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HOUSE

Wednesday, February 20, 1963

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Louis Berube of the Notre Dame Church, Waterville.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Nonalcoholic Drink Products and Beverages" (S. P. 469) (L. D. 1346)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Minimum Standards for Dealers in New or Used Motor Vehicles" (S. P. 470) (L. D. 1322)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Business Legislation.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Business Legislation in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Reapportionment of Party State Committees" (S. P. 471) (L. D. 1323)

Bill "An Act Permitting Selectmen of Certain Municipalities to Act as Voting Registrars" (S. P. 472) (L. D. 1324)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Election Laws.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Election Laws in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to the Official Tree of the State of Maine" (S. P. 498) (L. D. 1395)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Industrial and Recreational Development.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Industrial and Recreational Development in concurrence. From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Acknowledgment and Validation of Deeds and Other Instruments Conveying Real Property" (S. P. 473) (L. D. 1325)

Bill "An Act relating to Interference or Destruction of Transit Points and Monuments" (S. P. 474) (L. D. 1326)

Bill "An Act Providing for Permanent Identification Cards to be Issued by the Secretary of State" (S. P. 475) (L. D. 1327)

Bill "An Act relating to Chemical Tests in Fatal Motor Vehicle Collisions" (S. P. 476) (L. D. 1328)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Amending Certain Provisions of the Employment Security Law" (S. P. 453) (L. D. 1345)

Bill "An Act Revising Certain Laws under the Workmen's Compensation Law" (S. P. 477) (L. D. 1329)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Labor.

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act to Establish and Regulate Commercial Driver Education Schools and Instructors" (S. P. 478) (L. D. 1330)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs. In the House, referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in con-

From the Senate:

currence.

Bill "An Act relating to Definition of Hotel under Liquor Law" (S. P. 479) (L. D. 1331)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Liquor Control.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Liquor Control in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Establishing a Forest Products Marketing Law" (S. P. 480) (L. D. 1332)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Natural Resources.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Natural Resources in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Leeman Grant of Columbia Falls (S. P. 499) (L. D. 1396)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Retirements and Pensions.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Retirements and Pensions in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to the Manufacture of Foreign Lobster Meat for Newburgs and Stews by Whole-sale Dealers'' (S. P. 481) (L. D. 1333)

Bill "An Act Regulating the Taking of Clams in Wells, York County" (S. P. 500) (L. D. 1397)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Transferring Division of Geological Survey of Department of Economic Development to the University of Maine" (S. P. (L. D. 1334) 482)

Bill "An Act Exempting Certain Personnel of Department of Economic Development from Personnel Law" (S. P. 483) (L. D. 1335)

Bill "An Act Transferring Division of Research and Planning of Department of Economic Development to the University of Maine" (S. P. 484) (L. D. 1336)

Bill "An Act Creating a Governor's Committee on Economic Development" (S. P. 485) (L. D. 1337)

Bill "An Act Transferring Duties of Commissioner of Agriculture Relating to Shellfish to Commissioner of Sea and Shore Fisheries and Revising Laws Thereto" (S. P. 486) (L. D. 1338)

Bill "An Act Adding the Maine Motor Vehicle Dealer Registration Board to the State Agencies Subject to the Administrative Code" (S. P. 487) (L. D. 1339)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Government

In the House, referred to the Committee on State Government in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Providing Tax Exemption Stamps for Relief of Certain Persons from Sales Tax" (S. P. 488) (L. D. 1340)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Taxation.

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Act Creating the South Paris Village Corporation" (S. P. 501) (L. D. 1398)

Bill "An Act relating to Territory of the Paris Village Corporation' (S. P. 502) (L. D. 1399)

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

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Extending Time of Validity of Motor Vehicle Registra-tions" (S. P. 489) (L. D. 1341) Came from the Senate referred

to the Committee on Transportation.

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Services for Locating Deserting Parents and Other Persons Liable for Support of Dependents'' (S. P. 490) (L. D. 1342)

Bill "An Act Relieving Children and Certain Relatives of Financial Responsibility in Old Age Assistance, Aid to the Blind and Aid to the Disabled" (S. P. 491) (L. D. 1343)

Bill "An Act relating to Research Studies of the Department of Health and Welfare'' (S. P. 492) (L. D. 1344)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Welfare.

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

Senate Reports of Committees Leave to Withdraw

Report of the Committee on Industrial and Recreational Development on Resolve Appropriating Money for Increased Publications of Recreation Promotional Literature (S. P. 215) (L. D. 525) reporting Leave to Withdraw.

Report of the Committee on Natural Resources reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Pollution of Waters Forming an International Boundary" (S. P. 120) (L. D. 349)

Came from the Senate read and accepted.

In the House, the Reports were read and accepted in concurrence.

