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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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HOUSE

Wednesday, March 28, 1951.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Frank A. Pitman of Belfast.

The journal of the previous session was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Powers of Attorney-General" (S. P. 517) (L. D. 1236)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

Senate Reports of Committees Ought Not to Pass

Report of the Committee on Education reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Creating the Maine Military Institute" (S. P. 200) (L. D. 461)

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Membership of State Racing Commission" (S. P. 186) (L. D. 399)

Report of the Committee on Transportation reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Anti-Splash Equipment on Certain Vehicles" (S. P. 399) (L. D. 946)

Came from the Senate read and accepted.

In the House, read and accepted in concurrence.

Ought to Pass

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to the Rockland School District" (S. P. 379) (L. D. 905)

Report of the same Committee reporting same on Bill "An Act Creating the Rockland Port District" (S. P. 347) (L. D. 813)

Came from the Senate with the Reports read and accepted and the Bills passed to be engrossed.

In the House, Reports were read and accepted in concurrence and the Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Kittery Sewer District" (S. P. 171) (L. D. 345) which was passed to be engrossed in the House on March 8, as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and Senate Amendment "A" and which was recalled from the Engrossing Department by Joint Order.

Came from the Senate with Committee Amendment "A" indefinitely postponed and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "A" in non-concurrence.

In the House: The House voted, under suspension of the rules, to reconsider its action whereby it passed this Bill to be engrossed on March 8.

Under suspension of the rules the House then voted to reconsider its action whereby it adopted Committee Amendment "A" on March 7.

Thereupon, the House voted to indefinitely postpone Committee Amendment "A", and the Bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "A" in concurrence.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act relating to Her Own Business Program" (H. P. 1233) (L. D. 786) which was passed to be engrossed in the House on March 22, as amended by House Amendment "A".

Came from the Senate with House Amendment "A" indefinitely postponed and the Bill passed to be engrossed in non-concurrence.

In the House: The House voted to recede and concur with the Senate.

Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference

The following Bills, transmitted by the Director of Legislative Research pursuant to Joint Orders, were received and, upon recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following Committees:

Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Jay School District" (H. P. 1670)

(Presented by Mr. Macomber of Jay)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Towns and Counties

Bill "An Act relating to Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes of Persons in Unorganized Territory" (H. P. 1671) (Presented by Mr. Burgess of Limestone)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Orders

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman.

Mr. TOTMAN: Mr. Speaker, I present an order and move its passage, and I also move that it be sent forthwith to the Senate.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman, presents an order and moves its passage. The Clerk will read the order.

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that notwithstanding Joint Orders permitting the introduction of matters, data of which was in the hands of the Director of Legislative Research, no Bill or Resolve be received after Thursday, March 29th, at 1:00 p. m. unless received by unanimous consent in both branches as provided for by Joint Orders. (H. P. 1674)

The Order received passage, and was sent forthwith to the Senate.

On motion of Mrs. Hanson of Lebanon, House Rule 25 was suspended for the remainder of today's session, in order to permit smoking.

On motion of Mr. Woodworth of Fairfield, it was

ORDERED, That the Commissioner of Health and Welfare be, and he hereby is, required forthwith to provide each member of the House of Representatives with one copy of the plan or plans submitted by him to the Federal Administrator of the Social Security Act, under which the State is now receiving grants of money for old age assistance, aid to children, and all other titles under said Social Security Act, together with copies of regulations under which such moneys are being expended.

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time notes the presence in the balcony of the Hall of the House of the Erskine Academy, South China, Problems of Democracy, Civics and History Classes, Juniors and Seniors, under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Blaney.

In behalf of the House the Chair at this time bids you welcome. (Applause)

House Reports of Committees

Special Report

First Special Report of the Committee on Apportionment reporting two plans of allocation of Representatives (H. P. 1673)

Plan A recommended by the following members:

Messrs. SLEEPER of Knox
CHRISTENSEN of Wash-
ington

—of the Senate

JACOBS of Auburn
DORSEY of Fort Fairfield
DUNHAM of Ellsworth
MARTIN of Augusta
HARDING of Rockland
CHASE of Whitefield
DICKEY of Brooks
LACKEE of Addison

—of the House

Plan B recommended by the following members:

Messrs. HASKELL of Penobscot
MARSHALL of York
LEAVITT of Cumberland
CROSBY of Franklin
ELA of Somerset

—of the Senate

CHASE of Cape Elizabeth
CASWELL of New Sharon
STEWART of Paris
LATNO of Old Town
HAYES of Dover-Foxcroft
BAILEY of Woolwich
SINCLAIR of Pittsfield
BRADEEN of Waterboro

—of the House

Report was read.

(On motion of Mr. Hayes of Dover-Foxcroft, tabled pending consideration, ordered printed, and specially assigned for Tuesday, April 3rd)

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time will appoint the gentleman from Baileyville, Mr. Brown, as Speaker pro tem and will re-

quest the Sergeant-at-Arms to escort the gentleman to the rostrum.

Thereupon, the Sergeant-at-Arms escorted the gentleman from Baileyville, Mr. Brown, to the rostrum, where he assumed the Chair amid the applause of the House, and Speaker Silsby retired.

Leave to Withdraw

Mr. Bearce from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Resolve Providing for a Fish Screen at Outlet of Little Rattlesnake Pond in Town of Raymond, Cumberland County (H. P. 1539) (L. D. 1132) reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. Carville from the same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act to Repeal Bounty on Bobcat" (H. P. 1409) (L. D. 1017)

Mr. Frechette from the same Committee reported same on Resolve Regulating the Taking of Togue in Cold Stream Pond, Penobscot County (H. P. 1615) (L. D. 1175)

Mr. Plummer from the same Committee reported same on Resolve Appropriating Moneys for Repair of Fish Screen at Flying Pond, in the Town of Mount Vernon (H. P. 1579) (L. D. 1151)

Mr. Martin from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported same on Bill "An Act Permitting Roller Skating on Sunday" (H. P. 1349) (L. D. 924)

Same gentleman from the same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Conviction of Violation of Motor Vehicle Statute" (H. P. 1430) (L. D. 1036)

Mr. Stewart from the same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Appointment of Boards in the City of Lewiston" (H. P. 1235) (L. D. 805)

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Ought Not to Pass

Covered by Other Legislation

Mr. Peterson from the Committee on Public Buildings and Parks reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to the Baxter State Park Game Preserve" (H. P. 1264) (L. D. 843) as it is covered by other legislation.

Mr. Cote from the same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act

relating to Baxter State Park" (H. P. 651) (L. D. 370) as it is covered by other legislation.

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Ought Not to Pass

Mr. Dunham from the Committee on Education reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Conveyance of School Children" (H. P. 683) (L. D. 413)

Mr. CARVILLE from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported same on Bill "An Act Raising the Bounty on Bobcats" (H. P. 524) (L. D. 286)

Mr. Plummer from the same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Bounty on Bobcat, Loupcervier and Canada Lynx" (H. P. 1003) (L. D. 591)

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Tabled

Mr. Burkett from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act to Repeal the Charter of the Bay Point Village Corporation" (H. P. 1183) (L. D. 738)

Report was read.

