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SENATE

Tuesday, March 10, 1953

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. Douglas H. Robbins of Augusta.

Journal of Thursday, March 5, 1953, read and approved.

Order

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

ORDERED, that a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a solemn Joint Convention to be held in the hall of the House forthwith, for the purpose of considering such resolutions as may seem fitting in relation to the untimely death of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court of Maine, Justice Harold Hall Murchie.

Thereupon, the Secretary of the Senate, Chester T. Winslow, delivered the message.

Subsequently a message was received from the House of Representatives by its Clerk, Harvey R. Pease, that the House concurred in the proposal for a Joint Convention.

The Senate retired to the Hall of the House where a Joint Convention was formed.

(For proceedings of Joint Convention, see House Report.)

In the Senate

The Senate was called to order by the President.

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

ORDERED, the House concurring, that a Joint Select Committee consisting of the President and three members of the Senate, and the Speaker and five members of the House of Representatives, be charged with the solemn duty of representing the 96th Legislature at the funeral services of the late Chief Justice Harold H. Murchie. (S. P. 477)

The President appointed as members of such committee, on the part of the Senate, Senators Haskell of

Penobscot, Reid of Kennebec and Boucher of Androscoggin.

The Order was sent to the House forthwith for concurrence.

House Papers

Bill "An Act Relating to the Packing of Sardines." (S. P. 440) (L. D. 1209)

(In Senate, on March 3, referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries.)

Comes from the House, referred to the Committee on Agriculture in non-concurrence.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Haskell of Penobscot, the Senate voted to recede from its former action and concur with the House in the reference of the bill to the Committee on Agriculture.

Bill "An Act to Require that a Modern Mortality Table be Used in Inheritance Tax Calculations." (S. P. 82) (L. D. 189)

(In Senate on February 19, passed to be engrossed.)

Comes from the House, passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A" in non-concurrence. (Amendment Filing No. 66)

In the Senate, that Body voted to reconsider its former action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed; House Amendment A was read and adopted in concurrence, and the bill as so amended was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Communication from David H. Stevens, Commissioner of Health and Welfare, transmitting certification of Archie LaCooite as Representative to the Legislature, January 1, 1953 to December 31, 1954, from the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians. (H. P. 1150)

Which was read and ordered placed on file in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Payments to Certain Towns in Lieu of Taxes." (H. P. 1124) (L. D. 1277)

"Resolve Reapportioning Certain Moneys Appropriated for Reformatory for Women." (H. P. 1125) (L. D. 1278)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Appropriations

and Financial Affairs in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Permits for Outdoor Advertising." (H. P. 1142) (L. D. 1290)

Which was referred to the Committee on Business Legislation in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Education of Indian Children." (H. P. 1128) (L. D. 1279)

Which was referred to the Committee on Education in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Provide for the Sharing of Gasoline Taxes with Towns." (H. P. 1129) (L. D. 1280)

Which was referred to the Committee on Highways in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Hunting and Fishing Licenses for Aliens." (H. P. 1130) (L. D. 1276)

Which was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Penalties for Liquor Law Violations." (H. P. 1131) (L. D. 1281)

Bill "An Act to Authorize Issuance of Bonds in the Amount of Twenty Million Dollars for Bonus to Maine Veterans of World War II and Korean Campaign." (H. P. 1132) (L. D. 1282)

"Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Provide for a Bonus to Maine Veterans of World War II and Korean Campaign." (H. P. 1133) (L. D. 1283)

Bill "An Act Relating to Discrimination at Places of Public Resort or Amusement." (H. P. 1134) (L. D. 1284)

Bill "An Act Relating to Salaries of Members of Supreme Judicial Court and the Organization of the Superior Court." (H. P. 1135) (L. D. 1285)

Bill "An Act Relating to Inheritance Taxes on Joint Property Held by Husband and Wife." (H. P. 1136) (L. D. 1286)

