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**SENATE**

Saturday, June 13, 1959

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Lawrence Littlehale of Gardiner.

On motion by Mr. Cole of Waldo, Journal of yesterday read and approved.

**Papers From the House  
Conference Committee Report**

The Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on Bill, "An Act Relating to Salaries of County Officials and Clerk Hire." (S. P. 491) (L. D. 1369) reported:

That the House recede from passage to be engrossed as amended, recede from adoption of all Senate and House Amendments, indefinitely postpone said amendments, adopt Conference Committee Amendment A (L. D. 1396), and pass the Bill to be engrossed as amended by Conference Committee Amendment A; that the Senate recede from passage to be engrossed as amended, recede from adoption of all Senate and House Amendments, indefinitely postpone said amendments, adopt Conference Committee Amendment A, and pass the Bill to be engrossed as amended by Conference Committee Amendment A in concurrence.

In the Senate, the Conference Committee Report was accepted and the Senate voted to recede from its former action and pass the bill to be engrossed as amended by Conference Committee Amendment A.

**Papers From the House**

Bill, "An Act to Clarify Procedure for Reorganization of School Administrative Units." (H. P. 981) (L. D. 1394)

In Senate, on June 12, passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment A (Filing 509) in non-concurrence.

Comes from the House, passed to be engrossed without amendment; House insisted, asks for Committee of Conference.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Hillman of Penobscot, the Senate voted to insist on its former action and join in a Committee of Conference; the Chair named as Senate Conferees:

Senators:

HILLMAN of Penobscot  
LESSARD of Androscoggin

**Senate Committee Report  
Committee of Conference**

The Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on Bill, "An Act to Create a Parking Commission for City of Lewiston." (H. P. 843) (L. D. 1206) reported that they are "Unable to Agree."

Which report was read and accepted.

**Papers From the House  
Out of Order  
Conference Committee Report**

The Committee on Conference on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on Bill, "An Act Relating to Effective Date for Salary Increase for County Officers and Judges and Recorders of Municipal Courts." (H. P. 869) (L. D. 1237) reported that they are "unable to agree."

Which report was read and accepted in concurrence.

**Joint Order**

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that there be created an interim Joint Committee to consist of 2 Senators and 3 Representatives appointed respectively by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House who shall be members ex officio, to study and report to the 100th Legislature such recommendations concerning revision of the Senate and House rules and the joint rules as may accomplish efficiency and expediency of the legislative process in Maine; and BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the committee shall have the authority to employ such expert and professional advice and counsel and such clerical assistance as in its judgment may determine within the limits of the funds provided; and BE IT FURTHER OR-

DERED, that the members of the committee shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for their expenses incurred in the performance of their duties under this order; and BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that there is appropriated to the Committee from the Legislative Appropriation the sum of \$1,000 to carry out the purposes of this order. (H. P. 982).

Which was read and passed in concurrence.

The Speaker appointed:

Representatives:

ERVIN of Houlton  
MAYO of Bath  
JALBERT of Lewiston

#### Enactor — Out of Order

The Committee on engrossed bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following bill.

Bill, "An Act to Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in the Public Laws." (S. P. 403) (L. D. 1171)

Which bill was passed to be enacted.

#### Orders of the Day

Mr. Woodcock presented the following Order, out of order and under suspension of the rules:

ORDERED, the House concurring that the following bill and accompanying papers be recalled from the legislative files to the Senate: Bill, "An Act Relating to Sales Tax on Motor Vehicles Traded in"

Which Order received a passage and was ordered sent forthwith to the House.

Mr. WEEKS of Cumberland: Mr. President, may I ask a question? What is the effect of this action just now taken?

The PRESIDENT: The Secretary will again read the Order.

The Secretary read the Order.

Mr. WEEKS of Cumberland: Mr. President and members of the Senate: Possibly, this action having taken so rapidly under the hammer, I may be out of order in saying anything.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will state that the Senator is not out of order. He questions the vote, and the Chair will state that the matter is open for debate, and we will

have a division if the Senator so requests.

Mr. WEEKS: I understand that the order affects the used-car trade-in tax so-called?

The PRESIDENT: The order brings the bill back before the Senate.

Mr. WEEKS: Mr. President, I just want to be on record that I am unalterably opposed to this tax. I believe my name is on the bill that brought this exemption into existence a few years ago. I thought it was right then and I think it is right now, that trade-ins should not be taxed.

It may be interesting to know that there is a weekly report that comes out every week in regard to taxation matters all over the country, every state in the Union. You can read that report day in and day out and you will not find a tax like this passed by any state anywhere. You can find motel taxes, income tax, sales tax, but I dare say you won't find any state in the Union releasing from exemption a tax of this nature. I am opposed to it now, I have been opposed to the removal of the exemption and I always will be. It is a tax that nobody wants above all other taxes.

Mr. ROSS of Sagadahoc: Mr. President and members of the Senate: As some of the members of this Senate know, I am vehemently opposed to all taxes at this time.

For those who say that if we have no taxes we will have no program, in my opinion they are just trying to force an affirmative vote. I may stand alone on this, but I believe that with proper nonpartisan cooperation a way can be found, and a financially responsible way, to support a modest program.

Now I am going to save my tax speech for the enactment stage on taxes; but I think that of all taxes proposed this is the worst tax, and I think that this procedure for reviving a dead, unpopular issue is ridiculous. I certainly will vote against this, and I request a division.

Mr. DOW of Lincoln: Mr. President, I may be wrong in my thinking. I do not like this tax and I am not going to vote for it in the end, but there are a lot of legis-

lators in these halls right now that want to reconsider this, and for that purpose I believe this order has been presented, and I will go along on a division to give those who want to reconsider a chance to reconsider it, although I never will vote for the tax.

Mr. LESSARD of Androscoggin: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I rise here to place something in the record. There have been some rumors throughout these corridors that a movement is on foot to raise estimates in order to arrive at a program. I would like to state on the record that I do not believe that that sort of action will be acceptable to our Governor at this time or any other time. We can spike the rumor right here now, that any attempt to raise estimates given to us by our tax experts, assessors and collectors is unalterably opposed by the Governor.

Mr. WOODCOCK of Penobscot: Mr. President, since I presented this order and I am hopeful that it will receive a passage, and since there has been some debate entered on the record, I just want to say too, that we do have professionals hired by the state at the taxpayers' expense to advise the legislature on estimated revenues. There have been stands taken by those professionals, and so far as I am concerned I will abide by their decision. The only other way I can think of by which you can go home with anything but a zero program is to do something that I consider to be absolutely irresponsible, and that is to take surplus money for recurring expenses. Neither of those proposals is tenable to me.

Mr. WEEKS of Cumberland: Mr. President and members of the Senate: As I understand it right now, there is one issue before the Senate and that is whether or not we will reconsider a measure which has been killed once. I do not know where there is any occasion for any conversation or discussion regarding what is going to happen to the fiscal policy or what is going to happen to estimates. Whether we strike estimates or not is not before us today. I dare say I know a little something about this,

although I am no expert on it. The question before this body is whether or not you will reconsider what amounts to a tax. What we do thereafter is something else.

Mr. FARLEY of York: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I am very interested to hear the remarks of the Senator from Sagadahoc, Senator Ross, with reference to a nonpartisan affair. I had the opportunity of serving with that gentleman two years ago, and if at any time during this session he had made that suggestion to me I would more than have made a great effort to accomplish it. What has happened here in the last week is very disgraceful. Not that I was completely with it, but if we had had a nonpartisan program we could have all gone and given the railroad people some tax relief that they need, and I would have been willing at any time to have gone to the Democratic party and get them to do it.

Many of us have been in the halls of this State House since 1949 on, and we know this and that. We know that this thing was sold to us falsely, but we went along with it for two years. I ask you in all honesty and fairness if that was not placed on the books and then was taken off. It wasn't taken off by the public. There is only one group who do not want it and that is the automobile dealers. They don't want it, they do not want to collect the tax, but they will collect the tax on parts and this and that. If they can't clean their own automobile business, clean out some of the shenanigans, then why should we punish the public for it. The average person changes his car every two or three years. If a doctor can buy a nine thousand dollar Cadillac why can't he pay? There is no reaction in the community where I live, only from the dealers, and one dealer where I buy mine has said he doesn't care about the sales tax, but he doesn't want to lose my business. I think it is a fair tax. It was placed upon the books by the party and I think that party should stay with it. I fought it hard. We voted in 1949 and 1951 and we were defeated by one vote. The tax was put there. We were told by a gentleman who

was then a member of the House and afterwards a member of the Senate that the Sweringen Automobile Company of Portland said the tax was o.k., and then we lost clean down the line, and it even took the Speaker of the House to make 101. I think we should still go along and reconsider. We have reconsidered an awful lot of things during this session, so why not do this? I hope that the motion to reconsider prevails.

Mr. DOW of Lincoln: Mr. President, I just want to concur with the last words of the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Weeks, that we are not debating the automobile tax. The question is whether or not we want to give a lot of legislators who want to do that an opportunity to reconsider this, and I think if the opportunity presents itself we can debate the car tax on its merits then. I believe that we are mixing up the issue with the proposed motion.

Mr. FARLEY of York: Mr. President, I directed my remarks to the Senator from Sagadahoc, Senator Ross.

Mr. HILLMAN of Penobscot: Mr. President, so we won't become confused here, I think that the issue as explained by the Senator from Lincoln, Senator Dow, is a fact; I think we should save our debate for later on. Our problem right now is whether or not we want to reconsider.