(On motion of Mrs. Moffatt of Bath, tabled pending acceptance of Committee Report)

Mr. Martin from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Pension for Members of the Police Department of the City of Auburn" (H. P. 1180) (L. D. 736)

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Tabled

Mr. Stewart from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Term of Office of Mayor of City of Lewiston" (H. P. 1234) (L. D. 787)

Report was read.

(On motion of Mr. Cote of Lewiston, tabled pending acceptance of Committee Report)

Mr. Thomas from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "Ought not to pass" on Resolve Authorizing Board of Veterinary Surgeons

to Issue License to Charles Bessey of Freedom (H. P. 1550) (L. D. 1112)

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Tabled

Mr. Thomas from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Permitting the Consolidation of Positions in the City Government of Lewiston" (H. P. 536) (L. D. 305)

Report was read.

(On motion of Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston, tabled pending acceptance of Committee Report)

Mr. Thomas from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to the Ogunquit Village Corporation" (H. P. 1121) (L. D. 708)

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Tabled and Assigned

Mr. Bates from the Committee on Public Health reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Providing for the Study, Treatment and Care of Alcoholics" (H. P. 1487) (L. D. 1094)

Report was read.

(On motion of Mr. Bubar of Blaine, tabled pending acceptance of Committee Report and specially assigned for Wednesday, April 4th)

Mr. Barton from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries reported "Ought not to pass" on Resolve relating to the Use of Seines in Medomak River, Lincoln County (H. P. 1132) (L. D. 700)

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Tabled and Assigned

Mr. Barton from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to the Digging of Clams for Commercial Purposes in the Towns of Waldboro and Bremen" (H. P. 1189) (L. D. 743)

Report was read.

(On motion of Mr. Winchenpaw of Friendship, tabled pending acceptance of Committee Report and specially assigned for Thursday, April 5th)

Tabled and Assigned

Mr. Clapp from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries reported "Ought not to pass on Bill "An Act relating to the Digging of Clams in the Town of St. George" (H. P. 1188) (L. D. 742)

Report was read.

(On motion of Mr. Winchenpaw of Friendship, tabled pending acceptance of Committee Report and specially assigned for Thursday, April 5th)

Mr. Hanson from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Repealing Law on Interstate Transportation of Lobsters" (H. P. 1330) (L. D. 893)

Mr. Littlefield from the same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to the Number of Lobster Traps" (H. P. 1355) (L. D. 930)

Mr. Stevens from the same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Closed Time on Scallops" (H. P. 1445) (L. D. 1041)

Mr. Chase from the Committee on Taxation reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Exempting from Taxation the Property of Indians" (H. P. 1449) (L. D. 1044)

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs

Mrs. Daggett from the Committee on Public Health on Bill "An Act relating to Sanitary Facilities for Certain Places" (H. P. 1328) (L. D. 891) reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Ought to Pass in New Draft

Mr. Moulton from the Committee on Natural Resources on Resolve, Authorizing a Tax and Cutting Practice Committee (H. P. 1027) (L. D. 586) reported same in a New Draft (H. P. 1672) (L. D. 1240) under the same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Report was read and accepted and the Resolve, having already been printed, was read once under

suspension of the rules and tomorrow assigned.

Ought to Pass

Mr. Hancock from the Committee on Natural Resources reported "Ought to pass" on Resolve, Permitting the Building of a Fish Pond in Chapman (H. P. 1369) (L. D. 960)

Mr. Williams from the Committee on Natural Resources reported same on Bill "An Act to Designate Certain Waters of the Dead River as Flagstaff Lake" (H. P. 1124) (L. D. 696)

Reports were read and accepted and the Bill and Resolve, having already been printed, the Bill was read twice under suspension of the rules, the Resolve read once, and tomorrow assigned.

Mr. Ludwig from the Committee on Public Health reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act Relating to Fluoride in Public Water Supplies" (H. P. 1280) (L. D. 819)

Report was read.

The SPEAKER pro tem: Is it the pleasure of the House to accept the "Ought to pass" report of the committee?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman.

Mr. TOTMAN: Mr. Speaker, if it is in order, may I rise for a point of information from any member of the Committee on Public Health?

The SPEAKER pro tem: The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. TOTMAN: Mr. Speaker, this bill is not a particularly controversial bill by any means. In the bill it says that "... without written approval of the Department of Health and Welfare" and I am just a little bit curious to know if a municipality has a Department of Health and Welfare, was the bill written to mean the State Department of Health and Welfare or could it be construed the Municipality Department of Health and Welfare? Would someone please answer that for me?

The SPEAKER pro tem: Does anyone care to answer the request of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Orono, Mr. Bates.

Mr. BATES: Mr. Speaker, in answer to the question and speaking for the Committee on Public Health that does refer to the State Department of Health and Welfare.

The SPEAKER pro tem: Does that answer the gentleman's question?

Mr. TOTMAN: Yes, Sir. May I ask a question through the Chair of the gentleman from Orono (Mr. Bates)?

The SPEAKER pro tem: The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. TOTMAN: Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the gentleman from Orono, (Mr. Bates) if he feels that it is necessary or advisable to have the word "State" added in that bill?

The SPEAKER pro tem: The gentleman from Orono, Mr. Bates, may answer if he cares to.

Mr. BATES: Mr. Speaker, I do not feel it necessary, in so far as this is a small part of the rules and regulations under the Department of Health and Welfare relating particularly to public health, and wherever the word "department" appears, it means the State Department of Health and Welfare.

Mr. TOTMAN: Thank you.

Thereupon, the report of the committee was accepted, and the bill, having already been printed, was read twice under suspension of the rules and tomorrow assigned for third reading.

Mrs. Moffatt from the Committee on Public Health to which was recommended Bill, "An Act Relating to Employed Persons in Paper Mills" (H. P. 328) (L. D. 188) reported "Ought to pass."

Mr. Martin from the Committee on Public Health reported "Ought to pass" on Bill, "An Act to Change the Law Relating to Apothecaries" (H. P. 545) (L. D. 310)

Mr. Low from the Committee on Taxation reported same on Bill, "An Act Relating to the Excise Tax on Certain Types of Oleomargarine" (H. P. 657) (L. D. 366)

Reports were read and accepted and the Bills, having already been printed, were read twice under suspension of the rules, and tomorrow assigned.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Mr. Carville from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act relating to Special Dog Training and Field Trial Areas" (H. P. 630) (L. D. 352) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted, and the Bill, having already been printed, was read twice under suspension of the rules.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"
to H. P. 630, L. D. 352, Bill "An Act Relating to Special Dog Training and Field Trial Areas."

Amend said Bill by striking out the figure "4" in the 10th line of the 1st paragraph of that part designated "**Sec. 98-A**" thereof, and inserting in place thereof the underlined figure '2' and by striking out the word "quadrupeds" in the 14th line of the 2nd paragraph of said part, and inserting in place thereof the underlined word '**animals**'.

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill was assigned for third reading tomorrow morning.

Mr. Chase from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act relating to the Breeding and Raising of Mink" (H. P. 628) (L. D. 351) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted, and the Bill, having already been printed, was read twice under suspension of the rules.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"
to H. P. 628, L. D. 351, Bill "An Act Relating to the Breeding and Raising of Mink."

