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HOUSE

Wednesday, January 3, 1945.

In convention of the members-elect of the Ninety-second Legislature.

This day being the day designated by the Constitution of the State for the meeting of the Ninety-second Legislature, the members-elect of the House of Representatives assembled in the hall of the House of Representatives at ten o'clock A. M. and were called to order by Harvey R. Pease, Clerk of the House of 1943.

Prayer was then offered by the Rev. Dr. William R. Wood of Augusta.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting a certified roll of the Representatives-elect of the Ninety-second Legislature, which was read by the Clerk.

On motion by Mr. Ward of Mil-
linocket, the communication was ordered placed on file.

A certified roll of Representatives-elect was then called by the Clerk of the Ninety-first Legislature. The elected membership of the House being 151, 147 members-elect having answered to their names, a quorum was found to be present.

Those who were absent were:

Messrs. Anderson of Oxbow Bl., Cole of Casco, Gross of Jefferson and Martin of Eagle Lake.

On motion by Mr. Ward of Mil-
linocket, that gentleman and Miss Deering of Bath, and Messrs. Jacobs of Auburn, Perkins of Boothbay Harbor, Williams of Clifton and Haskell of Portland were appointed a committee to wait upon the Governor and inform him that a quorum of the members-elect of the House of Representatives had assembled in the hall of the House and to request his attendance to administer to them the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Mr. Ward subsequently reported that the committee had discharged the duty assigned it, and that the Governor was pleased to say that he would forthwith attend upon the Representatives-elect for the purpose of administering to them the oaths required by the Constitution.

The report of the committee was accepted.

Thereupon, the Governor, attended by his Council, and escorted by the Honorable Harold I. Goss, Secretary of State, entered the hall amid applause of the House, the members rising, and administered to the members-elect, and they subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to discharge their official duties.

Governor Sewall then addressed the House as follows:

GOVERNOR SEWALL: Members of the 92nd. Legislature: In looking over the Legislative Record, I find that this is an occasion—or has been in the past—when Governors have made rather extended remarks. Frankly, I feel no such urge at this time. I do want you to know, however, that I am very happy to welcome you all here to the State House at the beginning of this session. I want each of you who, in the past, were in this House while I have been down in the corner office, to realize how much I appreciate everything you have done to help me as I was trying to work out our common problems.

I feel that the past is on the record and that the future is in very competent hands; so I wish you a very successful session, and I feel absolutely confident that whatever the problems will be that they will be successfully and wisely worked out for the people of Maine by you and by the next Governor. (Applause, members rising.)

Governor Sewall, attended by his Council and escorted by the Honorable Harold I. Goss, then retired, amid the applause of the House, the members rising.

On motion by Mr. Bowker of Portland, that gentleman and Messrs. Smith of Newport, Gay of Damariscotta, Berry of Livermore Falls, Haskell of Bangor, Weeks of Waterville and Morrison of Rumford, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for Speaker of the House.

On motion by Mr. Boutin of Lewiston, it was voted that the committee cast one ballot for George B. Barnes as Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Ninety-second Legislature.

The motion prevailed, and the Chairman of the committee cast one ballot for George B. Barnes, as Speaker of the House, and that gentleman was declared duly elected Speaker of the House of Represen-

tatives of the Ninety-second Legislature.

Speaker Barnes was then escorted to the rostrum by the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Boutin, where he assumed the Chair, amid the applause of the House, the members rising.

The SPEAKER: Members of the House of the Ninety-second Legislature: You have this morning placed upon me grave responsibility; you have also placed me irretrievably in your debt, and I want you to know that I am deeply appreciative of the honor.

It could never be trite to remind you that these are serious times through which we are going. The work of this Legislature in this session should have as its goal proper legislation to take care of your boys, brothers and cousins who are fighting on the far-flung battlefronts. No one knows—and of course we can not—when this conflict will be over; but it should be our obligation to be ready for it. Within a few days, the committees will be named for this Legislature, and then the responsibility of the work will be on your shoulders. I know that this will be a united House, and I know that we will have a successful session. I want to take occasion again to thank you ladies and gentlemen who have conferred upon me this honor. (Applause)

The SPEAKER: The Chair awaits the pleasure of the House.

On motion by Mr. Cousins of Old Town, that gentleman and Messrs. Lombard of Yarmouth, Jones of Waterville, Cole of Casco, Thompson of Brewer, Meloon of Portland and Jennings of Strong, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for Clerk of the House.

