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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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HOUSE

Thursday, January 5, 1961

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Victor Musk of Augusta.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate

From the Senate: The following Communication: (S. P. 50)

STATE OF MAINE EXECUTIVE CHAMBER

> Augusta, Maine January 4, 1961

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

In compliance with the Constitution of the State I herewith communicate to the Legislature each case of reprieve, remission of penalty, commutation or pardon granted during the years, 1959 and 1960, stating the name of the convict, the crime of which he was convicted, the sentence and its date, the date of reprieve, remission, commutation of sentence, and the condition, if any, upon which the same was granted.

(Signed) JOHN H. REED Governor

Came from the Senate read and ordered placed on file.

In the House, the Communication was read and with accompanying papers ordered placed on file in concurrence.

From the Senate: The following Report: (S. P. 51)

STATE OF MAINE

The Joint Select Committee of the One-hundredth Legislature on returns of votes for Governor given in the several cities, towns and plantations of this State for the political years 1961 and 1962, has attended to its duty and asks leave to report that the whole number of votes returned for Governor was 417,315; and that John H. Reed of Fort Fairfield had 219,768 votes; and that Frank M. Coffin of Lewiston had 197,547 votes.

AUGUSTA K. CHRISTIE Chairman on the part of the Senate DAVID J. KENNEDY

Chairman on the part of the House

Came from the Senate read and accepted.

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

Messages and Documents

The following Notice of Contest: STATE OF MAINE,

SAGADAHOC, SS.

December 23, 1960

Carlton Day Reed, Jr., of Woolwich, County of Sagadahoc, State of Maine vs. T. Tarpy Schulten, of Woolwich, County of Sagadahoc, State of Maine

NOTICE OF CONTEST of the seating of T. Tarpy Schulten in the State of Maine House of Representatives.

To: T. Tarpy Schulten, of Woolwich, in the County of Sagadahoc, and State of Maine.

RESPECTFULLY REPRESENTS, Carlton Day Reed, Jr., of Woolwich, County of Sagadahoc, State of Maine, who herein states,

That he, in accordance with Section 89 of Chapter 5 of the Revised Statutes of Maine 1954, as amended, is contesting the seat of T. Tarpy Schulten, of Woolwich, County and State, aforesaid, in the State of Maine House of Representatives as Representative from the class towns of Arrowsic, Phippsburg, Topsham, West Bath, and Woolwich in the County and State, aforesaid.

(Signed)

CARLTON DAY REED, JR. Carlton Day Reed, Jr.

State of Maine Sagadahoc, ss.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Carlton Day Reed, Jr., being first duly sworn, depose and say: That, I am a resident of Woolwich, in the County of Sagadahoc, and State of Maine:

That, on the 23rd day of December 1960, I made service of the above stated "Notice of Contest" upon T. Tarpy Schulten, of Woolwich, in the County of Sagadahoc, and State of Maine, by mailing on said date said Notice thereof to him at his address, to-wit: Old State Road, R.F.D. No. 1, W o o l w i c h, Maine, postage prepaid by depositing in U. S. Post Office in s a i d Woolwich, Maine, an envelope containing said Notice and properly sealed, stamped, and addressed.

(Signed)

CARLTON DAY REED JR. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23rd day of December 1960. (Signed)

> RONALD A. HART Notary Public

(Notarial Seal) My Commission Expires March 28, 1965.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

The following Petition: STATE OF MAINE

SAGADAHOC, ss.

January 3, 1961

Carlton Day Reed, Jr., of

Woolwich, County of Saga-

dahoc, and State of Maine

vs.

T. Tarpy Schulten, of

Woolwich, County of Saga-

dahoc, and State of Maine

PETITION TO THE STATE OF MAINE 100th LEGISLATURE OF THE SEATING OF T. TARPY SCHULTEN IN THE STATE OF MAINE HOUSE OF REPRESENTA-TIVES

To: Honorable Harvey R. Pease, Clerk, State of Maine House of Representatives.

RESPECTFULLY REPRESENTS, Carlton Day Reed, Jr., of Woolwich, County of Sagadahoc, and State of Maine:

Your Petitioner alleges that he was a candidate for State Representative to the 100th Legislature of the State of Maine in the November 8, 1960, election in the class towns of Arrowsic, Phippsburg, T o p s h a m, West Bath, and Woolwich, in the County of Sagadahoc, and State of Maine,

That, he was opposed in s a id election for said office of State Representative by T. Tarpy Schulten, of Woolwich, County of Sagadahoc, and State of Maine,

That, the count, as determined by said towns following the November 8 election, resulted in the said T. Tarpy Schulten ostensibly winning the election by a vote of 1587 to 1571 for your Petitioner.

That, at an inspection of the ballots held in the Secretary of State's office, Augusta, Maine, on the fourteenth day of December, 1960, your Petitioner contested twelve (12) ballots cast for the said T. Tarpy Schulten, which said twelve (12) ballots were irregular upon their face and, therefore, an illegal vote as being contrary to the manner of preparing a ballot as set forth in Chapter 5, Section 35 and Section 40, of the Revised Statutes of Maine 1954. as amended. Also, your Petitioner contested sixty-three (63) absentee ballots cast in the class town of Woolwich, which said absentee ballots were illegal votes in that they were cast in contravention to the provisions of Chapter 6, Section 7, of the Revised Statutes of Maine. as amended.

WHEREFORE, your Petitioner prays that the committee on elections as appointed by the 100th Legislature after examination of the facts and law applicable to your Petitioner's petition will find that your Petitioner is duly entitled to be seated in the Maine State House of Representatives as the elected representative from the class towns, as aforesaid, on the basis of the irregularities found to exist at the inspection of said ballots as held in the Secretary of State's office on the fourteenth day of December 1960, and which said irregularities are, in your Petitioner's behalf, sufficient to constitute each such ballot so cast an illegal ballot.

(Signed)

CARLTON DAY REED, JR. Carlton Day Reed, Jr.

Referred to the Committee on Elections.

From the Senate: The following Order:

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 Honorable John H. Reed and inform him that he has been duly elected Governor of the State of Maine for the years 1961 and 1962 (S. P. 56)

Came from the Senate read and passed with the following members appointed on its part:

Senators:

STANLEY of Penobscot LORD of Cumberland BOISVERT

of Androscoggin In the House, the Order was read and passed in concurrence and the S p e a k e r appointed the following members on the part of the House: Messre HUGHES of St Albans

Messrs. HUGHES of St. Albans MATHESON of Mexico HUMPHREY of Augusta WINCHENPAW

of Friendship HANCOCK of Nobleboro BEARCE of Bucksport CYR of Fort Kent

Subsequently Mr. Hughes for the committee, reported that the committee had attended to its duties and the committee was discharged and thanked by the House.

A message came from the Senate borne by Secretary Winslow of that body, proposing a Joint Convention to be held forthwith in the Hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of administering to the Honorables Lester Hobbs, Robert L. Travis, Robert Heald, Ronald Speers, Harry T. Treworgy, Ronald S. Wight, and Frank Wood the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties as Executive Councilors; and for the further purpose of administering to the Honorable John H. Reed, Governor-elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Thereupon, the House voted to concur in the proposal for a Joint Convention. The Clerk was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate to that effect.

The Clerk subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

House at Ease

Called to order by the Speaker.

At this point, the Senate entered the Hall of the House and a Joint Convention was formed.

In Convention

The President of the Senate, the Honorable Earle M. Hillman, in the Chair.

The Convention was called to order by the Chairman.

On motion of Senator Bates of Penobscot, it was

ORDERED, that the rules be suspended by unanimous consent and that a message be sent to the Councilors-elect, informing them that the two branches of the Legislature are in Convention assembled, ready to administer to them the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Chairman appointed Senator Bates of Penobscot to convey the message.

Subsequently, that Senator reported that he had performed the duty assigned him and that the Councilors-elect would attend forthwith.

Thereupon, the Honorables Lester Hobbs, Robert L. Travis, R o b e r t Heald, Ronald Speers, Harry T. Treworgy, Ronald S. Wight, and Frank Wood, accompanied by the outgoing Councilors, entered the Hall and in the presence of both branches of the Legislature in Convention assembled, before the President of the Senate, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties.

The Councilors and suite then withdrew amid the applause of the Convention.

