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HOUSE

Monday, April 16, 1951.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Royal Brown of Gardiner.

The members stood at attention during the playing of the National Anthem.

The journal of the previous session was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate
Resolve Received by Unanimous Consent

Resolve Authorizing Treasurer of State to Accept Assignment of Mortgage from Susie E. Moody, of Waterville (S. P. 543)

Came from the Senate received by unanimous consent and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

In the House, received by unanimous consent and referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

Senate Reports of Committees

Report of the Committee on Claims on Resolve to Reimburse the Town of Parkman for Support of Llewellyn Woodward and Family (S. P. 249) reporting leave to withdraw

Report of the Committee on Highways on Bill "An Act relating to Reclassification of Highways" (S. P. 355) (L. D. 870) reporting same as it is covered by other legislation

Report of the Committee on Welfare reporting same on Resolve Providing for a State Pension for Minnie McKinney of Sebasco (S. P. 314)

Came from the Senate read and accepted.

In the House, read and accepted in concurrence.

Ought Not to Pass

Report of the Committee on Claims reporting "Ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of Octave Dauphin, of Arrowsic (S. P. 88)

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Redemption of Personal Property After Breach of Condition of Mortgage thereof" (S. P. 376) (L. D. 902)

Report of the Committee on Transportation reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Right of Way at Rotary Circles" (S. P. 51) (L. D. 61) as covered by other legislation

Report of the Committee on Welfare reporting same on Resolve Providing for State Pension for Albert B. Fuller of Searsmont (S. P. 449)

Report of the same Committee reporting same on Resolve Providing for State Pension for Leslie McGee of Randolph (S. P. 462)

Report of the same Committee reporting same on Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Oliver Lovejoy of Rockland (S. P. 464)

Came from the Senate read and accepted.

In the House, read and accepted in concurrence.

Ought to Pass in New Draft

Report of the Committee on Education on Bill "An Act relating to the Alumni Trustee of the University of Maine" (S. P. 156) (L. D. 331) reporting a new draft (S. P. 536) (L. D. 1268) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed.

In the House, Report was read and accepted in concurrence, the Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on Bill "An Act to Control and Eradicate Bang's Disease" (S. P. 467) (L. D. 1100) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

In the House, Report was read and accepted in concurrence and the Bill was read twice.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 467, L. D. 1100, Bill "An Act to Control and Eradicate Bang's Disease."

Amend said Bill by inserting after the underlined word "who", at the end of the 1st line of the 3rd paragraph from the end thereof, the underlined words 'wilfully or deliberately'

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

Report of the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act relating to Support of Paupers by Kindred" (S. P. 412) (L. D. 972) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

In the House, Report was read and accepted in concurrence and the Bill was read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was then read by the Clerk as follows:
COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"
to S. P. 412, L. D. 972, Bill "An Act Relating to Support of Paupers by Kindred."

Amend said bill by adding at the end of Section 1 thereof, the following underlined words 'as in actions of tort'

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

Report of the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act relating to Legitimacy of Children" (S. P. 413) (L. D. 973) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

In the House, Report was read and accepted in concurrence and the Bill read twice.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"
to S. P. 413, L. D. 973, Bill "An Act Relating to Legitimacy of Children."

Amend said bill by drawing a line through the words "An illegitimate child born after the 24th day of March, 1864" in the fourth line of said bill and inserting in place thereof the following underlined words 'A child born out of wedlock'

Further amend said bill by drawing a line through, in the sixth line thereof, the words "an illegitimate child" and inserting in place thereof the underlined words 'a child born out of wedlock'

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

Divided Report Tabled and Assigned

Majority Report of the Committee on Labor reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Repealing Industrial Homework" (S. P. 241) (L. D. 511)

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. REID of Kennebec
MARSHALL of York
—of the Senate.

BROWN of Baileyville
CASWELL of New Sharon
CASTONGUAY

—of Waterville
WALLS of Millinocket
LETOURNEAU of Sanford
—of the House.

Minority Report of same Committee reporting "Ought to pass" on the same Bill.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. COLLINS of Aroostook
—of the Senate.

WEST of Stockton Springs
LARRABEE of Westbrook
—of the House.

Came from the Senate with the Minority Report accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed.

In the House: Report was read.

(On motion of Mr. Brown of Baileyville, the two reports with accompanying papers were tabled pending acceptance of either report, and specially assigned for Thursday, April 19th)

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act relating to Her Own Business Program" (H. P. 1233) (L. D. 786) which was indefinitely postponed in the House on April 4.

Came from the Senate with that Body insisting on its former action whereby the Bill was passed to be engrossed.

In the House, on motion of Mrs. Moffatt of Bath, a viva voce vote being taken, the House voted to insist on its former action and ask for a Committee of Conference.

Orders

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

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, I present an order which, under the rules, requires one day's previous notice before passage.

In order that all matters on tomorrow's calendar may be equally affected by the order if passed, I ask unanimous consent for its consideration as a special order of business tomorrow immediately after the reading of the Journal.