Ought to Pass

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act Amending the Criminal Sanctions Provisions of the Banking Law" (S. P. 213) (L. D. 523)

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

In the House, the Report was read and accepted in concurrence, the Bill read twice and tomorrow assigned.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Report of the Committee on Municipal Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to Retirement Benefits for Members of the Lewiston Police Department and Pensions for Their Beneficiaries" (S. P. 185) (L. D. 484) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

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

Committee Amendment "A" w a s read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 185, L. D. 484, Bill, "An Act Relating to Retirement Benefits for Members of the Lewiston Police Department and Pensions for Their Beneficiaries." Amend said Bill in the Title by inserting after the words "Police Department" the words 'and Members of the Lewiston Fire Department'

Further amend said Bill by adding at the end thereof the following section:

"Sec. 3. P. & S. L., 1939, c.8. Art. XII, Sec. 12, repealed and replaced. Section 12 of Article XII of chapter 8 of the private and special laws of 1939 is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

'Sec. 12. Pensions. The death of an active member of the department entitled to retire under this article shall entitle the beneficiaries described in section 10 of this article to pension benefits equalling $\frac{1}{2}$ of the salary he was last receiving.'"

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Report of the Committee on Claims reporting "Ought to pass" on Resolve Providing Industrial Accident Payments to Mrs. Jeanne T. Smith of Thomaston (S. P. 32) (L. D. 26)

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Resolve passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendments "A" and "B".

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

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

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 32, L. D. 26, Resolve, "Providing Industrial Accident Payments to Mrs. Jeanne T. Smith of Thomaston."

Amend said Resolve by inserting immediately following the title the following emergency preamble:

Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, to prevent undue hardship the industrial accident payments under this resolve should begin July 1, 1963 since payments authorized by the Governor and Council will cease June 30, 1963; and Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore be it,'

Further amend said Resolve by adding at the end before the statement of facts the following emergency clause:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this resolve shall become effective July 1, 1963.'

Senate Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence.

Senate Amendment "B" was read by the Clerk as follows:

SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to S. P. 32, L. D. 26, Resolve, "Providing Industrial Accident Payments to Mrs, Jeanne T. Smith of Thomaston."

Amend said Resolve by striking out all of the 4th, 5th and 6th lines and inserting in place thereof the following lines: 'per week, beginning July 1, 1963, to Mrs. Jeanne Turner Smith of Thomaston for industrial accident payments in accordance with the Workmen's Compensation Act, for the fatal accident.'

Senate Amendment "B" was adopted in concurrence and the Resolve assigned for second reading tomorrow.

The SPEAKER: The Chair would interrupt at this time, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, as this is a special day in our Legislative proceedings when we honor some of our beautiful citizens, shall I say, in the State of Maine.

We have with us today the Apple Queen of the State of Maine, who is accompanied by Representative Viles, and if the Sergeant-at-Arms would please retire to the rear of the Hall of the House and conduct these two people to the rostrum, it would please the House and myself very much.

Whereupon, the Sergeant-at-Arms escorted Miss Mary K. Webber, Maine Apple Queen, accompanied by Representative Robert G. Viles, to the rostrum amid applause of the House, the Members rising. The SPEAKER: It is my very great pleasure this morning, Ladies and Gentlemen, to introduce to you the Apple Queen of the State of Maine, Miss Mary K. Webber of North Anson, who is a senior at Anson Academy. Miss Webber.

Miss WEBBER: Mr. Speaker of the House and Members of the House, I was at a loss as to how I was going to speak for five minutes on various ways of using apples and making it fairly interesting. The majority of you or your wives probably are already aware of them and have your own favorite dish. So, Sunday, quite by accident, I came up with another idea: controlled atmosphere apple storage.

Controlled atmosphere storage, called CA for short, is a method of keeping apples longer by refrigeration, reduced oxygen, and above normal carbon dioxide.

My parents and I had stopped at the Lakeside Orchards in Manchester Sunday. I asked the proprietor if he had any pamphlets on apples that I could use and explained the reason why. He invited us in and gave us a tour of his storage building. Mr. George Powers, the owner, explained everything as we went along. His first storage shed, not yet completed, holds eight thousand bushels. The air is kept cool and circulating. The second storage shed holds twelve thousand bushels. This is full and air tight. As soon as the room is full, it is closed and the door is carefully sealed and it is not reopened for ninety days. During this time the apples "sleep" and are kept as fresh and crisp and juicy as the day they were picked. This is done by means of a "limer." In this case it is a large tin box, about 6 feet by 25 feet by 4 feet, filled with lime. It has two ventilators. This apparatus is outside the room with the ventilators connected to the inside. As the carbon dioxide given off by the apples falls to the bottom ventilator, it goes through the lime and comes out through the top ventilator as fresh oxygen. The oxygen output is controlled by the ventilators. Normally there is twenty-one percent oxygen in the air but by the end of the first twenty days this percentage must be lowered to five percent:

and this is done by controlling the vent.

Mr. Powers grows all the apples that he stores. During the peak weeks of the season he employs about fifty workers to help him pick, grade, and pack the apples. When they are ready to be sold in the Spring McIntosh Apples," sleeping beauties now awakened for your eating pleasure.

I realize that I have only lightly touched the subject of controlled atmosphere storage, but I hope I have included enough to make it understandable. Thank you. (Applause)

The SPEAKER: I am sure that Representative Bob Viles of Anson is very proud of this young lady from his home town, Miss Mary K. Webber, the Apple Queen of the State of Maine.

Whereupon Miss Webber, accompanied by Representative Viles, was escorted from the Hall of the House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, amid the applause of the House, the Members rising.

