SPEAKER: The Chair notes the presence of the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Lambert, and welcomes him to the House. If there is no objection, the Chair will ask the Clerk to note his presence on the record.

The SPEAKER: Are there any further matters to come before the House under Orders of the Day? If not, the Clerk will read the notices.

On motion by Mr. Sleeper of Rockland,

Adjourned until Monday, January 19th, 1942, at 4:00 P. M.