The SPEAKER: Is there any objection to the order being assigned as a special order of business tomorrow morning immediately after the reading of the Journal? The Chair hears no objection, and the order is so assigned.

Mr. CHASE: Could the Clerk read the order which I just introduced? I understand it will be reproduced, but I would like to have the order read.

The SPEAKER: The Clerk will read the order.

ORDERED, that all presently unassigned matters on the table at the time of adjournment Wednesday, April 18, stand assigned for Thursday, April 19, and that all matters tabled without assignment after the passage of this Order stand assigned for the third succeeding legislative day.

House Reports of Committees Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act relative to Fishing Contests" (H. P. 727) (L. D. 418) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1725) (L. D. 1280) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. WIGHT of Penobscot
—of the Senate.

CARVILLE of Eustis
PLUMMER of Lisbon
BEARCE of Caribou
CHASE of Belgrade
DENNISON
—of East Machias
WATSON
—of Moose River Pl.
—of the House.

Minority Report of the same Committee reported "Ought not to pass" on same Bill.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. ELA of Somerset
SMART of Hancock
—of the Senate.
FRECHETTE of Sanford
—of the House.

The House voted to accept the Majority Report "Ought to pass" in new draft.

Thereupon, the new draft, having already been printed, was given its two several readings under suspension of the rules and was assigned for third reading tomorrow morning.

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Casualty Insurance for Hunters" (H. P. 429) (L. D. 250)

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. ELA of Somerset
WIGHT of Penobscot
SMART of Hancock
—of the Senate.
CARVILLE of Eustis
BEARCE of Caribou
CHASE of Belgrade
PLUMMER of Lisbon
—of the House.

Minority Report of the same Committee reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" on same Bill.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. DENNISON
—of East Machias
WATSON
—of Moose River Pl.
FRECHETTE of Sanford
—of the House.

Report was read.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from East Machias, Mr. Dennison.

Mr. DENNISON: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: This matter has been brought to my attention during the years because of the number of accidents in my own town, fatalities.

When I first started this bill I had the amount \$5,000 and the cost \$1. to add to the license when it is bought.

Now this first accident was a man whom I had always known; he was shot—I really helped to carry him in from the woods that night, although I was not in the party in the daytime. This was a very poor man. He left a wife and three boys and one small girl.

The next was a young man whose father was an invalid who was suffering from a heart ailment, and he lived with his father. His father was getting old-age pension. This young man was killed. In both instances of course the funeral expenses were left to these people.

Now the third instance that was brought to my attention was down to Cutler, just last winter. A young married man was killed; and the next one was down to Lubec. This young man was a man I had always known. I had really met him about three or four days before this accident. He was setting muskrat traps, back in the November hunting season. He was struck by a charge of buckshot, taken to the hospital, and most of these buckshot were removed, but one remained in his spine. He had a wife and two children; he was a poor man; and the neighbors took up a collection and sent him to Boston, and he was examined by a specialist. There was nothing that could be done for this man, and he is now paralyzed for life.

Now by changing this over from \$1. and \$5,000, we have made a price that you add to your license of twenty-five cents, and if a casualty happens, the family of this person who happens to be killed would be paid \$1,000. There would be no question whatever after the game wardens had examined this case, and those who were wounded—their doctors' bills and hospital bills would be paid, even up to the total amount of \$1,000.

Now this is a very small cost to anyone, and it seems as though these people that are hunting, paying this little amount of twenty-five cents, ought to be allowed to do it.

Now they say the State is going into the insurance business. There is practically no insurance about it; there is no cost whatever to the State. Last year there were 160,000 licenses sold. At twenty-five cents each, it would bring \$40,000. There were nineteen casualties. Seventeen would be paid from this. Two others were self-inflicted and couldn't be covered.

Now the one case which I mentioned—the man who is paralyzed—of course he would get, or his family would get, the thousand dollars. The other cases were minor and didn't cost very much; but this would make an amount of \$40,000, and if it had happened this last year, it would have been in force. \$17,000 would have been paid out for whatever the accidents might have been. There were seventeen accidental shootings, not fatal.

Now it would seem as though we ought to allow those people, this small amount of twenty-five cents, so that their families, when they go hunting, could be insured and protected for the entire hunting season in the months of October and November, and I move that the House accept the minority report.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from East Machias, Mr. Dennison, moves that the House accept the minority "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" report. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lisbon, Mr. Plummer.

Mr. PLUMMER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I dislike very much to oppose my brother, the gentleman from East Machias, Mr. Dennison, but I think if the members would read this bill they would find that it would cause a great deal of confusion. In the first place: "... The commissioner of inland fisheries and game shall pay from funds received for that purpose the sum of \$1,000 to the dependent heirs of all persons killed in the state of Maine while legally hunting . . . during October . . ."

Then: "The commissioner shall pay all hospital and doctors' bills of those wounded but in no case shall the amount exceed the sum of" it has been amended to \$1,000.

