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HOUSE

Thursday, February 17, 1955

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Frederick Niles of Methodist Church, Livermore Falls.

The journal of the previous session was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act to Coordinate Development and Regulatory Activities relating to the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy" (S. P. 266) (L. D. 697)

Bill "An Act relating to Killing Dogs Attacking Domestic Animals" (S. P. 267) (L. D. 698)

Bill "An Act relating to Uniform Interstate Compact on Juveniles" (S. P. 268) (L. D. 699)

Bill "An Act relating to Directors of Corporations" (S. P. 269) (L. D. 700)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Temporary License for Osteopathic Physicians" (S. P. 270) (L. D. 701)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Public Health.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Public Health in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Certificates of Organization of Telephone Companies" (S. P. 271) (L. D. 702)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Public Utilities.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Public Utilities in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Taxation of Poultry" (S. P. 273) (L. D. 703)

Bill "An Act relating to Exemption of Spray Materials from Sales Tax" (S. P. 274) (L. D. 704)

Bill "An Act relating to Continuous Credit for Excise Tax on Motor Vehicles" (S. P. 275) (L. D. 705)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Taxation.

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Salaries of County Officers of Kennebec County" (S. P. 276) (L. D. 706)

Bill "An Act relating to Salary of Judge of Probate in Cumberland County" (S. P. 277) (L. D. 707)

Bill "An Act relating to the Salary of Register of Probate, Cumberland County" (S. P. 278) (L. D. 708)

Bill "An Act relating to Clerk Hire in Office of Register of Probate of Cumberland County" (S. P. 279) (L. D. 709)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Registration Fees for Certain Motor Vehicles Used for Commercial Purposes" (S. P. 280) (L. D. 696)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Transportation.

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

**Senate Reports of Committees
Ought to Pass**

Report of the Committee on Highways reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to Allocate Money from the General Highway Fund for State Aid Construction" (S. P. 63) (L. D. 90)

Report of the Committee on Towns and Counties reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Transfer of Certain Property to Lincoln County Cultural and Historical Association" (S. P. 85) (L. D. 174)

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

In the House, the Reports were read and accepted in concurrence, the Bills read twice and assigned the next legislative day.

Tabled and Assigned

Report of the Committee on Towns and Counties reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Fees of Deputy Sheriffs in Attendance at Court" (S. P. 86) (L. D. 175)

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

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

(On motion of Mr. Davis of Calais, the Bill with accompanying papers was tabled pending second reading of the Bill and specially assigned for Wednesday next, February 23.)

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Report of the Committee on Claims on Resolve, in Favor of Gordon M. Stewart of Paris, Administrator d.b.n. c.t.a. of the Estate of Eva M. Elliot, late of Otisfield, Deceased (S. P. 29) (L. D. 18) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

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

In the House, the Report was read and accepted in concurrence and the Resolve read once.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 29, L. D. 18, Resolve, in Favor of Gordon M. Stewart of Paris, Administrator d.b.n.c.t.a. of the Estate of Eva M. Elliot, late of Otisfield, Deceased.

Amend said resolve by striking out in second line in said resolve "general fund" and inserting in place thereof: "unappropriated surplus of the general fund"

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Resolve was assigned for second reading the next legislative day.

The following papers from the Senate not on the Advance Journal:

From the Senate: The following Orders:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, February 22, 1955, at ten o'clock in the forenoon. (S. P. 290)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that there be printed 1000 additional copies of the Senate and House Registers. (S. P. 308)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, the Orders were read and passed in concurrence.

Petitions, Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference

The following Bills and Resolves (transmitted by the Director of Legislative Research pursuant to Joint Order S. P. 25) were received and, upon recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following Committees:

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Resolve in favor of Aroostook State Teachers College (H. P. 731) (Presented by Mr. Carter of Newport)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Appropriating Moneys for Construction and Repairs at the Maine Vocational-Technical Institute (H. P. 732) (Presented by Mr. Fuller of South Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Appropriating Monies for the Purchase of "Voter's Manual" (H. P. 733) (Presented by Miss Lawry of Rockland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Claims

Resolve to Reimburse Town of Lincoln for Certain Welfare Case (H. P. 734) (Presented by Mr. Dudley of Enfield)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve in favor of Abigail D. Flynn, of Waldoboro (H. P. 735) (Presented by Mr. Walter of Waldoboro)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve in favor of Harold B. Gross of Waldoboro (H. P. 736) (Presented by same gentleman)

Sent up for concurrence.