On motion by Mr. Boutin of Lewiston, it was voted that the Committee cast one ballot for Harvey R. Pease of Wiscasset, as Clerk of the House of Representatives of the Ninety-second Legislature.

The motion prevailed, and the Chairman of the Committee cast one ballot for Harvey R. Pease, of Wiscasset, as Clerk of the House and that gentleman was declared duly elected as Clerk of the House of the Ninety-second Legislature. (Applause)

On motion by Mr. Forhan of Canton, that gentleman and Mr. Brewer of Presque Isle, Mrs. Lord

of South Portland, and Messrs. Harrison of Portland, Heanssler of Deer Isle, Morse of Oakland and Mrs. Ellingwood of Rockland, were appointed a committee to receive, sort and count votes for Assistant Clerk of the House.

On motion by Mr. Donahue of Biddeford, it was voted that the Chairman of the Committee cast one ballot for Roy S. Humphrey as Assistant Clerk of the House.

The motion prevailed and the Chairman of the Committee cast one ballot for Roy S. Humphrey of Augusta, as Assistant Clerk of the House, and that gentleman was declared duly elected Assistant Clerk of the House of the Ninety-second Legislature. (Applause)

On motion by Mr. Crosby of Farmington, that gentleman and Messrs. Warren of Westbrook, Leathers of Hermon, Hawes of Vassalboro, Poulin of Rumford, Black of Dexter, and Burton of Orneville were appointed a committee to notify the Governor of the organization of the House by the election of Honorable George B. Barnes as Speaker, Harvey R. Pease as Clerk and Roy S. Humphrey as Assistant Clerk.

Mr. Crosby subsequently reported that the committee had discharged the duty assigned it.

The same information was conveyed to the Senate by Mr. Ward of Millinocket.

At this time a message was received from the Senate, through Senator Spear of Cumberland, informing the House that the Senate had been duly organized by the election of Honorable George D. Varney of York, as President, Royden V. Brown as Secretary and Chester T. Winslow as Assistant Secretary.

On motion by Mr. Williams of Clifton, that gentleman conducted the Clerk and Assistant Clerk to the Governor to take and subscribe the oaths necessary to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties, and Mr. Williams subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him, and that the Clerk and Assistant Clerk had taken and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

Thereupon, Harvey R. Pease, Clerk, and Roy S. Humphrey, As-

sistant Clerk, appeared and entered upon the discharge of their official duties.

On motion by Mr. Boutin of Lewiston, it was

ORDERED, that Frank H. Treworgy of Surry, be Sergeant-at-Arms; J. Warren Butman of Readfield, be Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms; James E. Harvey of Readfield, be Document Clerk; Elmer Abbott of Augusta, be Doorkeeper; and that Alan C. Pease of Wiscasset, and Gloria Belin of Monmouth, be the Pages.

The following communication:

**STATE OF MAINE
OFFICE OF THE
SECRETARY OF STATE**

Augusta, Maine, January 3, 1945.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

In compliance with the constitution and laws of the State of Maine, I have the honor to transmit the returns of the votes cast for Representatives to the Legislature in the several cities, towns and plantations in the State of Maine at the general election held on September 11, A. D. 1944.

Respectfully,

(Signed) **HAROLD I. GOSS**

Secretary of State

The communication with accompanying papers was received, and on motion by Mr. Ward of Millinocket, tabled pending reference to a committee.

On motion by Mr. Ward of Millinocket, it was

ORDERED, that Ruel C. Hanks of Augusta, be the Official Reporter of the House for the present session; and that he be authorized to procure the services of a typist and proof-reader during the present session for the preparation and completion of the Legislative Record.

On motion by Miss Deering of Bath, it was

ORDERED, that the Clerk of the House be directed to maintain in his office an alphabetical index of all matters before the Legislature, and a legislative docket showing all action taken on all matters before the Legislature; the necessary additional clerical assistance to be employed by the Clerk with the approval of the Speaker.

On motion by Mr. Rankin of Bridgton, it was

ORDERED, that the Clerk of the House be directed to invite the Clergymen of Augusta, Hallowell and Gardiner to officiate as Chaplains of the House during the present session.

On motion by Mr. Ward of Millinocket, it was

ORDERED, that the Speaker be authorized to appoint a Secretary to the Speaker and that the Clerk be authorized to appoint a Secretary to the Clerk, a Legislative Docket Clerk and an Assistant Legislative Docket Clerk.