And then the tail end of this: "No payment shall be made under the provisions of this section except in cases where the victim was mistaken for game or was in the line of fire, which shall be considered to mean that the person who fired the shot could not possibly have seen the victim or perceived his movements, and accidental discharge of a firearm in the hands of another while legally hunting."

It seemed to us who signed the majority report that this put quite a burden upon the department, and in fact made it almost impossible to administer justly, and for that reason we signed the report "Ought not to pass," and I surely hope that the motion of the gentleman does not prevail.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from East Machias, Mr. Dennison.

Mr. DENNISON: Mr. Speaker, these provisions are all in the bill, and I can see no burden in any way put onto this department. When the license is made, there would have to be a little printing on it which would be done at very little cost. Now there would be no extra clerks or nothing in any way. There were only seventeen casualties last year, and they would be reported by the game warden who inspects the shooting, those with the party, and now you have got a bill to have the sheriff and some other officers, probably the county attorney, and nothing would ever be paid until this was proved, the same as all accidents this year.

So far as the cost of those wounded goes, even this year using \$17,000, you still have \$23,000, for the seventeen that are wounded, and if they took the \$1,000 year, you would have ample money left over; they were partly wounded, and there was very little cost. So I cannot really see any objection to it.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question?

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

Mr. CARVILLE: Mr. Speaker, I, too, hate to disagree with my friend, the gentleman from East Machias, Mr. Dennison, but we found that this bill did involve a lot of red tape, and it leaves an incentive there almost for murder. He did cut it down. Maybe you wouldn't murder a man for \$1,000—it was \$5,000 I believe, originally—but it leaves a number of points there. We also thought it wasn't fair to the other hunter. Why should he pay the insurance for someone else's folly? And where would it lead to?

I certainly hope the motion of the gentleman from East Machias, (Mr. Dennison) does not prevail.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question?

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

Mr. BEARCE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: It was also our thoughts that should this bill pass that probably in a year or so someone would come in and want to add to the driver's license, to pay insurance on people who might be killed or injured in automobiles, and there is no way of knowing how far it would lead, and I hope the motion of the gentleman from East Machias (Mr. Dennison) does not prevail.

Mr. DENNISON: Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER: For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. DENNISON: There is something else I wanted to explain, Mr. Speaker, on this same bill.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman has had the floor twice under the rules.

Is the House ready for the question? The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from East Machias, Mr. Dennison, that the House accept the minority "Ought to pass" report on Bill "An Act relating to Casualty Insurance for Hunters."

Mr. DENNISON: Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER: For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. DENNISON: I would like to ask unanimous consent to address the House, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from East Machias, Mr. Dennison, requests unanimous consent to address the House. Is there objec-

tion? The Chair hears none and the gentleman may proceed.

Mr. DENNISON: I do want to state, Mr. Speaker, that the one who caused the accident down to Cutler was fined \$250. The one that caused the accident down to Lubec was fined \$500, and this \$750 was sent into the Game Department. There is no provision whatever in any way for taking care of the family, where these accidents are occurring right along, and it seems as though, as little as we could do, we might allow these poor families to protect themselves.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from East Machias, Mr. Dennison, that the House accept the minority "Ought to pass" report on Bill "An Act relating to Casualty Insurance for Hunters."

All those in favor of accepting the minority "Ought to pass" report will say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion did not prevail.

Thereupon, the majority "Ought not to pass" report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Ought to Pass in New Draft

Mr. Bearce from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Resolve Closing Certain Ponds in Aroostook County to Fly Fishing (H. P. 782) (L. D. 463) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1726) (L. D. 1281) under title of Resolve Limiting Certain Ponds in Aroostook County to Fly Fishing and that it "Ought to pass"

Mr. Carville from the same Committee on Resolve in favor of Piscataquis County Fish and Game Association (H. P. 1635) (L. D. 1200) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1727) (L. D. 1282) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Mr. Frechette from the same Committee on Bill "An Act relating to Transportation of Fish by Airplane" (H. P. 1310) (L. D. 863) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1728) (L. D. 1283) under title of "An Act relating to Transportation of Fish, Game or Fur-Bearing Animals by Aircraft" and that it "Ought to pass"

Mr. Plummer from the same Committee on Resolve in favor of

the Waterford Fish and Game Association (H. P. 1164) (L. D. 687) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1729) (L. D. 1284) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

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

Ought to Pass Printed Bills

Mr. Carville from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to Repeal Bounty on Bear" (H. P. 1263) (L. D. 833)

Mr. Chase from the same Committee reported same on Resolve Providing for a Fish Screen at the Outlet of Gardner's Lake at Chase's Mills, in East Machias, Washington County (H. P. 1537) (L. D. 1130)

Mr. Plummer from the same Committee reported same on Resolve Providing for a Fish Screen at Worthley Pond, in the Town of Peru, Oxford County (H. P. 1578) (L. D. 1150)

Mr. Watson from the same Committee reported same on Resolve Providing for a Fish Screen at Outlet of Highland Lake in the Town of Bridgton (H. P. 317) (L. D. 175)

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

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Mr. Burgess from the Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act relating to Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes of Persons in Unorganized Territory" (H. P. 1671) (L. D. 1242) 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. 1671, L. D. 1242, Bill "An

Act Relating to Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes of Persons in Unorganized Territory."