Highways

Bill "An Act Designating Federal Aid Secondary Routes as State Highways" (H. P. 737) (Presented by Mr. Allen of Chelsea)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Reappropriating Road Resolve Funds in City of Eastport

(H. P. 738) (Presented by Mr. Lamb of Eastport)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Inland Fisheries and Game

Bill "An Act relating to the Wells and York Game Preserve" (H. P. 739) (Presented by Mr. Hancock of York)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Defining Boundaries of Jefferson and Whitefield Game Preserve" (H. P. 740) (Presented by Mr. Walter of Waldoboro)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Regulating White Perch, Bass and Pickerel Fishing in Lake Anasagunticook (H. P. 741) (Presented by Mr. Cole of Sumner)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve relating to Daily Trout Limit in Shagg Pond, Oxford County (H. P. 742) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in all River Tributaries at Sebago Lake (H. P. 743) (Presented by Mr. Davis of Westbrook by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Judiciary

Bill "An Act Repealing the Small-Claims Law" (H. P. 744) (Presented by Mr. Davis of Calais)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Permitting Re-opening of Examinations for State Employment by Disabled Veterans" (H. P. 745) (Presented by Mr. Edgar of Bar Harbor)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Funds for Minors not Having Guardian" (H. P. 746) (Presented by Mr. Hancock of York)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution providing for Two State Senators from Each County (H. P. 747) (Presented by Mr. Bowie of Durham)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act relating to Preference to Maine Residents in Certain Con-

tracts" (H. P. 748) (Presented by Mr. Allen of Chelsea)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Licensing of Auctioneers" (H. P. 749) (Presented by Mr. Hancock of York)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Approval of Certain Heating Units" (H. P. 750) (Presented by Mr. Pierce of Bucksport)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Liquor Control

Bill "An Act relating to Employment by Liquor Licensees of Persons with Liquor Law Convictions" (H. P. 751) (Presented by Mr. Charles of Portland by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Natural Resources

Bill "An Act relating to Restrictions on Turnpikes" (H. P. 752) (Presented by Mrs. Files of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Public Health

Bill "An Act relating to Age of Apprentice in Practice of Hairdressing and Beauty Culture" (H. P. 753) (Presented by Mr. Childs of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Study in Out-of-State Schools of Hairdressing and Beauty Culture" (H. P. 754) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Public Utilities

Bill "An Act relating to Advice of Public Utilities Commission to Towns Concerning Water and Sewerage Systems" (H. P. 755) (Presented by Mr. Osborne of Fairfield)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Retirements and Pensions

Resolve in favor of Walter E. Dow of Washburn (H. P. 756) (Presented by Mr. Bragdon of Perham)

Resolve Increasing Pension of Howard C. Hatch of Wells (H. P. 757) (Presented by Mr. Brewster of Wells)

Resolve providing for an Increase in State Pension for Elmer McKenney of Lowell (H. P. 758) (Presented by Mr. Dudley of Enfield)

Resolve providing for State Pension for Harry O. Bickford of Lowell (H. P. 759) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve providing for State Pension for Harry Cook of Livermore Falls (H. P. 760) (Presented by Mr. Kinch of Livermore Falls)

Sent up for concurrence.

Sea and Shore Fisheries

Bill "An Act relating to Revocation and Suspension of Licenses Issued Under Sea and Shore Fisheries Laws" (H. P. 761) (Presented by Mr. Winchenpaw of Friendship)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve relating to Dragging for Quahogs in Maquoit Bay, Cumberland County (H. P. 762) (Presented by Mr. Skolfield of Harpswell by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Taxation

Bill "An Act Exempting Towns from the Use Fuel Tax" (H. P. 763) (Presented by Mr. Allen of Chelsea)

(750 copies Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Exempting Agricultural Sprays and Dusts from Sales and Use Tax" (H. P. 764) (Presented by Mr. Bragdon of Perham)

(750 copies Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Exemption of Sales Taxes on Certain Items Pertaining to the Maine Maritime Academy" (H. P. 765) (Presented by Mr. Charles of Portland)

(750 copies Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Increasing Excise Taxes on Malt Liquors" (H. P. 766) (Presented by Mr. Hanson of Gardiner)

(750 copies Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Towns and Counties

Bill "An Act Amending Charter of the Yorkshire Municipal Court" (H. P. 767) (Presented by Mr. Hancock of York)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Transportation

Bill "An Act relating to Registration Fees for Certain Motor Trucks" (H. P. 768) (Presented by Mr. Finemore of Bridgewater)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Orders

On motion of Mr. Foss of Chapman, it was

ORDERED, that Mr. Dunn of Poland be excused from attendance this week because of illness; and that Mr. MacDonald of Rumford be excused from attendance this week because of illness; also that Mr. Fay of Portland be excused from attendance this week because of illness.