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time would like to recognize in the balcony of the House, eleven students from Anson Academy, chaperoned by Mrs. Mayo and Mrs. Welch. And these good folk are the guests of Representative Viles.

On behalf of the House, the Chair extends to you a warm and cordial welcome and we trust that you will enjoy and profit by your visit with us here today. (Applause)

Also at this time the Chair is very pleased to recognize in the balcony, Cub Scout Pack 405 of Winthrop, about sixty boys from the ages of seven to ten. And the Den Mothers are Mrs. Dianne Maxwell, Mrs. Patricia Woolston, Mrs. Greta Gordon, Mrs. Glenda Savage, Mrs. Beatrice Hutchins, Mrs. Barbara Thims, and Mrs. Mabel Johnson; and accompanied also by their parents, Mrs. Gail Guerette, Mrs. Jeanne Nason, Mrs. Pauline Gove, and Mrs. Lillian Belz. And the Committeemen with them are Mr. Philip Mollicone and Mr. Merle Hutchins.

On behalf of the House, and for our good Representative, Peter Thaanum from Winthrop, we extend to you a cordial and warm welcome and trust that you will profit by your visit with us here this morning. (Applause)

From the Senate: The following Communication: (S. P. 497)

MAINE

CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION February 13, 1963 To the Honorable House and Senate

To the Honorable House and Senate of the 101st Legislature State House

Augusta, Maine

Members:

I have the honor to transmit to you herewith the Third Report of the Maine Constitutional Commission. The Commission created by act of the 100th Legislature was directed to report to the 101st Legislature.

Very truly yours,

(Signed)

FRED C. SCRIBNER Jr. Fred C. Scribner, Jr. Chairman, Maine Constitutional Commission

Came from the Senate read and with accompanying Report (L. D. 1394) referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments and Legislative Reapportionment.

In the House, the Communication was read and with accompanying Report (L. D. 1394) referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments and Legislative Reapportionment in concurrence.

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

Messages and Documents

The following Communication: (H. P. 977)

DEPARTMENT OF STATE STATE OF MAINE Augusta

February 15, 1963

To David J. Kennedy, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the One Hundred and First Legislature:

I have the honor to herewith trans-

mit copies of the estimates of expenses of the sixteen counties within the State for the years 1963 and 1964, the same having been filed in this office according to the provisions of Sections 13 and 14 of Chapter 89 of the Revised Statutes of 1954.

(Signed)

PAUL A. MacDONALD Secretary of State

The Communication was read and with accompanying papers referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties and sent up for concurrence.

Orders

On motion of Mr. Turner of Auburn, it was

ORDERED, that Miss Cheryl Jones of Farmington, be appointed to serve as Honorary Page for today.

On motion of Mr. Binnette of Old Town, it was

ORDERED, that Miss Karen Anderson of Orono be appointed to serve as Honorary Page for today.

On motion of Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston, it was

ORDERED, that Miss Debbie Noel and Miss Sylvane Bulger, both of Waterville, be appointed to serve as Honorary Pages for today.

On motion of Mr. Littlefield of Hampden, it was

ORDERED, that Miss Patricia Hutchins of Atkinson, New Hampshire, be appointed to serve as Honorary Page for today.

The SPEAKER: Will the Sergeantat-Arms please retire to the rear of the hall of the House and conduct the Honorary Pages to the rostrum to serve as Honorary Pages for the day.

Miss Patricia Hutchins is the granddaughter of Representative Hutchins of Kingfield, Miss Karen Anderson is the daughter of Representative Anderson of Orono, Miss Cheryle Jones is the daughter of Representative Jones of Farmington, and Debbie Noel is the granddaughter of Representative Noel of Waterville accompanied by a friend, Sylvane Bulger. Thereupon, the Honorary Pages were escorted to the well of the Hall of the House by the Sergeantat-Arms. (Applause)

On motion of Mr. Mendes of Topsham, it was

ORDERED, that Mr. Prince of Harpswell be excused from attendance this week because of illness.

The SPEAKER: The Chair would request the Sergeant-at-Arms to escort the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Wellman, to serve as Speaker pro tem.

Thereupon, Mr. Wellman assumed the Chair as Speaker pro tem amid the applause of the House and Speaker Kennedy retired from the Hall.

House Reports of Committees Leave to Withdraw

Mr. Smith from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act relating to Mailing Divorce Judgment When Duty to Support" (H. P. 223) (L. D. 292) reported Leave to Withdraw.

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Ought Not to Pass

Mr. Pease from the Committee on Judiciary reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Recording of Notice in Foreclosure by Publication" (H. P. 231) (L. D. 294)

Mr. Thornton from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Filing Accounts by Corporate Guardians and Compensation of Guardians under Uniform Veterans' Guardianship Act" (H. P. 109) (L. D. 153) which was recommitted.