Amend said Bill by adding before the single quotation mark at the end thereof the following underlined sentence: '**Provided that any person, firm or corporation engaged in breeding and raising mink shall be licensed under the provisions of section 11, chapter 33, revised statutes of 1944 as amended.**'

Thereupon, Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the

Bill was assigned for third reading tomorrow morning.

Mr. Watson from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act relating to Smelt Fishing" (H. P. 1309) (L. D. 862) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted, and the Bill, having already been printed, was read twice under suspension of the rules.

Committee Amendment "A" was then read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"
to H. P. 1309, L. D. 862, Bill "An Act Relating to Smelt Fishing."

Amend said Bill by inserting in the 5th line thereof after the underlined word "**time**" the underlined words '**in Little Big Wood pond and in Long pond in Somerset county.**'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill was assigned for third reading tomorrow morning.

Mr. Littlefield from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries on Bill "An Act Regulating the Dragging for Scallops in Harrington River and Pleasant River, Washington County" (H. P. 1446) (L. D. 1042) reported "Ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted, and the Bill, having already been printed, was read twice under suspension of the rules.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk, as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"
to H. P. 1446, L. D. 1042, Bill "An Act Regulating the Dragging for Scallops in Harrington River and Pleasant River, Washington County."

Amend said Bill by striking out in the 7th line thereof the underlined words "**long and of dragging**" and inserting in place thereof the underlined word '**in**'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and tomorrow assigned for third reading of the Bill.

The SPEAKER pro tem: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman.

Mr. TOTMAN: Mr. Speaker, I regret to hold up the business of this House, but unfortunately I do not think that amendment makes any sense as it is written. I move that the bill be tabled until tomorrow.

The SPEAKER pro tem: The Chair will advise the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman, that the bill has been assigned for its third reading tomorrow morning, at which time he may make any assignment that he sees fit.

At this point Speaker Silsby returned to the rostrum.

The SPEAKER: Mr. Brown, in order that you may remember this occasion, may I present to you this little token.

Mr. BROWN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

Thereupon, Mr. Brown retired to his seat on the floor, amid the applause of the House, and Speaker Silsby resumed the Chair.

The following communications were taken up out of order and under suspension of the rules:

STATE OF MAINE
DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Augusta
March 28, 1951

To the Honorable William S. Silsby, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Ninety-fifth Legislature:

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 Representative to the Legislature in the City of Brewer at a special election held March 26, 1951 to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Roscoe J. Grover.

Respectfully,

(Signed) Harold I. Goss
Secretary of State

The communication was read and referred to the Committee on Elections.

STATE OF MAINE
Office of Secretary of State

Augusta
March 28, 1951

To Harvey R. Pease, Clerk of the House of Representatives of the Ninety-fifth Legislature:

In compliance with Section 1 of Chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes, I hereby certify that in accordance with the provisions of Section 58 of Chapter 5 of the Revised Statutes, a special election was held in the City of Brewer on March 26, 1951 for the purpose of electing a Representative to the Ninety-fifth Legislature to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Roscoe J. Grover; that at said election Wesley C. Archer of Brewer having received a plurality of all votes cast in said election according to a canvass of the returns received from the City of Brewer and made by the Governor and Council under date of March 28th appears to have been elected a Representative to the Ninety-fifth Legislature.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have caused the Seal of the State to be hereto affixed this twenty-eighth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-one and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and seventy-fifth.

(Signed) Harold I. Goss
(Seal) Secretary of State

The communication was read and ordered placed on file.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Orono, Mr. Bates.

Mr. BATES: Mr. Speaker, I note the presence in the rear of the Hall of the House of Representative-elect Wesley C. Archer of Brewer, and I move that a committee of one be appointed to forthwith conduct him to the office of the Governor, where he may take and subscribe the oaths necessary to qualify him to discharge his official duties. take the oaths of office. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Orono, Mr. Bates, moves that a committee of one be appointed to

escort Representative-elect Wesley C. Archer of Brewer, to the Governor and Council, where he may take the oaths of office. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will appoint the gentleman from Orono, Mr. Bates, to escort the gentleman from Brewer, Representative-elect Wesley C. Archer, to the office of the Governor, where he may take the oaths of office.

Passed to be Engrossed

Bill "An Act relating to Counter-signature Fees" (S. P. 426) (L. D. 990)

Bill "An Act relating to the Releasing or Dumping of Fish" (H. P. 544) (L. D. 369)

Bill "An Act relating to the Protection of Alewives in East Machias River in the Town of East Machias" (H. P. 1065) (L. D. 645)

Bill "An Act relating to Subjects to be Taught in Public Schools" (H. P. 1339) (L. D. 914)

Bill "An Act Closing Certain Clam Flats in Lubec, Washington County" (H. P. 1444) (L. D. 1040)

Bill "An Act relating to Schooling of Children of Parents Who Reside on State-owned Property" (H. P. 1471) (L. D. 1083)

Bill "An Act relating to Salaries of Trustees of Community School Districts" (H. P. 1484) (L. D. 1091)

Bill "An Act relating to Representations of the State House in Liquor Advertising" (H. P. 1669) (L. D. 1239)

Resolve Opening Certain Ponds in Oxford County to Ice Fishing (S. P. 255) (L. D. 553)

Resolve Closing Bartlett Brook, Oxford County, to Dipping of Smelts (S. P. 256) (L. D. 554)

Resolve Opening Virginia Lake, Oxford County, to Ice Fishing for White Perch (S. P. 305) (L. D. 656)

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, Bills read the third time, Resolve read the second time, all passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

At this point the gentleman from Orono, Mr. Bates, returned to the House with Representative-elect Wesley C. Archer.

Mr. BATES: Mr. Speaker, I wish to report that Representative-elect

Wesley C. Archer has been escorted to the office of the Governor where he has taken and subscribed to the oaths of office to qualify him to enter upon his duties as a member of this House of Representatives.

The SPEAKER: The Chair hears the message and in behalf of the House the Chair thanks the gentleman from Orono, Mr. Bates.

The Sergeant-at-Arms will escort the gentleman from Brewer, Wesley C. Archer, to Seat No. 70, and the gentleman will be assigned to the Joint Standing Committee on Public Utilities, and in behalf of the House the Chair bids you welcome.

Thereupon, the Sergeant-at-Arms escorted the gentleman from Brewer, Mr. Wesley C. Archer, to Seat Number 70, amid the applause of the House.