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

Mr. OSBORNE: Mr. Speaker, I would like to present an order and move its passage and I would like to speak briefly on the order.

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

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Public Utilities Commission shall, upon completion of their investigation of the February 11, 1955 derailment near Kennebec Siding, submit a written report to the Committee on Public Utilities. This report shall contain such recommendations, if any, as the Commission may suggest for Legislative action. The Committee may, in its discretion, report such Bill or Bills as it deems desirable in this matter, notwithstanding the provisions of any joint rule or Joint Order. (H. P. 805)

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. OSBORNE: Mr. Speaker, and Members of the House, I present this order in order to avoid any misunderstanding. There seems to be a feeling and I do not know how it came about, from what I said yesterday about an order on the same matter that came in from the Senate, that either I was trying to obstruct some legislative action or that perhaps the Committee or I, as House Chairman, were disinterested in any legislation in connection with

this affair that might be found advisable.

That was not the case I assure you. I feel that the Public Utilities Committee and you members also have confidence in the ability of the Commission. This order that I have prepared will accomplish what would have been accomplished anyhow, but it will avoid the necessity of the Public Utilities Committee of the Legislature meeting with the Public Utilities Commission each and every time this matter is discussed, as apparently we were directed or could be inferred that we were directed to do. I am sure that if after the Public Utilities Commission has studied this matter, obtained all the facts and submitted them to your Committee, then if your Committee finds that there is any legislation that can be accomplished within the realms of its duties that it will so present it to both bodies. The Interstate Commerce Commission has the jurisdiction apparently, but it is a twilight zone of possibility that additional legislation within the State might prove advantageous, and if it does I am sure we will try to report it properly to you.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne, that his order receive passage. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Fuller.

Mr. FULLER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I think it would be well to find out first what we are going to do with the order that is tabled under Orders of the Day and for that reason I would like to table this order until Tuesday next.

(Cries of "No")

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Fuller, moves that the order of the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne, be tabled pending passage and be specially assigned for Tuesday next, February 22.

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

Mr. CHILDS: Mr. Speaker, I request a division.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Portland, Mr. Childs, requests a division.

As many as are in favor of the order presented by the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne, lying on the table pending passage and being specially assigned for Tuesday next, will kindly rise and remain standing in their places until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

Ten having voted in the affirmative and seventy-three having voted in the negative, the motion to table did not prevail.

Thereupon, the Order received passage and was sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Childs of Portland, by unanimous consent the order was sent forthwith to the Senate.

On motion of the gentlewoman from Anson, Mrs. Thomas, House Rule 25 was suspended for the remainder of today's session in order to permit smoking.

House Reports of Committees Ought Not to Pass

Mr. Cote from the Committee on Claims reported "Ought not to pass" on Resolve to Reimburse Horace Hinkley of Richmond for Damages Done by Parolees (H. P. 92) (L. D. 103)

Mr. Courtois from same Committee reported same on Resolve in favor of Charles Lumbert, Brunswick (H. P. 250)

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Tabled and Assigned

Mr. Getchell from the Committee on Claims reported "Ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of the Town of Palermo (H. P. 181) (L. D. 188)

Report was read.

(On motion of Mr. Knight of Searsmont, the Report with accompanying papers was tabled pending acceptance of the Report and specially assigned for Thursday, February 24.)

Mr. Jack from the Committee on Claims reported "Ought not to

pass" on Resolve in favor of Newbert Spear of Milo (H. P. 137)

Mr. Butler from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported same on Resolve Regulating Fishing for Black Bass in Washington County (H. P. 259) (L. D. 243)

Mr. Browne from the Committee on Judiciary reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Highway Drains" (H. P. 194) (L. D. 199)

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Earles from the Committee on Judiciary reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Establishing Maximum Speed Limit for Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 275) (L. D. 259)

Report was read.