On motion of Senator Erwin of York, it was

ORDERED, that a Committee of ten be appointed to wait upon the Honorable Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, and the Justices of the Superior Court of this State, inviting them to attend this Convention convened for the purpose of administering to the Honorable John H. Reed, Governor-elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Chairman appointed:

Senators: ERWIN of York MARDEN of Kennebec BOARDMAN

of Washington

Representatives:

KNIGHT of Rockland COX of Dexter BERMAN of Auburn THORNTON of Belfast RUST of York SMITH of Bar Harbor BEANE of Augusta

Senator Erwin for the Committee subsequently reported that the Committee had attended to the duty assigned to it, and that the Honorable Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court and the Justices of the Superior Court were pleased to say that they would forthwith attend this Convention.

At this point, the Honorable Chief Justice, the Associate Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, Retired Justices and the Justices of the Superior Court, entered the Convention Hall amid the applause of the Convention, the audience rising.

On motion of Senator Stanley of Penobscot, it was

ORDERED, that a Committee be appointed to wait upon the Honorable John H. Reed, Governor-elect, and inform him that the two branches of the Legislature are in Convention assembled, ready to administer to him the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties and receive from him such communication as he may be pleased to make.

The Chairman appointed:

Senators:

STANLEY of Penobscot WYMAN of Washington CHRISTIE of Aroostook Representatives:

BAXTER of Pittsfield BRAGDON of Perham HOPKINSON of Fort Fairfield ESTEY of Portland

DENNETT of Kittery CROCKETT of Freeport FOGG of Madison

Senator Stanley for the Committee subsequently reported that the Committee had discharged the duties assigned to it, and the Governor-elect was pleased to say that he w as ready to take and subscribe the necessary oaths of office and would forthwith attend the Convention.

The CHAIRMAN: While we are waiting I would like to introduce the members of the Governor's family. After I introduce our F i r s t Lady, I would like to introduce the rest of the family, and we will withhold our applause until the end, not for our First Lady though, I think she deserves all the applause there is. It gives me great pleasure to introduce Mrs. John Reed, First Lady of the State of Maine. (Prolonged Applause, Convention rising).

I will proceed to introduce the two lovely daughters of the Governor, Cheryl and Ruth Ann; the father and mother of the Governor. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Reed. Sr.: his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Reed, Jr.; his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Mraz; Mrs. Elizabeth Fowler, aunt; Mrs. Clara Thornton, aunt; Mrs. Ralph Reed, aunt; Mrs. Eva Seeley, aunt: Dr. Raymond Skofield, uncle; Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Johnston, cousins; Mr. and Mrs. Woodbury Berce, Mr. Philip Reed, Mrs. Maxine Bergin, Mr. and Mrs. Carvel Cronkite, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Seeley, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Billings, Mrs. Jean Card, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Seeley, Mr. and Mrs. George Clifford, Mrs. Paul Dickey, Mrs. Dorothy Fitzherbert, these are cousins of the Governor. (Applause)

Then we have Mrs. Reed's relatives, Mrs. John A. Davison, Sr., mother; Mr. and Mrs. John A. Davison, Jr., brother and wife. (Applause)

Then we have the honor of having with us this morning our Congressman, Representative and Mrs. Clifford G. McIntyre. (Applause)

Convention at Ease

Convention called to order by Chairman Hillman:

Thereupon, the Honorable John H. Reed, Governor-elect, announced by Lt. Robert Packard, escorted by Adjutant General E. W. Heywood, and attended by Hon. Paul A. MacDonald, Secretary of State, Ex-Governors Sumner Sewall, Burton Cross, Horace Hildreth, Lewis Barrows and Robert Haskell; Col. Robert Norton, DAV; Col. Galen Cole, Capt. Philip W. Anderson, distinguished guests, members and staff, department heads and heads of commissions, entered the Hall of the House amid prolonged applause, the audience rising.

Prayer was then offered by Dr. Frederick Whitaker of the Maine Theological Seminary.

Thereupon, the Governor-elect, the Honorable John H. Reed, before the presiding officer of the Convention, the Honorable Earle M. Hillman, in the presence of both branches of the Legislature, the Chief Justice, the Associate Justices of the Supreme Judicial Court, and the Justices of the Superior Court of this State, took and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Chairman of the Convention then called upon the Secretary of State, Honorable Paul A. MacDonald, to read the proclamation:

Proclamation

The votes given in on the eighth day of November last, in the cities, towns and plantations of the State for Governor, the returns of which have been made to the office of the Secretary of State, having been examined and counted by the Legislature which has declared that a plurality thereof was given to John H. Reed, and that he is duly elected and he, having in the presence of the two branches of the Legislature in Convention assembled, taken and subscribed the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to discharge the duties of that office, I, therefore, declare and make known to all persons in this State who are in the exercise of any public trust, as well as all good citizens thereof, that John H. Reed is Governor and Commander-in-chief of the State of Maine, and that due obedience should be rendered to all his acts and commands as such.

GOD SAVE THE STATE OF MAINE

Governor Reed then addressed the Convention as follows:

Mr. President and Members of the 100th Legislature:

Great opportunity comes infrequently into the life of the average man.

More often, great opportunity comes to the institutions of men. . . institutions such as the distinguished legislative body which meets today in joint convention.

You and I have an unparalleled opportunity to write a major chapter in the history of our state. In writing it, we can bring to our people a renewed and enlarged opportunity for economic, cultural, and social improvement.

This is a challenge which comes to you and to me at a dramatic moment in our history. . .the convening of the 100th Maine Legislature.

There are many of you who are serving in this assembly for the first time. To you the challenge is new and inspiring. I am sure you feel the same pride in public service which came to me when I first became a member of this historic House.

There are others among you to whom these halls are most familiar. However, new member or old, I wish for you a most successful and productive Legislative session. I know that you will faithfully represent the interests of your constituents. I want each of you to know that it is my sincere desire to assist you in every way I can.

You shall be meeting together for the next several months, and you will recognize that some Legislative matters call for more of your time and attention than others. It is my purpose today to set forth those things which, in my opinion, are of paramount interest.

Why are we here?

What are we striving for?

What is our responsibility?

Can we make a significant im-

pact upon the history of our State? I know we can. . . . I believe we will.

We are here to represent the interests of all of the citizens of Maine. We must act to increase the opportunity for the people to earn a good living, enhance the prospect of steady economic improvement,

The Chairman of the Convention then presented Governor John H. Reed to the Convention amid prolonged applause, the audience rising.

augment the means of intellectual advancement, and provide help for those who must turn to us in time of need.

These are ambitious goals.

Do they sound impossible of accomplishment?

To me they do not!

The tools to achieve these goals will be placed in our hands as legislative proposals. If we use them wisely we can do those things which we have set out to do.

I do not mean to imply that we shall create an economic utopia in the next few months, nor do I suggest that all of the desired objectives will be reached even within the coming biennium.

I do say, however, that we have a golden opportunity to advance the State of Maine far along the road to economic, social and cultural horizons that we have not envisioned before. We can make a start. . . and a good one.

Education

There should be no doubt in anyone's mind as to where I stand in the matter of public education and its role in the future of our state.

Education is an area in which the fiscal sights of the State of Maine must be raised to a higher level. More liberal State support in the form of increased subsidy payments is essential.

Teachers' salaries in Maine call for attention and action.

Maine has lagged behind in this respect.

The inclination of the Maine teacher to take a position in another state is understandable.

Several legislatures in the past have raised the minimum pay standard for teachers, but we are weak in the matter of annual increases. These should be made more attractive.

The need for more teachers becomes greater every year in Maine. To obtain them we must look to our teacher colleges. These institutions themselves have serious problems.

The competition for teaching staffs at the colleges is keen. There is need for more buildings and equipment.

Our major goal should be full accreditation for all five Maine

teacher training facilities. This means not only staff, buildings and equipment, but libraries, laboratories and other necessities. To secure these needs the teacher colleges must have increased funds.

Every Maine boy and girl qualified for college should be afforded the opportunity. However, for various reasons there will always be young people who cannot go on to higher education. For them we must consider the advisability of offering a broader vocational training p r ogram. While we do this for o u r young people, it will also support our effort to expand Maine's industrial development.

Let us turn now to the University of Maine.

The difficult position in which the University finds itself today has resulted in requests for additional appropriations for operations and f o r capital construction in the next biennium.

There is an imperative need for added operating funds with which to improve faculty salaries in order that they may approach the level of those in other state-supported universities; to take care of other expense categories where there is a lag behind national inflationary trends; for the teaching of additional students, and providing improved services to the state.

With student enrollment rising to an expected 8,000 by 1970, more money is urgently needed for capital construction. Funds granted the University for capital improvements have been so limited that crowded academic facilities have resulted.

If we do not meet the emergency realistically, the University must deny admission to many qualified Maine youths, a necessity which already has been felt.

I am sure you will agree with me that this situation must be corrected.