Bill "An Act Designating Presidential Election Day a Legal Holiday." (H. P. 1137) (L. D. 1287)

"Resolve Authorizing the Release of State of Maine's Claim on T.1, R. 13, W. E. L. S., Piscataquis County." (H. P. 1138) (L. D. 1288)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Change the Name of Portland University Extension Courses, Inc. and to Grant It Certain Powers." (H. P. 1139) (L. D. 1289)

Which was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Excise Taxes on Malt Liquor." (H. P. 1140) (L. D. 1274)

Bill "An Act Relating to Fees for Retail Sale of Liquor." (H. P. 1141) (L. D. 1275)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Liquor Control in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Hair-dressing and Beauty Culture." (H. P. 1143) (L. D. 1291)

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Health in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Tax on Cigars and Tobacco Products." (H. P. 1144) (L. D. 1292)

Which was referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Closing County Offices on Saturdays." (H. P. 1145) (L. D. 1293)

Bill "An Act Relating to Holidays for County Officers." (H. P. 1146) (L. D. 1294)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties in concurrence.

"Petition of Mary R. Stevens of Westbrook, Maine and twenty-one others in Favor of Bookmobile Bill, (H. P. 2) (L. D. 2) (H. P. 1151)

Which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in concurrence.

"Resolve Providing for State Pension for Blanche Lavoie of Grand Isle." (H. P. 1161)

"Resolve Providing for State Pension for Olive Leonard of Grand Isle." (H. P. 1162)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Welfare in concurrence.

House Committee Reports

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to Night Hunting of Wild Animals," (H. P. 221) (L. D. 248) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Which report was read and accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act to Clarify Records as to Tax Mortgages," (H. P. 105) (L. D. 106) reported that the same ought to pass.

The Committee on Transportation on Bill "An Act Relating to Minimum Speed of Motor Vehicles," (H. P. 37) (L. D. 31) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Exemptions for Non-Resident Aircraft," (H. P. 454) (L. D. 449) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Exemptions for Non-Resident Airmen," (H. P. 453) (L. D. 448) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Registration Certificates for Airmen, Aircraft and Air Carriers," (H. P. 452) (L. D. 447) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act to Clarify the Aviation Laws," (H. P. 451) (L. D. 446) reported that the same ought to pass.

Which reports were severally read and accepted in concurrence, the bills read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

The Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on "Resolve, Appropriating Money for the Lands Reserved for Public Uses Trust Fund," (H. P. 312) (L. D. 384) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

The Committee on Claims on "Resolve, in Favor of W. Lawrence Doble of Milo," (H. P. 493) (L. D. 125) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

The Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act to Increase the Salary of Deputy Clerk of Courts, Penobscot County," (H. P. 552) (L. D. 532) reported that the

same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

The same Committee on Bill "An Act to Increase the Salaries of the Judge and Recorder of the Kennebunk Municipal Court," (H. P. 548) (L. D. 528) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Salaries of Certain County Officers of Washington County," (H. P. 359) (L. D. 375) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

The Committee on Transportation on Bill "An Act to Create a Motor Vehicle Dealer Registration Board," (H. P. 244) (L. D. 225) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

Which reports were severally read and accepted in concurrence, and the bills read once; Committee Amendments "A" were severally read and adopted in concurrence, and the bills as amended were tomorrow assigned for second reading.

The Committee on Welfare on Bill "An Act Relating to Hospital Aid," (H. P. 364) (L. D. 380) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

Comes from the House, report accepted and the bill as amended by Committee Amendment "A", and subsequently recommitted to the Committee on Welfare.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Dunham of Hancock, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Welfare in concurrence.

The Committee on Claims on "Resolve, in Favor of Freeow Crummit of Whitefield," (H. P. 404) (L. D. 1159) reported that the same ought to pass.

Comes from the House, the report read and accepted, and subsequently the resolve was indefinitely postponed.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Silsby of Hancock, the resolve was laid upon the table pending consideration of the report.

The Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to State

Stipend for Counties and Towns," (H. P. 113) (L. D. 115) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

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

In the Senate, the report was read and accepted and the bill read once; Committee Amendment A and House Amendment A were read and adopted in concurrence, and the bill as so amended was tomorrow assigned for the second reading.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Somerset, Senator Carpenter calls the attention of the Chair and the Senate to the fact that the group of students presently in the balcony of the Senate Chamber, are students from the Junior High School of Skowhegan, Maine. It is always a pleasure in behalf of the Senate to have you young people here with us at these sessions. We hope you will have a pleasant time today and will want to return some time in the future.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair at this time wishes to apologize to the Senate and particularly to the individual thereof upon whom the Chair is about to call since the Chair has not had an opportunity to give him any advance notice. The Chair is sure that the Senate realizes that this is rather an unusual day in that by reason of certain orders which have been passed the attendance of certain members of the Senate will be required elsewhere than in the Senate before the close of today's session.

In full reliance on the natural ability of this gentleman the Chair at this time designates as President pro tem of the Senate the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Chase, and requests the Sergeant-at-Arms to escort that Senator to the Rostrum.

Thereupon the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Chase, was escorted by the Sergeant-at-Arms to the rostrum and assumed the Chair.

Communications
STATE OF MAINE
House of Representatives
Office of the Clerk
Augusta

March 5, 1953

Hon. Chester T. Winslow
Secretary of the Senate
96th Legislature

Sir:

The Speaker appointed the following Conferees on the part of the House on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on Bill "An Act Relating to Sale of Malt Liquor in Non-Returnable Bottles," (H. P. 145) (L. D. 143):

Messrs. OSBORNE of Fairfield
POTTER of Medway
SMALL of Mexico

Respectfully

HARVEY R. PEASE
Clerk of the House

HRP/rwb

Which was read and ordered placed on file.

Senate Papers

The following bills and resolves were transmitted by the Director of Legislative Research, and on recommendation by the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following committees:

**Appropriations and Financial
Affairs**

Mr. Butler of Franklin presented "Resolve Relating to Winter Sports Development at Mount Blue State Park." (S. P. 467)

Mrs. Kavanagh of Androscoggin presented "Resolve Authorizing Commissioner of Institutional Service to Purchase, for the State, Land in Fairfield." (S. P. 468)

(Each ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Business Legislation

Mr. Reid of Kennebec presented Bill "An Act Relating to Loan and Building Associations." (S. P. 469) (Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Judiciary

Mr. Chapman of Cumberland presented Bill "An Act Relating to the

Commitment to Mental Hospitals." (S. P. 470)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Mr. Weeks of Cumberland presented, by request Bill "An Act Relating to Open Air Drive-In and Summer Stock Theaters." (S. P. 471)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Chapman of Cumberland presented Bill "An Act Relating to Additional Probation Officer for Cumberland County." (S. P. 472)

(Ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

First Reading of a Printed Bill

Bill "An Act Relating to Insurance Coverage Required Under the Financial Responsibility Law." (S. P. 460) (L. D. 1259)

Which was read once, and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Senate Committee Reports

Mr. Dennett from the Committee on Business Legislation on Bill "An Act Relating to Refusal by Insurance Commissioner to Grant or Renew Licenses and Revocation of Licenses," (S. P. 269) (L. D. 760) reported that leave be granted to withdraw the same.

Mr. Carter from the Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act to Exclude from Sale Price Under Sales Tax Law the Fair Market Value of Trade-ins," (S. P. 143) (L. D. 343) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Which reports were severally read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Dennett from the Committee on Business Legislation on Bill "An Act Permitting Savings Banks to Loan on Life Insurance Policies," (S. P. 294) (L. D. 822) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Cummings from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Circuses and Traveling Amusement Shows," (S. P. 289) (L. D. 831) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Cash Reserves in Banks," (S. P.