Mr. HUNT of Kennebec: Mr. President, as I understand it, the purpose of this order is to have another tax measure available if we need it. We all know we have some \$3,500,000 in the supplementary budget and we have to raise money for it, and we have all these legislative documents which are on the calendar today, not the least of which is one for state employees' salary adjustments. So far when a measure has gone through this body and has been defeated in the House and has come back here it has not received passage. So it seems to me that as a safeguard and having this measure available in the event we need it, it is just wise precaution, and I can see no harm in having this measure ready in the event it should become necessary.

Mr. BRIGGS of Aroostook: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I am glad to be able to finally arise in opposition to bringing this car trade-in tax back from the legislative files. Regardless of what any of the previous speakers have said as to what the motives are of this order, the order obviously, at least in the minds of some of the members is to see if more revenue can be obtained for some of these legislative documents by enacting the automobile trade-in tax. Now I think that all of the things that have been discussed, at least to a degree, are in issue in the recall of this measure. I think too that what we are doing, if we finally get this tax proposition jammed across on us, or, rather, if we do not get it put over, we are not removing the tax from the purchase of an automobile, all we are doing is preventing the tax from being placed over and over again on the whole value of every car that every fellow has to buy, and a lot of them do not buy nine thousand dollar Cadillacs, they buy seven hundred dollar Fords and Chevrolets, and they have to buy them darned often because they are pretty well worn out. All this bloody tax is going to do is to prepare the same old sheep for the shearing, and I am mighty glad to go on record as against it and as against recalling it from the files.

The PRESIDENT: The pending question is on the motion of the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Woodcock, for the passage of the Order, the previous vote having been questioned.

A division of the Senate was had.

Seventeen having voted in the affirmative and eight opposed, the motion prevailed, the Order received a passage and was ordered sent forthwith to the House.

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On motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot

Recessed until this afternoon at two-fifteen o'clock.

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#### After Recess

The Senate was called to order by the President.

On motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot, the Senate voted that the Joint Order relative to L. D. 250 be withdrawn.

Mr. WOODCOCK of Penobscot: Mr. President, I would inquire whether or not L. D. 250 is in the possession of the Senate?

The PRESIDENT: The Chair would state that it is.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot, the Senate voted to recede from its action whereby it accepted the Conference Committee Report on L. D. 250; and on further motion by the same Senator, the Conference Committee Report was rejected; and on further motion by the same Senator, the Senate voted to recede from its former action whereby the bill was indefinitely postponed; on further motion by the same Senator, the ought to pass report was accepted in concurrence and read once; under suspension of the rules, the bill was read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

**Out of Order**

**Papers From the House  
Joint Order**

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Legislative Research Committee be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to study county jail operations in the several counties in the State for the purpose of determining strengths and weaknesses in the county jail system with a view of resolving such reforms as are necessary to promote the best interest of the State, consistent with this objective to make such recommendations to the 100th Legislature as it concludes necessary for the more efficient administration of its functions, including consolidation, elimination and assumption of such functions by the State, or other alternatives as it deems necessary. (H. P. 983)

On motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot, tabled pending passage, and especially assigned for later in today's session.

**Communication — Out of Order**

State of Maine  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Office of the Clerk  
Augusta

June 13, 1959

Honorable Chester T. Winslow  
Secretary of the Senate  
99th Legislature

Sir:

The Speaker has appointed the following Conferees on the part of the House on the disagreeing actions of the two branches of the Legislature on:

Bill, "An Act Increasing Salary of Members of the Legislature." (H. P. 15) (L. D. 24)

Messrs.

ROLLINS of Belfast  
THUMBULL of Fryeburg  
JALBERT of Lewiston

Bill, "An Act to Clarify the Procedure for Reorganization of School Administrative Units." (H. P. 981) (L. D. 1394)

Messrs.

ERVIN of Houlton  
FRAZIER of Lee  
CLARK of Scarborough

Respectfully,

(Signed)

HARVEY R. PEASE  
Clerk of the House

Which was read and ordered placed on file.

**Communication — Out of Order**

State of Maine  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Office of the Clerk  
Augusta

June 13, 1959

Honorable Chester T. Winslow  
Secretary of the Senate  
99th Legislature

Sir:

The Speaker today appointed the following members to serve on the interim Joint Committee to Study the Entire Salary System at the County Level (S. P. 514):

Messrs.

EARLES of South Portland  
KNIGHT of Rockland  
SAUNDERS of Bethel

and the Speaker today appointed the following member to serve on

the Atlantic State Marine Fisheries Commission:

Mr. WALSH of Verona

Respectfully,

(Signed)

HARVEY R. PEASE  
Clerk of the House

Which was read and ordered placed on file.

#### After Recess

Senate called to order by the President.

On motion by Mr. Lessard of Androscoggin

ORDERED, that a message be sent to the House of Representatives, proposing that a Joint Convention be held forthwith in the Hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of inviting His excellency, GOVERNOR CLINTON A. CLAUSON, to attend and address to the Convention, such remarks as he may be pleased to make.

Which was read and passed.

The Secretary delivered the message and subsequently reported that he had performed the duty assigned to him.

A message was received from the House through Mr. Pease, its Clerk, concurring in the proposition for a Joint Convention.

The Senate retired to the Hall of the House of Representatives 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.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair would like to say, I am sure that the entire Senate is very happy to see our very attractive page, Lois Beauchaine again on duty and looking healthy and completely recovered from her illness and I am also sure that the Senate will want to give a nice round of applause to Lois. (Applause)

#### Enactor — Out of Order

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following bill:

Bill, "An Act Relating to Salaries of County Officials and Clerk Hire." (S. P. 491) (L. D. 1369)

Which bill was passed to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot

Recessed until tonight at seven o'clock.

#### After Recess

The Senate was called to order by the President.

#### Paper from the House

##### Out of Order

##### Conference Committee Report

The Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on Bill, "An Act Repealing the Two Inch Clam Law" (H. P. 177) (L. D. 248) reported:

That the House recede from its action whereby the Bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment A, reconsider adoption of Committee Amendment A, indefinitely postpone Committee Amendment A, adopt Conference Committee Amendment A and pass the Bill to be engrossed as amended by Conference Committee Amendment A; that the Senate recede from indefinite postponement, accept the report of the Committee reporting OUGHT TO PASS as amended by Committee Amendment A, indefinitely postpone Committee Amendment A, adopt Conference Committee Amendment A and pass the bill to be engrossed as amended by Conference Committee Amendment A in concurrence.

Comes from the House, report accepted and bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Conference Committee Amendment A in non-concurrence.

In the Senate:

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President, I move acceptance of the Conference Committee Report.

Mr. COFFIN of Cumberland: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I thought this clam bill was dead and buried. When I first came up here I was against this particular bill and I was the only man on the committee that was against it. The boys convinced me if I would go along with amendment



would I go along with bill. I went along with the amendment. The amendment came up here and my good friend, the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman, decided that he wanted to kill the bill, and apparently he had done a fairly good job, because there were not too many people who stood up with me when I talked for the amendment. I just found out today that they have dug the clam back here again and they have added a few words or an extra date to this amendment.

Now the amendment in the first place was to start June 1, 1960. That was to give the small towns a chance to have a town meeting and decide whether they wanted the two-inch clam in their area or not. Now the amendment has been changed from June, 1960 to January, 1962. Now that will end when the legislature will have been out of session, and I would like to ask a question: What are we going to do in that interim when, as I understand it, this law will go back to the original law, the way this amendment is? I would like to know what is going to be done from the first of January to town meeting time if it reverts back to the old law. Everyone is going to get mixed up, a lot of people are going to get arrested for short clams and so forth and it is going to be a regular nuisance on the books.

I feel that I should have been notified of this thing and what was going on, and I am somewhat upset over the thing. I am reverting back to the original bill and I am going to make a motion to indefinitely postpone this amendment.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Cumberland, Senator Coffin, moves indefinite postponement of the conference committee report.

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President and members of the Senate: This bill was before the House and Senate and was around a long time. The House passed it and the Senate voted to indefinitely postpone it, the House asked for a committee of conference, and after a lot of discussion on it your committee of conference, including all of the Senators on the committee, the good Senator from Kennebec,

Senator Martin, and the good Senator from Waldo, Mr. Cole, agreed to a compromise. Now I think the good Senator from Cumberland, Senator Coffin, is under some misapprehension.

The way the committee of conference amendment reads, this law would be suspended from the first of March, 1960 to the first of March 1962. Now the reason the first of March date was used was because the date of the original amendment was set earlier, and in discussion with the Director of Legislative Research he felt that the vote of the town meetings could not be legal until the law was in effect, so we changed the date from June first back to March first. The law has been suspended for two years, and during the second year the legislature will meet, and if the suspension of the law in the opinion of the legislature is working well they can vote to continue it; if it is not working well they can let the matter remain and automatically it will go back to the present status.

Now it seems to me that this is a fair compromise. All three of your Senate members of the committee of conference have agreed on it, the House has accepted it, and I hope that the Senate may accept this recommendation of the committee of conference.

Mr. COFFIN of Cumberland: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I am glad that the good Senator from Washington corrected my statement from June first to March first, because it does say effective March first, 1960 and remaining effective until January first, 1962. Now if this becomes effective March first, 1960, that means that most of the small towns along the coast will not have had their annual town meetings next year, therefore they will be forced, there will be a period in there they will be forced to do possibly things they would not ordinarily do with this law already in effect, and I feel that under the circumstances and the way this bill has been bounced around — I can't see for the life of me how once one month we vote a certain way to protect the clam and the next month we vote another way to do away with the

clam, and I cannot see how we can keep changing back and forth.