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Ought to Pass

Mr. Blouin from the Committee on Business Legislation reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act Revising the Laws Relating to Employee Benefit Plans of Domestic Insurance Companies" (H. P. 629) (L. D. 885)

Mr. Karkos from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Increasing License Fee for Insurance Rating Organizations" (H. P. 628) (L. D. 384)

Mr. MacLeod from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Establishing an Insurance Adviser's License'' (H.P. 624) (L. D. 880)

Mr. Scott from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Insurance by Mutual Companies" (H. P. 627) (L. D. 883)

Mrs. Vaughn from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Change of Purposes of Mutual Insurance Companies" (H. P. 626) (L. D. 882)

Mrs. Lincoln from the Committee on Claims reported same on Resolve in favor of Arthur J. Valley, Sr. of Bethel for Damage to Water Supply (H. P. 269) (L. D. 363) Mr. Pease from the Committee

on Judiciary reported same on Resolve Authorizing the Building of a Private Road Across Portion of Mousam Lake, York County (H. P. 446) (L. D. 800)

Mr. Smith from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Providing for Penalty for Violating Ordinances for Protection of Pedestrians" (H. P. 596) (L. D. 834)

Reports were read and accepted. the Bills read twice, Resolves read once, and tomorrow assigned.

Passed to Be Engrossed

Mr. MacGregor from the Committee on Municipal Affairs reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Superintending School Committee of Town of Winslow" (H. P. 480) (L. D. 683)

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

On motion of Mr. Plante of Old Orchard Beach, under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its third reading, passed to be en-grossed and, by unanimous consent, sent forthwith to the Senate.

Ought to Pass with **Committee Amendment**

Mr. Williams from the Committee on Natural Resources on Bill "An Act relating to Classifying Part of Medomak River and Certain Waters in and Bordering Waldoboro" (H. P. 390) (L. D. 589) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice. Committee Amendment "A" was

read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 390, L. D. 589, Bill, "An Act Relating to Classifying Part of Medomak River and Certain Waters In and Bordering Waldoboro."

Amend said Bill by inserting before the enacting clause, the follow-

ing emergency preamble: 'Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, pollution of the waters of Maine is one of Maine's most serious and imminent problems which must be solved as soon as possible: and

Whereas, it is vitally necessary that the desire for clean waters must be tempered with the economic and recreational growth of Maine: and

Whereas, the following legislation is necessary to prevent undue hardship on the inhabitants of Maine: and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine, and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

Further amend said Bill by adding at the end thereof the following emergency clause:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this act shall take effect when approved.

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Mr. Wood from the Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act Exempting Swine under Nine Months of Age from Taxation" (H. P. 135) (L. D. 178) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Commit-tee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" w a s read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 135, L. D. 178, Bill, "An Act Exempting Swine Under Nine Months of Age from Taxation."

Amend said Bill in the Title by striking out the word "Nine" and inserting in place thereof the word 'Four'

Further amend said Bill, in the 10th line, by striking out the underlined figure "9" and inserting in place thereof the underlined figure '4'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Divided Report Tabled and Assigned

Majority Report of the Committee on Education reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Accreditation of Secondary Schools" (H. P. 23) (L. D. 47)

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. BROOKS of Cumberland WHITTAKER of Penobscot HICHBORN of Piscataquis — of the Senate.

Messrs. McGEE of Auburn TREWORGY of Gorham LEVESQUE of Madawaska BRADEEN of Waterboro

- of the House.

Minority Report of same Committee on same Bill reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. EASTON of Winterport SNOW of Jonesboro CURTIS of Bowdoinham — of the House.

Reports were read.

(On motion of Mr. Easton of Winterport, the Reports and Bill were tabled pending acceptance of either Report and specially assigned for Wednesday, February 27.)

Divided Report Tabled and Assigned

Majority Report of the Committee on Education reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Attendance and Tuition at Approved Secondary Schools" (H. P. 26) (L. D. 50) Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. BROOKS of Cumberland WHITTAKER of Penobscot HICHBORN of Piscataquis — of the Senate.

Messrs. McGEE of Auburn TREWORGY of Gorham LEVESQUE of Madawaska BRADEEN of Waterboro SNOW of Jonesboro CURTIS of Bowdoinham

- of the House.

Minority Report of same Committee on same Bill reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was signed by the following member:

Mr. EASTON of Winterport — of the House.

Reports were read.

(On motion of Mr. Easton of Winterport, the Reports and Bill were tabled pending acceptance of either Report and specially assigned for Thursday, February 28.)

Passed to Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act relating to Weights and Measures of Commodities" (S. P. 132) (L. D. 410)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate 'The Maine Association of Life Underwriters, Incorporated' " (S. P. 238) (L. D. 612)

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

Amended

Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the Presque Isle Water District" (H. P. 67) (L. D. 91)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and read the third time.

Mr. Tyndale of Kennebunkport offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 67, L. D. 91, Bill, "An Act Amending the Charter of the Presque Isle Water District."

Amend said Bill in the 8th line of "Sec. 2." by inserting after the underlined word and punctuation "trustees," the following underlined words and punctuation: 'to apply to that part of the additional area described in section 1 which constitutes the Presque Isle Air Base Property, so called,'

House Amendment "A" was adopted, the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

Tabled and Assigned

Bill "An Act relating to Definition of Domestic Fowl for Tax Purposes" (H. P. 255) (L. D. 324) Was reported by the Committee

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and read the third time.