291) (L. D. 824) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Permitting Savings Banks to Invest in Certain Preferred Stocks," (S. P. 292) (L. D. 823) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Requirements of Group Accident and Sickness Insurance Policies," (S. P. 288) (L. D. 826) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to the Licensing of Life Insurance Agents," (S. P. 218) (L. D. 584) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Dennett from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Authority of Insurance Commissioner to Make Regulations re Health and Accident Insurance," (S. P. 163) (L. D. 409) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mrs. Kavanagh from the Committee on Claims on "Resolve to Reimburse the City of South Portland for Support of Margaret Dawson," (S. P. 243) (L. D. 669) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Ward from the Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act Repealing Laws on Inspection of Leather," (S. P. 278) (L. D. 769) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Fire Wards," (S. P. 262) (L. D. 685) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Advance to Officers for Interstate Travel Expenses Incurred in the Administration of Criminal Justice," (S. P. 231) (L. D. 601) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Broggi from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Increasing Salary of Clerks in Office of Registrar of Deeds, Oxford County," (S. P. 237) (L. D. 595) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Repealing Law on Measure and Sale of Charcoal," (S. P. 234) (L. D. 598) reported that the same ought to pass.

Which reports were severally read and accepted, the bills and resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

On motion by Mr. Squire of Kennebec, the Senate voted to reconsider its former action taken earlier in today's session whereby it accepted the Ought Not to Pass report of the Committee on Taxation on bill "An Act to Exclude from Sale Price Under Sales Tax Law the Fair Market Value of Trade-Ins" (S. P. 143) (L. D. 343); and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill and accompanying papers were laid up on the table pending consideration of the report.

Mr. Dennett from the Committee on Business Legislation on bill, An Act to Authorize the Issuance of Deductible Fire Insurance Policies, (S. P. 107) (L. D. 307) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment A.

Which report was accepted and the bill read once.

The Secretary read Committee Amendment A:—

"Committee Amendment A to bill, An Act to Authorize the Issuance of deductible Fire Insurance Policies. (S. P. 36) (L. D. 307).

Amend said bill by inserting after the underlined word "and" in the 7th line thereof the underlined words "**under which he.**"

Committee Amendment A was adopted and the bill as so amended was tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Mr. Chase from the Committee on Taxation on bill, An Act to Secure Uniformity of Assessment of Forest Lands for Purposes of Taxation (S. P. 36) (L. D. 39), reported that the bill ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment A.

Which report was accepted and the bill read once.

The Secretary read Committee Amendment A:

"Amend said bill in that part designated 'Sec. 157' by striking out the underlined words '**on the capital invested**' at the end of the 1st paragraph and by striking out the underlined figure '50' in the

2nd line of the 2nd paragraph and inserting in place thereof the underlined figure '25'.

"Further amend said bill by inserting after the dollar signs in the 2nd and 3rd lines of section 2 the figure '30,000.'"

Committee Amendment A was adopted and the bill as so amended was tomorrow assigned for second reading.

The Majority of the Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act Repealing Laws on Street Sprinkling" (S. P. 235) (L. D. 597) reported that the same ought to pass.

(signed)

Representatives:

PETERSON of Bar Harbor
EVANS of Cornish
SCOTT of Wales
HILTON of Bremen
EDWARDS of Raymond
CALL of Cumberland
STANLEY of Hampden

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject matter reported that the same ought not to pass.

(signed)

Senators:

WARD of Penobscot
WEEKS of Cumberland
BROGGI of York

Mr. BROGGI of York: Mr. President and members of the Senate, this morning a Joint Convention indicated that today is a solemn occasion. Inasmuch as the discussion that will accompany this matter might not be in keeping with the solemnity of the occasion, I move that this lie on the table and be especially assigned for next Wednesday.

The motion prevailed and the bill and accompanying papers were laid upon the table pending consideration of the reports and was especially assigned for Wednesday, March 18.