I think I have talked long enough on this thing and I hope you people understand the question. I was against taking this two-inch clam law off in the beginning; I was willing to go along with a compromise, however, now I am reverting back to my original thinking and I hope you folks will support me. Thank you.

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President, I merely want to say that this is a compromise and it seemed to be the best compromise at which we could arrive. We just tried to be reasonable and work out something that was satisfactory to the members of the conference committee.

Mr. DOW of Lincoln: Mr. President, I again ask through the Chair just what is happening here, because I was originally involved with this clam situation, and I just simply want to know if we accept this conference committee report — and I ask this question of the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman, if we accept this report have we got a two-inch clam law between now and some date or haven't we got a two-inch clam law?

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Lincoln, Senator Dow, asks a question through the Chair of the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman, and the Senator may answer if he chooses.

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President and members of the Senate: This bill suspends the two-inch clam law beginning the first of March, 1960 for three years, and the reason that date was chosen was because the town meetings are in March, and the towns, if they choose, may come in and pass their own two-inch clam laws, which the department has agreed to enforce during that time. If they take no action there will be no two-inch clam law, but it leaves it at the option of the towns for a two-year trial period.

Mr. DOW of Lincoln: Then it suspends the two-inch clam law from the time this takes effect until March first.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman, may answer.

Mr. WYMAN: Mr. President, it does unless the towns choose to vote differently. In other words, it leaves it at the option of the towns during this two-year period.

The PRESIDENT: The question before the Senate is on the motion of the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Coffin, that the Conference Committee report and accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. COFFIN of Cumberland: Mr. President, I ask for a division.

A division of the Senate was had.

Eleven having voted in the affirmative and seventeen opposed, the motion to indefinitely postpone did not prevail.

Thereupon, the report of the Conference Committee was accepted, the bill read once, and on motion by Mr. Coffin of Cumberland, the bill and accompanying papers were tabled pending passage to be engrossed.

#### Joint Order — Out of Order

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Legislative Research Committee be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to study that part of the State Welfare program relating to the administration of the Aid to Dependent Children to determine to what extent the present program meets existing legal and social requirements and to what extent the recipient is aided by the program; and

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Committee report the results of its findings to the 100th Legislature. (H. P. 984)

Which was read and passed in concurrence.

#### Paper from the House Out of Order

Bill, "An Act Increasing Tax on Cigarettes." (H. P. 78) (L. D. 116)

In Senate, bill substituted for report, passed to be engrossed in non-concurrence.

Comes from the House, that body having adhered to previous action whereby the Ought not to pass Report and Bill were indefinitely postponed.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot, the bill and papers were laid upon the table pending consideration.

The PRESIDENT: At this point the Chair will recognize the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Martin who has for some time been planning a series of presentations.

Mr. Martin yielded to the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Hillman.

Mr. HILLMAN of Penobscot: Mr. President, I deem it a signal honor to be picked as the one to present you with a little gift in behalf of the Senate. This little gift is a token of your great friendship and all of the fine things you have done for us. Your smile and your warm handshake are something that we will long remember. Your leadership has been one in which we all felt free to talk and speak just the way we felt. I know that my colleagues in the Democratic Party join with me in saying that you have been a great friend to us all. I can only say that we hope you have a pleasant summer and that your years in the future will be very successful. We hope that the cigarette bill brings in a lot of money, and we expect to see you sometime on a sulky. John, it is a great pleasure for me to give you this gift on behalf of the Senate. (Applause, members rising)

PRESIDENT JOHN H. REED: The first thing I will do is open this up if it is the last thing I do. Well, it certainly is a beautiful, beautiful watch, a very beautiful timepiece for which I am very grateful. I want to thank you, Earl, for your kind words, and I feel in my heart they express the feelings of everybody here.

I hope that my performance as President of the Senate has been a satisfactory one to you. I have tried to be absolutely fair regardless of party or individuals. My constant aim has been to always maintain the dignity here in line with my position that has been established throughout the many sessions here of the Maine Senate. It certainly has been a very pleasant experience and the cooperation has been excellent. I certainly appreciate the fine cooperation that each

and every one of you has shown towards me, and that has made the position and the work entailed in the office very pleasant and very enjoyable throughout the past few months. Looking ahead to a period of time it looks like a long ways, but, looking back on it, it doesn't seem too many weeks ago that we were starting this session in January, even though it set a record for the number of days, they blend into one more or less and it seems to me a very short period of time in my own experience. It has been a very thrilling experience and a very satisfying one, one which I will always treasure, and the memories of the fine cooperation and spirit of brotherly love that has prevailed. Believe me, from the bottom of my heart I sincerely appreciate it. It has meant a great deal to me, and I certainly am very thankful for all of the courtesies extended to me, and I am certainly most grateful to you for this very fine gift which I will always keep and use and enjoy. Thank you very much. (Applause, members rising)

The PRESIDENT: The Chair has the pleasure of recognizing the distinguished Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Lessard.

Mr. LESSARD: Mr. President and members of the Senate: Some fifteen or eighteen years ago I played a golf match with a handsome, young athletic type of individual at the Bridgton Highlands course at Bridgton, Maine. I don't remember who won the match; it couldn't have been me because if I had won it I would have remembered it, but I think I was badly beaten that day.

Now many years have elapsed and I understand this young man is still knocking the ball around golf courses. However, it has come to my knowledge, through his fellow players, that he has not scored too well. He needs help and something ought to be done.

So, Secretary "Chet," in order to improve your golf game and also help you in other various and sundry duties you have to perform, the members of the Senate of the 99th Legislature have purchased for you this golf cart. I am sure that it is going to improve your game and help you in many other ways.

We have already christened it, because the committee got together and it was christened "Irene's Little Helper." (Applause, members rising)

SECRETARY CHESTER T. WINSLOW: Mr. President and members of the Senate: You would think that after forty years here in this Senate Chamber I could at least adequately express my thanks for this splendid gift. I can read the journal all day, but when I get up to say anything here I am all weak. When that thing came in I didn't know what it was. I didn't know but what it might be a stroller. (Laughter) I really think I will have more use for it, I hope I will, as a golf cart. This is quite a gadget here. I saw one of those in Rio de Janeiro and I always wanted to get one, and I will show you how it works. (Demonstration)

Mr. LESSARD of Androscoggin: You have done a good job, Chester.

SECRETARY WINSLOW: I thank you, gentlemen, and Mrs. Lord very much for this gift, and if the weather is fair tomorrow I hope to use it.

In playing golf you meet an awful lot of fine people. I was playing in the south one day and a fellow came up who wanted to play golf; he had nobody to play with, so we went out and played, and when we got round I learned that he was the second man in the Alf Landon campaign, and we had a lot of fun talking about the defeat. But the most outstanding man I ever met was in Bridgton — that was a few years ago — and we really did give those fellows a drubbing, and we have been friendly ever since, not real pals, but quite friendly, oh yes, quite friendly. I invited that guy up to my golf course at Summit Springs, Maine, but he says, "I don't know," — he thinks we play for keeps, and he doesn't like that.

I am about out of wind now. Well, thanks very much for the gift, and may I say that what little success the Secretary's office has had this year is due, of course, wholly to the entire staff. We have no boss in there, everyone does their work, and when we get a new girl to come in we all tell the girl, "If you can't do the work this is no place for you, and if you can do

the work we want you here." That is the way it has always worked out and they have always stayed there. We get along pretty well. Thank you. (Applause, members rising)

The PRESIDENT: After that able demonstration, I am sure that the stock of the "Bag Boy" Manufacturing Company will go up. (Laughter and applause)

The PRESIDENT: The next presentation will be made by the Senator from Waldo, Senator Cole, — or rather the Senator from Kennebec, Senator Martin — no, the Senator from Lincoln, Senator Dow. (Laughter)

Mr. DOW of Lincoln: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I think I would like to suggest that you and the Senator from York, Senator Farley, get together and decide whether I am Cole and he is Dow or whether he is Dow and I am Cole, although I feel very flattered that I am taken for that honorable opponent of mine on the other side of the hall.

I am very happy to say that I think that one of the most valuable men in the Senate here comes from Lincoln County, and I assume that he voted for me. I have quite good reason to believe that he did, and when he did I am sure he thought he was doing me a favor. Right now I am beginning to wonder whether it was a favor or not, and if we go another week I am quite sure that his vote will seem less of a favor. But I am sure that without him we would be in a tangle a lot more than we have been. He has been very helpful in making the mechanical movement of this Senate run very smoothly. It is my pleasure to present to the Assistant Secretary of the Senate, Waldo Clark, your good friend and my good friend, this token of our appreciation for this service. (Applause)

ASSISTANT SECRETARY WALDO CLARK: Senator Dow, and members of the Senate: I certainly want to thank you for this token. I am not perhaps as entertaining as my boss, however I still like to work for him. He is one of the finest bosses that any fellow could have. I appreciate all of the kindnesses you have shown me, and any

time anyone wishes to come up here and run the stamping machine they are welcome to do it. I will say no more, but I know that the gift without the giver is bare, and I certainly appreciate this a lot. (Applause)

The PRESIDENT: If the good Senator from Somerset, Senator Carpenter, has recovered sufficiently from the last explosion from the "cap" pistol, the Chair will call on him to make the next presentation.

