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SENATE

Tuesday, March 21, 1961

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. William Dawes Veazie of Gardiner.

On motion by Mr. Stilphen of

Journal of Friday read and approved.

Paper from the House Joint Order

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the stenographic record of the ceremonies of March 15 dedicating the State Museum, be printed as a part of the proceedings of the Joint Convention of that date. (H. P. 1084)

Comes from the House, read and

In Senate, read and passed in concurrence.

Reports of Committees House

Leave to Withdraw

The Committee on Education on Bill, "An Act Relating to Basis of Population in Determining Educational Subsidies for Town of Limestone." (H. P. 964) (L. D. 1329) reported that the same should be granted Leave to Withdraw.

The same Committee on Bill, "An Act Authorizing School Administrative Units to Contract for Driver Education Courses." (H. P. 735) (L. D. 1023) reported that the same should be granted Leave to Withdraw.

The Committee on Judiciary on Recommitted Bill, "An Act Relating to Destroying Timber, etc., on Land of Another." (H. P. 249) (L. D. 363) reported that the same should be granted Leave to Withdraw.

The Committee on Labor on Bill. "An Act Exempting Employees of Homes for Children and the Aged from Minimum Wage Law." (H. P. 507) (L. D. 706) reported that the same should be granted Leave to Withdraw.

The Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill, "An Act Increasing Salary of County Attorney of Lincoln County." (H. P. 121) (L. D. 161) reported that the same should be granted Leave to Withdraw.

The Committee on Welfare on Recommitted Bill, "An Act Abolish-Residence Requirements for Old Age Assistance." (H. P. 447) (L. D. 622) reported that the same should be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Referred to 101st Legislature

The Committee on Business Legislation on Bill, "An Act Relating to Joint Bank Accounts." (H. P. 962) (L. D. 1341) reported that the same should be referred to the 101st Legislature.

Change of Reference

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill, "An Act Relating to Use of Motor Boats on Jerry Pond, Penobscot County." (H. P. 323) (L. D. 475) reported that the same be referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Which reports were read and accepted in concurrence.

Ought Not to Pass

The Committee on Business Legislation on Bill, "An Act Relating to Regulation of Public Accountants." (H. P. 961) (L. D. 1340) reported that the same Ought not

The Committee on Education on Bill, "An Act Providing for Business Administrator of School Administrative Districts." (H. P. 966) (L. D. 1331) reported that the same Ought not to pass.

The Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill, "An Act Relating to Screening Outlets of Waters Reclaimed and Restocked." (H. P. 387) (L. D. 562) reported that the same Ought not to pass.

The same Committee on Resolve, Regulating Fishing in Certain Waters of Aroostook County. (H. P. 487) (L. D. 687) reported that the same Ought not to pass.

The same Committee on Bill, "An Act Relating to Dogs Injuring or Killing Wild Animals." (H. P. 979) (L. D. 1366) reported that the same Ought not to pass.

The same Committee on Bill, "An Act Providing Casualty Insurance for Hunters." (H. P. 981) (L. D. 1368) reported that the same Ought not to pass.

The same Committee on Bill, "An Act Relating to Disturbing Traps of Another." (H. P. 986) (L. D. 1373) reported that the same Ought not to pass.

The Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill, "An Act Abolishing Western Registry District in Oxford County." (H. P. 818) (L. D. 1133) reported that the same Ought not to pass.

Which reports were severally ac-

cepted in concurrence.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes in the Senate Chambers a group from South Portland High School, the senior classes in American History and Government, accompanied by Mr. Gilmore. It certainly is a pleasure to have you with us today. We hope that your stay is enjoyable and educational. We hope that some day you will be sitting in the Senate Chambers representing the county in which you live. The Chair would like at this time to introduce the Senators from Cumberland County. At my right are Senators Davis, Brooks, Porteous and Lord. (Applause)

The bills which we just heard the Secretary read were bills which were heard before committees to which they were assigned and were reported out of the committee "Ought Not to Pass". The Secretary will now read bills which the committee report "Ought to Pass".

Ought to Pass

The Committee on Health and Institutional Services on Bill, "An Act Relating to the Control of Sources of Ionizing Radiation." (H. P. 925) (L. D. 1273) reported that the same Ought to pass.

The Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill, "An Act Relating to Night Hunting of Wild Birds." (H. P. 879) (L. D. 1214) reported that the same Ought to pass.

The Committee on Labor on Bill, "An Act Removing Exemption of Certain Employees from Minimum Wage Law." (H. P. 80) (L. D. 123) reported that the same Ought to pass.

The Committee on Taxation on Bill, "An Act Exempting Proceeds

of Pension and Profit Sharing Plans from Inheritance Tax Law." (H. P. 423) (L. D. 598) reported that the same Ought to pass.

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

The Committee on Agriculture on Bill, "An Act Regulating Vaccine Dealers and Distributors." (H. P. 956) (L. D. 1323) reported that the same Ought to pass.

Comes from the House, passed to be engrossed, as amended by House Amendment "A" (Filing H-100)

In Senate, Report accepted in concurrence, and the Bill read once. House Amendment "A" read and adopted in concurrence, and the Bill, as amended, tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Ought to Pass - As Amended

The Committee on Labor on Bill, "An Act Relating to Workmen's Compensation Insurance." (H. P. 201) (L. D. 296) reported that the same Ought to pass, as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (Filing H-106)

Which report was read and accepted in concurrence, and the Bill read once. Committee Amendment "A" was read and adopted in concurrence, and the Bill, as amended, tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Ought to Pass - New Draft

The Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries on Bill, "An Act Increasing Lobster and Crab Fishing License Fee." (H. P. 269) (L. D. 383) reported that the same Ought to pass in New Draft under New Title: "An Act Increasing Lobster and Crab Fishing License Fee and Establishing the Lobster Fund." (H. P. 1082) (L. D. 1491)

Which report was read and accepted, and the Bill in New Draft read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

MAJORITY — Ought Not to Pass MINORITY — Ought to Pass

The Majority of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill, "An Act Relating to Private Shooting Preserves." (H. P. 985) (L. D. 1372) reported that the same Ought not to pass.

(Signed)

Senators: CARPENTER

of Somerset STILPHEN of Knox CYR of Aroostook

Representatives:

MERRILL of Stetson WADE of Skowhegan DODGE of Guilford HANSON of Bradford MOORE of Casco ANDERSON of Ellsworth

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject matter reported that the same Ought to pass.

(Signed)

Representative:

WALLS of Millinocket

Comes from the House, Majority Report Ought not to pass accepted.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Carpenter of Somerset, referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

MAJORITY — Ought Not to Pass MINORITY — Ought to Pass

The Majority of the Committee on Taxation on Bill, "An Act Relating to Reimbursement by State to Colleges for Property Taxes." (H. P. 1039) (L. D. 1440) reported that the same Ought not to pass. (Signed)

Senators: WYMAN of Washington PORTEOUS

of Cumberland EDGAR of Hancock

Representatives:

BRADEEN of Waterboro ALBAIR of Caribou LETOURNEAU

of Sanford WHEATON of Princeton MAXWELL of Jay WATERMAN of Auburn

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject matter reported that the same Ought to pass.

(Signed)

Representative:

BAXTER, Jr. of Pittsfield Comes from the House, Majority Report Ought not to pass accepted. In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, the Majority Ought not to pass report was accepted in concurrence.

MAJORITY — Ought Not to Pass MINORITY — Ought to Pass

The Majority of the Committee on Claims on Resolve, to Reimburse Guy Cyr of Hamlin for Property Damage by Highway Relocation. (H. P. 578) (L. D. 798) reported that the same Ought not to pass. (Signed)

Senators: PORTEOUS

of Cumberland BREWSTER of York PARKER of Piscataquis

Representatives:

HUGHES of St. Albans BREWER of Bath HAGUE of Gorham GALLANT of Eagle Lake HUTCHINS of Kingfield ANDERSON

of Greenville

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject matter reported that the same Ought to pass.

(Signed)

Representative:

JOHNSON of Stockholm Comes from the House, Reports and Bill recommitted to the Committee on Claims.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Porteous of Cumberland, the reports and bill were recommitted to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Senate Ought to Pass

Mr. Porteous from the Committee on Claims on Resolve, Reimbursing City of Bangor for Improving Bass Park. (S. P. 279) (L. D. 880) reported that the same Ought to pass.