(On motion of Mr. Kent of Benton, tabled pending passage to be engrossed and specially assigned for Tuesday, February 26.)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Borrowing Capacity of the Topsham Sewer District, to Authorize the Town to Contribute to Construction Costs and Otherwise Amend the Charter" (H. P. 303) (L. D. 396)

Bill "An Act Authorizing Bureau of Public Improvements to Study Desirability of a Dam Across Bagaduce River" (H. P. 330) (L. D. 457)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the South Berwick Sewer District" (H. P. 347) (L. D. 557)

Bill "An Act relating to Revocation of Sellers' Certificates under Sales and Use Tax Law" (H. P. 351) (L. D. 505)

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Dry Bean Tax" (H. P. 352) (L. D. 506)

Bill "An Act relating of Meaning of Letters Used in State Valuation" (H. P. 354) (L. D. 507)

Bill "An Act Permitting Public Utilities Commission to Extend Time for Filing Public Utility Balance Sheets" (H. P. 391) (L. D. 590)

Bill "An Act Releasing Interest of State in Certain Land in Poland, Androscoggin County" (H. P. 601) (L. D. 836)

Bill "An Act relating to Issuance of Certificates of Shares" (H. P. 666) (L. D. 922)

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

Tabled and Assigned

Resolve Authorizing State H i g hway Commission to Construct Certain Highway Facilities on Interstate Highway 95 in the Towns of Kittery and York (H. P. 975) (L. D. 1347)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and read the second time.

The SPEAKER pro tem: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Berry.

Mr. BERRY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: It appears to me that the House is being asked today to pass on a very significant matter at a vital step in the enactment of legislation. I think that we should all very carefully read this legislative document and - T think it should be fully explained to the Members of the House of Representatives. I see significant changes in here in the present operation of the turnpike. We all know there is a very large bond issue outstanding and apparently from my perusal of this document it is proposed that five miles of the turnpike be turned over to the State for maintenance, for repaying. Is there a loss of revenue, what are the rights of the bondholders, what is the manner of upkeep in the future?

We also propose under this legislation to relocate the entrance to Maine on the turnpike, up the present turnpike five miles and propose interchange at to have an York. I might add that I am heartily in favor of this particular provision and I can understand it. It seems to me, Mr. Speaker, that there are many important questions to be answered and explanations to be made of this bill.

The SPEAKER pro tem: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Turner.

Mr. TURNER: Mr. Speaker, I would like to table this bill until Tuesday next.

Thereupon, the Resolve was tabled pending passage to be engrossed and specially assigned for Tuesday, February 26. Resolve Regulating Fishing in Hatcase Pond in Penobscot and Hancock Counties (H. P. 976) (L. D. 1348)

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

Amended Third Reader Tabled and Assigned

Bill "An Act Appropriating Funds for Renovation of Buildings and Purchase of Equipment at Northeastern Maine Vocational Institute" (H P 173) (L D. 242)

(H. P. 173) (L. D. 242) Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading and read the third time.

(On motion of Mr. Brown of Fairfield, tabled pending passage to be engrossed and specially assigned for Wednesday, February 27.)

Amended Bill

Bill "An Act Appropriating Funds for State of Maine's Participation in the New York World's Fair, 1964-1965" (H. P. 356) (L. D. 530)

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

Mr. Humphrey of Augusta offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 356, L. D. 530, Bill, "An Act Appropriating Funds for State of Maine's Participation in the New York World's Fair, 1964-65."

Amend said Bill by adding at the end of Section 3 thereof, the following sentence: 'The funds appropriated under this section shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until June 30, 1965.'

House Amendment "A" was adopted, the Bill given its third reading, passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and House Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER pro tem: The Chair would interrupt at this point to welcome into the Hall the Pioneer Girls of New Gloucester with their leaders Mrs. Earland Morrison, Mrs. Homer Studenroth, and Mrs. Milton Helm.

We hope that your experience with us today will be both profitable and interesting to you. (Applause)

Passed to Be Enacted Emergency Measure

An Act Providing for a Continuance of the Constitutional Commission (S. P. 83) (L. D. 190)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a twothirds vote of all the m e m b e r s elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 117 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act Increasing Number of Superintending School Committee of Town of Milo (S. P. 249) (L. D. 623)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a twothirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 119 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act to Clarify the Procedure for the Dissolution of School Administrative Districts (S. P. 347) (L. D. 777)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a twothirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 120 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act relating to Publishing of Regulations Closing Contaminated Shores, Waters or Flats (H. P. 307) (L. D. 400)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a twothirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 122 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speakeer and sent to the Senate.

Enactor Tabled and Assigned

An Act Permitting Credit Sales for Liquor to be Consumed on the Premises (S. P. 8) (L. D. 18)

Premises (S. P. 8) (L. D. 18) Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed.

(On motion of Mr. Anderson of Ellsworth, tabled pending passage to be enacted and specially assigned for Wednesday, February 27.)