Mr. CARPENTER of Somerset: Mr. President and members of the Senate: Frankly this little presentation that I have to make tonight is for the pages who have served us so well during this session of the legislature — Lois and Ruthie. They have done an excellent job, and I don't know where you could find two young ladies like these who have done such an excellent job for us. So it is with a great bit of pride on behalf of myself and the members of the Senate that I present these young ladies these two corsages. Ruthie, and Lois, please come down here. (Applause)

The PRESIDENT: Our next speaker is the notable bard from Cumberland County, the distinguished Senator from Cumberland, Senator Coffin.

Mr. COFFIN of Cumberland: Mr. President and ladies and gentlemen: I am also honored here tonight to be one of the select few to present a gift on behalf of the Senate to one of our fine members and compatriots and the only woman Senator in the Maine Senate. She has also been my right-hand man here all through this session. I think she is a wonderful woman and she has been very helpful to me, and I being a freshman, certainly could use that help and I certainly have had to thank her a good many times for the kindness and help she has given me on certain occasions when I might have become confused. I feel that there were times possibly when she and I didn't go along on quite the same lines, but she always was very lady-like and came back, and although she might have seemed upset for a moment, she has always been very fine. Mrs. Lord, I am happy to present you with this gift. (Applause, members rising)

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the eminent and distinguished Senator from Cumberland, Mrs. Lord.

Mrs. LORD of Cumberland: Mr. President and members of the Senate: The only thing I can think of is why don't we do this more often. I do want to thank you very much for my beautiful corsage. There is nothing that makes a woman happier than flowers.

I would like to say that I have tried not to talk too much, and I think I have done very well except when the bridge matter was up for approval and then I may have been a little out of line. My heart was in it and I did want to see the bridge go through. However, it didn't, and that is all right. But I have tried to cooperate and I have found each and every member in this Senate very considerate and very cooperative, and I have appreciated very much being with you this year, and I wish you all the very best of luck. Thank you very much. (Applause)

The PRESIDENT: The next presentation will be made by the honorable and distinguished Senator from Hancock, Senator Pierce.

Mr. PIERCE of Hancock: Mr. President and members of the Senate: As the record will show, I am a man of few words but I am a man of action. I will ask that the ladies from our office, to whom we are greatly indebted, be presented forthwith at the rostrum.

The PRESIDENT: The office staff will kindly approach the rostrum. (Applause)

The office staff were then presented with corsages by Senator Pierce amid the applause of the Senate.

The PRESIDENT: At this time I have a request for an opportunity for our two page girls to say a word or two.

Mrs. RUTH FOSTER: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I did not get a chance to say thank you, and I just want to say thank you now.

Mrs. LOIS BEAUCHAINE: And I too say thank you. (Applause)

The PRESIDENT: And now for the Senator who has been responsible for selecting and securing the various gifts and arranging for the

program. It gives me great pleasure to call on the distinguished Senator from Kennebec, Senator Martin.

Mr. MARTIN of Kennebec: Mr. President and members of the Senate: First of all I would like to thank the distinguished Senators who made the presentations and secondly I would like to say that the money that was used to buy the presents did not come from unappropriated surplus or any other surplus but it came from the tickets that you purchased for legislative dances. Thank you very much for your cooperation in doing so, and we hope you have enjoyed the evening. (Applause)

The PRESIDENT: On behalf of the Senate, the Chair would like to thank Senator Martin for the time he has put into this project and for making arrangements and selecting the gifts. He has done a very fine bit of work in that capacity. (Applause)

Mr. ROGERSON of Aroostook: Mr. President, I move that the Senate reconsider its former action whereby it passed to be enacted, L. D. 1369.

The motion prevailed, and the Senate voted to reconsider its former action whereby it passed to be enacted, bill, "An Act Relating to Salaries of County Officials and Clerk Hire." (L. S. 1369); and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was laid upon the Special Appropriations Table pending enactment.

On motion by Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the Special Appropriations Table, L. D. 536, bill, "An Act Providing for an Executive Secretary for the Highway Safety Committee"; and the same Senator moved enactment of the bill.

This being an emergency measure, a division of the Senate was had.

Twenty-four having voted in the affirmative and two opposed, the bill was passed to be enacted.

The PRESIDENT: During the recent presentations one of our very fine staff members was inadvertently missed. At this time the

Chair will again call upon the Senator from Hancock, Senator Pierce, to make this belated presentation.

The Senator from Hancock, Senator Pierce, then presented a corsage to Mrs. Regis Strout. (Applause)

Mrs. REGIS STROUT: Mr. President, it certainly is a pleasure to be included with the Senate staff and I certainly appreciate it. (Applause)

The PRESIDENT: It is always a pleasure to have you with us, Regis.

Mrs. Strout: Thank you very much, Mr. President.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair regrets very much that we do not have with us the extremely efficient personal secretary of the President, and wife of our Secretary "Chet," All of us know that Irene has been confined to the hospital, but she will shortly be back in full health. Nevertheless, we will at the proper time make a presentation.

#### Paper From the House Out of Order

##### Conference Committee Report

The Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on Bill, "An Act to Clarify Procedure for Reorganization of School Administrative Units." (H. P. 981) (L. D. 1394) reported:

That the House reconsider its action whereby Senate Amendment A was indefinitely postponed, adopt Senate Amendment A and pass the Bill to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment A in concurrence; and the Committee recommends that a special Committee be created for the purpose of specifically studying the problems of school construction aid.

Comes from the House, Conference Committee Report accepted, and the House receded and concurred with the Senate.

In the Senate, the Conference Committee Report was accepted.

Mr. CHARLES of Cumberland: Mr. President, I rise for the purpose of introducing an order and I would like to speak on it. This order is directly connected with the last conference committee report which we accepted. It is also with great regret that we members of the con-

ference committee of the Senate have had to present the suggestions as recommended by the order. At this late date it is very difficult to come up with something that would be satisfactory to all concerned, and it is for this reason that the members of the House have so graciously gone along with the Senate committee report. It is recommended by the committee that a Research Committee study be given and reported back to the 100th Legislature. I would like at this time to present an order, move its adoption and have the Secretary read the order.

The order was read by the Secretary as follows:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that there be created an interim joint committee to consist of 2 Senators and 3 Representatives from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and 2 Senators and 3 Representatives from the Committee on Education appointed respectively by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House to study and report to the 100th Legislature on the problems of school construction aid to municipalities; and be it further

ORDERED, that the members of the Committee shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for their expenses incurred in the performance of their duties under this order; and be it further

ORDERED, that there is appropriated to the committee from the Legislative Appropriation the sum of \$1,000 to carry out the purposes of this order.

Which was read and passed.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair has just been informed by our personnel that Mrs. Strout, who was just presented with a corsage, is also celebrating her birthday. Happy Birthday, Regis! (Applause, members rising)

Mrs. REGIS STROUT: Thank you, Mr. President.

On motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot

Recessed to the sound of the gong.

#### After Recess

On motion by Mr. Hillman of Penobscot, the Senate voted to take from the table the 3rd tabled item being bill, "An Act Relating to Tax on Transient Rentals." (H. P. 962) (L. D. 1364) tabled by that Senator on June 12 pending consideration; and that Senator yielded to the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Woodcock.

On motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot, the Senate voted to insist on its former action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed; and the bill was ordered sent forthwith to the House.

The Chair declared a brief recess.

#### After Recess

Senate called to order.

#### Enactor — Out of Order

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following bill:

#### Emergency

Bill, "An Act Relating to Tax on Transient Rentals." (H. P. 962) (L. D. 1364)

(In House, indefinitely postponed on passage to be enacted.)

Which bill, being an emergency measure, and having received an affirmative vote of 28 members of the Senate, and one opposed was passed to be enacted.

Ordered sent forthwith to the House.

Mr. WOODCOCK of Penobscot: Mr. President, I move that the Senate take from the table the Order relative to Study of County Salaries, tabled by me earlier in today's session; and I further move that the Order be passed in concurrence.

The motion prevailed and the Order was passed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Parker of Piscataquis, the Senate voted to take from the table the 1st tabled item, being Senate Report from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs: Ought not to pass; on "Resolve Providing for a Vocational Technical Institute in Eastern Maine." (S. P. 315) (L. D. 877)

tabled by that Senator on May 27 pending acceptance of the report.

Mr. PARKER of Piscataquis: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I rise to perform an operation on a resolve that touches me very deeply. This is Item 1 on Page 1. I have been holding this on the table for some time because I could not help but feel that somewhere along the line there might be the possibility of rescuing something for trade schools in the State of Maine. You know how hard the Senator from Kennebec, S e n a t o r Hunt, and myself worked on the vocational school bill, and I am sure that nearly everyone here is familiar with the need for something of that sort in the State of Maine. When that went down the drain I thought possibly there might be something that could be done for vocational training here in the State of Maine for our boys and girls; but at this late hour, and knowing the almost impossible probability of having any tax money to provide such a school as this bill calls for, it is with great reluctance that I move indefinite postponement.

Thereupon, the motion prevailed, and the bill was indefinitely postponed.

On motion by Mr. Coffin of Cumberland, the Senate voted to take from the table bill, "An Act Repealing the Two Inch Clam Law" (H. P. 177) (L. D. 248) tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending passage to be engrossed.

Mr. COFFIN of Cumberland: Mr. President, I would move the indefinite postponement of this bill.

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President and members of the Senate, our Committee of Conference has voted unanimously in support of this conference c o m m i t t e e amendment A. The Senate voted a few minutes ago in favor of the conference committee report and I hope the Senate will now support and follow the previous vote, and adopt the amendment of the Committee of Conference.