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

Mr. TOTMAN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I personally hold a belief that if a bill is worth introducing it is worth fighting for and not an "Ought not to pass" Report. However, in this case inasmuch as the Governor's Highway Safety Committee has recently placed a report on our desk stating that they are going to conduct a survey for the next Legislature on absolute speed limits for urban, residential and rural areas, I concur with the report of the Committee on "Ought not to pass".

Thereupon, the Report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Hancock from the Committee on Judiciary reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Consent for Adoption of Children" (H. P. 193) (L. D. 198)

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Tabled and Assigned

Mr. McGlauffin from the Committee on Judiciary reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Checking Speed of Motor Vehicles by Electrical Devices" (H. P. 109) (L. D. 117)

Report was read.

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

Mr. TOTMAN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, this bill was

a department bill, and rather than take issue with the report of the Committee today, I think in courtesy to the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlauffin, that I would prefer to debate the bill when he is here, and therefore would move that the bill be laid on the table and be specially assigned for Wednesday of next week.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman, moves that the Report with accompanying papers be laid on the table pending acceptance of the Committee Report and be specially assigned for Wednesday next, February 23. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the Report with accompanying papers was so tabled and assigned.

Mr. Wadleigh from the Committee on Towns and Counties reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Annual Statement by County Treasurers" (H. P. 313) (L. D. 290)

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Ought to Pass Printed Bills

Mr. Butler from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "Ought to pass" on Resolve Regulating Fishing in Sawyer's Pond in Southport (H. P. 471) (L. D. 516)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve Regulating Fishing for Smallmouth Black Bass, Pickerel and White Perch on Mount Desert Island (H. P. 146) (L. D. 146)

Mr. Dudley from same Committee reported same on Resolve Regulating Taking of Smelts in Outlet of Nubble Pond, Cumberland County (H. P. 147) (L. D. 147)

Mr. Browne from the Committee on Judiciary reported same on Bill "An Act Repealing Statement of Contributions and Expenses by Municipal Candidates" (H. P. 191) (L. D. 196)

Mr. McGlauffin from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Delinquent Election Returns" (H. P. 152) (L. D. 152)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Forgery of Motor Vehicle

Operator's License or Registration Certificate" (H. P. 60) (L. D. 65)

Mr. Bragdon from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Salary and Bond of Treasurer of Community School District" (H. P. 368) (L. D. 404)

Mr. Childs from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Retirement Pensions for Police and Fire Departments of the City of Portland" (H. P. 369) (L. D. 405)

Mrs. Thomas from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to the Superintending School Committee of the City of Belfast" (H. P. 364) (L. D. 401)

Mr. Howard from the Committee on Natural Resources reported same on Resolve Permitting the United States Government to Install a UHF Remote Transmitter on State Owned Property at South Portland, Cumberland County (H. P. 203) (L. D. 208)

Mr. Lamb from same Committee reported same on Resolve Authorizing the Commissioner of Institutional Service to Convey to Portland Water District a Right of Way for a Pipeline over Land of the Reformatory for Men in South Windham (H. P. 375) (L. D. 410)

Mr. Libby from same Committee reported same on Resolve Changing the Name of Rattlesnake Pond to Pequawket Pond (H. P. 15) (L. D. 14)

Mr. Bernier from the Committee on Public Utilities reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Use of Life Rafts by Certain Boats" (H. P. 204) (L. D. 209)

Mr. Gilmartin from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act to Extend the Charter of the Eliot Water District" (H. P. 311) (L. D. 288)

Mr. Cianchette from the Committee on Towns and Counties reported same on Bill "An Act Increasing Salaries of Certain Officers in Washington County" (H. P. 169) (L. D. 160)

Mr. Stanley from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act to Increase the Salaries of the Judge and the Recorder of the Western Washington Municipal Court" (H. P. 170) (L. D. 161)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Payments to Piscataquis County Law Library" (H. P. 29) (L. D. 39)

Mr. Staples from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act to Increase the Salary of the Judge of the Calais Municipal Court" (H. P. 171) (L. D. 162)

Mr. Wadleigh from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act to Increase the Salary of the Recorder of the Calais Municipal Court" (H. P. 172) (L. D. 163)

Reports were read and accepted, the Bills read twice, Resolves read once, and assigned the next legislative day.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Mr. Butler from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act relating to Open Season for Black Bass" (H. P. 256) (L. D. 241) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 256, L. D. 241, Bill "An Act Relating to Open Season for Black Bass."