The proud seafaring tradition of our State is still cherished throughout Maine.

One of the institutions that preserves that heritage is the Maine Maritime Academy at Castine. This is a splendid service in training officers for the maritime industry. The present needs of the Academy demand our most serious consideration.

A modest increase in pension allowances for retired teachers will be asked. This is worthy of passage.

Health and Welfare

In the field of Health and Welfare I am particularly concerned with the problems of Maine's senior citizens. I emphatically favor the repeal of the present Relative Responsibility Clause in the Old Age Assistance Law. I am convinced that hardships are being endured in many cases where elderly citizens who are in need cannot bring themselves to take court action against their defecting sons or daughters.

In the field of Public Assistance I recommend your favorable consideration of repeal of all residence requirements. This will strengthen the program at practically no cost.

I also hope that this Legislature will support research into the causes of dependency, and that as a result of this research, we may proceed with experimental programs to test their effectiveness in preventing and dealing with causes of dependency.

I shall request appropriations for extension to other areas of the socalled "Portland Plan" in behalf of dependent children, and to purchase more adequate foster home care for children.

Among the many responsibilities of the Department of Health and Welfare, none is more immediately important than provision of more adequate payments to hospitals and nursing homes for services given patients who qualify under state aid programs.

Maine's hospitals find themselves in an impossible situation today in caring for state aid patients at rates which are below the cost of maintaining those patients.

I strongly recommend more realistic payments.

The Citizens Committee on Aging has faithfully studied its assigned problems. I propose that it now be made a permanent committee.

Because of the important work in which our Committee on Children and Youth is now engaged, I recommend that this temporary committee be authorized to function on a continuing basis.

Natural Resources

Forestry

I would like to speak now of our natural resources.

Since almost 90 percent of all Maine land is covered with forests, this is our greatest natural resource. We have had excellent expansion in markets for Maine wood products. The demand is certain to increase.

Forest Productivity must be improved.

The five chief steps I would recommend for your consideration are: better cutting practices; improvement of timber stand; increased protection of forest lands; accelerated planting; and increased research.

Forestry management and our planting program should be i mproved. The capacity of the State Forest Nursery should be increased for a long-range reforestation p r ogram.

Greater fire control is urgent, as is insect control. I ask for serious consideration of a proposal to provide more incentive programs for insect control through increased grants.

Infestation of the state's elm trees by Dutch elm disease has become a serious problem. To prevent the loss of these beautiful trees I ask the Legislature to provide funds to meet this threat.

From time to time the suggestion has been made that state agencies concerned with natural resources be consolidated. I do not think this consolidation is necessary. The agencies are a l r e a d y working effectively through an informal joint committee.

Mineral Potential

Let us turn now to Maine's mineral potential.

Through aero magnetic survey and ground reconnaissance we have now mapped a large portion of the state to determine the extent of our mineral assets. This inventory should be continued until the whole state is properly mapped.

Study has also been made of the geology of the State of Maine in those areas near Canadian mineral deposits which have been successfully worked. This part of our program, to determine what we have in minerals, should be continued. No one could forecast at this time whether the mineral deposits which we know exist in Maine will play a major role in the future economic development of the state, but we would be most unwise to neglect a determination of what we have, and in what measure.

Water Improvement

All of us who live and work in the State of Maine are grateful for the rich endowment nature has given us in the form of lakes, streams and coastal waters. We are unanimous in our desire to prevent their contamination and, in those instances where pollution has developed to correct it.

The basic fact here is that our problem of water pollution is one that has been building up over many years. It is not the kind of problem that is going to be eliminated quickly or at small cost.

To meet this situation previous legislatures established an orderly, fair, and certain program of pollution abatement through classification of waters under the administration of the Water Improvement Commission. With this plan, we are moving toward clean waters without imposing an unjustified financial burden upon any municipality or private enterprise.

My position is not a defense of the status quo, nor a stand-pat attitude in connection with this important matter.

I would recommend that while we continue to classify and improve Maine waters under the plan which is in force, we give the Water Improvement Commission greater enforcement power. In this way, we shall make more effective the rulings and decisions of the Commission.

I would further recommend an increase in the existing grants-in-aid to municipalities as an encouragement toward pollution abatement.

State Parks

Parks comprise one of our most popular recreational assets.

Unless you have used our camp sites and day-park areas in recent years, I think you will find it difficult to grasp the extent of the expansion which has taken place. In view of the increasing public demand for these camping facilities, I would recommend that funds be provided for sound expansion of our park program. In a number of areas private camp operators a r e meeting the need. This effort should be encouraged.

The Park Commission is also responsible for historical preservation. This constitutes a valuable attraction to tourists as well as our own people. I heartily endorse this program, and urge that you provide the funds to implement it.

Highways

Whatever phase in the development of the State of Maine is under consideration, highways necessarily take a leading position in our planning.

To win our share of the great industrial expansion that is taking place across the nation, we need highways more imperatively than most states, for the speed with which goods can be moved great distances to mark et becomes increasingly important.

If we are to grow recreationally and to develop into a four - season vacation travel state, highways are of paramount concern to us.

Highway planning is especially difficult in Maine because, while our large geographical area results in great mileage, our population is relatively small, which means that revenue sources for highway building and maintenance are also comparatively limited.

In my Budget Message I shall speak of highway financmg in detail, and will refer to the balanced budget which the Highway Commission has submitted for the coming biennium.

At this time, let me state my conviction that it is our obligation to continue with our full highway program, including state aid, special state aid, and town road improvement.

I wish to make one other point in connection with our highway program, and this refers to the completed extension of the Interstate Highway from Augusta to Fairfield. I felt that it would be appropriate to designate this section of the interstate system as the "Clinton A. Clauson Highway" in memory of our late Governor. Appropriate legislation will be presented to provide for this designation.

Mental Health and Corrections

Let us consider now one of our largest state departments, Mental Health and Corrections, and examine some of its current needs.

Recent legislation has created services in this department which will need continued support and expansion if the purposes of the law are to be carried out. The 98th Legislature, for example, established a state-wide probation and parole system.

This 100th Legislature should recognize the present urgent need to complete the program by appropriating the necessary funds.

The 99th Legislature created the Bureau of Mental Health, which was made responsible for the direction of the mental health programs in the institutions and within the communities of the State. The department now seeks funds for continued support and expansion.

The same session of the Legislature provided for expanded community mental health services and appropriated funds to implement that law. The amount appropriated had to be a guess, since the Legislature of 1959 had no way of knowing to what degree municipalities would be able to take part in this grant-in-aid program.

There is now clear indication that more communities and non-profit organizations will organize to participate in 1961-1963. It is probable that funds in excess of those appropriated in 1959 will be necessary for the coming biennium.

This department today faces some very serious problems.

The State Reformatory for men is overcrowded.

The Maine State Prison is at the saturation point.

The Boys Training Center h as been forced to operate on an unsatisfactory accelerated release program.

We must act to alleviate these conditions.

An important part of the work of the Department of Mental Health and Corrections is Pineland Hospital and Training Center, which is doing exceptional work in the mental health field. I hope that this Legislature will join me in endorsing and supporting that program.

There are as many beds in the three hospitals operated by the department as there are in all other hospitals in the State of Maine. With present funds, none of the state hospitals can obtain the accreditation which is so essential if approved standards of program and treatment are to be provided and competent professional personnel be recruited and retained.

This Legislature should take steps toward accreditation.

State Government

At this point I would like to speak of State Government and express my belief that it is and ought to be subject to change in accord with contemporary needs.

Legislation will be introduced to provide for the election of the Executive Council by popular vote in the county entitled to representation. I approve of this method and hope the measure will receive your favorable consideration.

In whatever area of State Government change is contemplated, we can accomplish the refinement either by majority passage or resolves by the Legislature, with subsequent ratification by the people; or we can, by legislative vote, convene a constitutional convention. However, this is a cumbersome and expensive device to use.

Governmental reorganization c a n be accomplished, also, through a Constitutional Commission. This has been done once. In 1875, the Legislature created a ten-man commission.

That commission returned seventeen recommendations to the Legislature. Nine were adopted immediately, and five at a later date. Only three recommendations failed of adoption.

In order that we may know the public's desire in the matter of governmental reform, I now propose that the 100th Maine Legislature authorize a bipartisan Constitutional Commission which would consider changes in state functions.

I shall not prejudice the deliberations of this Constitutional Commission by directing what proposals in government reform it ought to consider. The high integrity of such a commission will insure that all subjects bearing on the public interest in governmental improvement will be given full consideration.