Mr. Haskell of Cumberland from the Recess Committee on Publication of Session Laws and Revision of Statutes (S. P. 475) submitted its report.

Which was read and ordered placed on file.

Sent to the House.

Mr. Collins from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1954 and June 30, 1955," (S. P. 41) (L. D. 54) reported the same in a new draft, (S. P. 476) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. COLLINS of Aroostook: Mr. President, in view of the fact that this is a redraft of the original appropriations bill and that it will lie on the table for printing, I move that it be laid upon the table now pending consideration of the report.

The motion prevailed, the bill was laid upon the table pending consideration of the report, and ordered printed.

Passed to be Engrossed

Bill "An Act Relating to Old Age Assistance and Aid to the Blind." (H. P. 49) (L. D. 50)

Bill "An Act Relating to Ballot Clerks in Small Towns." (H. P. 104) (L. D. 105)

"Resolve in Favor of Clyde Moores, of Springfield." (H. P. 139) (L. D. 1160)

Bill "An Act Regulating the Dragging for Scallops in Harrington River and Bay and Pleasant River, Washington County." (H. P. 150) (L. D. 147)

Bill "An Act to Provide a Credit Against the Sales Tax when the Price is not Paid." (H. P. 152) (L. D. 134)

"Resolve in Favor of Dr. Bernard R. Marcus, of Auburn." (H. P. 161) (L. D. 1161)

Bill "An Act Relating to Arrests on Execution." (H. P. 180) (L. D. 175)

Bill "An Act Relating to Police Officers in Uniform Stopping Motor Vehicles for Examination." (H. P. 270) (L. D. 298)

(On motion by Mr. Chapman of Cumberland, tabled pending passage to be engrossed)

Bill "An Act Relating to Salary of Judge of the Winthrop Municipal Court." (H. P. 285) (L. D. 270)

(On motion by Mr. Weeks of Cumberland, tabled pending passage to be engrossed)

Bill "An Act Relating to Harrison Mutual Fire Insurance Company." (H. P. 314) (L. D. 386)

Bill "An Act Relating to Appropriation for Flags in Schools." (H. P. 360) (L. D. 376)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Boundary Line Between the owns of Sanford and North Berwick, York County." (H. P. 362) (L. D. 378)

"Resolve Closing Sourdnhunk Lake, Piscataquis County, to All Fishing." (H. P. 414) (L. D. 462)

Bill "An Act Relating to Fees of Jurors." (H. P. 440) (L. D. 484)

Bill "An Act Relating to Fees Payable to Registers of Deeds." (H. P. 442) (L. D. 486)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Road Repair Tax Fund in the Townships of Alder Stream, Coburn Gore, Chain of Ponds, and Jim Pond." (H. P. 444) (L. D. 498)

Bill "An Act Relating to Rental for the South Portland Municipal Court." (H. P. 445) (L. D. 448)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Friendship." (H. P. 503) (L. D. 511)

"Resolve in Favor of the Town of Hudson." (H. P. 505) (L. D. 513)

Bill "An Act to Exempt the Sale of Meals by Hospitals and Nursing Homes." (H. P. 545) (L. D. 526)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the County Treasurer of Lincoln County." (H. P. 549) (L. D. 529)

Bill "An Act Relating to Payment to Lincoln County Law Library." (H. P. 551) (L. D. 531)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salary of the Clerk of Courts of Penobscot County." (H. P. 554) (L. D. 534)

Which were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

"Resolve Regulating Fishing in Sourdnhunk Lake in Piscataquis County." (H. P. 413) (L. D. 461)

Bill "An Act Amending the Town of Orono High School District." (H. P. 433) (L. D. 480)

"Resolve Closing Georges River, Knox County, to aking of Smelts." (H. P. 605) (L. D. 604)

Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the City of Portland re Sinking Fund." (H. P. 420) (L. D. 467)

Which were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the County Attorney of Piscataquis County."