On motion by Miss Deering of Bath, it was

ORDERED, that the rules of the House of Representatives of the Ninety-first Legislature be adopted for the government of this House until otherwise ordered.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Millinocket, Mr. Ward.

Mr. **WARD**: Mr. Speaker, in order to expedite the business of the remainder of today's session, I ask unanimous consent that the order of business as provided in the rules just adopted be dispensed with and that the House proceed under Orders of the Day.

The **SPEAKER**: The gentleman from Millinocket, Mr. Ward, asks that by unanimous consent the order of business as provided by the rules just adopted be dispensed with today, and that the House proceed under Orders of the Day. The Chair hears no objection and unanimous consent is hereby granted. From now on, in today's session, all matters of business will be out of order and under suspension of the rules.

The Chair would call the attention of the members of the House to one of the rules that the House has just adopted, which is Rule 25, which the Chair will read: "Smoking is prohibited in the hall of the House of Representatives while the House is in session."

On motion by Mr. Ward of Millinocket, out of order and under suspension of the rules, it was

ORDERED, that each adjournment of the House be until 10 o'clock of the following morning unless otherwise ordered.

Mr. Brewer of Presque Isle, was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. BREWER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the 92nd Legislature: As you will notice by the paper which you will find on your desk, through a clerical error, the provision establishing the April trial term of Superior Court in Aroostook County as enacted by Chapter 138 of the Public Laws of 1943, was omitted from the new revision. In order to prevent confusion and misunderstanding, it is necessary to correct this error immediately by emergency legislation. I think that this, in itself, is self-explanatory, and at this time I present a bill and move its passage.

The SPEAKER: Out of order, the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Brewer, presents a bill and asks unanimous consent that at this time it be accepted and that it be given its three several readings and passed to be engrossed, without reference to a committee. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed, and Bill "An Act Relating to Trial Terms of the Superior Court in Aroostook County" (H. P. 1) was received out of order and under suspension of the rules.

Thereupon, the bill was given its three several readings under suspension of the rules and passed to be engrossed without reference to a committee; and on motion by Mr. Brewer, the bill was ordered sent forthwith to the Senate.

Out of order and under suspension of the rules, Miss Deering of Bath, presented the following Order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, that the members of the House proceed with the drawing of seats; that the usual monitors' seats be assigned to the monitors appointed by the Speaker; that a choice of seats be granted to Floor Leaders and Assistant Floor Leaders of the majority and minority parties; that a choice of seats be granted to the lady members of the House and other members with physical disabilities.

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time, before the vote on this Order, will read House Rule 6: "One monitor shall be appointed by the Speaker for each division of the House, whose duty shall be to see to the observance of the rules of the House, and on demand of the

Speaker, to return the number of votes and members in his division."

As this time the Chair will make the appointment of monitors: For Division Number One, the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Bowker; for Division Number Two, the gentleman from North Anson, Mr. Ela; for Division Number Three, the gentleman from Clifton, Mr. Williams; and for Division Number Four, the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Haskell.

At this time, also, the Floor Leaders and Assistant Floor Leaders will take their choice of seats, and the members with physical impairments and the lady members of the House will also take their choice of seats.

Thereupon, the Order received passage, and the House proceeded with the drawing of seats.

A message was then received from the Senate, through its Secretary, proposing a Joint Convention of both branches of the Legislature, to be held at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon for the purpose of electing a Secretary of State, Treasurer of State, Attorney General, State Auditor, Commissioner of Agriculture and the seven Executive Councillors.

On motion by Mr. Ward of Mil- linocket, the House voted to con- cur with the Senate in the propo- sition for a Joint Convention, and the Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate, informing that body that the House concurred in the proposition for a Joint Convention.

The Clerk subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned him.

HOUSE AT EASE

Called to order by the Speaker.

On motion by Mr. Ward of Mil- linocket, out of order and under suspension of the rules, it was

ORDERED, the Senate concur- ring, that the Revisor of Statutes be authorized to distribute to the members of the 92nd Legislature, and the Justices of the Superior Court and the Supreme Judicial Court and the several County At- torneys an unbound set of the Re- vised Statutes of 1944. (H. P. 2)

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Miss Deering of Bath, the House recessed until 2:15 P. M.

AFTER RECESS — 2:15 P. M.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The following papers from the Senate were taken up out of order under suspension of the rules:

From the Senate: The following Orders:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Joint Rules of the Ninthieth Legislature be the Joint Rules of this Legislature (S. P. 1)

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 (S. P. 2)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, read and passed in concurrence.