The PRESIDENT: The pending question is on the motion of the Senator from Cumberland, Senator

Coffin, to indefinitely postpone the bill and accompanying papers.

Mr. COFFIN of Cumberland: Mr. President, I ask for a division.

A division of the Senate was had. Seventeen having voted in the affirmative and thirteen opposed, the motion prevailed, the bill and accompanying papers were indefinitely postponed and ordered sent forthwith to the House.

On motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, the Senate voted to take from the table the 2nd tabled item, being House Reports from the Committee on Taxation: Report A, Ought to pass with C o m m i t t e e Amendment A; Report B, ought not to pass; on bill, "An Act Increasing State Property Taxes" (H. P. 448) (L. D. 654) tabled by that Senator on June 5 pending acceptance of either report; and on further motion by the same Senator, the ought not to pass Report B was accepted in concurrence.

#### Order Out of Order

Out of order and under suspension of the rules, Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot presented the following order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, that the Secretary of the Senate be paid the same compensation as the Clerk of the House receives for the year in which the 99th Legislature is in regular session; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Assistant Secretary of the Senate receive the same compensation as the Assistant Clerk of the House for the regular session of the 99th Legislature.

Read and passed.

The PRESIDENT: The Senate may be at ease.

#### At Ease

Called to order by the President.

#### Order Out of Order

Out of order and under suspension of the Rules, Mr. Hunt of Kennebec presented the following order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, that there be paid to Emmett O'Brien of Hartford, Connecticut the sum of \$100 for professional services re area vocational schools at the meeting at the capitol on Wednesday, May 20th, 1959.

Read and passed.



Mr. Rogerson for the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs submitted its Final Report.

#### Senate Committee Reports Final Reports

The following Chairmen of Joint Standing Committees submit their final reports:

Mr. HILLMAN from the Committee on Agriculture.

Mr. DOW from the Committee on Education.

Mr. STILPHEN from the Committee on Highways.

Mr. BATES from the Committee on Labor.

Mr. DOW from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries.

Which reports were read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Weeks of Cumberland presented the following Order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the members of the Joint Standing Committees on Judiciary and Legal Affairs be given the copies of the Revised Statutes of 1954 as Amended, that they have used this session.

Which Order received a passage and was ordered sent forthwith to the House.

Mr. CHARLES of Cumberland: Mr. President, I would like to inquire if L. D. 248 the clam bill, is in possession of the Senate?

The PRESIDENT: It is.

Mr. CHARLES: Mr. President, I move that the Senate reconsider its former action whereby this bill and accompanying papers was indefinitely postponed.

The PRESIDENT: Did the Senator vote on the prevailing side?

Mr. CHARLES: I did, Mr. President.

The motion prevailed, and the Senate voted to reconsider its former action whereby the bill was indefinitely postponed, and Mr. Charles of Cumberland yielded to Mr. Wyman of Washington.

On motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, Committee Amendment A was indefinitely postponed; and the same Senator moved adoption of Conference Committee Amendment A.

Mr. COFFIN of Cumberland: Mr. President, I ask for a division.

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President, I move that this lie on the table.

The PRESIDENT: The pending motion is on the motion of Mr. Wyman of Washington that the bill be tabled.

Mr. FARLEY of York: Mr. President, I ask for a division. Let's cut out this comedy and go home.

A division of the Senate was had.

Three having voted in the affirmative and twenty-one opposed, the motion to table did not prevail.

Mr. COFFIN of Cumberland: Mr. President, I request a division on the adoption of Conference Committee Amendment A.

Mr. FARLEY of York: Mr. President, what is the Conference report. Is this amendment the one we just killed?

The Secretary read Conference Committee Amendment A.

Mr. COFFIN: Mr. President, I move indefinite postponement.

The PRESIDENT: Does the Senator move indefinite postponement of the amendment or the bill?

Mr. COFFIN: The bill, Mr. President.

Mr. WILLEY of Hancock: Mr. President, I rise to oppose the motion to indefinitely postpone and I ask for a division.

The PRESIDENT: The pending question is the motion of the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Coffin, to indefinitely postpone L. D. 248 and all accompanying papers; a division has been requested.

Mr. BRIGGS of Aroostook: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I rise in opposition to the motion to indefinitely postpone this issue. If I have the matter straight, this is the first time in the record of this Senate that I have ever had the pleasure to rise in support of the Senator from wherever he is—the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman. (Laughter)

I think that this is a matter on which the aforementioned Senator has been very generous in changing his earlier decision in trying to arrive at a decision which was thought to be a reasonable, and I think an intelligent compromise.

It is true that the kind of clams I am most familiar with are prob-

ably not the same type in question, but I have heard this subject discussed some and I think there is a lot of merit in the position that the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman, is trying to present, and therefore I am very glad to be able to support him at this late hour on this question against indefinite postponement.

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President, I do not want to belabor this any longer, but your committee of conference struggled with this and reached its decision, and the Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries would like to try this suspension of the law for two years. I certainly hope that the Senate will go along with it.

Mr. COFFIN of Cumberland: Mr. President, I am going to speak for only a minute. Mr. President and members of the Senate: There are going to be a great many towns up and down the coast that are not going to do anything to protect the clams because the clams are in such a sad situation in so many towns that they are not even going to bother to pass laws to protect them or do anything about policing the flats in those particular areas. That is one reason why I have taken this stand. In the beginning I came here with the idea of defeating this bill, an amendment was offered me and I signed that amendment and I came here and spoke on this floor on the amendment. At that time the good Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman, opposed me and he killed the bill, yet he has changed his mind for some reason or other. I cannot see how the clam is going to exist with this two-inch clam law.

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I did oppose this bill vigorously but the House passed it, and in the interests of compromise and trying to meet them half way your committee of conference did go along with this conference report. I figured that we could change our mind and compromise on it, which is the reason I signed the report.

Mr. DOW of Lincoln: Mr. President and members of the Senate: Just a short while ago I voted to go along with this conference committee report to give this new deal

a tryout, at the time thinking that my town meeting came on the first Monday in March and that only one week would be available for the clam flats to be raided during the period when there would be no two-inch law on the books to enforce, but I found out since then that our town meeting is the second Monday in March, and I do not think that I want to take the chance of our clam flats being raided for two weeks in a row, and therefore I am changing my mind and I am going to vote with the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Coffin.

Mr. MARTIN of Kennebec: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I simply wish to support the stand of the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman. I think it is refreshing to bring before this legislature a committee of conference which has finally agreed upon a compromise, which I think is the purpose of such a committee. This is strictly a problem of home rule, and the committee finally voted to leave this to the local communities to decide for themselves which is best. I therefore oppose the motion of the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Coffin.

Mr. WILLEY of Hancock: Mr. President, my colleagues in the House signed this report the other way and I believe the report was nine to one in favor of what Senator Wyman is now asking for, on the original bill, and I think the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Coffin was the single signer of the minority report.

Mr. COLE of Waldo: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I rise only to support the committee of conference report, which was a compromise one, and the reason why I compromised was the fact that I did do some study in regard to clams, which I didn't know anything about before. I found that in some areas along the coast there seems to be a lot of crowding of clams and they are so thick that it is impossible for them to grow up to the two-inch minimum size, and therefore they are not producing now, and it is felt that the flats would be much better off if they were dug, which would give the clams a little more room to grow. That is my stand, and I am stand-

ing with the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman.

Mr. COFFIN of Cumberland: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I gave that very information to this body two months ago on this bill, and I said that there were areas in Washington County, the good Senator's county, acres of clams that were small and didn't grow any bigger, and he got up after I sat down and he said, "I would like to have Mr. Coffin come down to Washington County and show me where they are."

Mr. CARPENTER of Somerset: Mr. President, I am a little bit disturbed about this clam law and a little bit at sea as to whether we should adopt the two-inch clam law or not adopt it. I would like to be enlightened by the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman.

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President, I think if the good Senator from Somerset will vote for the conference committee report, which all three members of the Senate signed, he will be right.

The PRESIDENT: The pending question is on the motion of the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Coffin that the bill be indefinitely postponed with all accompanying papers.

A division of the Senate was had.

Thirteen having voted in the affirmative and fourteen opposed, the motion did not prevail.

Thereupon, Conference Committee Amendment A was adopted and the bill as amended by Conference Committee Amendment A was passed to be engrossed in concurrence; and ordered sent forthwith to the engrossing department.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair notes in the Senate Chamber the presence of a prominent citizen of the State of Maine and a former distinguished legislator and member of the Maine Senate. The Chair would request the Sergeant-at-Arms to escort to the rostrum the Honorable Neil Bishop. (A p p l a u s e, members rising.)

**Paper From the House  
Out of Order  
Conference Committee Report**

The Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two

branches of the Legislature on Bill, "An Act to Authorize General Fund Bond Issue in Amount of Ten Million Dollars to Provide Major Repairs, Construction and Equipment." (S. P. 200) (L. D. 539) reported: that the House recede from passage to be engrossed, recede from adoption of Senate Amendment A, indefinitely postpone Senate Amendment A, adopt Conference Committee Amendment A and pass the Bill to be engrossed as amended by Conference Committee Amendment A (L. D. 1395); that the Senate recede from passage to be engrossed, recede from adoption of Senate Amendment A, indefinitely postpone Senate Amendment A, adopt Conference Committee Amendment A and pass the Bill to be engrossed as amended by Conference Committee Amendment A in concurrence.