Passed to Be Enacted

An Act relating to Penalties for Burglary and Larceny (S. P. 108) (L. D. 336)

An Act relating to Support of Patients at State Institutions (S. P. 123) (L. D. 352)

An Act to Incorporate the Seaboard Finance Company of Pine Tree (S. P. 138) (L. D. 415)

An Act to Incorporate the Seaboard Finance Company (S. P. 139) (L. D. 416)

An Act relating to Use of Service Facilities by Banks (S. P. 140) (L. D. 417)

An Act Providing for Transportation of Deer by Maine Members of Armed Forces (H. P. 38) (L. D. 61)

An Act relating to Appropriation of State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation (H. P. 129) (L. D. 222)

An Act Increasing Compensation of Public Members of Standardization Committee (H. P. 167) (L. D. 216)

An Act relating to Bribery in Professional and Amateur Contests (H. P. 216) (L. D. 285)

An Act to Repeal the Prohibition Against Use of Seines in Part of Casco Bay (H. P. 248) (L. D. 316)

An Act to Incorporate Maine Hospital Association, Inc. (H. P. 267) (L. D. 361)

An Act to Correct Errors and Omissions in the Public Laws Relating to Sea and Shore Fisheries (H. P. 308) (L. D. 401) An Act Repealing Law Permitting Trapping of Eels in Bagaduce River (H. P. 310) (L. D. 403)

An Act to Incorporate the Northern Mortgage Corporation (H. P. 325) (L. D. 452)

An Act relating to Disposition of Security under Financial Responsibility Law (H. P. 381) (L. D. 550)

Finally Passed

Resolve Authorizing Gardiner Savings Institution to Bring Civil Action Against the State of Maine (H. P. 225) (L. D. 295)

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

Tabled and Assigned

Resolve Correcting Errors in Certain Fish and Game Resolves (H. P. 288) (L. D. 382)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed.

(On motion of Mr. Waterman of Auburn, tabled pending final passage and specially assigned for Wednesday, February 27.)

At this point, Speaker Kennedy returned to the rostrum.

The SPEAKER: I thank the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Wellman, for acting as Speaker pro tem this morning, and I am sure the House joins me in congratulating him on the excellent performance of h is duties as Speaker pro tem.

Thereupon, Mr. Wellman of Bangor was escorted to his seat on the Floor of the House amid applause and Speaker Kennedy resumed the Chair.

Orders of the Day

The Chair laid before the House the first tabled and today assigned matter:

Bill "An Act Repealing Laws Requiring Fences Around Burying Grounds" (H. P. 876) — (Committee on Municipal Affairs suggested)

Tabled — February 12, by Mr. Crockett of Freeport.

Pending — Reference.

On motion of Mr. Crockett of Freeport, referred to the Committee

on Municipal Affairs, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the House the second tabled and today assigned matter:

HOUSE REPORT — Ought not to pass — Committee on Claims on Resolve, Reimbursing Town of Medway for Certain Pauper Relief. (H. P. 192) (L. D. 261)

Tabled — February 13, by Mr. Birt of East Millinocket.

Pending — Acceptance.

On motion of Mr. Birt of East Millinocket, retabled pending acceptance of the Committee Report and specially assigned for Wednesday, February 27.

The Chair laid before the House the third tabled and today assigned matter:

RESOLVE, Regulating S a 1 m o n Fishing in Nahmakanta Lake, Piscataquis County. (H. P. 5) (L. D. 11) — Engrossed in both Branches. Tabled—February 13, by Mr.

Anderson of Ellsworth.

Pending — Final Passage.

On motion of Mr. Anderson of Ellsworth, the House voted to suspend the rules and to reconsider its action whereby the Resolve was passed to be engrossed in the House on February 6, and to reconsider its action whereby Senate Amendment "A" was adopted.

On further motion of the same gentleman, Senate Amendment "A" was indefinitely postponed in nonconcurrence and the Bill passed to be engrosed in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the House the fourth tabled and today assigned matter:

AN ACT Providing a State-wide Limit on Certain Fish. (H. P. 33) (L. D. 57) — Engrossed in both Branches.

Tabled—February 13, by Mr. Anderson of Ellsworth.

Pending-Passage to be Enacted.

On motion of Mr. Anderson of Ellsworth, tabled unassigned pending passage to be enacted.

The Chair laid before the House the fifth tabled and today assigned matter: AN ACT relating to Testamentary Additions to Trust. (S. P. 37) (L. D. 30) — Engrossed in both Branches.

Tabled — February 13, by Mr. Smith of Bar Harbor.

Pending — Passage to be Enacted.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Bar Harbor, the House voted to suspend the rules and to reconsider its action whereby the Bill was passed to be engrossed on February 5.

Mr. Smith of Bar Harbor offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 37, L. D. 30, Bill, "An Act Relating to Testamentary Additions to Trusts."

Amend said Bill by striking out the 12th line and inserting in place thereof the following underlined line: 'written instrument, other than a will, executed before or concurrently'

House Amendment "A" was adopted in non-concurrence, the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A" in nonconcurrence and sent up for concurrence.

The Chair laid before the House the sixth tabled and today assigned matter:

HOUSE ORDER Relative to Picture Taking in Hall of House while the House is in Session.

Tabled — February 14, by Mr. Wellman of Bangor.

Pending — Motion of Mr. Smith of Strong to Indefinitely Postpone.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Strong, Mr. Smith.