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the returns of votes for Governor, given in the several cities, towns and plantations of the State for the political years 1945 and 1946 be referred to a joint select committee of seven on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join (S. P. 4)

Came from the Senate read and passed, with the following members appointed on its part:

Messrs. DORR of Oxford
BISHOP of Sagadahoc
STERLING of Somerset
WILLEY of Hancock
CLEAVES of Cumberland
CROSS of Kennebec
CURRIER of Androscoggin

In the House, read and passed in concurrence and the Chair appointed the following members on the part of the House:

Messrs. MORRISON of Winter Harbor

KNIGHT of Clinton
BIRD of Washington
RUSSELL of Gorham
Miss LONGSTAFF of Crystal
Messrs. SOUTHARD of Bangor
LEE of Doxer-Foxcroft

From the Senate: The following Orders:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that three hundred and seventy-five (375) copies of the Legislative Rec-

ord for the session of 1945 be printed and bound, one copy each for the members of the Senate, House of Representatives, and 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 three hundred and seventy-five (375) copies of the Legislative Record be printed in pamphlet form for distribution from day to day to members of the Legislature and the departments, under the direction of the Document Clerk, and be it further

ORDERED, that a suitable index be prepared for such Legislative Record under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House, at an expense not exceeding five hundred dollars, (\$500.00) (S. P. 5)

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 (S. P. 6)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that Arthur G. Robinson be State House Investigator during the present session of the Legislature at the same rate of compensation paid Mr. Robinson during the last session (S. P. 7)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that there be paid to the officers of the Senate and House of Representatives for mileage, the amounts included in lists certified to the State Controller by the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House, respectively (S. P. 8)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Governor's desk and chair be presented to him as a gift from the ninety-second Legislature (S. P. 13)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, read and passed in concurrence.

From the Senate: The following Communication: (S. P. 3)

STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Augusta, January 3, 1945.

To the President of the Senate and to the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Ninety-second 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 September 11, 1944.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Harold I. Goss

Secretary of State.

Came from the Senate read and referred to the Committee on Gubernatorial Vote.

In the House, was received out of order under suspension of the rules, read and with accompanying papers referred to the Committee on Gubernatorial vote in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Haskell, out of order and under suspension of the rules, it was

ORDERED, that the Bureau of Purchases be directed to furnish on requisition of the Clerk of the House, such stationery, office supplies and equipment as may be needed to carry on the business of the House.

On motion by Mr. Lackee of Addison, out of order and under suspension of the rules, it was

ORDERED, that the Clerk of the House be authorized and directed to furnish each member of the House with a copy of the Advance Journal of the House, said copy to be on the desk of each member at the opening of each daily session.

On motion by Mr. Bowker of Portland, out of order and under suspension of the rules, it was

ORDERED, that the Clerk of the House be directed to secure uniforms for the subordinate officers of the House.

On motion by Mr. Perkins of Boothbay Harbor, out of order and under suspension of the rules, it was

ORDERED, that the State Librarian be authorized and directed to

furnish the Clerk of the House with three copies of the Revised Statutes of 1944.

On motion by Mr. Forhan of Canton, out of order and under suspension of the rules, it was

ORDERED, that each member and officer of the House be furnished with one copy each of two daily newspapers published in the State, to be selected by them.

On motion by Mr. Poulin of Rumford, out of order and under suspension of the rules, it was

ORDERED, that the Speaker of the House be authorized to control the use of the Hall of the House when the House is not in session unless the House shall otherwise order.

The SPEAKER: Is there any further business to come before the House at this time? If not, the House may be at ease pending the arrival of the Senate.

House at Ease

Called to order by the Speaker.

At this time the Senate entered the hall and a Joint Convention was formed.

In Convention

The President of the Senate, Hon. George D. Varney, presided over the Convention and called it to order.

On motion by Senator Brown of Aroostook, it was voted to appoint a committee to receive, sort and count votes for Secretary of State.

The Chairman of the Convention thereupon appointed as members of such committee:

Senators:

BROWN of Aroostook
CLEAVES of Cumberland
CURRIER of Androscoggin

Representatives:

DORSEY of Fort Fairfield
BROWN of Unity
DEAN of South Portland
TRUE of Rangeley
BIRD of Rockland
JUDKINS of Bryants Pond
CONANT of Etna

The CHAIRMAN: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Boucher.