In House, report accepted and bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Conference Committee Amendment A.

In the Senate, the Conference Committee Report was accepted and the Senate voted to recede and concur.

The motion prevailed and the bill was ordered sent forthwith to the engrossing department.

On motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot, the Senate voted to take from the table bill, "An Act Increasing Tax on Cigarettes" (L. D. 116) tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending consideration; and on further motion by the same Senator, the Senate voted to recede and concur with the House in the indefinite postponement of the bill.

**Enactors — Out of Order**

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following bills:

Bill, "An Act Making Supplemental Appropriations for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1960 and June 30, 1961." (H. P. 976) (L. D. 1386)

Which bill was passed to be enacted.

**Emergency**

Bill, "An Act Relating to Sales Tax on Motor Vehicles Traded In." (H. P. 179) (L. D. 250)

(In House, failed on passage to be enacted)

On motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

**Paper from the House  
Out of Order  
Joint Order**

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the present Clerk of the House be, and hereby is, authorized during 1959 and 1960 to attend any conference outside the State which pertains to legislative procedure and problems; and be it further

ORDERED, that the funds necessary for such attendance be charged to the legislative appropriation. (H. P. 985)

In House, read and passed.

In the Senate:

Mr. CARPENTER of Somerset: Mr. President, I move that this be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. WYMAN of Washington: Mr. President, I ask for a division.

A division of the Senate was had.

Twenty-three having voted in the affirmative and one opposed, the motion prevailed and the Joint Order was indefinitely postponed.

**Paper from the House  
Out of Order  
Joint Order**

WHEREAS, August 27, 1959 will mark the One Hundredth Anniversary of the completion of the first successfully drilled oil well; and

WHEREAS, this historic event ushered in a new era of progress and comfort for the peoples of the world; and

WHEREAS, the many products of petroleum have benefited the economy of the State of Maine through the development of our tourist industry and improvements in methods of transportation, agriculture and fisheries; and

WHEREAS, adherence to a basic principle of democracy, free competitive enterprise, has been responsible for this industry's dramatic progress during the past century;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, the Senate concurring,

that the 99th Maine Legislature join in celebrating the oil industry's 100th birthday and that the Governor be, and hereby is, authorized and requested to designate the week of August 24, 1959, as "Oil Centennial Week" in Maine. (H. P. 986)

Which was read and passed in concurrence.

Mr. Carpenter of Somerset presented the following order and moved its passage.

ORDERED that the President of the Senate, the Secretary of the Senate, the majority and minority Floor Leaders of the Senate, as a committee, be empowered to make such arrangements with the Director of Public Improvements as shall be necessary for the installation of new desks and chairs in the Senate, before the convening of the 100th legislature, and that the cost of the same be paid from the regular legislative appropriation, and be it further

ORDERED that the desk and chair occupied by each Senator of the 99th legislature in the Senate, become the property of such Senator and be delivered to his home following the adjournment of the regular session of the 99th legislature.

Which was read.

On motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot,

Recessed for ten minutes.

**After Recess**

The Senate was called to order by the President.

**Paper from the House  
Out of Order  
Conference Committee Report**

The Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the Legislature on Bill, "An Act Increasing Salary of Members of the Legislature." (H. P. 15) (L. D. 24) reported: that the Senate recede and concur with the House in passage to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment A (Filing No. 61)

Comes from the House, report accepted.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Hillman of Penobscot, the Conference Committee report was accepted and the Senate voted to recede

and concur; and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was substituted for the report and read once; House Amendment A was read and adopted, rules were suspended and the bill read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence; ordered sent forthwith to the engrossing department.

**Enactor — Out of Order**

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following bills:

Bill, "An Act to Clarify Procedure for Reorganization of School Administrative Units." (H. P. 981) (L. D. 1394)

Which bill was passed to be enacted.

**Enactors—Out of Order**

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following bills:

Bill, "An Act Repealing the Two Inch Clam Law." (H. P. 177) (L. D. 248)

Which bill was passed to be enacted.

**Bond Authorization**

Bill, "An Act to Authorize General Fund Bond Issue in Amount of Three Million Nine Hundred and fifty Thousand Dollars and to Appropriate Moneys for Capital Improvements, Construction, Repairs, Equipment, Supplies and Furnishings for Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1960 and June 30, 1961. (S. P. 200) (L. D. 539)

Under the Constitution, an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Senate Members present being required for the enactment of this bill, a division of the Senate was had.

Having received the affirmative vote of 22 members of the Senate, the bill was passed to be enacted.

The PRESIDENT: At this time the Chair would like to make some committee assignments.

On the interim committee to study workmen's compensation insurance and secondary injury fund and vocational rehabilitation, two representatives from Industrial Ac-

cident Commission: Mr. Cyril Joly and Mr. Harold Towle.

The representative from Industry, Mr. Roger Putnam.

The representative from Labor, Mr. Benjamin Dostie.

The representative from Insurance, Mr. Thomas Weeks.

The PRESIDENT: Further appointments are as follows:

The Committee on Elections:  
Senator

WILLEY of Hancock  
THURSTON of Oxford

Legislative Procedures:

Senators:

BATES of Penobscot  
PIERCE of Hancock

County Salaries:

Senators:

MARTIN of Kennebec  
FARLEY of York

Legislative Research Committee:

Senators:

BRIGGS of Aroostook  
CHARLES of Cumberland  
HILLMAN of Penobscot  
LESSARD of Androscoggin  
PARKER of Piscataquis  
STILPHEN of Knox  
WYMAN of Washington

Interstate Cooperation:

Senators:

COLE of Waldo  
ROGERSON of Aroostook  
WOODCOCK of Penobscot

Committee to Study School Construction Aid to Municipalities:

From the Committee on Education,

Senators:

DOW of Lincoln  
COFFIN of Cumberland

From the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs:

Senators:

ROGERSON of Aroostook  
PIERCE of Hancock

On motion by Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the Special Appropriations Table, the following bills and resolves:

L. D. 65, An Act to Incorporate the Town of Topsfield.

L. D. 193, Resolve, Reimbursing certain Municipalities on Account of Property Tax Exemptions of Veterans.

L. D. 218, An Act Relating to Clerical Assistance of Justices of the Superior Court.

L. D. 245, An Act Relating to Retirement Benefits for Teachers with Fifteen Years of Service.

L. D. 465, An Act Increasing Salary of Commissioner of Education.

L. D. 653 An Act Increasing Salaries of Justices of Supreme Judicial Court and Superior Court.

L. D. 672, An Act Increasing Salary of Official Court Reporters.

L. D. 810, An Act Relating to Residence Requirements in Public Assistance.

L. D. 811, An Act Creating Municipal Urban Renewal Authorities.

L. D. 817, Resolve in Favor of a Survivor Benefit Allowance for Otelia M. Race of Guilford.

L. D. 819, Resolve, Providing for Retirement Benefit Increase for Helen D. Perry of Rockland.

L. D. 820 Resolve Providing for Retirement Benefit Increase for Carrie M. Longfellow of Machias.

L. D. 852, An Act Relative to Trading Stamp Companies.

L. D. 1331, An Act Increasing Salaries of Various Department Heads and Commissions.

L. D. 1337, An Act Establishing a Minimum Wage.

L. D. 1367, An Act Providing for Mental Health Services.

L. D. 1361, An Act to Authorize the Municipalities of Farmingdale and Hallowell to Form a School Administrative District and the Municipalities of Bingham, Caratunk, Moscow, The Forks Plt., and West Forks Plt. to Form a School Administrative District.

L. D. 1369, An Act Relating to Salaries of County Officials and Clerk Hire.

Mr. ROGERSON of Aroostook: Mr. President, I move that the Senate reconsider its action whereby L. D. 1337 was passed to be engrossed.

The motion prevailed and under suspension of the rules, the Senate voted to reconsider its former action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed; and Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook yielded to Mr. Hunt of Kennebec.

Mr. HUNT of Kennebec: Mr. President, I present an amendment and move its adoption.

The Secretary read Senate Amendment A.

Senate Amendment A was adopted and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed in non-concurrence, and sent forthwith to the House.

On motion by Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the Special Appropriations Table L. D. 961 Resolve Providing a Pension for Miss Avis Robertson of Belfast.

Which bills were passed to be enacted and resolves were finally passed.

Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot presented the following order and moved its passage:

ORDERED that the Bureau of Public Improvements Study the Seating Arrangements of the Maine Senate with particular attention to be paid to the present seating and desk accommodations, and be it further

ORDERED that the Bureau of Public Improvements study into the advisability of installing a public address system with a speaker at each desk; and be it further

ORDERED that a report be made to the Secretary of the Senate within six months of the date of the passage of this order.

Which order received a passage.

Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot presented the following order and moved its passage:

ORDERED that the present Secretary of the Senate be and hereby is authorized during 1959 and 1960 to attend any conference outside the state which pertains to legislative procedure and problems; and be it further

ORDERED that the funds necessary for such attendance be charged to the legislative appropriation.

On motion by Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook, the following bills were taken from the Appropriations Table:

L. D. 966, An Act Relating to Isolated Motor Vehicle Transactions, Under Sales Tax Law

L. D. 979, An Act Revising Laws Relating to Slaughterhouses.  
Which were passed to be enacted.

The PRESIDENT: In order that the emergency enactors still on the table can be enacted, the Chair would ask that each Senator remain within the sound of the gong, while the staff is endeavoring to secure additional senators.

The Chair declared a brief recess.

**After Recess**

The Senate was called to order by the President.

