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ONE-HUNDREDTH LEGISLATURE

Legislative Document

No. 868

S. P. 267 In Senate, January 26, 1961 Referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and ordered printed.

CHESTER T. WINSLOW, Secretary Presented by Senator Stanley of Penobscot.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE

AN ACT Providing for Construction of a Building for the University Press at University of Maine in Orono.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

- Sec. 1. University Press Building, construction of. The University of Maine is authorized to construct a building to house the University Press and to replace some obsolete equipment, including one printing press.
- Sec. 2. Appropriation. There is appropriated to the University of Maine the sum of \$205,000 from the Unappropriated Surplus of the General Fund to carry out this act. Such appropriation shall not lapse, but shall remain a continuing carrying account until the purposes of this act have been accomplished.

STATEMENT OF FACTS

Currently the University Press is housed in the oldest wood frame building on the campus. It is shored up with wooden posts in the basement and it is unsafe to operate all pieces of equipment at the same time.

The present building is located within a few feet of a men's dormitory (Hart Hall) and should be torn down as soon as possible.

The existing building is a fire risk and manuscripts and all work in process might be destroyed.

The existing building is far too small to economically serve the printing requirements of the university.

A new press is badly needed but its purchase has been postponed as it is hoped to avoid putting a new piece of equipment into a dilapidated building.

The proposed building will permit more efficient operation and will have additional storage space to effect savings by buying stock in larger quantities.