Mr. Bates from the Committee on Education on Bill, "An Act Authorizing Department of Education to Join Educational Organizations." (S. P. 412) (L. D. 1353) reported that the same Ought to pass.

Which reports were read and accepted, the Bills read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Second Readers House

Resolve, to Reimburse Canton Water District for Damage from Highway Construction. (H. P. 298) (L. D. 450)

Resolve, Appropriating Funds to Complete Survey for a Maine-Quebec Highway. (H. P. 478) (L. D. 678)

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

As Amended

Bill, "An Act Relating to Police Power Ordinances for Ogunquit Village Corporation." (H. P. 261) (L. D. 375) Amended by Committee Amend. "A" (H-102)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Appointment of Town Clerk of Town of Wells." (H. P. 263) (L. D. 377) Amended by Committee Amend. "A" (H-105)

Resolve in Favor of Richard S. Foster of York. (H. P. 465) (L. D. 665) Amended by Committee Amend. "A" (H-35)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Public Ways and Parking Areas at State Institutions." (H. P. 517) (L. D. 715) Amended by Committee Amend. "A" (H-104)

Amend. "A" (H-104)

Bill, "An Act Increasing Compensation of Mayor and Councilmen of City of Biddeford." (H. P. 686) (L. D. 964) Amended by Committee Amend. "A" (H-101)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Elections in the City of Biddeford." (H. P. 688) (L. D. 966) Amended by Committee Amend. "A" (H-103)

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

Senate

Bill, "An Act to Ratify the Incorporation of Pierce Cemetery Association." (S. P. 114) (L. D. 259)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Limitation on Lien on Nursing Home in Town of Madawaska." (S. P. 141) (L. D. 324)

Bill, "An Act Authorizing Acceptance of Federal Act Providing for Financial Assistance in Constructing School Facilities." (S. P. 410) (L. D. 1351)

Bill, "An Act Limiting the Sale of Alcoholic Beverages in Certain

New Retail Stores and Restaurants in the Unorganized Territory." (S. P. 495) (L. D. 1492)

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

Sent down for concurrence.

As Amended

Bill, "An Act Revising Dog Registration and Licensing Laws." (S. P. 400) (L. D. 1347) Amended by Committee Amend. "A" (S-53)

Which was read a second time and on motion by Mr. Stilphen of Knox, tabled pending passage to be engrossed.

Bill, "An Act Relating to Area Directional Signs for Sanford and Rangeley Areas." (S. P. 493) (L. D. 1489)

Which was read a second time. Mr. Edgar of Hancock presented Senate Amendment A and moved its adoption.

The PRESIDENT: For the information of the Senators, through printer's error, this was not printed on your calendars but it is listed as one of the Second Readers in the Journal.

Senate Amendment A was adopted, and on motion by Mr. Carpenter of Somerset, the bill was laid upon the table pending passage to be engrossed.

Enactors

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

Bill, "An Act to Correct Errors and Omissions in Sea and Shore Fisheries Public Laws." (H. P. 207) (L. D. 302)

(On motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, tabled pending passage to be enacted.)

Bill, "An Act Dividing Township of Freeman, Franklin County, for Voting Purposes." (H. P. 302) (L. D. 454)

Bill, "An Act Authorizing Municipalities to Record Certain Instruments by Microfilm." (H. P. 401) (L. D. 576)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Meetings of and Power to Borrow Money by Madawaska Water District." (H. P. 698) (L. D. 976)

Bill, "An Act Relating to Employment of Minors in Automatic Laundries." (S. P. 256) (L. D. 773) Bill, "An Act Relating to Assigned Risks." (S. P. 370) (L. D. 1181)

Bill, "An Act to Clarify the Laws of the Real Estate Commission." (S. P. 480) (L. D. 1472)

Which bills were passed to be enacted.

Bill, "An Act Relating to Jurisdiction of Public Utilities Commission over Motor Vehicles Carrying Passengers for Hire." (S. P. 484) (L. D. 1476)

(On motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, tabled pending passage to be enacted.)

Resolve, Regulating Fishing in Long Pond, Franklin County. (S. P. 167) (L. D. 413)

Which Resolve was finally passed.

Bill, "An Act Permitting Bars in Taverns." (S. P. 235) (L. D. 639) Mrs. CHRISTIE of Aroostook: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I move the indefinite postponement of this bill and I would like to speak to the motion.