In keeping with my belief that the machinery of representative government should be kept up to date, I request that this Legislature address itself to the revision of our state election laws. Measures will be offered for that revision. These deserve our concentrated attention.

Congressional Redistricting

This 100th Legislature is obligated to decide the manner in which the State of Maine shall be redistricted, if our representation in the National House is to be reduced by one member.

The Legislature may d e c i d e toa u th o r i z e two Representativesat-large; or it may decide to divide the state into two Congressional Districts.

I recommend we follow the second course.

Reapportionment

Under the Constitution of the State of Maine we are required to adjust legislative apportionment in accordance with population changes.

I ask that this 100th Legislature act forthrightly in adjusting our legislative representation as directed by the Constitution.

Legislative Procedures

Among the legislatures of the several states, Maine has always followed form and tradition in a way that has brought us distinction. Visitors who sit in the galleries of the Senate or House are always visibly impressed with the dignity and decorum with which our legislative sessions are conducted.

The 99th Legislature is to be commended for bringing a bout changes in legislative procedure which will bring new dispatch and efficiency to the processing of bills and resolves. I hope that this and all succeeding legislatures will adhere to the objective of striving for increased efficiency.

Judicial Reform

Efficient administration of justice is a goal we must constantly keep before us. In a slower moving era it was necessary to have numerous municipal courts and many trial justices, and to entrust to part-time magistrates the judicial responsibilities at the level where the greatest number of Maine citizens came in contact with the courts.

Those days have passed.

I recommend the creation of a statewide system of district courts staffed by full-time judges. At the outset the district courts would have jurisdiction over the cases presently considered in municipal courts. In time the jurisdiction might be broadened to relieve some of the burden on our other courts.

This is a progressive step which I hope this Legislature will take.

Labor

One of the most valuable economic assets our State possesses is our work force.

These 300,000 wage earners are deserving of recognition and for this reason I hope this session of the Legislature will give special attention to the interests, the welfare, and the protection of the State's labor force.

There is much to be done in the field of safety on the job. In the last year of record the total of 44 on-the-job fatalities was the highest since we have kept records. I believe that occupational safety supervision should be extended to a 11 work places; that special attention be given the construction industry which is not now covered by a State Safety Service.

We should have periodic wage surveys because this is a service that would aid our industrial development program.

It is the duty of this 100th Legislature to study possible needs for adjustment in our Unemployment Compensation and Workmen's Compensation Laws.

We want these insurance programs to be kept up to date, and to provide protection for both employees and employers.

I submit to this Legislature that adjustment is needed in our new State Minimum Wage Law. Our experience in enforcement of this law leads to the recommendation that a number of changes be considered.

Legislation will be introduced outlining my specific recommendations for improving the Minimum W a g e Law.

This Legislature will receive a report of an interim committee on the subject of workmen's compensation coverage, and will therein find a proposal that the Workmen's Compensation Law be revised to provide for injured workers to receive vocational rehabilitation with a view to restoring the injured worker to gainful employment.

This proposed expansion of compensation coverage in the interest of injured workers is important, and deserves concentrated study.

State Employees

Your attention is directed to the Jacobs Pay Plan which proposes recognition of the high quality of the performance of our state employees and their efficiency and loyalty.

The study recognizes that f i x e d salaries at a time when consumer prices are constantly rising creates a difficult situation for salaried workers, and imposes a burden on state employees.

I am of the opinion that the State holds at least equal responsibility toward its efficient employees as that of the employer in private business. It is our responsibility to see that state employees receive adequate compensation.

I recommend increased adjustments applying the provisions of the Jacobs Pay Plan.

Agriculture

Let us turn now to agriculture.

Although industrial and recreational development are the dramatic aspects of the growth of the State of Maine in the present day, farming will always be an important part of our economic life.

Let me discuss with you at this time some of the present needs of the Department of Agriculture.

The program for control of livestock diseases needs strengthening, especially in the poultry industry. Financial support is needed for the operation of our State Division of Markets.

The time has come for our huge poultry industry to seriously consider the value of a program of selftaxation in order to promote its products. The poultry industry itself should first be convinced of the value of such a tax. In creating and expanding markets for our agricultural products, we have made effective use of the motion picture. This has been a most productive program, and I hope you will support a modest expansion of this activity.

Conservation of the soil of Maine is all-important. We must protect our farm soil from the ravages of erosion.

I recommend that adequate funds be provided to assure the full continuation of this program.

Public Transportation

Modern transportation is taking an increasingly important place in the growth of Maine.

If we are to take our deserved place in the economic sun, we must be assured of fast, frequent and convenient commercial air service. To make that kind of service possible, we must improve our present system of airports, few of which were designed for the heavier and faster planes of the present day.

In my opinion the area air terminal is the logical solution to our present-day need for improved service.

To support area airports, local communities must recognize the desirability of the area concept, and individually maintain landing areas for feeder service to the area air terminal.

Wherever possible existing airports should be developed for area terminals to avoid costly duplication.

With the abandonment of railroad passenger service in Maine, an increased responsibility was placed upon the other forms of transportation. The common carrier most affected by the change was the bus.

Adequate bus schedules must be maintained.

In order that the travelling public might be fully protected, the Public Utilities Commission instituted a rigid program of bus inspection. That system will be followed constantly.

There is an appreciable segment of the population of Maine w h i c h must depend upon regular f e r r y transportation. . . a demand which is seasonally augmented by tourist traffic. I believe that citizens using regularly scheduled ferry services are entitled to the same assurance of service and protection as that attending other forms of transportation.

Sea and Shore Fisheries

Throughout this nation and, indeed, across the world, the State of Maine is identified with fine sea foods, the products of our coastal fisheries. The fame of Maine's sea foods is gradually spreading to an increasing list of consumer markets.

This Legislature should support the program to accelerate the demand for these ocean foods. This includes the establishment of a marketing advisory council, market surveys for lobsters and other commercial fish, and an inspection program for fisheries products to encourage the distribution with an official Maine "Seal of Approval".

More research and enforcement manpower are needed to assist the Sea and Shore Fisheries Department. We should provide this.

Public Protection

I want to speak now of public protection.

Highway Safety

One of the greatest contributions that this 1961 Legislature c o u l d make to the protection of Maine citizens would be to focus attention on the urgent problem of highway safety.

Some states have taken relatively drastic steps, through law enforcement procedures, to reduce the frequency of accidents, injuries and deaths.

It is my recommendation t h at this legislative session strengthen our Motor Vehicle Laws to provide more severe punishment for violators.

In my opinion, this is the most effective way to meet the appalling rise in motor vehicle fatalities.

Our Maine Highway Safety Committee continually works to k e e p highway accidents down, and is to be commended for its public spirited work.

State Police

It has always seemed to me that one of the greatest responsibilities of government was the protection of its citizens from acts of lawlessness and disaster. Our chief agency in the maintenance of law and order, at the state level, is our State Police organization. The Maine State Police have made a notable contribution to law observance over the years.

It is my opinion that personnel below the rank of Captain in our State Police should be included as classified personnel under the jurisdiction of the State Personnel Board.

I hope this Legislature will adopt this change.

Civil Defense

In the realm of public protection I do not feel that our Civil Defense and Public Safety organization in Maine has received the full credit which it is due. These faithful volunteers have kept themselves prepared for an emergency which we all pray will never occur. But if it should come, we can take assurance from the knowledge that our Civil Defense organization is trained and alert for any possibility.

Inland Fish and Game

Now, let us discuss our fish and game interests.

In earlier years there were far fewer hunters and fishermen, and our forest lands and waters teemed with game and fish.

Today, our Fish and Game Department must emphasize research and management if we are to maintain our fish and game population against demands that are beyond anything our forefathers could have visualized.

Research, and a continuing inventory of Maine's fishing waters provide a basis for scientific stocking, and give indication of the need for management activity.

In the field of outdoor sport in Maine, there is no more important potential problem than the maintenance of access to our valuable recreation areas. whether for hunting, fishing, or other outdoor pursuits. This Legislature should be alert to assure that this right will be protected.

There has been a tremendous increase in boating throughout the United States. This is also true in Maine, which has so many beautiful lakes, ponds and coastal boating areas.

I strongly urge that municipalities, civic groups and private operators provide adequate launching facilities. We have a boat registration and safety law, administered by the Fish and Game Department. Legislation will be offered to resolve problems which have become evident with experience.

Capital Improvements

In the conduct of state business it is obvious that buildings must be constructed and maintained for an increasing volume of operations. Thus, this Legislature will receive requests for capital construction, not all of which are attainable in one biennium.

The Bureau of Public Improvements has established priorities for construction. You will find these very valuable.