Senator BOUCHER: Mr. Chairman, I understand that the Republican party has nominated Harold

I. Goss as candidate for Secretary of State. If that is right, Mr. Chairman, the Democratic party wishes to endorse that candidate, and I move you, Mr. Chairman, that one ballot be cast for Harold I. Goss as Secretary of State.

The motion prevailed, and the Secretary cast one ballot for Honorable Harold I. Goss, and that gentleman was declared by the Chairman of the Convention as duly elected Secretary of State for the political years of 1945-1946.

On motion by Senator Good of Aroostook, it was voted to appoint a committee to receive, sort and count votes for State Treasurer.

The Chairman of the Convention thereupon appointed as members of such committee:

Senators:
GOOD of Aroostook
NOYES of Hancock
BOUCHER of Androscoggin

Representatives:

WILLIAMS of Clifton
McFEE of Richmond
TOZIER of Fairfield
COOMBS of Belfast
CHRISTENSEN of Calais
JORDAN of Saco
COLLINS of Caribou

The **CHAIRMAN**: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Boucher.

Senator **BOUCHER**: Mr. Chairman, I understand that the Republican party has put in nomination Joseph H. McGillicuddy as Treasurer of State. If that is so, the Democratic party wishes to endorse the candidacy of Joseph H. McGillicuddy, and I move, Mr. Chairman, that the Secretary be instructed to cast one vote for Joseph H. McGillicuddy as Treasurer of State.

The motion prevailed, and the Secretary cast one ballot for Honorable Joseph H. McGillicuddy, and that gentleman was declared by the Chairman of the Convention as duly elected Treasurer of State for the political years 1945-1946.

On motion by Senator Spear of Cumberland, it was voted to appoint a committee to receive, sort and count for Attorney General.

The Chairman of the Convention thereupon appointed as members of such committee:

Senators:
SPEAR of Cumberland
WILLEY of Hancock
OWEN of Kennebec

Representatives:

LACKEE of Addison
RANKIN of Bridgton
KNIGHT of Jay
WIGHT of Bangor
JEWETT of Pittston
LORD of Camden
BOULIER of Stacyville Plantation

The **CHAIRMAN**: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Boucher.

Senator **BOUCHER**: Mr. Chairman, I understand that Ralph W. Farris has been nominated by the Republican Party as Attorney General. The Democrats offer no opposition, so I move that the Secretary cast one ballot for Ralph W. Farris as Attorney General of this State.

The motion prevailed, and the Secretary cast one ballot for Honorable Ralph W. Farris, and that gentleman was declared by the Chairman of the Convention as duly elected Attorney General for the political years 1945-1946.

On motion by Mr. Marshall of York Harbor, it was voted to appoint a committee to receive, sort and count votes for State Auditor.

The Chairman of the Convention thereupon appointed as members of such committee:

Senators:
HALL of Franklin
WELCH of Aroostook
LEAVITT of Cumberland

Representatives:

BROWN of Brunswick
PATTERSON of Freeport
SANBORN of Baldwin
GOWELL of Poland
SMART of Ellsworth
COBB of Gardiner
COLE of West Gardiner

The **CHAIRMAN**: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Boucher.

Senator **BOUCHER**: Mr. Chairman, I understand that the Republican Party has put in nomination Fred M. Berry as State Auditor. If that is true, the Democratic Party offers no opposition, and I move that one ballot be cast by the Secretary for Fred M. Berry as State Auditor.

The motion prevailed, and the Secretary cast one ballot for Honorable Fred M. Berry, and that gentleman was declared by the Chairman of the Convention as duly elected State Auditor for the political years 1945-1946.

On motion by Senator Denny of Lincoln, it was voted to appoint a committee to receive, sort and count votes for Commissioner of Agriculture.

The Chairman of the Convention thereupon appointed as members of such committee:

Senators:

DENNY of Lincoln
HOWES of Penobscot
McKUSICK of Piscataquis

Representatives:

EMERSON of North Haven
CARPENTER of Augusta
GROSS of Jefferson
EDWARDS of Oxford
COBB of Bangor
ELLIOTT of Corinth
WILLIAMS of Topsham

The CHAIRMAN: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Boucher.

Senator BOUCHER: Mr. Chairman, I understand that Carl R. Smith has been nominated by the Republican Party as Commissioner of Agriculture. If that is true, the Democratic Party wishes to endorse that candidacy, and I move you, Mr. Chairman, that the Secretary be instructed to cast one ballot for Carl R. Smith as Commissioner of Agriculture.