Amend said Bill by adding at the end, before the single quotation mark, the following underlined sentence:

'The provisions of this section shall apply only to debts due prior to January 1, 1950.'

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

Mr. DeBeck from the Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act to Increase the Salaries of the Judge and Recorder of the Town of Lincoln Municipal Court" (H. P. 556) (L. D. 314) 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. 556, L. D. 314, Bill "An Act to Increase the Salaries of the Judge and Recorder of the Town of Lincoln Municipal Court."

Amend said Bill by striking out in the 5th line thereof the underlined figures "\$1,700" and inserting in place thereof the underlined figures '\$2,000'.

Further amend said Bill by striking out in the next to the last line thereof the underlined figures "\$1,100" and inserting in place thereof the underlined figures '\$750'.

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

Mr. Taylor from the Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act relating to Salary of the Judge and Clerk Hire of the Pittsfield Municipal Court" (H. P. 1140) (L. D. 672) 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. 1140, L. D. 672, Bill "An Act Relating to Salary of the Judge and Clerk Hire of the Pittsfield Municipal Court."

Amend said Bill by striking out of the title the words "and Clerk Hire"

Further amend said Bill by striking out, in the 7th and 8th lines, the underlined words and figures **"and \$500 annually additional for clerk hire"**

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

Passed to be Engrossed

Bill "An Act relating to Board of Registration in Medicine" (S. P. 243) (L. D. 514)

Bill "An Act relating to Refunds of Gasoline Tax" (S. P. 395) (L. D. 942)

Bill "An Act relating to Definition of Private Road in Right of Way at Entrances Thereof" (S. P. 431) (L. D. 994)

Bill "An Act Amending the Gasoline Road Tax" (S. P. 534) (L. D. 1265)

Bill "An Act relating to Tuition High School Pupils in Mechanic Falls" (H. P. 458) (L. D. 280)

Bill "An Act Amending the Act Creating the Maine Turnpike Authority" (H. P. 685) (L. D. 415)

Bill "An Act relating to the Salary of the Sheriff of Knox County" (H. P. 1237) (L. D. 789)

Bill "An Act relating to Town Ordinances for Junk Yards" (H. P. 1431) (L. D. 1037)

Bill "An Act relating to Automobile Junk Yards" (H. P. 1620) (L. D. 1185)

Bill "An Act Regulating Closing-Out Sales, So-Called, and Similar Types of Sales" (H. P. 1698) (L. D. 1278)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Wells Beach Sewer District" (H. P. 1699) (L. D. 1279)

Resolve relating to Taking Crabs in Cumberland County (H. P. 850) (L. D. 489)

Resolve in favor of Westmanland Plantation (H. P. 1697) (L. D. 1277)

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

Amended Bills

Bill "An Act relating to Gardiner Water District" (H. P. 1062) (L. D. 642)

Bill "An Act Designating a Certain Road as 'Moosehead Trail'" (H. P. 1222) (L. D. 776)

Bill "An Act relating to Funds of Volunteer Fire Departments" (H. P. 1489) (L. D. 1095)

Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the Town of Fort Fairfield relating to the Number of Councilors" (H. P. 1588) (L. D. 1160)

Were 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.

Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: The Chair lays before the House the first item of unfinished business, House Report "Ought not to pass" of the Committee on Judiciary 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 28 by the gentleman from Baileyville, Mr. Brown, pending consideration. (In Senate, Resolve substituted for Report and engrossed.)

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Baileyville, Mr. Brown.

Mr. BROWN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: To begin with, I am going to move that we concur with the Senate and substitute the resolve for the "Ought not to pass" report.

Last week, I prepared a speech to deliver on this item, two different times, each time the House adjourned on me. Over the week end, I spent the bulk of my time preparing an address to deliver to you today, but, in the hurry of getting away from home this morning, I came away and left it on my desk. Now, you members are denied here today a political masterpiece, I can assure you of that. Today, ladies and gentlemen of the House, this matter deals with the most important office in our political set-up on the State level, that of Governor. I think you all recall that back before the June primaries, when you were all can-

didates for office, a certain newspaper in this State sent out a questionnaire on some of the important issues facing the State and this Legislature at this time.

Now, from the reports that I gather from that, a great many of you members of this House indicated that you believed wholly in a four-year term for Governor. Now, I do not know whether you did that because you thought maybe it would be an easy way to ride into office or whether you thought maybe it was a good thing to do or just what your reason was but over 600 candidates for office here in the State of Maine last June or before said on your questionnaire, when you returned it to this paper, that you favored a four-year term for Governor. Now, you must have had some reasoning behind that. I also signed one of those and I did not sign it because I thought maybe it would help me get votes, I signed it because I believe sincerely in a four-year term for Governor.