On motion by Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook, the following bills were taken from the table:

L. D. 1131, An Act Exempting Certain Motor Vehicle Fuel from the Sales Tax.

L. D. 1159, An Act Relating to Taxation on Sparkling Wines.

Which bills were passed to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook, the Senate voted to reconsider its previous action where-by it passed to be enacted, L. D. 1159, bill, "An Act Relating to Taxation on Sparkling Wines; and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was placed on the Special Appropriations Table.

On motion by Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the Special Appropriations Table, L. D. 419 An Act Relating to Excise Taxes on Malt Beverages Sold to Vessels of Foreign Registry; and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was passed to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the Special Appropriations Table the following bills and resolves:

An Act Relating to Travel Allowance for Members of the Legislature, L. D. 25.

Resolve to Increase Retirement Benefit of Clyde P. Walker of Stratton, L. D. 66.

An Act Relating to Survivor Benefits and Budget Estimates U n d e r

Maine Retirement System, L. D. 308.

Resolve, Providing Retirement Benefit Increase for Miles McLaughlin of Augusta, L. D. 618.

R e s o l v e Providing Retirement Benefit Increase for George P. Campbell of Augusta, L. D. 619.

An Act Relating to School Taxes in Unorganized Townships, L. D. 684.

An Act Increasing Compensation of Clerks of the Lay Court, L. D. 719.

**Enactor — Out of Order**

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following bill:

Bill, "An Act Increasing Salary of Members of the Legislature." (H. P. 15) (L. D. 24)

Which bill was passed to be enacted.

**Senate Paper Out of Order**

Mr. Rogerson from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, pursuant to Joint Order (S. P. 519) presented Bill, "An Act Making Additional Appropriations for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1960 and June 30, 1961." (S. P. 520)

Which bill, under suspension of the rules, was given its two readings and passed to be engrossed without reference to a committee. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook, the following bills were removed from the Special Appropriations Table:

L. D. 935, An Act to Create a Law Revision Commission.

L. D. 1016, Resolve Providing Funds for a Referral Center at Farmington State Teachers College for Assistance to Teachers.

L. D. 1018, Resolve Appropriating Funds to Public Utilities Commission for Water Resources Investigation.

L. D. 1056, An Act Appropriating Moneys for Municipal Planning Assistance.

L. D. 1117, An Act to Create the Bureau of Maine Archives.

L. D. 1176, An Act Relating to Automobile Travel by State Employees.

L. D. 1371, An Act to Reactivate the State Committee on Educational Television.

L. D. 1372, An Act Providing for a State Committee on Natural Resources.

L. D. 1159, An Act Relating to Taxation on Sparkling Wines.

L. D. 566, An Act Relating to National Defense Education Program.

L. D. 827, Resolve Providing Matching Funds for Federal National Defense Education Allotments.

Which bills and resolves were indefinitely postponed.

### Joint Order

On motion by Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs be and hereby is authorized to report a bill that will provide a General Fund Appropriation for such measures as are enacted by the Legislature and approved by the Governor without appropriation provisions. It is the intent of the Legislature that by this procedure the Legislature will avoid the necessity of amending measures not having appropriation clauses contained in the individual bills and resolves. (S. P. 519)

Which was read and passed.  
Sent to the House.

On motion by Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the table An Act to Authorize the Addition of the Town of Cushing, Rockport, St. George, Thomaston and Warren to School Administrative District No. 5 (L. D. 815)

This being an emergency measure A division of the Senate was had.

Twenty-two having voted in the affirmative and none opposed, the bill was passed to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the table the following emergency measures:

L. D. 864, An Act to Authorize the Municipalities of Limestone and Caswell Plantation to Form a School Administrative District.

L. D. 987, An Act to Authorize the Municipalities of Bradford,

Charleston, Corinth, Hudson and Kenduskeag to Form a School Administrative District.

L. D. 986, An Act to Authorize the Municipalities of Carmel, Hermon, Glenburn and Levant to Form a School Administrative District.

L. D. 1361, An Act to Authorize the Municipalities of Farmingdale and Hallowell to Form a School Administrative District and the Municipalities of Bingham, Caratunk, Moscow, The Forks and West Forks to Form a School Administrative District.

L. D. 1362, An Act to Authorize Enfield, Greenbush, Greenfield, Howland, Maxfield, Passadumkeag, LaGrange and Sebocis Plantation to Form a School Administrative District and to Authorize North Berwick and South Berwick to Form a School Administrative District.

L. D. 1370, An Act Reactivating the State Committee on Aging.

L. D. 1389, An Act to Allocate Monies for the Administrative Expenses of the State Liquor Commission for the Fiscal Years ending June 30, 1960 and June 30, 1961.

Which bills being emergency measures and having each received the affirmative vote of twenty-two members of the Senate and none opposed, were passed to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot, the Senate voted to take from the table L. D. 1171 bill, "An Act to Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in the Public Laws.

Which was passed to be enacted.

Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate:

MR. WOODCOCK: Mr. President, while we have a moment, I wish to take this opportunity to thank each member of the Senate staff and the reporters for all of their innumerable courtesies to me during this long legislative session.

I wish to pay particular note to the Senate Minority Floor leader, the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Lessard, and his assistant, the Senator from York, Senator Farley, with whom it was my privilege to work closely throughout the months we have been over here. It would be difficult indeed for me to imagine two finer people with



whom to work. That sort of comment I certainly could visit upon the other members of the legislature. I do not want to go through each name but I do want to pay particular tribute to the President of the Senate, who, in my opinion, has done a most outstanding job as presiding officer over the senior branch of the Maine Legislature.

It is my expectation that when the annals of legislative history are written that John H. Reed of Aroostook will take his place with the real top presiding officers in our history, and it has certainly been one of the finest memories of my life to have had the privilege of serving in the Senate with President John H. Reed.

It is my belief that when the final judgment on this legislature has been passed it will be seen that this legislature has measured up to true responsibility throughout all the days of its existence and particularly during these final hours.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair thanks the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Woodcock, for his comments and is most appreciative of his kind words.

While we do have a little lull in the waning hours of the session before it closes, I would like to say that I have certainly appreciated the cooperation of each and every member of this Senate. I pay special note, of course, to the floor-leaders. The Senator from Penobscot, Senator Woodcock, has done a splendid job in handling assignments of the Majority Floor leader. He has certainly been commendable in the performance of his duties and extremely cooperative in managing the many details that go into a legislative session. Also, I wish to pay a real tribute to our Minority Party leaders. The Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Lessard, has been an exceptionally fine Senator to work with, as well as the Senator from York, Senator Farley. It has been a real privilege as President of the Senate to work with these Senators, and I also appreciate the splendid cooperation that has been extended by every member of the Maine Senate.

I certainly want to pay special commendation to our good Secretary "Chet" for the very flawless

performance of his duties. I also wish to commend our Assistant Secretary "Waldo," for his efficient performance of his duties, and also the members of the staff. It has been a real privilege to have worked with all of you people.

#### Papers From the House (Out of Order)

Bill, "An Act Relating to National Defense Education Program." (H P 383) (L. D. 566)

In Senate, June 13, indefinitely postponed, sent down for concurrence.

Comes from the House, insisted on former action whereby the bill was passed to be enacted and now asks Committee of Conference. The Speaker appointed:

Representatives:

ROWE of Madawaska  
EMMONS of Kennebunk  
RANKIN of Southport

On motion by Mr. Lessard of Androscoggin, the Senate voted to adhere.

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Mr. LESSARD of Androscoggin: Mr. President, may I inquire if L. D. 618 is in the possession of the Senate?

The PRESIDENT: The Chair would state that it is, having been held at the request of the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Lessard.

On motion by Mr. Lessard of Androscoggin, the Senate voted to reconsider its action whereby the bill was indefinitely postponed and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was passed to be enacted.

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Mr. LESSARD of Androscoggin: Mr. President, may I inquire if L. D. 619 is in possession of the Senate?

The PRESIDENT: It is, having been held at the request of the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Lessard.

On motion by Mr. Lessard of Androscoggin, the Senate voted to reconsider its action whereby the bill was indefinitely postponed and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was passed to be enacted.

**Enactor**

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly Engrossed, the following Bill:

Bill, "An Act Appropriating Moneys to Effectuate Pay Play for State Employees." (S. P. 505) (L. D. 1387)

Which bill was passed to be enacted.

Mr. DOW of Lincoln: Mr. President, I would like to inquire if L. D. 566 is in the possession of the Senate.

The PRESIDENT: It is, having been held at the request of the Senator from Lincoln, Senator Dow.

On motion by Mr. Dow of Lincoln, the Senate voted to reconsider its action whereby it voted to adhere on bill, An Act Relating to National Defense Education Program (L. D. 566); and on further motion by the same Senator, the Senate voted to insist and join in the Committee of Conference.

The President named as Senate Conferees:

Senators:

DOW of Lincoln  
 ROGERSON of Aroostook  
 LESSARD of Androscoggin

**Paper from the House**

**Out of Order**

Bill, "An Act Relating to Taxation on Sparkling Wines."

(H. P. 821) (L. D. 1159)

In Senate, June 13, indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence, sent down for concurrence.

Comes from the House, insisted on former action whereby the bill was passed to be enacted. Now asks for Committee of Conference. The Speaker appointed:

Representatives:

BAXTER of Pittsfield  
 MAYO of Bath  
 WALSH of Verona

On motion by Mr. Rogerson of Aroostook, the Senate voted to adhere.