Which was read a second time, and passed to be engrossed, as amended, in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill "An Act Repealing Bartlett Island as a Game Preserve." (S. P. 168) (L. D. 435)

Bill "An Act to Permit Guardians and Trustees to Invest in Insurance Policies and Annuity Contracts." (S. P. 205) (L. D. 542)

Which were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders of the Day

The President pro tem laid before the Senate, Senate Reports from the Committee on Judiciary on Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Reduce the Voting Age to Eighteen Years, (S. P. 81) (L. D. 188), Majority Report, "Ought Not to Pass"; Minority Report, "Ought to Pass"; tabled by Mr. Chapman of Cumberland on February 25th pending consideration, and today assigned.

Mr. CHAPMAN of Cumberland: Mr. President and members of the Senate, as has been rather vividly pointed out, this hardly seems to be the day for a rough and tumble debate on the matter under consideration, consequently I will make a suggestion which I think will avoid it for today, at least. However, it was my original intention to move acceptance of the Minority Report for one purpose and one purpose only, and that was to keep the bill alive long enough to have opportunity to offer an amendment. I would like to do that today because I think it is the kind of proposition that is sanctioned under our senatorial courtesy. I might say that I have discussed it with the Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary. He is not now here but he has told me that this procedure would be agreeable. It was my intention, after offering this amendment for adoption to suggest tabling that it may have full consideration Thursday next, and I think there would be opportunity to grind into this bill, those who desire to do

so. With that preliminary argument I move the acceptance of the Minority Report, for the purpose as stated.

Thereupon the Minority Report "Ought to Pass" was accepted, and the bill was given its first reading.

Mr. Chapman offered Senate Amendment "A" and moved its adoption:

"Senate Amendment 'A' to S. P. 81, L. D. 188, Resolve, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Reduce the Voting Age to Eighteen Years. Amend said Resolve by striking out the word 'Eighteen' in the 2nd line of the Title thereof, and inserting in place thereof, the word 'twenty'. Further amend said Resolve by striking out the underlined word 'eighteen' in the 7th line thereof, and inserting in place thereof the underlined word 'twenty'. Further amend said Resolve by striking out the word 'eighteen' in the last line of the 3rd paragraph from the end thereof, and inserting in place thereof the word 'twenty'."

Thereupon, Senate Amendment "A" was adopted, and on motion by Mr. Chapman of Cumberland the bill and accompanying papers were laid upon the table pending assignment for second reading, and especially assigned for Thursday, March 12th.

Mr. WIGHT of Penobscot: Mr. President, I would inquire as to whether H. P. 267, L. D. 304, Resolve, Regulating Ice Fishing in Coffee Pond, Cumberland County, is in the possession of the Senate?

The PRESIDENT pro tem: The Chair will inform the Senator the Resolve is in the possession of the Senate.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Wight of Penobscot the resolve was recommitted to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WIGHT of Penobscot: Mr. President, I would inquire if H. P. 90, L. D. 94, Resolve, Authorizing the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game to Pay Certain Claims, is in the possession of the Senate?

The PRESIDENT pro tem: The Chair will inform the Senator that

the resolve is in the possession of the Senate.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Wight of Penobscot, the Senate voted to reconsider its action whereby the resolve was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence; and on further motion by the same Senator, the resolve was laid upon the table pending consideration.

On motion by Mr. Silsby of Hancock, the Senate voted to take from the table, "Ought to Pass" report from the Committee on Claims on Resolve, in Favor of Freelow Crummit of Whitefield, (H. P. 404) (L. D. 1159) tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending consideration.

Mr. SILSBY of Hancock: Mr. President, I was a bit uncertain as to what this resolve was all about but I find after examining the resolve that it is one of these so-called "deer claims", and I think the Senate has expressed very emphatically that they are not in favor of paying such claims, and I move we concur with the House in indefinitely postponing this resolve.

The motion prevailed and the resolve was indefinitely postponed, in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Littlefield of York

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.