Passed To Be Engrossed (Cont'd)

Resolve Closing Keewaydin Lake, Oxford County, to Ice Fishing for Salmon and Trout (S. P. 306) (L. D. 657)

Resolve relating to Closed Season for White Perch in Echo Lake, Kennebec County (H. P. 1534) (L. D. 1127)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Province Lake, York County (H. P. 1538) (L. D. 1131)

Resolve Limiting the Catch of Trout or Salmon in Adams Pond in the Town of Boothbay (H. P. 1541) (L. D. 1134)

Resolve Closing Three Mile Pond to Ice Fishing (H. P. 1614) (L. D. 1174)

Resolve relating to Catching of White Perch in Pushaw Lakes, Penobscot County (H. P. 1616) (L. D. 1176)

Resolve Closing Pleasant Lake and Its Tributaries to Dipping or Netting of Smelts (H. P. 1667) (L. D. 1237)

Resolve Closing Certain Ponds in Dedham and Bucksport, in Hancock County, to Fishing (H. P. 1668) (L. D. 1238)

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Amended Bill

Bill "An Act Granting Additional Powers to Portland University" (H. P. 1340) (L. D. 915)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

**Passed to Be Enacted
Emergency Measure**

An Act Ratifying Town Meeting of the Town of Hancock (S. P. 512)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 120 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

**Emergency Measure
Finally Passed**

Resolve for the Laying of the County Taxes for the Years Nineteen Hundred Fifty-One and Nineteen Hundred Fifty-two (H. P. 1659) (L. D. 1228)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 126 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Resolve was finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Passed to Be Enacted

An Act Relating to Interlocking Interests in Liquor Licenses (S. P. 85) (L. D. 109)

An Act Relating to Examination of Criminal Character of Prisoners (S. P. 104) (L. D. 153)

An Act Relating to Vacations for Members of the Fire Department of the City of Lewiston (S. P. 123) (L. D. 212)

An Act Relating to Destruction of Old Records (S. P. 206) (L. D. 459)

An Act Relating to Court Stenographers (S. P. 221) (L. D. 496)

An Act Relating to State Aid to Towns Maintaining Evening Schools (S. P. 229) (L. D. 501)

An Act Relating to Authorized Amount of Endowment for Bridge

Academy in the Town of Dresden (S. P. 318) (L. D. 719)

An Act Relating to Gambling (S. P. 324) (L. D. 723)

An Act to Amend the Charter of the Union Mutual Life Insurance Company (S. P. 337) (L. D. 753)

An Act Relating to Group Life Insurance (S. P. 451) (L. D. 1066)

An Act Relating to Suspension of Licenses in Drunken Driving Cases (H. P. 320) (L. D. 178)

An Act Relating to Incurable Inmates in Reformatory for Men (H. P. 403) (L. D. 247)

An Act Relating to Compensation for Members of State Racing Commission (H. P. 444) (L. D. 273)

An Act Relating to Lucerne-in-Maine Village Corporation (H. P. 537) (L. D. 296)

An Act Relating to Workmen's Compensation for Death of Employee (H. P. 572) (L. D. 378)

An Act Relating to Payment of Wages in Certain Businesses (H. P. 642) (L. D. 362)

An Act Relating to Full-time Supervisors (H. P. 817) (L. D. 493)

An Act Relating to Expenses of the Reporter of Decisions (H. P. 955) (L. D. 567)

An Act Amending the Charter of the City of Augusta in Regard to Criminal Fees (H. P. 1109) (L. D. 689)

An Act Describing the Jefferson-Somerville Town Line, Lincoln County (H. P. 1190) (L. D. 718)

An Act Relating to Recording of Highway Maps (H. P. 1239) (L. D. 791)

An Act Relating to Savings Banks (H. P. 1253) (L. D. 827)

An Act Relating to a Legal Day's Work (H. P. 1275) (L. D. 844)

An Act Relating to Funeral Expenses Under Old Age Assistance Law (H. P. 1285) (L. D. 823)

An Act to Authorize Savings Banks to Invest in the Stock of Insurance Companies (H. P. 1402) (L. D. 1013)

An Act Creating the Lubec Water and Electric District (H. P. 1631) (L. D. 1192)

An Act Creating the Bangor Recreation Center (H. P. 1656) (L. D. 1217)

Finally Passed

Resolve, Regulating Fishing in Sourdnaunk and Little Sourdnaunk Lakes in the County of Piscataquis (S. P. 233) (L. D. 504)

Resolve, Appropriating Moneys for Automatic Emergency Electric Power for State Police Radio System (S. P. 246) (L. D. 548)

Resolve, Closing Chemquasabam-ticook Lake, Piscataquis County, to Ice Fishing (H. P. 151) (L. D. 134)

Resolve, Relating to Working Capital for Institutional Farms (H. P. 257) (L. D. 169)

Resolve, Restoring Interest on Certain Trust Funds (H. P. 372) (L. D. 215)

Resolve, Regulating Fishing in Fifth Debsconeag Lake, in the County of Piscataquis (H. P. 564) (L. D. 301)

Resolve, Regulating Fishing in St. Georges and Little Saint Georges Lakes in the County of Waldo (H. P. 574) (L. D. 381)

Resolve Relating to Surplus Property Pool for Institutions (H. P. 796) (L. D. 491)

Resolve, Restoring the Frederick Robie Library Fund (H. P. 801) (L. D. 1226)

Resolve, in Favor of Knox Memorial Association, Inc. for Support and Maintenance of "Montpelier" (H. P. 803) (L. D. 1225)

Resolve, Appropriating Moneys to Obtain Plasma (H. P. 869) (L. D. 517)

Resolve, in Favor of State Military Defense Commission (H. P. 871) (L. D. 519)

Resolve, Closing all Tributaries of Big Spencer Pond to all Fishing (H. P. 1227) (L. D. 781)

Resolve in Favor of Caswell Plantation (H. P. 1259) (L. D. 1191)

Resolve, in Favor of the Town of Hartland (H. P. 1405) (L. D. 1190)

Were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, Bills passed to be enacted, Resolves finally passed, all signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: The Chair lays before the House the first tabled and today assigned matter, Bill "An Act relating to Equal Pay for Women Teachers," H. P. 1506, L. D. 1059, tabled on March 6 by the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess, pending third reading.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Orono, Mr. Bates.

Mr. BATES: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: The gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess, is unable to be present at this time, and inasmuch as there is some thinking that final action on this bill should await other dispositions, I now move that this matter be retabled and specially assigned for Wednesday, April 11th.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Orono, Mr. Bates, moves that the first today assigned matter be retabled and specially assigned for Wednesday, April 11th. Is this the pleasure of the House?

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair lays before the House the second tabled and today assigned matter, An Act relating to Membership in State Board of Education, H. P. 816, L. D. 479, tabled on March 21 by the gentlewoman from Bath, Mrs. Moffatt, pending passage to be enacted; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Mrs. MOFFATT: Mr. Speaker, for the same reason I ask the same thing.

The SPEAKER: Would the gentlewoman assign a date?

Mrs. MOFFATT: April 11th, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bath, Mrs. Moffatt, moves that the second today assigned matter be retabled and specially assigned for Wednesday, April 11th. Is this the pleasure of the House?

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair now lays before the House the third tabled and today assigned matter, House Report "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Resolve Appropriating Moneys to Effectuate Salary Plan for State Employees, H. P. 804, L. D. 477 tabled on March 21 by the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, pending acceptance of report; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, I do not want to precipitate any debate

on this bill and if it needs to be debated, I would rather retable it and carry it over, but the bill ought to move along in the legislative procedure, and unless there is objection I would move that the report of the committee be accepted.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, moves that the House accept the report of the committee on the third tabled and today assigned matter. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the report of the committee was accepted. The resolve, having already been printed, was given its first reading under suspension of the rules.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 804, L. D. 477, Resolve Appropriating Moneys to Effectuate Salary Plan for State Employees.