Amend said Bill by indicating the striking out of the words "by fly fishing" after the word "taken" in the 6th line of that paragraph designated "11" by drawing a line through said words as follows, 'by fly fishing'

Further amend said Bill by indicating the striking out of the last sentence in the paragraph designated "11" by drawing a line through said sentence as follows, There shall be a closed season for bass in the inland waters of Cumberland county from October 1st to June 20th, both days inclusive.

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

Mr. Butler from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Resolve Regulating Fishing in Rocky Lake in Washington County (H. P.

144) (L. D. 144) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Resolve read once.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 144, L. D. 144, Resolve Regulating Fishing in Rocky Lake in Washington County.

Amend said Resolve by inserting in the title thereof after the words "Rocky Lake," the words 'and Sunken Lake.'

Further amend said Resolve by striking out the third, fourth, and fifth lines and inserting in place thereof the following:

'and regulation opening Rocky Lake and Sunken Lake in Marion, Edmunds and Whiting, in the county of Washington, to ice fishing for all fish, ice in to March 31 each year.'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Resolve assigned for second reading the next legislative day.

Mr. McGlaufflin from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act to Clarify Certain Election Laws" (H. P. 151) (L. D. 151) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 151, L. D. 151, Bill "An Act to Clarify Certain Election Laws."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of Section 5 thereof and inserting in place thereof, the following:

'Sec. 5. R. S., c. 4, § 54, amended. Section 54 of chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes is hereby amended by inserting before the last sentence thereof, the following underlined sentence:

Whenever state, county, city or town committees are required by law to nominate candidates for public office, a certificate as provided in section 57 shall be filed with the Secretary of State at least 5 days following such nomination.'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for

third reading the next legislative day.

Mr. Haughn from the Committee on Public Utilities on Bill "An Act Relating to Temporary Public Utility Permits for Buses" (H. P. 206) (L. D. 211) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 206, L. D. 211, Bill, "An Act Relating to Temporary Public Utility Permits for Buses."

Amend said bill by striking out in the title the word "Permits" and inserting in place thereof the word 'Certificate'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

Mr. Stanwood from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries on Resolve Opening Brooks and Rivers in Hancock County to Taking of Salt Water Smelts (H. P. 49) (L. D. 56) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Resolve read once.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 49, L. D. 56, Resolve Opening Brooks and Rivers in Hancock County to Taking of Salt Water Smelts.

Amend said Resolve by striking out the 5th line from the end and inserting in place thereof the following: 'in any 24-hour period, and'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Resolve assigned for second reading the next legislative day.

Mr. Hilton from the Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act Relating to Appropriations by Municipalities for Advertising" (H. P. 50) (L. D. 57) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 50, L. D. 57, Bill "An Act Relating to Appropriations by Municipalities for Advertising."

Amend said Bill by adding at the end of the fourth line thereof the following underlined words, '**local town**'.

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

Mr. Woodworth from the Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act Relating to Expending Aroostook County Funds for Ricker College" (H. P. 314) (L. D. 291) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 314, L. D. 291, Bill "An Act Relating to Expending Aroostook County Funds for Ricker College."

Amend said Bill by striking out in the 8th line from the end thereof the following words "not exceeding".

Further amend said Bill by striking out in the 5th line from the end thereof the words "July 1" and inserting in place thereof the following words, 'Sept 1'.

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

Passed to Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act to Validate Actions at Certain Town Meetings" (H. P. 150) (L. D. 150)

Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the Town of Orrington School District to Increase its Borrowing Capacity" (H. P. 196) (L. D. 210)

Bill "An Act relating to Property Held by Trustees of Fryeburg Academy" (H. P. 197) (L. D. 202)

Bill "An Act Permitting Harold E. Urquhart of Lubec to Build Weir in Cobscok Bay, Washington County." (H. P. 233) (L. D. 212)

Bill "An Act relating to Service on Foreign Corporations" (H. P. 272) (L. D. 256)

Bill "An Act Amending the Law relating to Factors' Liens" (H. P. 273) (L. D. 257)

Bill "An Act Permitting Don H. Saunders of Lubec to Build Weir in Dennys Bay, Washington County" (H. P. 399) (L. D. 415)

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

Tabled and Assigned

Bill "An Act relating to Definition of Schoolhouses in Laws relating to Boilers and Unfired Steam Pressure Vessels" (H. P. 727) (L. D. 764)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

(On motion of Mr. Curtis of Bowdoinham, tabled pending third reading and specially assigned for Thursday, February 24.)