In the light of growing needs for the housing of state government operations, I urge you to acquaint yourselves with the recommendations of the Bureau. The determination of how much of the requested capital improvement can be financed in the coming biennium is one of the more critical decisions of this Legislature. I shall give you my detailed recommendations concerning capital construction in my Budget Message.

Economic Development

Most of the state functions which I have discussed have been concerned with the disbursement of state funds in the service of the people.

Now, I want to discuss the operations of the agency which has a direct effect upon income. . .the Department of Economic Development.

Two principal sources of income, industrial growth and vacation travel, will shape the economic future of Maine. In so doing, they will have profound effect upon the personal income and the standard of living of every citizen.

We have tremendous assets for both industrial expansion and recreational development.

Let us first consider industrial progress. We have what growing industry needs. . .space for location and expansion, power, water, favorable taxes, manpower, and transportation. We have had success in promoting the use of these assets, but we have hardly begun to utilize our potential.

The first thing we have to do to bring real industrial growth to our state is to let industry know what we have to offer. This is a far bigger job than it appears to be at first glance, because this is a highly competitive field.

In order to sell Maine to industry, we must accelerate our program of personal contact with industrialists and industrial realtors. This takes manpower.

At the present time the full responsibility for selling Maine's industrial potential where it counts, through personal contact, is being done almost entirely by three state industrial representatives. Obviously, more are needed.

Manpower alone is not enough. We must have increased advertising to support an enlarged personal contact program.

We must reach industrialists through their trade publications and periodicals.

Further, we must keep the name of Maine and its industrial potential constantly before the influential readers of business newspapers.

More manpower and greater advertising promotion are the urgent needs of our recreational development.

Currently, the entire state-supported tourist travel promotion of Maine rests in the hands of two men. This is too important an industry to languish for lack of ample promotion.

In addition to added manpower, our vacation travel industry imperatively needs increased advertising support. While it is true we have superlative vacationland attractions, their full potential will never be reached without adequate promotion.

Today, the American people have time and money to visit among the states. When we attract t h e m to Maine, they help build our highway systems, they stimulate retail trade, and they create employment.

Let us use imagination in our approach to appropriations for the Department of Economic Development.

I would like to see this Legislature endorse, and budget for, the most vigorous program of premoting industrial and recreational growth that the State of Maine has ever known. This is the primary way in which we can grow and thrive.

The value of industrial and recreational promotion has been proved beyond a doubt. I suggest that we prime this great economic pump by giving our state agency the tools to go out and sell Maine as it has never been sold before.

I want to suggest to you that the Governor, because of his office, is in a position to be the top salesman for the state. I would, therefore, recommend the creation of a new position in the Executive Department. This person would work with the Governor, with the Department of Economic Development. . . indeed, with all Maine people and with people out-of-state. . .to the end that the Governor may be constantly informed of opportunities where he may personally serve in the role of salesman.

In my opinion, this would prove of tremendous value to Maine in reaching out-of-state interests which might be prevailed upon to locate here. Legislation to effect this will be offered for your consideration. Boosting Maine is everybody's business, but you and I must lead the way.

Taxation

The policy of obtaining sufficient revenue to finance the entire program I have outlined is one in which I know you have a definite interest.

Inasmuch as this is largely a financial matter I will discuss this subject in detail during my Budget Message, next week.

Conclusion

In presenting this 1961 Inaugural Address I have endeavored to outline what I conceive to be the image of the State of Maine in the future.

It has been possible to touch only briefly on the plans and the hopes which I have for the years ahead, but it should be abundantly evident that many major decisions will confront the members of this Centennial Legislature.

Not all of the worthwhile proposals which will reach your desks can be translated into accomplishment this year. . . or next. . .simply because of financial limitations. This imposes upon each member of this Legislature the burden of choice.

What is imperative?

What must be deferred?

What action do we take in order to make possible the greatest immediate benefit for the largest number of citizens?

These are not going to be easy decisions to make.

It is my sincere belief that this Legislature, by judicious planning selection, can bring about those accomplishments which will mark the year 1961 as the threshold of truly memorable achievement. On this threshold of opportunity, we, . . . you and I. . .share the happy task of representing our State of Maine in all her hopes, desires and ambitions.

You share with me the great belief I have in Maine. . .her famous past and enlarged and brighter future.

Today, as we meet for this onehundredth session, we dedicate all our efforts to Maine. . .her people, institutions, beliefs and welfare.

It has ever been the custom, when great and important decisions are required for Maine people to turn to the guidance and counsel of the Almighty, who is ever with us, and willing to aid us in our laudable undertakings. Let us bear Him in mind as we bring this occasion to a close, and turn to the work before us.

In this mood, I wish you well, promise you my constant and steadfast cooperation, and take my leave assured that our beloved State of Maine will prosper and progress by our decisions.

At the conclusion of the address, a prayer was offered by Dr. Frederick Whitaker.

The Governor and his suite withdrew, amid applause of the Convention, the audience rising.

The purpose for which the Convention was called having been accomplished, the Chairman declared the same dissolved.

The Senate retired to the Senate Chamber, amid applause of the House, the members rising.

In the House

The House was called to order by Speaker Good.

Papers from the Senate

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join, be a p p o in t e d to consider the Governor's Message and report a reference of its several subjects to appropriate committees (S. P. 57)

Came from the Senate read and passed with the following members appointed on its part:

Messrs. BROWN of Hancock DAVIS of Cumberland BREWSTER of York

In the House the Order was read and passed in concurrence and the S p e a k e r appointed the following members on the part of the House:

Messrs. BERMAN of Auburn PHILBRICK of Bangor YOUNG of Gouldsboro MORSE of Oakland HAGUE of Gorham TWEEDIE of Mars Hill LANTAGNE of Biddeford

From the Senate: The following Orders:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House jointly prepare the Senate and House Register, and that 7,000 copies be printed for the use of the Legislature (S. P. 58)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that free telephone service be provided for each member of the Senate and House to the number of 50 calls, of reasonable duration, from Augusta to points within the limits of the State of Maine, and that each member of the Senate and House be provided with a card to be certified to by the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House, respectively, the cost of this service to be paid to the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company at regular tariff rates; and be it further

ORDERED, that free telegraph service be provided to each member of the Senate and House to the number of twenty messages of reasonable length, from Augusta to points within the limits of the State of Maine, and that each member of the Senate and House be provided with a card, to be certified to by the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House; the cost of this service to be paid to Western Union Telegraph Company at regular tariff rates (S. P. 59)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House, respectively, be authorized to furnish to the Superintendent of Public Printing, postage on all correspondence relative to advertising committee hearings during the present session, same to be charged to legislative expense (S. P. 60)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the members of the Legislature be furnished with express and parcel transportation for all packages and department reports in a sum not exceeding \$5.00 for each member thereof, and that such transportation be furnished and expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House, respectively, and the unexpended balance at the close of the year 1961 shall be available for use in 1963 (S. P. 61)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House, respectively, be authorized to furnish wrappers and postage stamps for each member of the Senate and House, not exceeding \$8.00 in amount each, for the purpose of distributing the various reports of the Departments of State and other public documents such as they may desire to mail to the citizens of the State (S. P. 62)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

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

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

House at Ease

Called to order by the Speaker. Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Whitman of Woodstock,

Recessed until two o'clock this afternoon.

After Recess 2:00 P.M.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time will appoint the members of the Standing Committees of the House together with the House members of the Joint Standing Committees. The Clerk will read the appointments together with the Senate members of Joint Standing Committees.

Now at this time I would like to say that some of you will not receive assignments because of the fact of the disputed election. We can't make a determination at this particular time who will have some seats, because of that fact.