Mr. SMITH: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: The motion to indefinitely postpone this order was made the other day to protect the people's right to know through television and press pictures. However, we have before us an amendment to be offered by the Majority Floor Leader, which will take care of this situation, and my good friend, our very able Speaker, has assured me that he will not prohibit the television and press from taking pictures from the press box or along the outside walls at any time, and his word, as far as I am concerned, is worth more than all the laws of the State of Maine put on record. (Applause)

This order, thus amended, and by agreement, is to protect the House from snapshots and flashes taken by just anybody. Therefore, I withdraw my motion to indefinitely postpone.

Whereupon, Mr. Wellman of Bangor offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to House Order relative to Pictures or Photographs Taken in the House

Amend said Order by striking out the following words in the third line thereof: "on some special occasion and then only when"

House Amendment "A" was adopted.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Southport, Mr. Rankin.

Mr. RANKIN: Mr. Speaker, this Order now reads: "Ordered, that no pictures or photographs be taken in the Hall of the House while the House is in session unless authorized by the Speaker." Now does that mean the Press will be here every day with their cameras?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Southport, Mr. Rankin, poses a question through the Chair to any member who may answer if he so desires. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Wellman.

Mr. WELLMAN: Mr. Speaker, I would presume that the presence of the Press with their photographic equipment will be up to them. They will appear when they feel that an item of importance to the State will be under discussion here in the Hall.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Southport, Mr. Rankin.

Mr. RANKIN: Well then, Mr. Speaker, I can't see how the order changes anything. If it does, I would like to know from any member of the House what is changed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Addressing myself to the gentleman from Southport, Mr. Rankin, it obviously would curb the taking of pictures by anyone who comes into the House just to take a picture, but I mean bearing in mind, I think the amendment as presented by Mr. Wellman of Bangor, is it allows another news media which is the taking of pictures by members of the press, be it for newspaper or for television purposes. I don't think the intent of the order originally was to prohibit them anyway, and I don't think under the law that we have on the books of right-to-know it could be prohibited, because I am sure that the right-to-know law also allows the members of the press or television to include themselves in it as a right to see. But it would stop anybody, even us, from getting our own amateur cameras and just taking pictures at will. If I am wrong, I would stand to be corrected.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Cope.

Mr. COPE: Mr. Speaker, may I pose a question through the Chair to Mr. Jalbert? Does this preclude the taking of a picture of a member of the Legislature?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Portland, Mr. Cope, poses a question through the Chair of the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, who may answer if he so desires.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I will let the man who would rule on this answer the question, so I will throw the ball back at the Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Is the **Hous**e ready for the question?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from York, Mr. Rust.

Mr. RUST: Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask a question of anyone who may answer it through the Chair. Does this House Order or Resolve prohibit anyone in the gallery, such as the students who visit here from time to time, from taking snapshots of the House?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from York, Mr. Rust, poses a question through the Chair to anyone who may answer if he so wishes, relative to students in the gallery

taking pictures of the House in session. May the Chair inform the members of the House that it has been the policy of the House and the officers of the House not to allow flash pictures taken from the gallery because it might interrupt a debate. Would the House care to have the Order read?

The Chair recognizes the gentle-

man from Enfield, Mr. Dudley. Mr. DUDLEY: Mr. Speaker, think I am opposed to the passage of this order. I sit in the back row and I am not annoyed by flashes. I am a great lover of children and I enjoy their company and their visits here. We have already said the press can take pictures, and what few pictures these children take I am sure I would welcome that, and so I hope that this order does not pass. I move that it be indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Enfield, Mr. Dudley, moves the indefinite postponement of the order and the amendment.

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

Mr. BROWN: I request a division.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Enfield, Mr. Dudley, that this order as amended be indefinitely postponed. All those in favor of the motion please rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

Forty-five having voted in the affirmative and sixty-eight having voted in the negative, the motion did not prevail.

Thereupon, the Order received passage, as amended.

The House laid before the House the seventh tabled and today assigned matter:

HOUSE REPORT - Ought to pass New Draft - Committee on in Transportation - on Bill "An Act Requiring Persons Seventy-Five Years of Age to take Biennial Ex-amination for Motor Vehicle Driv-er's License." (H. P. 516) (L. D. 718) — New Draft (H. P. 974) (L. D. 1302)

Tabled — February 14, by Mr. Curtis of Bowdoinham.

Pending — Acceptance.

On motion of Mr. Curtis of Bowdoinham, retabled pending acceptance of the Committee Report and unassigned.

The Chair laid before the House the eighth tabled and today assigned matter:

Bill "An Act Increasing Fees and Clarifying Barber Licensing Law.' (H. P. 30) (L. D. 54) - Read the Third Time.

Tabled — February 14, by Mr. Prince of Oakfield.

Pending — Passage be to Engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Prince of Oakfield, the Bill was passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

The Chair laid before the House the ninth tabled and today assigned matter:

Bill "An Act relating to Registration of Sanitarians." (H. P. 833) (L. D. 1220) — In House, Feb. 7, referred to State Government - In Senate, Feb. 14, referred to Health and Institutional Services in nonconcurrence.

Tabled — February 19, by Mr. Berry of Cape Elizabeth.

Pending—Further consideration .

On motion of Mr. Wellman of Bangor, the House voted to insist on its former action and request a Committee of Conference.