Bill "An Act Permitting Regional Planning" (H. P. 728) (L. D. 765)

Resolve providing for Motor Vehicle Registration Plates (S. P. 44) (L. D. 33)

Resolve Designating Part of State Highway Three as "The Acadia Highway" (H. P. 185) (L. D. 190)

Resolve Reappropriating Road Resolve Funds in Town of Boothbay Harbor (H. P. 186) (L. D. 191)

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

Amended Bills

Bill "An Act Transferring Bath Academy to the City of Bath" (H. P. 113) (L. D. 121)

Bill "An Act relating to Filing of Nomination Papers in Towns" (H. P. 153) (L. D. 153)

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.

Passed to Be Enacted Emergency Measure

An Act relating to Licenses for Spouses and Children of Members of the Armed Forces of the United States to Hunt or Fish (H. P. 102) (L. D. 110)

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. 105 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

An Act relating to Maine Forestry District Taxes (H. P. 121) (L. D. 124)

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. 105 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.

Passed to Be Enacted

An Act Repealing the Law Prohibiting the Use of Motor Vehicles on a Certain Road in the Town of North Haven (H. P. 18) (L. D. 17)

An Act relating to Stipend to Agricultural Societies (H. P. 43) (L. D. 54)

An Act relating to Facsimile Signature of Secretary of State and Power of Deputy in Certain Motor Vehicle Notices (H. P. 59) (L. D. 64)

An Act relating to a School District for the Towns of Limerick, Parsonsfield, Cornish and Others (H. P. 66) (L. D. 71)

An Act relating to Turning Signals on Fire Department Vehicles (H. P. 82) (L. D. 79)

An Act relating to Weighing Vehicles by Officers (H. P. 128) (L. D. 131)

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

Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: Under Orders of the Day, the Chair lays before the House the first tabled and today assigned matter, Resolve Reappropriating Road Resolve Funds in Town of Carmel, House Paper 100, Legislative Document 108, tabled on February 10

by the gentleman from Etna, Mr. Carter, pending passage to be engrossed.

This Bill, having had its two several readings in the House and the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading having reported that no further verbal amendments are necessary, is it now the pleasure of the House that it pass to be engrossed?

Thereupon, the Resolve was passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER: The Chair now lays before the House the second tabled and today assigned matter, Joint Order relative to Investigation of Feb. 11 Derailment at Kennebec Siding, Senate Paper 281, tabled on February 16 by the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Childs, pending passage.

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

Mr. OSBORNE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I now withdraw my motion of yesterday and move that this order be indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne, moves that Joint Order, Senate Paper 281, be indefinitely postponed. Is this the pleasure of the House?

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

Mr. Seaward of Kittery was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. SEAWARD: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I request unanimous consent to introduce a bill notwithstanding the cloture order.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Kittery, Mr. Seaward, requests unanimous consent to introduce a bill notwithstanding the cloture order. The Clerk will read the title of the bill.

The CLERK: Bill "An Act Relating to the Incorporation of Saint Johns Lodge, Masons of South Berwick, Number Fifty-one."

The SPEAKER: Does the Chair hear objection to the reception of this Bill notwithstanding the cloture order? The Chair hears none and the Bill is received.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Seaward of Kittery, the Bill (H. P. 806) was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Wadleigh of Mt. Vernon was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. WADLEIGH: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I have a bill that was handed to me by the Selectmen of Wayne. I knew about this bill two weeks ago but Mr. O'Malley, one of the Selectmen, has been out of the state and just recently returned and they came in to Augusta yesterday and we wrote up the bill.

I now request unanimous consent to present this bill.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Mt. Vernon, Mr. Wadleigh, requests unanimous consent to introduce a bill notwithstanding the cloture order. The Clerk will read the title of the Bill.

The CLERK: Bill "An Act relating to Maintenance of the Androscoggin Lake Dam."