Amend said Resolve by striking out in the 17th line thereof the word "January" and inserting in place thereof the word "March"

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the resolve was assigned for second reading tomorrow morning.

The SPEAKER: The Chair now lays before the House the fourth tabled and today assigned matter, House Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Ought not to pass" on Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Changing the Tenure of Office of the Governor to Four-Year Terms, S. P. 34, L. D. 17, tabled on March 21 by the gentleman from Baileyville, Mr. Brown, pending consideration; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Mr. BROWN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Fully realizing that we have coming up, today, a very important matter I would ask that I have the right to retable this matter and assign the date of April 12th.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Baileyville, Mr. Brown, moves that the fourth tabled and today assigned matter be retabled and specially assigned for April 12, next. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the Report and accompanying papers were retabled pending considera-

tion and specially assigned for Thursday, April 12.

The SPEAKER: The Chair lays before the House the fifth tabled and today assigned matter, Senate Joint Order relative to receiving Bills from the Director of Legislative Research, S. P. 519, tabled on March 27 by the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman pending passage in concurrence; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Mr. TOTMAN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: In view of the fact that earlier today we passed in this House a corrected version of this joint order and sent it to the Senate for concurrence—and I have received information that they have passed this corrected joint order—I now move that this Senate Paper 519 be indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman, moves that Senate Joint Order relative to receiving Bills from Director of Legislative Research, S. P. 519, be indefinitely postponed. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the Joint Order was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair now lays before the House the sixth tabled and today assigned matter, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1952, and June 30, 1953," S. P. 495, L. D. 1196, tabled on March 27 by the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, pending continuance of third reading, the paragraph "ACCOUNTS AND CONTROL, BUREAU OF"

Departmental

Operations .. \$263,793 263,154" being under consideration.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth.

Mr. WOODWORTH: Mr. Speaker, I am about to offer an amendment relating to Departmental Operations of the Bureau of Accounts and Control.

This is one of a series of amendments I have caused to be prepared and my reason for offering

these amendments is this: We are supposed to be providing for the demonstrated needs of the State. Unfortunately, there is some difference of opinion as to how much it would cost to meet these demonstrated needs. The Governor has furnished one set of figures, the Appropriations Committee has furnished another.

I do not pretend to know why these differences exist, and when I do not know, the only recourse that I can see to get the information is to ask a question. Each one of these amendments which I shall offer presents a question. The question is this: Why should we not accept the lower figure in the Governor's Budget Recommendation rather than the higher figure set forth in the report of the Committee on Appropriations?

I have no personal feeling about this; I would just like to know. It seems to me that there must be some reason for the distinction. I think the Members of the House ought to know what that reason is before they vote on the question and I will now offer my amendment to this section and move its adoption.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth, presents House Amendment "H" to section of the Appropriations Bill, the sixth today assigned matter, Departmental Operations of the Bureau of Accounts and Control and moves its adoption. The Clerk will read House Amendment "H".

HOUSE AMENDMENT "H" to S. P. 495, L. D. 1196, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1952, and June 30, 1953."

Amend said Bill by striking out from the paragraph entitled "ACCOUNTS AND CONTROL, BUREAU OF" the line

"Departmental

Operations .. \$263,793 \$264,154" and inserting in place thereof

Departmental

Operations .. \$255,543 \$253,398'

The SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt House Amendment "H"?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase.

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, I think the question of the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth, ought to be answered since he challenges the Appropriations Committee's recommendation in this respect. Before I vote on the amendment, I would like to have the issue more clearly defined.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, requests that some member of the Appropriations Committee answer the question propounded by the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth. If any member of the Appropriations Committee cares to answer, he may.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, the increase in the amount of \$8,250 in the first year and \$10,756 in the second year provides for two book-keeping machines and increased paper cost.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase.

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, since the increase is recommended by the Appropriations Committee after consideration, I move that the amendment be indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, moves that House Amendment "H" to the Appropriations Bill, the sixth today assigned matter, be indefinitely postponed. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and House Amendment "H" was indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: Is there any further debate or amendments under the pending paragraph of the Appropriations Bill?

If not, the Clerk will proceed with the next paragraph, "Department of Adjutant General".

The CLERK (reading): ADJUTANT GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF

Departmental

Operations 163,000 171,000
Military Fund 78,203 63,411

Operation of State

Armories	125,724	117,981
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(Any balances in the Adjutant General Department shall not lapse but be carried forward to the 1952-53 fiscal year to be expended for the same purposes.)

Total Adjutant

General	366,927	352,392
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The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, the explanation there for the increase in the amount of \$17,152 the first year and \$15,884 in the second year provides for increased commodity costs and for the replacement of employees who have been heretofore paid by the Federal Government with State funds which must be now provided for the same position.

That is the explanation that the Appropriations Committee gives on this item pertaining to the Departmental Operations. That is where the increase is. Certainly, I am not speaking for the committee, speaking possibly as the sole Democrat on the committee, if party lines are to be drawn, it is perfectly O. K. with me. If there is a problem to be discussed I shall be happy to accommodate along that line.

As a member of the Budget Committee, as a member of the Appropriations Committee, I do not see that this increase is justified. I noticed the words there, as I read through, "paid for by the Federal Government". This is one instance when the Federal Government is accommodating you people by minding their own business.

Mr. Speaker, I present an amendment and move its adoption, and when the vote is taken I ask that it be by division.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, presents House Amendment "I" and moves its adoption. The Clerk will read House Amendment "I".

The CLERK (reading):

HOUSE AMENDMENT "I" to S. P. 495, L. D. 1196, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Ex-

penditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1952, and June 30, 1953."

Amend said Bill by striking out under the part of said Bill which relates to "ADJUTANT GENERAL, DEPARTMENT OF" the following: "Departmental

Operations 163,000 171,000" and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Departmental

Operations	145,848	154,116'
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The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase.

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, there must have been someone on the Appropriations Committee who wanted to make the increase and I hope they will explain the justification for it.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, requests information from some member of the Appropriations Committee on this item. If any member cares to answer, he may.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I made the explanation, I read it and I will read it again: "Increase in the amount of \$17,152 the first year and \$15,884 in the second year provides for increased commodity costs and for the replacement of employees who have been heretofore paid by the Federal Government with State funds which must be now provided for the same position."

That is the explanation. I state there for the committee. My amendment is not offered as a member of the Appropriations Committee but for myself.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Strong, Mr. Jennings.

Mr. JENNINGS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I believe, after thorough thought, that so far as the figures of the Adjutant General's Department, \$163,000 and \$171,000, are just and proper. I therefore move that House Amendment "I" be indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Strong, Mr. Jennings, moves that House Amendment "I" to the section of the Appropriations Bill

now under discussion, "Department of Adjutant General, Departmental Operations", be indefinitely postponed and the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, has asked that the vote be taken by division.