The Chair laid before the House the tenth tabled and today assigned matter:

Bill "An Act Providing for a Twoyear Motor Vehicle Operator's License." (H. P. 355) (L. D. 508)-In House Read the Third Time. Tabled — February 19, by Mr. Wellman of Bangor.

Pending - Passage to be En-

grossed. On motion of Mr. Wellman of Bangor, the Bill was passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

The Chair laid before the House the eleventh tabled and today assigned matter:

RESOLVE, Limiting Carrabassett River to Fly Fishing Only. (H. P. 289) (L. D. 383) - In House Read Second Time.

Tabled — February 19, by Mr. Hutchins of Kingfield.

Pending --- Passage to be Engrossed.

Mr. Hutchins of Kingfield offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 289, L. D. 383, Resolve, Opening Carrabassett River to Fly Fishing Only

Amend said Resolve in the title by striking out the word "Opening" and inserting in place thereof the word 'Limiting'

Further amend said Resolve by striking out in the headnote the word "Opening" and inserting in place thereof the word 'Limiting'

Further amend said Resolve by striking out all of the 3rd and 4th lines and inserting in place thereof the following: 'limiting Carrabassett River, from its source in Crockertown Township, Franklin County, to a point at'

House Amendment "A" was adopted.

Thereupon, the Resolve was passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

The Chair laid before the House the twelfth tabled and today assigned matter:

AN ACT Transferring Burial Allowance for Veterans from Department of Health and Welfare to Division of Veterans Affairs. (H. P. 311) (L. D. 404) — Engrossed in both Branches.

Tabled — February 19, by Mrs. Smith of Falmouth.

Pending — Passage to be Enacted.

On motion of Mr. Scott of Wilton, tabled pending passage to be enacted and specially assigned for tomorrow.

The Chair laid before the House the thirteenth tabled and today assigned matter:

AN ACT to Provide for Acceptance of Federal Funds by State Park Commission. (H. P. 131) (L. D. 174) — Engrossed in both Branches.

Tabled -- February 19, by Mr. Wellman of Bangor. Pending — Passage to be Enacted.

On motion of Mr. Wellman of Bangor, the House voted to suspend the rules and to reconsider its action whereby the Bill was passed to be engrossed.

On further motion of the same gentleman, tabled pending passage to be engrossed and specially assigned for tomorrow.

The Chair laid before the House the fourteenth tabled and today assigned matter:

AN ACT relating to Premarital Medical Examinations. (S. P. 144) (L. D. 421) -- Engrossed in both Branches.

Tabled — February 19, by Mr. Hanson of Gardiner.

Pending — Motion of Mr. Ewer of Bangor to Indefinitely Postpone.

On motion of Mr. Hanson of Gardiner, the House voted to suspend the rules in order to move reconsideration.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I rise to a point of information. Shouldn't we first act — we have nothing before us. The motion has been made by the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Ewer, to indefinitely postpone this item. Would the gentleman withdraw his motion first?

The SPEAKER: The Chair understands that after the suspension of the rules that we must follow through.

The Chair again recognizes the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, we can't suspend any rules until we dispose of the pending motion, and the pending motion was indefinite postponement. The procedure would be, in my opinion, for the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Ewer, to withdraw his motion. Then we suspend, then we reconsider engrossment, then we file the amendment.

The SPEAKER: The parliamentarian would advise the House through the Chair that a motion to suspend the rules is always in order, and the Chair so rules. Now that the rules have been suspended, the gentleman from Gardiner, Mr. Hanson, moves reconsideration of the House's action whereby this bill was passed to be engrossed.

Mr. JALBERT: I move this item lie on the table until tomorrow until we have a chance to look at the rules.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, moves this matter "An Act relating to Premarital Medical Examinations" be tabled until tomorrow pending the motion of the gentleman from Gardiner, Mr. Hanson, that the House reconsider its action whereby the Bill was passed to be engrossed. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed.

The Chair laid before the House the fifteenth tabled and today assigned matter:

Bill "An Act relating to Penalty for Conveyance of Land in Plats without Approval." (S. P. 109) (L. D. 337) — In House Read the Third Time.

Tabled — February 19, by Mr. Cope of Portland.

Pending — Passage to be Engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Cope of Portland, the Bill was passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

(Off Record Remarks)

The SPEAKER: The Speaker at this time would appoint William Hardy of Hope to the Committee on Rules and Business of the House, to take the place of the loss of our member, William Earles.

The SPEAKER: The House is proceeding under Orders of the Day. The Chair recognizes the gentle-

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Ewer.

Mr. EWER: Mr. Speaker, at this time I would ask permission to have the Pages distribute copies of the letter sent to the President of the Senate and to the Speaker of the House by Peter Damborg, the Executive Secretary of the Maine State Employees Association. This letter was printed in part in the newspapers, and since it outlines what to my mind is a very successful opening policy on the part of the State Employees Association, I would like to ask permission to have this distributed at this time.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Ewer, requests permission of the House to distribute this material to the Members desks. Is there objection? The Chair hears none. It is so ordered.

On motion of Mr. Townsend of Baileyville,

Adjourned until one-thirty o'clock tomorrow afternoon.