The SPEAKER: Does the Chair hear objection to the reception of this Bill notwithstanding the cloture order? The Chair hears none and the Bill is received.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Wadleigh of Mt. Vernon, the Bill (H. P. 807) was referred to the Committee on Highways, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Martin of Eagle Lake was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. MARTIN: Mr. Speaker, I am reluctant to request a departure from the cloture rule on a matter seemingly as unimportant as a pension bill but the person involved has attempted to commit suicide and the matter was brought to my attention by the County Attorney of Aroostook and therefore I request unanimous consent to introduce the pension resolve as I feel I would be avoiding my obligation if I did not do so at this time.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Eagle Lake, Mr. Martin, requests unanimous consent to introduce a Resolve notwithstanding the

cloture order. The Clerk will read the title of the Resolve.

The CLERK: Resolve providing for a State Pension for Simon Oakes of St. John Plantation.

The SPEAKER: Does the Chair hear objection to the reception of this Resolve notwithstanding the cloture order? The Chair hears none and the Resolve is received.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Martin of Eagle Lake, the Resolve (H. P. 808) was referred to the Committee on Retirements and Pensions and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Curtis of Bowdoinham was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. CURTIS: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: You will find on your desks quite an extensive survey of the road situation. I presume that our good friend, the petroleum industry, has a perfect right to present their side of any question. Just why they would go to the expense of anything like this is just beyond me; it is just another one of those things, I guess. If there were no roads, as there are, there would be no petroleum industry, and if there was no gas tax, there would be no roads. Just why they didn't figure that out is more than I know, but they do ask you on this first page to read this carefully and considerately and I trust you will, because although the more you read it the more you will consider that they are way out in left field.

Now you had the State Highway Commission here with you last night and the engineers and I presume you have got a good deal of instruction on what is going on and what it costs to build roads. You have on your desk undoubtedly the same as I have on mine all the reports and all the things that you can find out. Anything that you lack you can go right down there and find out, and so I would ask you to carefully weigh this thing and also carefully weigh the conditions that we are in. When they tell that we can build these roads as it tells in here with the present set-up that we have why just make a study of the thing yourself. Our roads are lasting 26 years and we heard last night what it

costs, so let's do a little of our own figuring and not be carried away by some propaganda and just why they brought this out is way beyond me. Thank you.

Mr. Carter of Newport was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. CARTER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I merely ask for unanimous consent to introduce two bills for the Selectmen at Stetson, Maine. The first to reimburse the Town of Stetson for aid extended to Carlton Johnson.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Newport, Mr. Carter, requests unanimous consent to introduce a Resolve notwithstanding the cloture order. The Clerk will read the title.

The CLERK: Resolve to Reimburse the Town of Stetson for Aid Extended to Carlton Johnson.

The SPEAKER: Does the Chair hear objection to the reception of this Resolve notwithstanding the cloture order? The Chair hears none and the Resolve is received.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Carter of Newport, the Resolve (H. P. 809) was referred to the Committee on Claims and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair understands that the gentleman from Newport, Mr. Carter requests unanimous consent to introduce another Resolve notwithstanding the cloture order. The Clerk will read the title of the Resolve.

The CLERK: Resolve providing for State Pension for Eber Day of Stetson.

The SPEAKER: Does the Chair hear objection to the reception of this Resolve notwithstanding the clo-

ture order? The Chair hears none and the Resolve is received.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Carter of Newport, the Resolve (H. P. 810) was referred to the Committee on Retirements and Pensions and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Lamb of Eastport was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. LAMB: Mr. Speaker, I have here a resolve which I received only two days ago and I would like now to ask unanimous consent to introduce this resolve.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Eastport, Mr. Lamb, requests unanimous consent to introduce a Resolve notwithstanding the cloture order. The Clerk will read the title of the Resolve.

The CLERK: Resolve providing for State Pension for Edith Skinner of Eastport.

The SPEAKER: Does the Chair hear objection to the reception of this Resolve notwithstanding the cloture order? The Chair hears none and the Resolve is received.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Lamb of Eastport, the Resolve (H. P. 811) was referred to the Committee on Retirements and Pensions and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The House is proceeding under Order of the Day.

If there is no further business to come before the House, the Clerk will read the notices.

On motion of Mr. Olpe of Brownfield,

Adjourned until Tuesday, February 22, at ten o'clock in the morning.