I think if you go back over the history of the State of Maine, you will find from 1820, the time when Maine became a State, up until 1879, we elected our Governors for one year, and there was a reason for that: Because the office of Governor at that time was mostly honorary. The Governor came down here to Augusta once or twice a month, shook hands with the heads of the departments here, met a few of his political cronies, checked over what little business had transpired, maybe okayed two or three matters, and went back home. But, in 1880 and 1879, they decided that the business of the State was getting to be bigger and more important business so they gave the Governor the two-year term. The Governor has held down that position his two years and during that two years he has certainly not done anything to hurt his standing with the electorate, and he has tried to do everything he possibly could to help his standing with the electorate.

Now, I think that the office of Governor is too important for him to have to spend his time traveling around, making friends and soliciting votes. It is true that our Governor, every time before a campaign comes on, says: "Boys, if you

want to see me and talk politics, you will have to meet me in my front office."

Well, I have been in the political game since I was twenty-one years old and, whenever a campaign rolls around, I do not have to go to the front office to meet the Governor; I find him at different corners of the State. It is not the Governor's fault. I think our political set-up makes it so that he has to do those things because even though a Governor has carried on a very splendid two years in office, his opponent, when he comes out to run against him, naturally has got some things that he wants to criticize him for, and they always can find some things and the Governor has to take to the field to defend himself. The same thing is true of the other high office in our country, our President.

So, I believe that the time has come now to give our Governor a four-year term. Practically every Governor, for the last fifty years in this State, has had four years in office. I think there has only been one or two occasions during my lifetime that I can recall when a Governor has only had one term. Now, I have heard the argument a great many times that the Governor should go out and make a report to the people just prior to the election. If it were just a report, I would say "O. K." but it does not turn out that way. As I said in the beginning, the office of Governor is the most important office in our State. We try to choose the ablest men that we have in our State. I think that was the reason why, back a number of years ago, we set up the direct primary law, giving everyone an opportunity to try for that job but giving the voters the right to sift them down and pick the one that we consider the most able candidate. After they are elected, though, they are compelled to play politics. Let's not kid ourselves; and I think if they are put in for the four-year term, we are going to get far better administration from the front office than we are getting at this time.

Now, as I said before, I left my manuscript at home. I don't want to bore you too long with a speech

here this afternoon but I think each and every one of you recognizes that the facts that I put before you here are true, and I think we have a measure here that will remedy the situation. I do not think this is a political issue. I can't see anything in it that would be political. I think it would benefit one party just as much as it would benefit the other party. So, with those few remarks, I am going to leave it to you members and I trust that you will go along with me on my motion, concurring with the Senate to substitute the Resolve for the "Ought not to pass" report of the committee.

THE SPEAKER: The gentleman from Baileyville, Mr. Brown, moves that the House substitute the resolve for the "Ought not to pass" report of the committee.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlauffin.

MR. MCGLAUFFLIN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: During one campaign, I read in the Press Herald that the gentleman who introduced this bill proposed to streamline this legislature. He is not in this body. I suppose that he intended to streamline us from a Ford, we will say, to a Cadillac; but we want to look out that he does not streamline us from a Ford into a dumpcart.

As stated by the gentleman from Baileyville, Mr. Brown, up until 1880 the Governor was elected for a one-year term. That was true also of the Senate and the House of Representatives, of the Secretary of State, and all the leading offices, except the Attorney General who was at that time appointed by the Governor. In 1880 they decided to change the time to two years, but note this: the House was changed to two years, the Senate to two years, the Attorney General to two years, the Secretary of State, the Treasurer, the sheriffs. They were all made for a two-year term, and those terms were tied into our law systematically for all the years up to now. Now it is not that a two-year term or a four-year term or a three-year term is particularly better than some other term, but here is an attempt to change the Constitution by piecemeal. Already, since I have been in the Legislature, they have tried to get a four-

year term for sheriffs, they want a four-year term for the Senate. If you start in to break up this system that has been established, first, change the Constitution here and change it there, and there is always somebody who thinks if you can only change something you have got something better.

Now the only argument that the gentleman from Baileyville, Mr. Brown, put up and the only argument that I have heard anybody put up is that the Governor will not have to spend his time trying to get re-elected. Now if you will just stop to think about it; isn't that a whale of an argument? Because the Governor does not want to spend the time to get re-elected we have got to change the Constitution of the State of Maine!

The woods are full of men who are perfectly capable of being governors of this State who would be tickled to pieces to get in for one term; and I want to point out to you that you do not get any better Governors by having a four-year term than you would by a two-year term.

There are some twenty-four states, if I recall correctly, that have four-year terms for governors, and a great part of those states are southern states. Now if you look over the governors of the southern states and compare them with those of the northern states, like New England, for instance—and Connecticut is the only state in New England that has a four-year term; all the rest of them have just what we have, two-year terms—you do not find any better governors.