All those in favor of the indefinite postponement of House Amendment "I" to the Appropriations Bill, Department of Adjutant General, Departmental Operations, will please rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had. Seventy-two having voted in the affirmative and forty-five having voted in the negative, the motion prevailed and House Amendment "I" was indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: Is there any further debate on the subject of Departmental Operations? If not, the item of Military Fund is now open for debate and amendment.

The next item for consideration is Operation of State Armories.

The Clerk will continue with the third reading of the bill.

The CLERK (reading):

AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF		
Departmental Operations	56,358	56,699
Promotion of Agriculture	27,000	27,000
Animal Industry Division	102,541	101,106
Eradication of Bang's Disease	81,108	80,644
Dog License Administration	90,000	90,000
Division of Inspection	54,000	54,000
Division of Markets	50,833	51,368
Division of Plant Industry	20,700	21,700
State Soil Conservation	4,960	4,960
Bee Industry	750	750
Total Department of Agriculture	488,250	488,227

The SPEAKER: The first item under Department of Agriculture, "Departmental Operations" is now open for debate and amendment.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I have several amendments pertaining to this department.

Here is the closed shop of all State departments. Seated as a member of the Budget Advisory Committee last October, there were several people involved in this department who attended the hearing. In practically all submissions by department heads, the department head and his assistant were alone in presenting his or her case. It is difficult to arrive at a set figure because here is the one department that is very difficult to fathom because it is very difficult to penetrate.

I shall submit these amendments one by one and I shall speak on them. I am cutting down the Departmental Operations. This thing is mushrooming beyond reach, promotion of agriculture. We give hundreds of thousands or millions of dollars to the University of Maine to promote agriculture. I am cutting that down a bit. The Animal Industry Division—duplication of effort. Eradication of Bang's Disease—there is a real dilly. I was speaking, Sunday, to a good Yankee farmer. I said to him: "How can you eradicate Bang's Disease?" He said: "Burn down my buildings, turn my soil over two or three times and I have still got Bang's Disease". The Division of Inspection—definitely duplication of effort when you need a federal inspector and a state inspector travelling together. Division of Markets has also gone beyond reach.

I shall submit these amendments, Mr. Speaker, to save time and to save the page boy from walking back and forth and the Clerk may read them as he wishes at one time or separately and I ask for a division vote.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, presents House Amendment "J" to the section of the Appropriations Bill now under discussion, "Department of Agriculture, Departmental Operations" and moves its adoption. The Clerk will read House Amendment "J".

The CLERK (reading):

HOUSE AMENDMENT "J" to S. P. 495, L. D. 1196, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years

Ending June 30, 1952, and June 30, 1953."

Amend said Bill by striking out under the part of said Bill which relates to "AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF" the following:

"Departmental Operations	56,358	56,699"
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and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Departmental Operations	45,000	45,000'
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The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Jamieson.

Mr. JAMIESON: Mr. Speaker, for the benefit of the Members of the House, the fourth paragraph in the Budget Report under Department of Agriculture, "Eradication of Bang's Disease", that item isn't for Bang's Disease alone; it is for all animal diseases.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will inform the gentleman that the item under discussion is Departmental Operations.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Livermore, Mr. Boothby.

Mr. BOOTHBY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: While I didn't sit in the Appropriations Committee, I will say this is a difficult thing to know all the different departments, what it is going to take to run them. But I do know that we are going to need, I think, all the money that is in this Appropriations Bill to carry this work through, and perhaps more. We have a bill coming into the House a little later which we had a hearing on yesterday, and which I think is very important to all the people in the State of Maine, farmers and all of the people. It is a health situation in one way. It is a job in which the Bang's program, which we are not on now but while I am up here I want to state that these things are tied together so closely that we will have to have more money than is appropriated to clean up that program.

I think it is a thing that is very essential for the good of the State and everything. I think we should go along with this Appropriations Bill as shown here. I don't think it can stand any cut and do the job. If we don't want the job done, that is all right, but the taxpayers of the State of Maine are going to

suffer and the community at large, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, those are exactly my sentiments. It is the people in Maine who are going to suffer. Where are we going? I stood here and stated that the State of Maine needed more revenue. We need more money. I was very honest; I did not state what tax measure I would vote for. I stated I would vote for some tax measure but we have got to call a halt somewhere. I know that the more you have the more you can do and possibly the better you can do it. But we must pull a string somewhere, not just this particular department, it is in many of these departments. In some departments, we must step it up. In some of the other departments, we must come down a little. The people of Maine are entitled to this. They are entitled to have us be counted when we need more services on the revenue end. The people of Maine are also entitled to ask us or to await from us a decision that we reach pertaining to cutting down or practicing what we so loudly preached during the campaign: economy. I will preach it before and after the campaign. I am preaching it now.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Guilford, Mr. Campbell.

Mr. CAMPBELL: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I want to support the action of the Appropriations Committee. This is one item that I thought we did a fairly good job on.

You will note that in 1949-50 and 1950-51, \$75,782 and \$77,773 in Departmental Operations. We have cut that down to \$56,358 for 1951-52 and \$56,699 for 1952-53, and the only change in their activities in that department was the transfer of a \$10,000 item from the Division of Plant Industry to the Department of Forestry which is paying for gypsy and browntail moths and that still leaves the Departmental Operations around \$10,000 less than two years ago.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the adoption of House Amendment "J".

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase.

Mr. CHASE: I understand, Mr. Speaker, that when the Appropriations Committee made this report, the report said that these recommendations were the minimum requirements of these departments. I thought we had reached down at last to solid ground.

Now, it is apparently proposed to cut below the recommendations of the committee of which the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, is a member. Personally, I think the Department of Agriculture is one of the departments of the state government which is showing vitality, progress and zeal in the administration of its affairs.

I move that the amendment be indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, moves that House Amendment "J" to the Department of Agriculture, Departmental Operations, be indefinitely postponed, and the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, requests that the vote be taken by division.

All those in favor of the indefinite postponement of House Amendment "J" will please rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

Ninety-five having voted in the affirmative and twenty-two having voted in the negative, the motion prevailed and House Amendment "J" was indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth.

Mr. WOODWORTH: Mr. Speaker, I offer an amendment to cut that Dog License Administration from \$90,000 a year back to \$85,000.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will advise that the gentleman is a little premature. The House is considering the matter item by item.

Mr. WOODWORTH: I beg your pardon, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The next item under consideration under Department of Agriculture is "Promotion of Agriculture" and the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, presents House Amendment "K" and moves

its adoption. The Clerk will read the amendment.

The CLERK (reading):

HOUSE AMENDMENT "K" to S. P. 495, L. D. 1196, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1952, and June 30, 1953."

Amend said Bill by striking out under the part of said Bill which relates to "AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF" the following:

"Promotion of Agriculture
27,000 27,000"

and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Promotion of Agriculture
20,000 20,000"

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Delahanty.

Mr. DELAHANTY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: We have heard the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, say that the Appropriations Committee has cut or kept the budget at a minimum, that they were on solid ground and that now my colleague from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, proposes an amendment and the inference was that he shouldn't do so because he was a member of that committee. I just hope that that wasn't the inference the gentleman intended to place before the House.