House Standing Committees

Ways and Means

Turner of Auburn Albair of Caribou Hutchins of Kingfield Shepard of Stonington Gardner of Orono Baxter of Pittsfield Fogg of Madison

Leave of Absence

Edwards of Stockton Springs Harrington of Patten Wood of Brooks Bearce of Bucksport Stevens of Portland Wheaton of Princeton Plante of Old Orchard Beach

Rules and Business of the House The Speaker-Ex Officio Cox of Dexter Morse of Oakland Boissonneau of Westbrook

Bills In The Third Reading

Whitman of Woodstock Dennett of Kittery Davis of Calais Hughes of St. Albans Hinds of South Portland Dunn of Poland Burns of Westbrook

Engrossed Bills

Curtis of Bowdoinham Hanson of Lebanon Crockett of Freeport Wade of Skowhegan Brewer of Bath Kilroy of Portland Dostie of Winslow

Joint Standing Committees

Agriculture

- Senate: Parker of Piscataquis Pike of Oxford Chase of Lincoln
- House: Gardner of Orono Harrington of Patten Hopkinson of Fort Fairfield Boothby of Livermore Falls Coulthard of Scarborough Lane of Waterville Poirier of Van Buren

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

- Senate: Davis of Cumberland Stanley of Penobscot Sampson of Somerset
- House: Bragdon of Perham Smith of Falmouth Wellman of Bangor Davis of Calais Drake of Bath Fogg of Madison Plante of Old Orchard Beach

Business Legislation

- Senate: Brown of Hancock Porteous of Cumberland Chase of Lincoln
- House: Morse of Oakland Shepard of Stonington Choate of Hallowell Edwards of Stockton Springs Hughes of St. Albans Johnson of Smithfield Bernard of Sanford

Claims

- Senate: Porteous of Cumberland Brewster of York Parker of Piscataquis
- House: Hughes of St. Albans Brewer of Bath Anderson of Greenville Hague of Gorham Hutchins of Kingfield Johnson of Stockholm Gallant of Eagle Lake

Education

- Senate: Bates of Penobscot Brooks of Cumberland Sampson of Somerset
- House: Hanson of Lebanon Estey of Portland Curtis of Bowdoinham Durgin of Raymond Hichborn of Medford Sirois of Rumford Levesque of Madawaska

Election Laws

Senate:	Edgar of Hancock
	Erwin of York
	Brooks of Cumberland
House:	Mathews of Berwick

Vaughn of Peru Buckley of Leeds Littlefield of Hampden Brown of Vassalboro Binnette of Old Town Jalbert of Lewiston

Highways

- Senate: Cole of Waldo Ferguson of Oxford Brown of Hancock
- House: Turner of Auburn Crockett of Freeport Carter of Etna Dennison of East Machias Philbrick of Bangor Nadeau of Biddeford Prue of Ashland

Inland Fisheries and Game

- Senate: Carpenter of Somerset Cyr of Aroostook Stilphen of Knox
- Heuse: Moore of Casco Anderson of Ellsworth Dodge of Guilford Wade of Skowhegan Hanson of Bradford Merrill of Stetson Walls of Millinocket

Judiciary

- Senate: Erwin of York Boardman of Washington Marden of Kennebec
- House: Knight of Rockland Rust of York Berman of Auburn Cox of Dexter Smith of Bar Harbor Thornton of Belfast Beane of Augusta

Labor

- Senate: Mayo of Sagadahoc Edmunds of Aroostook Couture of Androscoggin
- House: Winchenpaw of Friendship Hardy of Hope Brown of South Portland Hancock of Nobleboro Thaanum of Winthrop Jobin of Rumford Boissonneau of Westbrook

Legal Affairs

Senate: Farris of Kennebec

Noyes of Franklin Lord of Cumberland House: Minsky of Bangor Sproul of Bristol

Berman of Houlton Stewart of Presque Isle Knapp of Yarmouth (Vacant) (Vacant)

Liquor Control

- Senate: Christie of Aroostook Mayo of Sagadahoc Jacques of Androscoggin
- House: Brown of Cape Elizabeth Morrill of Harrison Humphrey of Augusta Chapman of Norway Cooper of Albion Dostie of Winslow Lacharite of Brunswick

Natural Resources

- Senate: Ferguson of Oxford Cole of Waldo Cyr of Aroostook
- House: Williams of Hodgdon Perry of Easton Jameson of Bangor Brown of Fairfield Matheson of Mexico (Vacant) Burns of Westbrook

Public Health

- Senate: Lord of Cumberland Carpenter of Somerset Marden of Kennebec
- House: Knapp of Yarmouth Danes of South Portland Kennedy of Milbridge Gill of South Portland Hartshorn of Buxton Swett of Howland Hendricks of Portland

Retirements and Pensions

- Senate: Marden of Kennebec Farris of Kennebec Boisvert of Androscoggin
- House: Chapman of Gardiner Edgerly of Sangerville Wood of Brooks Dennison of East Machias Lincoln of Bethel Walker of Brownfield Lantagne of Biddeford

Sea and Shore Fisheries

Senate: Brewster of York Chase of Lincoln Mayo of Sagadahoc

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Public Utilities Senate: Gilbert of Kennebec Edmunds of Aroostook Boisvert of Androscoggin

House: Haughn of Bridgton Pike of Lubec (Vacant) Berman of Houlton Westerfield of Liberty Ham of Brewer Cyr of Fort Kent

Reference of Bills Senate: The President-Ex Officio Noves of Franklin

Couture of Androscoggin House: The Speaker-Ex Officio Baxter of Pittsfield Whitman of Woodstock

Fogg of Madison

State Government

- Senate: Noyes of Franklin Christie of Aroostook Lovell of York
- House: Dennett of Kittery Kimball of Mount Desert Haughn of Bridgton Whitman of Woodstock Bearce of Bucksport Dostie of Lewiston Noel of Waterville

Taxation

- Senate: Wyman of Washington Porteous of Cumberland Edgar of Hancock
- House: Baxter of Pittsfield Bradeen of Waterboro (Vacant) Wheaton of Princeton Albair of Caribou Maxwell of Jay Letourneau of Sanford

Towns and Counties

- Senate: Wyman of Washington Erwin of York Pike of Oxford
- House: Baker of Orrington (Vacant) Jones of Farmington Shaw of Chelsea MacGregor of Eastport

Tweedie of Mars Hill Beane of Moscow

Transportation

- Senate: Stilphen of York Gilbert of Kennebec Cole of Waldo
- House: Dunn of Poland Finley of Washington Linnekin of Limington Whitney of Winn Berry of Portland Nadeau of Lewiston Bussiere of Lewiston

Veterans and Military Affairs

- Senate: Boardman of Washington Edmunds of Aroostook Couture of Androscoggin
- House: Edgerly of Sangerville MacGregor of Eastport Stevens of Portland Waltz of Waldoboro (Vacant) Tardiff of Lewiston Bedard of Sanford

Welfare

- Senate: Cyr of Aroostook Marden of Kennebec Bates of Penobscot
- House: Storm of Sherman Philbrick of Augusta Hancock of Nobleboro Smith of Strong Hinds of South Portland Malenfant of Lewiston Kilroy of Portland

Petitions, Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference

The following Bills and Resolves were received from the Clerk of the House of the 99th Legislature under the provisions of Joint Rule 19-A and, upon recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following Committees:

Agriculture

Bill "An Act relating to Controlled Atmosphere Storage of Apples" (H. P. 84) (L. D. 124) (Presented by Mr. Gardner of Orono)

Bill "An Act relating to Marking and Advertising Apples" (H. P. 85) (L. D. 125) (Presented by same gentleman)

Sent up for concurrence.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act Appropriating Moneys for Maine Civil War Commission" (H. P. 86) (L. D. 126) (Presented by Mr. Maddox of Vinalhaven)

Bill "An Act Reestablishing Western Maine Sanatorium in Hebron" (H. P. 87) (L. D. 127) (Presented by Mr. Malenfant of Lewiston)

Resolve Providing Funds for School Lunch Subsidy (H. P. 57) (L. D. 138) (Presented by Mrs. Harrington of Patten)

Resolve Providing Funds for Dredging Songo River, Cumberland County (H. P. 68) (L. D. 110) (Presented by Mr. Haughn of Bridgton)

Resolve Appropriating Moneys for Vocational Educational Institute in Androscoggin County (H. P. 74) (L. D. 116) (Presented by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston)

Resolve Providing Funds for Service to Islands in Casco Bay by Casco Bay Lines (H. P. 60) (L. D. 101) (Presented by Mr. Stevens of Portland)

Sent up for concurrence.

Business Legislation

Bill "An Act Permitting Certain Corporations to Hold Stockholders Meetings Outside the State" (H. P. 25) (L. D. 44) (Presented by Mr. Cox of Dexter)

Sent up for concurrence.

Tabled and Assigned

Bill "An Act relating to Certain Standards for Nursing Homes" (H. P. 13) (L. D. 32) (Presented by Mr. Hinds of South Portland)

(On motion of Mr. Hinds of South Portland, tabled pending reference to a Committee and specially assigned the next legislative day.)

Business Legislation

Bill "An Act relating to Use of Names by Corporations Organized under the General Law" (H. P. 88) (L. D. 128) (Presented by Mr. Knight of Rockland)

Sent up for concurrence.