Another thing: by giving a governor like Governor Payne, for instance, a four-year term, you wouldn't get any better Governor than you had before. If you will look at the results which have been accomplished in the State of Maine as compared with many other states, you will find that we show up pretty well. For instance, our debt limit in the State of Maine is now, as I recall it, something less than ten million dollars. I am not going to take the time to give you that angle of it, but compare that with the debt limit of the southern states and see if you think they have anything better than we have.

But here is the real objection. It is not merely that it upsets the order of things; but if you have a four-year term for governor and take away the voters' interest in the election you cannot get anybody to get out and vote. We have been having a great deal of trouble down in Portland trying to get people to come out and vote for trustees of the Water District, for instance, or members of the common council. There is nothing to attract their attention and they stay at home. Now, if you had an off year the year the Governor left, how many people do you think would come out, how many people would really care a hoot if you and I are the candidates, except some of our families, to get out and do some work? You have got to have some incentive; you arouse a contest when you get four or five people over the state running for Governor.

This is the fourth time that I can recall that I have protested against this attempted amendment. It is not, as I have said before, that four years is any better or any worse, but why upset the order of things just for the sake of making a change and just for the sake of pleasing some Governor so that, instead of attending to his business, as he ought to anyway, he goes out campaigning.

I am opposed to the motion of the gentleman from Baileyville, Mr. Brown.

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

Mr. FULLER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: When they talk about a four-year term for Governor, one thing that you will see if you read Legislative Document 17 is that it does not tell the whole story.

Suppose we have a vacancy in the office during the Governor's term. What then? The law will then remain the same as it has hitherto and that is that the President of the Senate will take over and continue the duties of the office. I surely mean no disrespect to any of the presiding officers of the Senate, who might have taken the office of Governor under those circumstances, because the only time it has happened within my recollection, the President of the Senate did

such a good job that he was elected for another term. But we have here this question of whether there should not be a provision for either a Lieutenant-Governor or a special election if we are going to extend the Governor's term as much as this.

For those reasons in addition to the others already mentioned, I hope that this motion will not prevail.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Falmouth, Mr. Dow.

Mr. DOW: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I did not have any manuscript at home on this subject and, if I had, it wouldn't have been a political masterpiece, probably. About half of the members were not here last session and, therefore, were denied the privilege of hearing what I had to say on the subject.

With reference to that section 2 "shall not be eligible to succeed himself"—I repeat what I said two years ago, we would then have three classes ineligible for the office: "Indians, criminals, and the Governor." (Laughter)

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

Mr. DELAHANTY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I have, from time to time, taken pleasure in reading the Lewiston Journal, seeing everybody is plugging his own town paper I'll plug that one, and they have many times indicated the number of votes that are cast in each Lewiston election. The percentage runs 65 or 70 per cent, far above the State or National average, of course, and the prime reason, in my opinion, for that interest in every election is the fact that in Lewiston we have a principal industry, that is, voting. We have several elections each year. The people's interest is kept up because of the continued discussion of local issues.

It is my belief that the State issues, being continually discussed, will keep ever in mind to the people of this State the issues with which they are faced, the problems with which their representatives are faced and a live interest in government. I concur with the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Fuller, when

he says we would be in a rather peculiar position, with all due respect to the President of the upper body of this Legislature. I feel that we should have a Lieutenant-Governor and when we get around to doing that we should also consider electing the Governor's Council and making such other changes as will completely streamline the government, if we are to get around to that.

I feel that with this particular issue, the people can be well-informed of the State issues by having the election every two years. We have many and enlightening debates. They bring to the minds of all the people the magnitude of state government and as long as the people have an interest in the state government they will continue to vote. If they are allowed to stay home for a period of four years after casting their votes, I think that that interest will wane.

I am in accord with the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaufflin, and the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Fuller, and I will oppose the motion of my good friend, the gentleman from Baileyville, Mr. Brown.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaufflin.

Mr. MCGLAUFLIN: Mr. Speaker, I would just like to add to the words suggested by the gentleman from Falmouth, Mr. Dow. This bill has it so that the Governor cannot be re-elected. Now, that, itself, is a matter of absurdity. Look at our Congressmen, Dingley, Blaine, Reed, Frye and Fessenden, the ablest men that we have ever produced from this State; they have been big men. They have been men who have had the experience of returning to office again and again.

Look at the men in the Legislature, right here; men who have been here time and again are not in fear of two-year terms. Their experience counts for something. Now, how utterly absurd to say that a Governor cannot be re-elected and the only reason they put that in is hoping that that will be sort of a bait for you to vote for that foolish move.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Baileyville, Mr. Brown.

Mr. BROWN: Mr. Speaker, I would just like to make one more statement and that is that practically every Governor we have had during the past has endorsed the four-year term for Governor after they have gone out of office.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question?

The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Baileyville, Mr. Brown, that the House substitute the Resolve for the "Ought not to pass" report of the committee, 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.

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

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion did not prevail.

Mr. McGLAUFLIN, of Portland: Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER: For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. McGLAUFLIN: I rise to make a motion, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may make his motion.