I have discussed this amendment with the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, as I discussed the previous one and all these amendments. We have gone into them deeply. He has gone into them when he served as a member of the Budget Advisory Committee. I sincerely believe that every amendment that he has presented under the Department of Agriculture has merit and I hope that this House will go along with the amendment that is now under consideration and the merit that these other amendments have, the amendments that he proposes under the Department of Agriculture.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the adoption of House Amendment "K" presented by the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, on the item

of Promotion of Agriculture under the Department of Agriculture.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Sebec, Mr. Parker.

Mr. PARKER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: It seems to me that in order to vote intelligently on this whole setup under our Agriculture Department, we should have an explanation from some member of the Appropriations Committee on just why they arrived at the conclusion that we needed the necessary amounts that are here and I think to expedite matters that is about the first thing we should have immediately after the amendments of the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert. Mr. Speaker, I hope that we can have that and get some dinner sometime this afternoon.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, we arrived at it like we arrived at everything else, guess-work.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Norway, Mr. Lord.

Mr. LORD: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would like to call the attention of all of the members to something of which they are well aware that the life of the State of Maine is definitely dependent upon agriculture and our Agriculture Department. I think anything that we can do to further the good of this department we should try to do and I move the indefinite postponement of this amendment.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Norway, Mr. Lord, moves that House Amendment "K" to the item under discussion, Department of Agriculture, Promotion of Agriculture, be indefinitely postponed.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Woolwich, Mr. Bailey.

Mr. BAILEY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Under this Promotion of Agriculture, you will see that under the Governor's Budget as well as the Appropriations Committee that it was held at \$27,000 for four years under the recommendation. Now it is very definite that, so far as both of those committees are concerned, after the study they have done, that it is not

wholly guesswork. I second the motion of the gentleman from Norway, Mr. Lord, that this amendment be indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Norway, Mr. Lord, that House Amendment "K" to "Promotion of Agriculture" offered by the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, be indefinitely postponed.

All those in favor of the motion will say aye; those opposed no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion prevailed and House Amendment "K" was indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion on this item, "Promotion of Agriculture"? The Chair hears none and the Clerk may proceed with the next item, "Animal Industry Division."

The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, presents House Amendment "L" to the item "Animal Industry Division" of the Department of Agriculture, and moves its adoption.

The Clerk will read the amendment.

House Amendment "L" was read by the Clerk as follows:

HOUSE AMENDMENT "L" to S. P. 495, L. D. 1196, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1952, and June 30, 1953."

Amend said Bill by striking out under the part of said Bill which relates to "AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF" the following:

"Animal Industry Division
102,541 101,106"
and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Animal Industry Division
85,000 85,000'

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Eustis, Mr. Carville.

Mr. CARVILLE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: There is little that I know about these finances here and these figures, but certainly someone here must have put these figures together who knew what they were doing. The gentleman who seems to be giving us

cur information says that he guessed at it. I had rather take these figures as they are.

I make the motion that we accept the figures as laid out here for the Department of Agriculture as they are. We are going to do it anyway. Why do we keep fooling around with these amendments and moving their indefinite postponement?

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Personally, I fooled around with these figures for eight months, and I had just as soon spend an hour or two now. This is important.

Referring to the guess-work, I will tell you right now that a great many of these items are guess-work. When you come to realize that in some departments where we must go according to what the Governor stated, according to the existing laws and the departmental request is according to the existing law, and the Governor's recommendation is either cut or lowered, in some instances lowered, according to existing laws, isn't it fair to assume that the Appropriations Committee or some members of the Appropriations Committee could also go along on guess-work pertaining to the existing law? It is not necessarily a fact, of course, that all of these items were patterned on guess-work.

As far as the remarks made by the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, that we were on solid ground, I think, Mr. Chase, you are somewhat beginning to realize that this was a skeleton unanimous report. We submitted this bill unanimously so it could be debated. Of course, speaking to you as House Chairman of the Taxation Committee, we would like to have a couple of those tax bills, unanimous or not, so we could discuss those also.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Guilford, Mr. Campbell.

Mr. CAMPBELL: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would take exception to the statements of the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, in regard to this

being based on guess-work. Of course there are some accounts where it is hard to tell what revenue is needed; but on these items under consideration at the present time we had the heads of different departments before us and listened to their evidence, and we found—in many cases, at least, I was convinced that this was what they needed, and we have gone along with them.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Caribou, Mr. Bearce.

Mr. BEARCE: Mr. Speaker, I believe that this is one of our most important industries, and I would like to second the motion of the gentleman from Eustis, Mr. Carville.

The SPEAKER: The Chair does not recall any motion that the gentleman from Eustis, Mr. Carville, made.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Delahanty.

Mr. DELAHANTY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I believe that we are still proceeding under that order that we agreed to the other day, and any motion, I believe, that would have been made by the gentleman from Eustis, Mr. Carville, would be out of order at this time. He suggested, I believe, that we dispose of all the items at one time.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Eustis, Mr. Carville, made no motion. For the information of the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Delahanty, we are proceeding according to the order, paragraph by paragraph, item by item.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Eustis, Mr. Carville.

Mr. CARVILLE: Mr. Speaker, I will make that as a motion. There seems to be only one or two here who are picking this thing to pieces. I can feel the pulse of this group here, that when we get through we are all going along with this program as it is laid out here. I feel sure of that. I will make the motion that we carry out the Department of Agriculture as it is laid out here.

The SPEAKER: The Chair must advise the gentleman from Eustis, Mr. Carville, that, according to the order that we accepted in the House, the motion would be out of order,

because we have voted that the bill must be read paragraph by paragraph and item by item.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Eustis, Mr. Carville.

Mr. CARVILLE: Mr. Speaker, I would move that we reconsider our action whereby we voted to do that, simply on the Agricultural Department.

The SPEAKER: The Chair cannot entertain the motion under unanimous consent. It must advise the gentleman from Eustis, Mr. Carville, to that effect.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Woolwich, Mr. Bailey.

Mr. BAILEY: Mr. Speaker, I move the indefinite postponement of this amendment to the item "Promotion of Agriculture."

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Woolwich, Mr. Bailey, moves that House Amendment "L", presented by the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, be indefinitely postponed.

All those in favor of the motion will please say aye; those opposed no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion prevailed and House Amendment "L" was indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion under the item of Animal Industry Division. If not, it is in order to discuss the next item, "Eradication of Bang's Disease." Is there any discussion?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lyman, Mr. Taylor.

Mr. TAYLOR: Mr. Speaker, in view of the fact that we had an important hearing here yesterday upon this Bang's disease control and that there are two important bills before the committee, I would like to table this item, "Eradication of Bang's Disease."

The SPEAKER: The Chair would inform the gentleman from Lyman, Mr. Taylor, that the only way that we can defer discussion of this matter is by unanimous consent. Does the gentleman care to request unanimous consent that the matter not be discussed at this time?

Mr. TAYLOR: I think it would be for the welfare of the State, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. JALBERT of Lewiston: Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER: For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, there is an amendment there that has not been read.

The SPEAKER: The amendment is already in the hands of the Clerk. It has not been read as yet.