Claims

Resolve in favor of Perry W. Judkins of Mechanic Falls for Sick Leave Pay (H. P. 10) (L. D. 29) (Presented by Mr. Dunn of Poland) Resolve in favor of the Town of Minot (H. P. 58) (L. D. 99) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of David A. Hickland of Milbridge (H. P. 12) (L. D. 31) (Presented by Mr. Kennedy of Milbridge)

Resolve in favor of Lyndon O. Goodell of Hampden (H. P. 45) (L. D. 86) (Presented by Mr. Littlefield of Hampden)

Resolve in favor of R. E. Hopkins of Hampden (H. P. 69) (L. D. 111) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of Elude Cantara of Biddeford (H. P. 43) (L. D. 84) (Presented by Mr. Nadeau of Biddeford)

Resolve in favor of the Town of Hancock (H. P. 89) (L. D. 129) (Presented by Mr. Smith of Bar Harbor)

Sent up for concurrence.

Education

Bill "An Act to Validate Proceedings Authorizing the Issuance of Bonds by School Administrative District No. 11" (H. P. 6) (L. D. 25) (Presented by Mr. Chapman of Gardiner)

Bill "An Act relating to Notes Issued by School Administrative Districts" (H. P. 32) (L. D. 66) (Presented by Mr. Dodge of Guilford)

Bill "An Act Authorizing Selectmen or Municipal Officers to Fill Vacancies on Board of School Directors" (H. P. 79) (L. D. 122) (Presented by same gentleman)

Bill "An Act relating to State Aid for School Construction by Certain Single Municipality Administrative Units" (H. P. 14) (L. D. 33) (Presented by Mr. Ham of Brewer)

Sent up for concurrence.

Election Laws

Bill "An Act Changing the Date of the Primary Election" (H. P. 70) (L. D. 112) (Presented by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston)

Bill "An Act to Eliminate the Straight Party Ballot in Elections" (H. P. 11) (L. D. 30) (Presented by Mr. Turner of Auburn by request)

Sent up for concurrence.

Highways

Bill "An Act Eliminating the Tolls from Bridge Across Jonesport Reach" (H. P. 90) (L. D. 130) (Presented by Mr. Dennison of East Machias)

Bill "An Act relating to Maintenance on State Highways in Limestone" (H. P. 54) (L. D. 95) (Presented by Mr. Johnson of Stockholm)

Bill "An Act relating to Maintenance of Morse's Bridge, Bangor" (H. P. 3) (L. D. 22) (Presented by Mr. Philbrick of Bangor)

Resolve Authorizing State Highway Commission to Study Desirability of a Bridge Across the Androscoggin River (H. P. 71) (L. D. 113) (Presented by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston)

Sent up for concurrence.

Inland Fisheries and Game

Bill "An Act Providing Free Fishing Licenses to Residents Seventy Years of Age" (H. P. 91) (L. D. 131) (Presented by Mr. Briggs of Portland)

Bill "An Act Providing for Bounty on Bears" (H. P. 17) (L. D. 36) (Presented by Mr. Johnson of Stockholm)

Bill "An Act Establishing Limited Open Season on Moose" (H. P. 19) (L. D. 38) (Presented by same gentleman)

Bill "An Act relating to Trapping Beaver in Organized and Unorganized Territory" (H. P. 92) (L. D. 132) (Presented by Mr. Matheson of Mexico)

Bill "An Act relating to Open Season on Wild Hares and Rabbits in Knox County" (H. P. 16) (L. D. 35) (Presented by Mr. Winchenpaw of Friendship)

Resolve Regulating Taking of Smelts in Crooked River and Songo River, Cumberland County (H. P. 52) (L. D. 93) (Presented by Mr. Haughn of Bridgton)

Resolve Opening Cross Lake, Aroostook County, to Ice Fishing for Cusk (H. P. 20) (L. D. 39) (Presented by Mr. Johnson of Stockholm)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Roach River, Piscataquis County (H. P. 24) (L. D. 43) (Presented by Mr. Knight of Rockland)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Aunt Hannah Brook, Franklin and Oxford Counties (H. P. 93) (L. D. 133) (Presented by Mr. Matheson of Mexico)

Resolve Regulating Bag Limit of Salmon, Trout and Bass in Sebago Lake, Cumberland County (H. P. 94) (L. D. 134) (Presented by Mr. Moore of Casco)

Resolve Regulating Smelt Fishing in Crooked River, Cumberland County (H. P. 95) (L. D. 135) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve for Repairing Fish Screen at Outlet of Messalonskee Lake in Oakland (H. P. 35) (L. D. 69) (Presented by Mr. Morse of Oakland)

Resolve Opening Desert Pond, Kennebec County, to Fishing (H. P. 44) (L. D. 85) (Presented by same gentleman)

R e s o l v e Regulating Fishing in Rockabema Lake, Aroostook County (H. P. 39) (L. D. 73) (Presented by Mr. Storm of Sherman)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Certain Ponds in Palermo, Waldo County (H. P. 96) (L. D. 136) (Presented by Mr. Westerfield of Liberty)

Resolve Closing Bowker Brook, Oxford County, to Smelt Fishing (H. P. 41) (L. D. 75) (Presented by Mr. Whitman of Woodstock) Sent up for concurrence.

Judiciary

Bill "An Act relating to Operating Motor Vehicles on One-way Roadways" (H. P. 1) (L. D. 20) (Presented by Mr. Berman of Auburn)

Bill "An Act Creating an Administrator for the Courts" (H. P. 33) (L. D. 67) (Presented by Mr. Berman of Houlton)

Bill "An Act relating to Mental Responsibility for Criminal Conduct" (H. P. 34) (L. D. 68) (Presented by same gentleman)

Bill "An Act relating to Penalty for Maliciously Injuring Domestic Animals" (H. P. 7) (L. D. 26)

(Presented by Mr. Cox of Dexter) Bill "An Act to Create a Law Revision Commission" (H. P. 15) (L. D. 34) (Presented by same gentleman)

Bill "An Act relating to Mailing Divorce Judgment when Duty to Support" (H. P. 97) (L. D. 137) (Presented by same gentleman) Bill "An Act relating to Motor Vehicle Operators with Certain Alcoholic Content in Blood" (H. P. 29) (L. D. 63) (Presented by Mr. Curtis of Bowdoinham)

Bill "An Act Extending the Powers of the Maine-New Hampshire Interstate Bridge Authority" (H. P. 78) (L. D. 121) (Presented by Mr. Dennett of Kittery)

Bill "An Act relating to Holding Property by the Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of State of Maine" (H. P. 42) (L. D. 76) (Presented by Mr. Hague of Gorham)

Bill "An Act relating to Editorials in Maine Newspapers" (H. P. 73) (L. D. 115) (Presented by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston)

Bill "An Act Providing for Professional Immunity to Physicians and Osteopaths in Emergency Cases" (H. P. 62) (L. D. 104) (Presented by Mr. Jones of Farmington)

Bill "An Act Changing Name of Rockland Municipal Court to Knox County Municipal Court" (H. P. 23) (L. D. 42) (Presented by Mr. Knight of Rockland)

Bill "An Act to Enlarge the Powers and Purposes of Congregational-Christian Conference in Maine" (H. P. 40) (L. D. 74) (Presented by Mr. Storm of Sherman)

Bill "An Act relating to Facsimile Signature of Forest Commissioner" (H. P. 77) (L. D. 119) (Presented by Mr. Williams of Hodgdon)

Sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: I would like to request anyone who wishes to carry on a private conversation at this time, to retire into the hall, please.

Labor

Bill "An Act Removing Exemption of Certain Employees from Minimum Wage Law" (H. P. 80) (L. D. 123) (Presented by Mr. Prince of Harpswell)

Sent up for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act relating to Having Weapons in Motor Vehicles for Hunting" (H. P. 37) (L. D. 71) (Presented by Mr. Anderson of Ellsworth) Bill "An Act to Grant a New Charter to the City of Hallowell" (H. P. 63) (L. D. 105) (Presented by Mr. Choate of Hallowell)

Bill 'An Act relating to Superintending School Committee of Town of Bridgton'' (H. P. 65) (L. D. 107) (Presented by Mr. Haughn of Bridgton)

Bill "An Act relating to Superintending School Committee of Town of Yarmouth" (H. P. 31) (L. D. 65) (Presented by Mrs. Knapp of Yarmouth)

Bill "An Act relating to Time of Elections for City of Rockland" (H. P. 21) (L. D 40) Presented by Mr. Knight of Rockland)

Bill "An Act Increasing Indebtedness of Hampden School District" (H. P. 27) (L. D. 61) (Presented by Mr. Littlefield of Hampden)

Bill "An Act relating to Term of Office of the City Clerk of Lewiston" (H. P. 98) (L. D. 138) (Presented by Mr. Malenfant of Lewiston)

Bill "An Act Providing for the Appointment of a Civil Engineer of the City of Lewiston by the Department of Public Works" (H. P. 99) (L. D. 139) (Presented by same gentleman)

Sent up for concurrence.