On motion by Mr. Pierce of Hancock

ORDERED, that the desk, chair and equipment in the office of the President of the Senate, together with the remainder of such supplies as were required to carry out the

duties of his office, be presented to the President of the Senate and delivered to his home address.

Which was read and passed.

**Orders**

On motion by Mr. Stilphen of Knox

ORDERED, that the Superintendent of Buildings be directed to deliver to the Secretary of the Senate such equipment and supplies as the Secretary shall deem necessary for use in completing and indexing the Journal of the Senate.

Which was read and passed.

On motion by Mrs. Lord of Cumberland

ORDERED, that the office of the Secretary of the Senate, including the furniture and equipment therein shall remain in the custody of the Secretary.

Which was read and passed.

On motion by Mr. Parker of Piscataquis

ORDERED, that the State Librarian be directed to forward bound copies of the Legislative Record to members and officers at their home addresses.

Which was read and passed.

On motion by Mr. Coffin of Cumberland

ORDERED, that the State Librarian mail to each member of the Senate, the balance of the Legislative Record.

Which was read and passed.

On motion by Mr. Dow of Lincoln

ORDERED, that the State Librarian mail to each member and officer of the Senate a copy of the laws of this session, when completed.

Which was read and passed.

**Orders**

**Out of Order**

On motion by MR. MARTIN of Kennebec, out of order

ORDERED that the Secretary of the Senate shall, when the Senate is not in session, be the executive officer of the Senate and have custody of all Senate property and materials, arrange for necessary supplies and equipment through the State

Bureau of Purchases, arrange for necessary service and make all arrangements for incoming sessions of the Senate, have general oversight of chambers and rooms occupied by the Senate, permit state departments to use Senate property, dispose of surplus or obsolete material through the continuing property record section of the Bureau of Public Improvements, with the approval of the President of the Senate, and approve accounts for payment. The Secretary shall maintain a perpetual inventory of all Senate property of items costing over \$50 and make an accounting to the Senate upon request.

Which was read and passed.

On motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot, out of order

ORDERED, that the Secretary of the Senate shall receive compensation of \$1,000 for the year in which the Legislature is not in regular session.

Which was read and passed.

#### Enactor Out of Order

From the House:

The Committee on Engrossed bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following bill:

Bill, "An Act Making Additional Appropriations for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1960 and June 30, 1961" (L. D. 520)

Which bill was passed to be enacted.

#### Conference Committee Report

The Committee of Conference on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the legislature on bill, "An Act Relating to National Defense Education Program." (H. P. 383) (L. D. 566) reported that the Senate recede from indefinite postponement and pass the bill to be enacted in concurrence.

The motion prevailed and the Senate voted to recede from indefinite postponement and passed the bill to be enacted in concurrence.

Mr. Dow of Lincoln was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate.

Mr. DOW: Mr. President, I am a little too tired to talk, so I will read what I want to say.

When I was a small boy my grandfather presented me with a small plaque, inscribed with the following words: "If you can keep your head when all those about you are losing theirs, you will be a man my son."

I could not help but feel that during the last few trying days that each member of this 99th Senate must have had grandfathers like mine whose advice you have heeded as I tried to do. I will never forget the strength of character and patience and courage that you gentleman and the lady of the Senate have displayed.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair thanks the Senator from Lincoln, Senator Dow, for his fine words of truth and wisdom.

#### Paper from the House Out of Order Joint Order

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Legislative Research Committee be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to set forth appropriate plans and to make arrangements for the celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Maine Legislature; and be it further

ORDERED, that the Legislative Research Committee be authorized to expend a sum not to exceed \$100, such funds to be used for decorations and other purposes customary to such celebrations. Funds for this purpose shall come from the Legislative Appropriation. (H. P. 987)

Comes from the House, read and passed.

In the Senate:

Mr. CHARLES of Cumberland: Mr. President and members of the Senate, the purpose of this Order is to observe the 100th legislature, not the anniversary. I certainly move that the Order be adopted.

The Order received a passage.

On motion by Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot,

ORDERED, that a message be sent to the House of Representatives, informing that body that the Senate has transacted all the busi-

ness which has come before it and is ready to adjourn without day.

Which was read and passed.

The Senator from Penobscot Mr. Woodcock was appointed to convey the message, and subsequently reported that he had discharged the duty assigned to him.

A message was received from the House of Representatives that that body had transacted all the business before it and was ready to adjourn without day.

On motion by Mr. Lessard of Androscoggin,

ORDERED, the House concurring, that a Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to wait upon the Governor and inform him that both branches of the Legislature have acted on all matters before them and are now ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make. (S. P. 518)

Which was read and passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

The President appointed as members of such Committee, on the part of the Senate:

Senators:

LESSARD of Androscoggin  
WOODCOCK of Penobscot  
MARTIN of Kennebec

Subsequently, the foregoing Order was returned from the House, having been read and passed in concurrence.

Subsequently the Committee returned, having delivered the message with which it was charged, and announcing that the Governor would attend forthwith and deliver a message to the Senate.

Mr. Charles of Cumberland was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate:

Mr. CHARLES: Mr. President, these will be my last remarks of the regular session of the 99th Legislature. I want to particularly express my deepest appreciation to the entire membership of the Senate under our bipartisan type of government for the wonderful way in which you have received me and the courtesies which you have extended to me on my motions and bills, or what have you. I am particularly pleased with leadership of

both the Republican and Democratic Parties, which is typical of the excellent cooperation received in bipartisan government.

I would also like to pay a particular tribute to my own Committee on Business Legislation and to the Senator from Waldo, Senator Cole, and the Senator from Somerset, Senator Lewis, and to report to you—whether or not this is something unusual or something of a record I do not know—but on the sixty-two bills that the Committee on Business Legislation turned out there was not one bill turned out with a split report; we came out unanimously one way or the other. We lost one bill in our entire procedure in the Senate, and that bill has been referred to the Committee on Legislative Research, and we believe that there is merit there and that we will come out in the next session with something that you will be proud of. I will conclude my remarks by expressing my deepest appreciation to all of you and to wish you good luck in the next campaign. (applause)

The PRESIDENT: The Chair thanks the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Charles, and congratulates him and his Committee on Business Legislation for their remarkable record.

Mrs. LORD of Cumberland was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate.

Mrs. LORD: Mr. President, I would just like to call the attention of the Senate to the fact that the Cumberland delegation has been in attendance throughout this long session of twenty-six hours, and I think we have been here to vote on every vote.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair certainly wishes to commend the Cumberland County delegation for its one hundred per cent attendance. It is truly a remarkable record. (Applause)

Mr. STILPHEN of Knox: Mr. President, I would like also to put in the record that the Knox County delegation has been in constant attendance.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair congratulates the Senator from Knox, Senator Stilphen. (Applause)

Mr. PIERCE of Hancock: I would like to speak for my senior Senator. I have missed but one prayer in my seven terms as a legislator.

The PRESIDENT: A truly remarkable record, and the Chair congratulates the Senator. (Applause.)

Mr. FARLEY of York: Mr. President, I seem to be the only one left from York County and many times I have voted by myself, but I am not lonely.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair congratulates the Senator. (Applause)

Mr. Cole of Waldo was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate.

Mr. COLE: Mr. President and members of the Senate:

I wonder if you all know the service that has been rendered by our Assistant Secretary. I was very much surprised to day to learn that he has served the State and the Senate for thirty years and at this time has not lost a day. (Applause)

The PRESIDENT: We would like to have a few comments from you Waldo.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY WALDO CLARK: Mr. President and members of the Senate: All I have to say is that it has been a nice experience for me. I think that perhaps because when I as a boy I got up and milked the cows and filled the woodbox in the morning is the reason why I could get here on time. (Applause)

At this point, Governor Clinton Clauson entered the Senate Chamber amidst the applause of the Senate, and addressed the Senate as follows:

GOVERNOR CLINTON CLAU-SON: Mr. President and Members of the Senate:

It is my pleasure to submit to you a tabulation of the work of the 99th Legislature.

Acts Approved:559

Resolves Approved:127

Vetoes Presented:None

It was twenty-three weeks ago that the Maine Legislature com-

menced its session which this morning came to an end. The 99th Legislature has set a record for longevity. No other Maine Legislature has labored so long. All of you who have come here to serve your areas in the Legislature have profited much, I am sure, in knowledge of State Government by participation in this Session.

Both Mrs. Clauson and myself have enjoyed our association with you members of the Legislature in the past few months.

No Legislative Session is a picnic. True, there is the enjoyment of new friends and good fellowship, the pleasure of studying, and dealing with, the problems of State Government. On the other hand, and we have all experienced them, there are disappointments, frustrations and disagreements. It is all part of the legislative process. No one of us, I am sure, is fully satisfied with the results of the Legislative Session coming to a close here tonight. But I am confident that all of us are glad that the battle is done.

Both as Governor, and as a citizen of Maine, I deeply appreciate the many sacrifices you have made to come here to Augusta to represent your districts in the Legislature. It is not an easy task. I wish you God-speed on your journey home. In the years ahead, I hope that the friendships made here will remain close and lasting.

Good morning and best of luck.

His Excellency, Governor Clinton Clauson then retired, amidst the applause of the Senate, the members rising.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the distinguished Senator from Piscataquis, Senator Parker.

Mr. PARKER of Piscataquis: Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn without day.

Thereupon, the President of the Senate, the Honorable John H. Reed, at 11:15 P.M. on Saturday, June 13, 1959 declared the Senate of the 99th Legislature adjourned without day.