Mr. McGLAUFLIN: Mr. Speaker, I now move that the "Ought not to pass" report of the Committee on Judiciary be accepted.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaulin, moves that the House accept the "Ought not to pass" report of the Committee on Judiciary on Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Changing the Tenure of Office of the Governor to Four-Year Terms. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the "Ought not to pass" report was accepted in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

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

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, in view of the very light attendance here today, it would seem unfortunate to take up any controversial matters which, out of courtesy, we might have to reconsider tomorrow. If there is anyone here who would like to make a purely procedural motion on any measure which would expedite legislation but

would not involve argument, I will be glad to defer in my intention to move to adjourn at an early moment.

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

Mr. WOODWORTH: Mr. Speaker, I would like to make the motion to recommit the third item of unfinished business on today's calendar.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state that the gentleman may take it up only by unanimous consent. Is there any objection? The Chair hears none and the gentleman may make his motion.

Mr. WOODWORTH: Mr. Speaker, I move that Item 3, House Report "Ought not to pass" of the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to the Enforcement of the Liquor Laws," H. P. 1321, L. D. 882, be committed to the Committee on Liquor Control. I will say in that connection that I have mentioned this to the Chairman and several members of the Legal Affairs Committee and also to the Chairman and several members of the Liquor Committee and there is no objection.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth, moves that the third item of unfinished business on today's calendar, House Report "Ought not to pass" of the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to the Enforcement of the Liquor Laws," tabled by that gentleman on April 4 pending acceptance of the report, be committed to the Committee on Liquor Control. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the report with accompanying papers was committed to the Committee on Liquor Control and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Ellsworth, Mr. Dunham.

Mr. DUNHAM: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I have a similar request to make to recommit.

The SPEAKER: Will the gentleman please state the item?

Mr. DUNHAM: Mr. Speaker, Item No. 2 of unfinished business.

The SPEAKER: The Chair lays before the House the second item of unfinished business, House Report "Ought not to pass" of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to Cost of Living Adjustment Plan for State Employees," H. P. 1071, L. D. 679, tabled on April 4 by the gentleman from Ellsworth, Mr. Dunham, pending acceptance of the report; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Mr. DUNHAM: It has been requested, Mr. Speaker, that this matter be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Ellsworth, Mr. Dunham, moves that the "Ought not to pass" report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to Cost of Living Adjustment Plan for State Employees" be recommitted to the Committee. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the report with accompanying papers was recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Harrison, Mr. Davis.

Mr. DAVIS: Mr. Speaker, if I am in order, I would like to take from the table the eighteenth tabled and unassigned matter.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman must have unanimous consent. Does the gentleman request unanimous consent?

Mr. DAVIS: I do, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Harrison, Mr. Davis, asks unanimous consent to take from the table the eighteenth tabled and unassigned matter, House Report "Ought not to pass" of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act relating to Fishing Licenses for Boys' and Girls' Camps," H. P. 1410, L. D. 1018, tabled on March 22 by that gentleman pending acceptance of the report. Is there any objection? The Chair hears none and the gentleman may proceed.

Mr. DAVIS: Mr. Speaker, I now move that this be recommitted to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game. I will state that the reason I make this motion is that I have a new draft of this bill which I wish to have them consider and the Chairman has informed me that they are willing to consider it.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Harrison, Mr. Davis, moves that the eighteenth tabled and unassigned matter, House Report "Ought not to pass" of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act relating to Fishing Licenses for Boys' and Girls' Camps" be recommitted to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the report and accompanying papers were recommitted to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair understands that the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth, moves that the House reconsider its action just taken whereby House Report "Ought not to pass" of the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to the Enforcement of the Liquor Laws," H. P. 1321, L. D. 882, the third item of unfinished business on today's calendar, was committed to the Committee on Liquor Control. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Woodworth, now moves that we substitute the bill for the report and refer it to the Committee on Liquor Control. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the bill with accompanying papers was committed to the Committee on Liquor Control and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey.

Mr. DICKEY: Mr. Speaker, I would like unanimous consent to take from the table on page twelve the twenty-seventh tabled and unassigned matter.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey,

moves to take from the table the twenty-seventh tabled and unassigned matter, House Report "Ought not to pass" of the Committee on Claims on Resolve in favor of Cecil Packard, of Unity, H. P. 258, tabled by that gentleman on March 29 pending acceptance. Is there objection? The Chair hears none and the gentleman may proceed.

Mr. DICKEY: Mr. Speaker, I move that this twenty-seventh tabled and unassigned matter be recommitted to the Committee on Claims. I might add that the House Chairman of the Committee on Claims is in accord. I have further evidence that I want to put before the committee.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey, moves that the twenty-seventh tabled and unassigned matter, House Report "Ought not to pass" of the Committee on Claims on Resolve in favor of Cecil Packard, of Unity, be recommitted to the Committee on Claims. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the report with accompanying papers was recommitted to the Committee on Claims and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bridgton, Mr. March.