It had not been my purpose to take any action on this, but there has been so much protest about it that I felt that perhaps we should do something about it, and so I am asking that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

In the first place when taverns were first brought into existence, they were to be places where people could go in and stand and drink, and there was nothing to be served excepting malt beverages, I believe. Then they asked for a little snack to be served with the malt beverages. Now they are asking for stools in the taverns. If we allow stools, the feeling has been among some of those who spoke to me there is going to be more tendency to drink until people are seriously intoxicated, and for that reason they are disturbed about this bill.

When the vote is taken I would ask for a division.

Mr. LOVELL of York: Mr. President and members of the Senate:

In yesterday's Portland Press Herald I think there was a very good editorial in regard to this. This bill for stools is actually a very unimportant bill but it seems to irk the tourists not to know whether to stand up or sit down in Maine.

I quote from the editorial:

"The Maine House of Representatives, winding up last week's session, enacted and sent back to the Senate a bill permitting installation of stools in taverns. While this measure seems simple enough, a more particular examination indicates the possibility of a matter of some social significance.

"The House barely scratched the surface of the issue. But Representative Ernest Malenfant of Lewiston unsheathed the social potential of the measure with the comment that stools in taverns would encourage patrons to drink until they fell into slumber and off the stools. Lubec's Representative Sumner T. Pike, admitting limitations exacted by a lack of experience, nevertheless recognized an inconsistency in law that requires a person drinking beer in a tavern to stand up while demanding that a person consuming hard liquor in a cocktail lounge or restaurant sit down.

"If Mr. Malenfant's concept is to be accepted it would seem that no one could sit anywhere to drink anything. And such a pity that would be. What a blow it would be to business, romance, industry, public relations, advertising, politics, diplomacy and just normal social relations if it should become unlawful to gather around a table to nip and negotiate. (How did things get done at all during prohibition?) (Don't answer. We know.)

"The sitting requirement seems reasonable in restaurants and cocktail lounges for it protects the privacy of the customer as it discourages the custom of table hopping. It's also a safety measure. The intimacy of the cocktail lounge is enhanced by the very dim lighting. Some such places are so dim, we've been told that the waiters carry white cans. Too much traffic in such conditions could be disastrous.

"Perhaps it is reasoned that the taverns attract a more gregarious lot, that freedom of expression is given greater impetus conviviality that is to be found in such an establishment. But, George, if a feller wants to throw his leg over a stool and ease the burden of his tired feet while he sips his suds hasn't he got a right to do so? In this era of acute sensitivity to any form of discrimination it cannot be said that he's less able to remain alert to his capacity and control than his brother in the more plush oasis.

"Ah, this is an issue to try the temper of a man. We wish the good senators well in their contemplation of this matter. It is possible that the whole proposal may have to be indefinitely tabled while the members of the upper house undertake such research as may edify them on this subject. The lot of the lawmaker is a difficult one indeed."

I would suggest that the Senate go along in concurrence with the House on this matter.

Mr. STILPHEN of Knox: Mr. President, I rise in support of the motion of the Senator from Aroostook. Senator Christie.

It is no wonder that the tourists or the people from beyond our borders do not understand whether they should sit up or lie down or whatever you want to do. Because of that fact, I cast no reflection on the good Senator from York, Senator Lovell, but I would like to ask the indulgence of the Senate for a moment to read the title of the bill. The title of the bill is "An Act Permitting Bars in Taverns." Now I would like to ask if it has not been a fact that since taverns have been in existence there have been bars in them. A tourist comes into Maine and they say, "They just passed a law down in Maine, an act of the Legislature, permitting bars in taverns. They must be a queer lot. They never had bars in those taverns before." And for that reason I would like to suggest that many people who could have been here at the hearing and many people who do not understand this bill did not know that this particular bill was going to allow something that the trade itself, the liquor industry, told us a few sessions ago in this Legislature — that they wanted a place where a man could stop in quickly on his way home from work and get himself a little fortification to go the rest of the way, and he didn't have to be bothered with the ladies in there who interfere with his progress towards going home, he didn't have to do all of these things which are usual within the cocktail lounges, so I am told.