The motion prevailed, and the Secretary cast one ballot for Honorable Carl R. Smith, and that gentleman was declared by the Chairman of the Convention as duly elected Commissioner of Agriculture for the political years 1945-1946.

On motion by Senator Smith of Knox, it was voted to appoint a committee to receive, sort and count votes for seven Executive Councilors: Honorables George J. Wentworth, Harold N. Hanold, Lincoln E. Clement, Earl Fenlason, James L. Woodbury, Harold W. Worthen and Clarence B. Beckett.

The Chairman of the Convention thereupon appointed as members of such committee:

Senators:

SMITH of Knox
CLEMENTS of Waldo
SAVAGE of Somerset

Representatives:

ELA of North Anson
AMES of Northport
PROUT of Lubec
STILLINGS of Berwick
MORNEAULT of Fort Kent
JORDAN of South Portland
MOULTON of Newfield

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Boucher.

Senator BOUCHER: Mr. Chairman, I understand that the Republican Party has nominated as Executive Councilors George J. Wentworth for the First District, Harold N. Hanold for the Second District, Lincoln E. Clement for the Third District, Earl Fenlason for the Fourth District, James L. Woodbury for the Fifth District, Harold W. Worthen for the Sixth District, and Clarence B. Beckett for the Seventh District. If that is so, the Democratic Party offers no opposition, and I move that the Secretary of the Convention cast one ballot in favor of these seven gentlemen for Executive Councilors.

The motion prevailed, and the Secretary cast one ballot for the Honorables George J. Wentworth, Harold N. Hanold, Lincoln E. Clement, Earl Fenlason, James L. Woodbury, Harold W. Worthen and Clarence B. Beckett as Executive Councilors for the political years 1945-1946.

On motion by Senator Sterling of Somerset, it was

ORDERED, that the Secretary be directed to notify the Honorable Harold I. Goss of his election as Secretary of State; Honorable Joseph H. McGillicuddy of his election as Treasurer of State; Honorable Ralph W. Farris of his election as Attorney General; Honorable Fred M. Berry of his election as State Auditor; Honorable Carl R. Smith of his election as Commissioner of Agriculture; and the Honorables George J. Wentworth, Harold N. Hanold, Lincoln E. Clement, Earl Fenlason, James L. Woodbury, Harold W. Worthen and Clarence B. Beckett, of their elections as Executive Councilors for the years 1945 and 1946.

Subsequently the Secretary reported that he had notified the officers as directed.

On motion by Senator SPEAR of Cumberland,

ORDERED, that a message be sent to the Governor, informing him of the election of the Honorable Harold I. Goss as Secretary of State, Honorable Joseph H. McGillicuddy as Treasurer of State, Honorable Ralph W. Farris as Attorney General; Honorable Fred M. Berry as State Auditor; Honorable

Carl R. Smith as Commissioner of Agriculture; and the Honorable George J. Wentworth, Harold N. Hanold, Lincoln H. Clement, Earl Fenlason, James L. Woodbury, Harold W. Worthen and Clarence B. Beckett as Executive Councillors for the political years 1945 and 1946.

The Chairman appointed Senator SPEAR of Cumberland to convey the message, and subsequently that Senator reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

The purposes for which the Joint Convention was formed having been accomplished, the Chairman declared the same dissolved, and the Senate retired to its chamber amid the applause of the House, the members rising.

In the House

Called to order by the Speaker.

The Speaker noted the presence in the hall of the House of the gentleman from Oxbow, Mr. Anderson, the gentleman from Casco, Mr. Cole, and the gentleman from Jef-

erson, Mr. Gross, and thereupon appointed the gentleman from Boothbay Harbor, Mr. Perkins, the gentleman from Mars Hill, Mr. Welch and the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Bowker, as a committee to escort these gentlemen to the Governor in order that they might take and subscribe their oaths as members of the 92nd Legislature.

Mr. Welch subsequently reported that the committee had performed the duty with which it was charged and Messrs. Anderson, Cole and Gross had taken and subscribed their oaths as members of the 92nd Legislature.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Millinocket, Mr. Ward.

Mr. WARD: Mr. Speaker, I would like to remind the members of the House that when we adjourn this afternoon, we adjourn to meet at ten o'clock tomorrow morning. At this time I move that the House adjourn.

The motion prevailed, and the House adjourned until ten o'clock tomorrow morning.