Mr. MARCH: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: If I may have the unanimous consent of the House, I would like to take from the table the seventh tabled and unassigned matter.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bridgton, Mr. March, requests unanimous consent to take from the table the seventh tabled and unassigned matter, Bill "An Act relating to Retail Store Liquor License in Unincorporated Places", S. P. 84, L. D. 111, tabled by that gentleman on March 6, pending third reading. (In the Senate re-committed to Committee on Liquor Control) Is there any objection? The Chair hears none and the gentleman may proceed.

Mr. MARCH: Mr. Speaker, I would like to move that the House concur with the Senate in recommitting the matter to the Committee on Liquor Control.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bridgton, Mr. March, moves that the report and accompanying papers be recommitted to the Committee on Liquor Control. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the report with accompanying papers was recommitted to the Committee on Liquor Control in concurrence.

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

Mrs. MOFFATT: Mr. Speaker, I request unanimous consent to take from the table the sixty-first tabled and unassigned matter on today's calendar.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bath, Mrs. Moffatt, asks unanimous consent to take from the table the sixty-first tabled and unassigned matter, House Report "Ought not to pass" of the Committee on Claims on Resolve in Favor of the Town of Woolwich, H. P. 223, tabled by that gentleman on April 11 pending acceptance of the report. Is there objection? The Chair hears none and the gentleman may proceed.

Mrs. MOFFATT: Mr. Speaker, I now move that this be recommitted to the Committee on Claims and it is with permission of the committee.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bath, Mrs. Moffatt, moves that the report and accompanying papers be recommitted to the Committee on Claims. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the report with accompanying papers was recommitted to the Committee on Claims and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Chelsea, Mr. Perry.

Mr. PERRY: Mr. Speaker, I ask for unanimous consent to take from the table the seventy-fifth tabled and unassigned matter, Bill "An Act to Clarify Certain Provisions of Motor Vehicle Law", Senate Paper 72, L. D. 78, and I now yield to the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Jones.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Chelsea, Mr. Perry, requests unanimous consent to take from

the table the seventy-fifth tabled and unassigned matter, Bill "An Act to Clarify Certain Provisions of Motor Vehicle Law", S. P. 72, L. D. 78, tabled by that gentleman on April 12 pending third reading. Is there objection? The Chair hears none and the matter is taken from the table.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Jones.

Mr. JONES: Mr. Speaker, I now offer House Amendments "A" and "B" and move their adoption.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Jones, presents House Amendment "A" and moves its adoption. The Clerk will read the amendment.

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 72, L. D. 78, Bill "An Act to Clarify Certain Provisions of Motor Vehicle Law."

Amend said bill by adding, at the end of the first paragraph of Section 20 thereof the following:

'Busses operated by a motor carrier having a certificate of public convenience and necessity issued by the public utilities commission under the provisions of Section 1-16 of Chapter 44, as amended, which comply with the requirements of the commission, within a city in which such carrier is so authorized to operate, shall not be regarded as "school busses".'

Thereupon House Amendment "A" was adopted.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Jones, now presents House Amendment "B" and moves its adoption. The Clerk will read the amendment.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to S. P. 72, L. D. 78, Bill "An Act to Clarify Certain Provisions of Motor Vehicle Law."

Amend said Bill by striking out the next to last paragraph of section 20 of said Bill and inserting in place thereof the following underlined paragraph:

'All school busses when carrying children shall come to a full stop before crossing any railroad track or tracks, such stop to be made at a point not more than 50 feet and not less than 10 feet from the nearest rail; and the driver thereof shall take such steps as are necessary to ascertain beyond rea-

sonable doubt that no train, engine or car is approaching the crossing before he shall proceed to drive such bus across the track or tracks. The operator of any school bus failing to so stop shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$200; and his driver's license shall be suspended by the secretary of state for a period of not less than 2 years.'

House Amendment "B" was thereupon adopted and the bill, as amended, was given its third reading, passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A" and House Amendment "B" in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Blaine, Mr. Bubar.

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker, I would like unanimous consent to take from the table the first tabled and unassigned matter on page 9.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Blaine, Mr. Bubar, requests unanimous consent to take from the table the first tabled and unassigned matter, House Order relative to appointment of committee to investigate the needs of old people, the sick, the blind, the physically incapacitated and the dependent children, tabled by that gentleman on January 17, pending passage. Is there any objection? The Chair hears none and the matter is taken from the table. The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker, the appointment of this committee would require an appropriation in order for it to function properly and it seems to be the temper of this House not to make any appropriation until the money is laid on the barrel head. Therefore, I would move that this be indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Blaine, Mr. Bubar, moves that the first tabled and unassigned matter on today's calendar be indefinitely postponed.

The Clerk will read the order.

The CLERK (reading):

ORDERED, That the Speaker of the House appoint a Committee composed of 1 member from each county, whose duty it shall be to

investigate the needs of the old people, the sick, the blind, the physically incapacitated and the dependent children and report their findings to the 95th Legislature within 60 days.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Blaine, Mr. Bubar, moves that

this order be indefinitely postponed. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed.

On motion of the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase,

Adjourned until 10:00 o'clock tomorrow morning.