If this bill becomes a reality, then we are getting taverns on the same basis as the cocktail lounges, and I hope that the Senate goes along with the motion of the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Christie

Mr. MAYO of Sagadahoe: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I do not have an editorial to read this morning, neither do I have the eloquence of my friend, the good Senator from Knox, but as a member of the committee which heard this L. D. 639 I will say that the opposition was very nil; those who favored this bill spoke mainly on the clarification of our liquor laws which today are very much of a hodgepodge. I agree with the Senator from York, Senator Lovell, that it is getting so that not only a tourist but a citizen of the State does not know which direction to go in when it comes to entering a cocktail lounge.

The tavern law was set up at the time to allow the serving of beer to patrons standing up. Now all this bill asks for is that stools be allowed to be placed along this dispensing bar. I can personally see no problem involved. The House the other day evidently gave it a very good airing for and against. I can not see where this is a bill that would involve wets or drys. think that there are only about fifteen or sixteen taverns in the State as it is. I signed the "Ought to pass" report; I signed it with my conviction that it was not a detrimental bill in any way. I certainly hope that the motion of the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Christie, does not prevail.

The PRESIDENT: The question before the Senate is on the motion of the Senator from Aroostook,

Senator Christie that the bill be indefinitely postponed, and a division has been requested.

A division of the Senate was had. Mr. JACQUES of Androscoggin: Mr. President, I ask that this bill be tabled.

Mr. STILPHEN of Knox: Mr. President, I ask for a division on the tabling motion.

A division of the Senate was had.
The PRESIDENT: Obviously the
motion to table does not prevail.
The vote on the motion of the
Senator from Aroostook Sena-

Senator from Aroostook, Senator Christie, was sixteen in favor of indefinite postponement and fifteen opposed.

Sixteen having voted in favor of indefinite postponement and fifteen opposed, the bill was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

The PRESIDENT: In the Senate Chamber, we have a group of students from the Jordan Grammar School in Lewiston, fifty-one students from the 7th and 8th grades accompanied by their teacher Mr. Tom Tanous. It certainly is a pleasure to have this group of young students with us. We hope that your stay is enjoyable and the Chair would like to introduce to you the Senators from your county of Androscoggin: Senators Boisvert, Couture and Jacques. Will the Senators please stand? (Applause).

Orders of the Day

The President laid before the Senate the first tabled and today assigned item (S. P. 238) (L. D. 642) Resolve, Proposing an Amendment to Residence Requirements to Vote for the President and Vice-President tabled on March 17 by the Senator from Knox, Senator Stilbhen, pending final passage.

Stilphen, pending final passage.
Mr. STILPHEN of Knox: Mr.
President, I understand that there has been some discussion with the Chairman of the Committee on State Government by some members of the Senate, and I now yield to the Senator from Aroostook, Senator Christie.

Mrs. CHRISTIE of Aroostook: Mr. President and members of the Senate: I would like to study this bill a little more and for that reason I move that it be recommitted to the Committee on State Government.

The motion prevailed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Cole of Waldo, the Senate voted to take from the table the 46th tabled and unassigned item (S. P. 365) (L. D. 1098) Bill, "An Act Permitting Municipalities to Raise Money for Youth Programs," tabled on March 17 by Senator Cole of Waldo pending enactment; and that Senator yielded to the Senator from Washington, Senator Wyman.

On motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, the Senate voted to suspend the rules and to reconsider its action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed and the same Senator presented Senate Amendment A and moved its adoption

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, the bill a n d amendment were laid upon the table pending that Senator's motion to adopt Senate Amendment A.

On motion by Mr. Edmunds of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the table the 30th tabled and unassigned item (H. P. 20) (L. D. 39) Resolve, Opening Cross Lake, Aroostook County to Ice Fishing for Cusk, tabled on March 14 by Senator Edmunds of Aroostook pending final passage, and on further motion by the same Senator, the resolve was finally passed.

On motion by Mr. Edmunds of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the table the 47th tabled and unassigned item (H. P. 137) (L. D. 200) Bill, "An Act Relating to Removal of Ice Fishing Shacks," tabled on March 17 by Senator Edmunds of Aroostook pending enactment, and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was passed to be enacted

On motion by Mr. Edmunds of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the table the 28th tabled and unassigned item (S. P. 325) (L. D. 1000) Bill, "An Act Relating to Chiropractic Treatment under Workmen's Compensation Law," tabled on March 14 by Senator Ed-

munds of Aroostook pending adoption of Senate Amendment A.