The Chair would inform the gentleman from Lyman, Mr. Taylor, that the amendment has not been read as yet by the Clerk. The Clerk will now read the amendment to "Eradication of Bang's Disease," identified as House Amendment "M," presented by the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, and after the amendment has been read the gentleman from Lyman, Mr. Taylor, may make his request for unanimous consent.

The Clerk will read the amendment.

House Amendment "M" was then read by the Clerk as follows:

HOUSE AMENDMENT "M" to S. P. 495, L. D. 1196, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1952, and June 30, 1953."

Amend said Bill by striking out under the part of said bill which relates to "AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF" the following:

"Eradication of
Bang's Disease .. 81,108 80,644"
and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Eradication of
Bang's Disease .. 50,000 50,000'

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the adoption of House Amendment "M."

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase.

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, the Legislature has before it other bills which involve appropriations and which would be a subject for later consideration. It is not quite clear to me what the people interested in Bang's disease have in mind, but I do not believe it is a move to reduce the amount. If it is not a move to reduce the amount and there is to be a supplemental recommendation or supplementary appropriation bill to be considered, I

do not see why that cannot be done later on, regardless of the action on the general budget.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Standish, Mr. Center.

Mr. CENTER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, a few moments ago, spoke about the fact that it is impossible to eradicate Bang's disease even if you burn down the buildings and plow the land for three years. It may be impossible to eradicate Bang's disease entirely in the State of Maine, but certainly we can control it, and we have been controlling it for a number of years. In 1943 there was between six and seven per cent infection of Bang's disease in herds in the State of Maine, and today there is less than one per cent infection. In fact the State of Maine is one of the three states in the United States that is a so-called modified accredited state. I think we have gone a long way.

I would like to say to the members that the State has spent about one and a quarter million dollars on this problem. In addition, the Federal government has put in about a million and a half dollars. In addition to that, the farmers have taken a loss themselves of about a million and a quarter dollars. So, to get as far as we have, has cost us about four millions of dollars. I certainly believe it would be poor economy to kick the props out from under this program for a paltry two thousand dollars today. We have got to keep fighting on this problem.

I move the indefinite postponement of this amendment.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Standish, Mr. Center, that House Amendment "M" on the item "Eradication of Bang's Disease" be indefinitely postponed.

All those in favor of the motion will say aye; those opposed no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion prevailed and House Amendment "M" was indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: Is there any further debate on this item, "Eradication of Bang's Disease"? The Chair hears no request.

The next item "Dog License Administration" is open to debate.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth.

Mr. WOODWORTH: Mr. Speaker, I am about to offer an amendment to cut this back from \$90,000 to \$85,000. That Dog License Administration seems to be a fixed charge: the 94th Legislature appropriated \$85,000 and there was no overdraft. According to the budget document, the department requested \$85,000, the Governor recommended \$85,000. The Appropriations Committee kicked it up to \$90,000. I think I would like to know why. I offer this amendment and move its adoption.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth, presents House Amendment "N" to the item "Dog License Administration" and moves its adoption.

The Clerk will read the amendment.

House Amendment "N" was read by the Clerk as follows:

HOUSE AMENDMENT "N" to S. P. 495, L. D. 1196, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1952, and June 30, 1953."

Amend said Bill by striking out from the paragraph entitled "AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF" the line

"Dog License Administration 90,000 90,000" and inserting in place thereof the line

'Dog License Administration 85,000 85,000'

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the adoption of House Amendment "N."

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, in explanation of this item, I will say to Mr. Woodworth, that the only note I have in my book here is "Revenue takes care of this." It could have been a misprint.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Guilford, Mr. Campbell.

Mr. CAMPBELL: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: As I understand this, it does not call for

an appropriation. This is a tax that is received from towns on dogs, and the increase is an estimate of the increased number of dogs and amount of tax received.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the adoption of House Amendment "N."

All those in favor of the adoption of the amendment will say aye; those opposed no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion prevailed and House Amendment "N" was adopted.

The SPEAKER: The next item for consideration is "Division of Inspection."

The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert presents House Amendment "O" to Division of Inspection and moves its adoption. The Clerk will read the amendment.

House Amendment "O" was read by the Clerk as follows:

HOUSE AMENDMENT "O" to S. P. 495, L. D. 1196, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1952, and June 30, 1953."

Amend said Bill by striking out under the part of said Bill which relates to "AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF" the following:

"Division of
Inspection 54,000 54,000"
and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Division of
Inspection 35,000 35,000'

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman.

Mr. TOTMAN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I am going to move the indefinite postponement of the amendment. I would also like to make one remark.

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to get up here and defend this appropriation. I think that some of the simple, truthful answers as to what these different departments are for have been difficult to find today, but this one is very easy for me.

The Division of Inspection guarantees that farmers will not be at the mercy of individuals such as fertilizer manufacturers who might try to chisel on the production of fertilizer on the guarantee of analy-

sis, on the guarantee of feeds or on the guarantee of any other commodity that is used for the production of crops.

Since my company produces fertilizer, I am pleased to say that I wholeheartedly support the work of this Inspection Division. It has done an excellent job, and their appropriation is none too much. That is evidenced by the fact that several years ago the fertilizer industries in Maine were asked if they voluntarily would be willing to assess themselves with a tax to help support division inspection which was running behind. We did agree, and we put a penny tax per ton of fertilizer, and that department now is about breaking even. I certainly recommend that this Division of Inspection, which has been doing an excellent job, be allowed to continue as at present. I therefore move the indefinite postponement of House Amendment "O."

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Bath, Mrs. Moffatt.

Mrs. MOFFATT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: This is called the Division of Inspection. I thought possibly that might be the division that I had a hearty dislike for when I came here. I do not believe that there is a person in the House who had a more legitimate reason for the feeling that injustice had been done, for this reason: Down in my area, the fishermen, clamdiggers were put off the flat and taken into court several times at the insistence—at the first of it they said the Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries and the Department of Agriculture. When the whole thing was summed up, it came out later on that it was simply cooperation between the Department of Agriculture and the United States Government.

My purpose for arising at this time is to state that that situation has been corrected. But now I believe it is the same department or the same division that is starting the practice that possibly just the women will be aroused at, but I think that the men, the farmers, will be aroused at the same thing: Now they are chasing cats.

I think the Appropriations Committee has shown the way they feel on some of that, and I am convinced and willing to go along with the spanking they have had in this division of \$3,165. I hope that they will stop and think before they somewhat arbitrarily go about and penalize the people in the State. Therefore I will go along with the motion of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman, that the amendment be indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman, that House Amendment "O" to Division of Inspection under Agricultural Department in the appropriation bill be indefinitely postponed.

All those in favor of the motion will say aye; those opposed no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion prevailed and House

Amendment "O" was indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase.

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, after the reading of the notices, of which I should like to have the privilege of reading one which the Clerk does not have, I move that the House adjourn.

The SPEAKER: There are no further notices, and the gentleman may read his notice at this time.

Mr. CHASE: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

House Chairmen of Joint Standing Committees are requested to meet in the northwest corner of the House immediately after adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Chase of Cape Elizabeth,

Adjourned until 10:00 o'clock tomorrow morning.