Tabled and Assigned

Bill "An Act Creating the Maine Board of Auctioneers" (H. P. 100) (L. D. 140) (Presented by Mr. Morrill of Harrison)

(On motion of Mr. Morrill of Harrison, tabled pending reference to a Committee and specially assigned for Tuesday, January 10.)

Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act relating to Superintending School Committee of Town of Falmouth" (H. P. 101) (L. D. 141) (Presented by Mrs. Smith of Falmouth)

Bill "An Act Authorizing Charles H. Wade to Construct Bridge between Reed Island and Town of Boothbay" (H. P. 48) (L. D. 89) (Presented by Mrs. Sproul of Bristol)

Bill "An Act relating to Annual Meeting of Bayville Village Corporation" (H. P. 49) (L. D. 90) (Presented by same member) Sent up for concurrence.

Liquor Control

Bill "An Act Prohibiting Billboard Advertising of Liquor" (H. P. 26) (L. D. 60) (Presented by Mr. Curtis of Bowdoinham)

Bill "An Act relating to Renewal of Licenses for Retail Sale of Malt Liquor" (H. P. 28) (L. D. 62) (Presented by same gentleman)

Bill "An Act relating to Sale of Malt Liquor in Glass Containers" (H. P. 18) (L. D. 37) (Presented by Mr. Johnson of Stockholm)

Sent up for concurrence.

Natural Resources

Resolve Authorizing Forest C o mmissioner to Occupy Certain State Property (H. P. 102) (L. D. 142) (Presented by Mr. Dennett of Kittery)

Sent up for concurrence.

Public Utilities

Bill "An Act Permitting the Bowdoinham Water District to Supply Water to Towns Adjacent to the District" (H. P. 2) (L. D. 21) (Presented by Mr. Curtis of Bowdoinham)

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Eminent Domain Appeal Procedure in the Bowdoinham Water District Charter" (H. P. 30) (L. D. 64) (Presented by same gentleman)

Bill "An Act to Create the Bethel Utilities District" (H. P. 61) (L. D. 103) (Presented by Mrs. Lincoln of Bethel)

Bill "An Act relating to Transportation to Islands in Casco Bay" (H. P. 59) (L. D. 100) (Presented by Mr. Stevens of Portland)

Resolve Authorizing the Setting out of Buoys in Moosehead Lake (H. P. 8) (L. D. 27) (Presented by Mr. Anderson of Greenville) Sent up for concurrence.

Retirements and Pensions

Resolve in favor of Harold E. Carson of Hartland (H. P. 46) (L. D. 87) (Presented by Mr. Hughes of St. Albans)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Paul Tobin of Otisfield (H. P. 103) (L. D. 143) (Presented by Mr. Morrill of Harrison)

Resolve Increase Pension of Merle Merrill of Montville (H. P. 104) (L. D. 144) (Presented by Mr. Westerfield of Liberty)

Sea and Shore Fisheries

Bill "An Act Regulating the Digging of Clams in Wells, York County" (H. P. 4) (L. D. 23) (Presented by Mrs. Hanson of Lebanon)

Bill "An Act Repealing the Time Limitation on Statute Repealing the Two Inch Clam Law" (H. P. 47) (L. D. 83) (Presented by Mr. Winchenpaw of Friendship)

Sent up for concurrence.

State Government

Bill "An Act Increasing Compensation for Legislators During Special Sessions" (H. P. 51) (L. D. 92) (Presented by Mr. Haughn of Bridgton)

Bill "An Act relating to Travel Allowance for Members of the Legislature" (H. P. 53) (L. D. 94) (Presented by same gentleman)

Bill "An Act relating to Appointment of Baxter State Park Agents and Representatives" (H. P. 76) (L. D. 118) (Presented by Mr. Williams of Hodgdon)

Resolve Loaning to City of Hallowell the Replaced Furniture of the Executive Council Chambers (H. P. 50) (L. D. 91) (Presented by Mr. Choate of Hallowell)

Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Providing for Annual Legislative Sessions (H. P. 72) (L. D. 114) (Presented by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston)

Resolve Authorizing the State Military Defense Commission to Convey Certain Land in Rockland (H. P. 22) (L. D. 41) (Presented by Mr. Knight of Rockland)

Sent up for concurrence.

Taxation

Bill "An Act Exempting Non-Profit and Charitable Institutions from Sales and Use Tax" (H. P. 38) (L. D. 72) (Presented by Mr. Briggs of Portland)

Bill "An Act relating to Taxation of Goats" (H. P. 9) (L. D. 28) (Presented by Mr. Curtis of Bowdoinham)

Bill "An Act relating to Payments by Baxter State Park Authority to Maine Forestry District" (H. P. 75) (L. D. 117) (Presented by Mr. Williams of Hodgdon) Sent up for concurrence.

Towns and Counties

Bill "An Act relating to Disposition of County Fees and Charges" (H. P. 36) (L. D. 70) (Presented by Mr. Brown of Cape Elizabeth) Bill "An Act Increasing Salary of Sheriff of Penobscot County" (H. P. 56) (L. D. 97) (Presented by Mrs. Harrington of Patten)

Bill "An Act relating to Rental of Northern Cumberland Municipal Court" (H. P. 66) (L. D. 108) (Presented by Mr. Haughn of Bridgton)

Bill "An Act Increasing Salary of Judge of Northern Cumberland Municipal Court" (H. P. 67) (L. D. 109) (Presented by same gentleman)

Bill "An Act relating to Compensation of Chief Deputy Sheriff of Cumberland County" (H. P. 105) (L. D. 145) (Presented by Mr. Hinds of South Portland)

Bill "An Act to Increase Salaries of Judge and Recorder of Town of Lincoln Municipal Court, Penobscot County" (H. P. 55) (L. D. 96) (Presented by Mr. Swett of Howland) Sent up for concurrence.

Transportation

Bill "An Act relating to Notification of Expiration of Motor Vehicle Operators' Licenses" (H. P. 106) (L. D. 146) (Presented by Mr. Anderson of Greenville)

Sent up for concurrence.

Welfare

Bill "An Act Creating a Permanent Committee on Aging" (H. P. 64) (L. D. 106) (Presented by Mr. Briggs of Portland)

Bill "An Act Relieving Children and Certain Relatives of Financial Responsibility in Old Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind and Aid to the Disabled" (H. P. 5) (L. D. 24) (Presented by Mr. Storm of Sherman)

Sent up for concurrence.

Orders

On motion of Mr. Whitman of Woodstock, it was

ORDERED, that the Clerk of the House be directed to express the appreciation and thanks of the members of the House of Representatives to the Butler Twins Floral Center for the carnation boutonnieres presented to them yesterday. On motion of Mr. Cox of Dexter, it was

ORDERED, that the House Election Committee be and hereby is authorized to exercise the following powers in furtherance of its duties to inquire into contested elections:

1. Hold hearings and, if necessary, to continue same from time to time;

2. Summon persons not members of the legislature to attend as witnesses any hearing scheduled by the committee; and to enforce obedience to its process;

3. Require such witnesses to produce documents touching upon the matters under inquiry by the committee;

4. Require witnesses to give testimony under oath;

5. Inspect ballots connected with such contested elections;

6. Employ a reporter and such other clerical help as may be needed.

Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: Is there objection to taking up a Senate paper out of order at this time? The Chair hears none; the Clerk will read the order.

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, January 10, at ten o'clock in the morning (S. P. 55)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House the Order was read and passed in concurrence.

The Speaker read two announcements.

The SPEAKER: Now I would like to take up another matter at this time. I did request, from the newspaper photographers, pertaining to taking pictures, both still and moving pictures. They are not sound, so your voices are not recorded. Now, in the past two or three sessions that matter has been left up to the Speaker. I think that they are leaving it up to the Senate President in the Senate. You can leave it up to the Speaker, or you can take a vote on it each time, or you can leave it up to your House leadership.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Milbridge, Mr. Kennedy.

Mr. KENNEDY: Mr. Speaker, I move that that be left to the discretion of the Speaker.

The SPEAKER: If the gentleman from Milbridge, Mr. Kennedy, will have an order prepared to that effect and present it on the next legislative day, it will be greatly appreciated.

The Clerk read some notices.

On motion of Mr. Whitman of Woodstock,

Adjourned until Tuesday, January 10, at ten o'clock in the morning.