Mr. EDMUNDS of Aroostook: Mr. President, if I am in order, I now move that the bill and all accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. SAMPSON of Somerset: Mr. President and members of the Senate: Due to local absenteeism this morning, I move that this bill be tabled until the next legislative day and I ask for a division.

A division of the Senate was had. Twenty-four having voted in the affirmative and five opposed, the motion to table prevailed.

On motion by Mr. Ferguson of Oxford, the Senate voted to take from the table the 7th tabled and unassigned item (H. P. 233) (L. D. 347) House Report, Ought to pass with Committee Amendment A from the Committee on Claims on "Resolve in Favor of Myron Reynolds of Brooks." tabled on February 16 by Senator Ferguson of Oxford pending acceptance of the report; and on further motion by the same Senator, the report was accepted, the bill read once, Committee Amendment A read and adopted, and the bill tomorrow assigned for second reading.

On motion by Mr. Ferguson of Oxford, the Senate voted to take from the table the 14th tabled and unassigned item (H. P. 742) (L. D. 1029) House Report, Ought not to pass, from the Committee on Health and Institutional Services on Bill, "An Act Relating to License Fees of Recreational and Eating Places," tabled on February 23 by Senator Ferguson of Oxford pending acceptance of the report, and on further motion by the same Senator, the Ought not to pass report was accepted in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Carpenter of Somerset, the Senate voted to take from the table the 49th tabled and unassigned item (H. P. 244) (L. D. 358) Resolve, Closing Hayden Brook, Somerset County to All Fishing, tabled on March 17 by Senator Carpenter of Somerset, pending final passage; and on further motion by the same Senator,

the rules were suspended and the Senate voted to reconsider its action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed; and on further motion by the same Senator, the bill was tabled pending passage to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Couture of Androscoggin, the Senate voted to take from the table the 45th tabled and unassigned item (H. P. 221) (L. D. 336) Bill, "An Act Relating to the Harbor Project in the Town of Wells," tabled on March 17 by Senator Couture of Androscoggin, pending passage to be engrossed; and that Senator yielded to the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Davis.

On motion by Mr. Davis of Somerset, the bill was placed on the Special Appropriations table pending passage to be engrossed.

On motion by Mrs. Lord of Cumberland, the Senate voted to take from the table the 48th tabled and unassigned matter (H. P. 537) (L. D. 735) Bill, "An Act Placing Directors of Health and Social Welfare Under Personnel Law," which was tabled by that Senator on March 17th pending enactment; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was passed to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. Davis of Cumberland, the Senate voted to take from the Special Appropriations table (H. P. 221) (L. D. 336) Bill, "An Act Relating to the Harbor Project in the Town of Wells," tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending passage to be engrossed.

Mr. DAVIS of Cumberland: Mr. President, earlier in the day's session when I made the previous motion, I thought this bill was up for enactment. I now move that it be passed to be engrossed.

The motion prevailed and the bill was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair would like to speak in behalf of the Senate and congratulate the hockey team from St. Dom's High School which made such a fine showing in the New England Tour-

nament. It is certainly a credit to the State of Maine to have our teams go outside of the State of Maine and play clean sports and do such a nice job in advertising our State. Will you give this team a hand, please? (Applause)

The Chair would also like at this time to thank the Chairman of our Committee on the Celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the State Legislature, the Senator from Knox. Senator Stilphen, who did such a fine job last week. I do not think we have ever publicly thanked him for the hard work he put in in making this celebration a success. I think we owe a debt of gratitude to him and that we should show our appreciation by a round of applause. (Applause)

The Chair has another notice. Ida Gagnon, our congenial telephone operator who has been with us so many sessions is in the hos-

pital preparing for a serious operation. If any new Senators or any that are guests in the Senate Chamber today care to send her a card I am sure it would be appreciated.

Another thing, last Friday I perhaps failed to make impressive; our chief fireman recently died and we asked for contributions for the widow and I do not think it was made plain what we intended to do, because our contributions were very small. If any Senators would like to contribute to the fund for the widow would they please leave their donations in the Secretary of the Senate's office.

On motion by Mr. Noyes of Franklin,

Adjourned until 10:00 A.M. to-morrow.