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STATE OF MAINE

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HOUSE

Wednesday, March 20, 1963

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Arthur Christopher of Augusta.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate Senate Reports of Committees Ought Not to Pass

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Practice Before Probate Courts" (S. P. 391) (L. D. 1094)

Report of the Committee on Labor reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Compromise of Assessments and Claims for Contributions under Employment Security Law" (S. P. 366) (L. D. 1032)

Came from the Senate read and accepted.

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

Ought to Pass in New Draft

Report of the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act relating to Driving a Motor Vehicle While License Suspended or Revoked" (S. P. 179) (L. D. 478) reporting same in a new draft (S. P. 534) (L. D. 1453) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Report of the Committee on Transportation on Bill "An Act Clarifying Months Covered by Fee for Operation of Certain Trucks" (S. P. 437) (L. D. 1180) reporting same in a new draft (S. P. 539) (L. D. 1464) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Came from the Senate with the Reports read and accepted and the New Drafts passed to be engrossed.

In the House, the Reports were read and accepted in concurrence, the New Drafts read twice and assigned the next legislative day.

Ought to Pass

Report of the Committee on Agriculture reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Allocation of Funds of Soil Conservation Districts" (S. P. 263) (L. D. 1013)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Unlicensed Dogs" (S. P. 411) (L. D. 1153)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Lists of Dogs in Tax Assessor's Inventories" (S. P. 412) (L. D. 1154)

Report of the Committee on State Government reporting same on Bill "An Act Entering the State of Maine into the Interstate Library Compact" (S. P. 400) (L. D. 1103)

Report of the Committee on Transportation reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Lights on Snow Removal or Sanding Equipment" (S. P. 439) (L. D. 1182)

Came from the Senate with the Reports read and accepted and the Bills passed to be engrossed.

In the House, the Reports were read and accepted in concurrence, the Bills read twice and assigned the next legislative day.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on Bill "An Act Revising Laws for Registration and Licensing of Dogs on Reservation of Penobscot Tribe of Indians" (S. P. 220) (L. D. 605) 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" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 220, L. D. 605, Bill, "An Act Revising Laws for Registration and Licensing of Dogs on Reservation of Penobscot Tribe of Indians."

Amend said Bill, in the 8th line of that part designated "Sec. 2." of section 2 by drawing a line through the figure "\$1.15", as follows: "\$1.15' and inserting immediately after said stricken out figure the underlined figure "\$1.25"; and in the 9th line by drawing a line through the figure "\$3.15", as follows: "\$3.15" and inserting immediately.

ately after said stricken out figure the underlined figure '\$3.25'

Further amend said Bill in that part designated "Sec. 3." of section 3 by striking out all of the last 2 lines and inserting in place thereof the following: "into the fund for the municipal purposes of said tribe, retaining to his own use 15 cents 25 cents for each license issued."

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

Report of the Committee on Business Legislation on Bill "An Act relating to Records and Lists of Stockholders" (S. P. 307) (L. D. 973) 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" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 307, L. D. 973, Bill, "An Act Relating to Records and Lists of Stockholders."

Amend said Bill by striking out in the 7th and 8th lines the underlined words and punctuation "by any person holding, or authorized by the holders of," and inserting in place thereof the underlined words and punctuation 'who is the actual owner. free from encumbrance, of

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

Report of the Committee on Municipal Affairs on Bill "An Act Amending Charter of City of Calais" (S. P. 152) (L. D. 428) 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" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 152, L. D. 428, Bill, "An Act Amending Charter of City of Calais"

Amend said Bill in that part designated "Sec. 2." of section 3 by inserting at the end before the single quotation mark the following underlined sentence:

'There shall continue to be chosen 3 or 4 members, as the case may be, of the city council to fill the office of the members of the city council whose terms expire that year.'

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

The SPEAKER: It is a pleasant duty of the Speaker this morning to recognize in the balcony of the House, Grade Eight of the Winthrop Junior High School, about seventy-five students accompanied by Mrs. Irene Hibbs, the teacher; and Mrs. Winnifred Leavitt, the Principal.

On behalf of the House, the Chair extends to you young ladies and gentlemen a most warm and cordial welcome, and we trust that you will enjoy and profit by your visit with us this morning. (Applause)

Report of the Committee on State Government on Bill "An Act Increasing Reimbursement for Expenses of Reporter of Decisions" (S. P. 398) (L. D. 1101) 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" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 398, L. D. 1101, "An Act Increasing Reimbursement for Expenses of Reporter of Decisions."

Amend said Bill, in the second line of section 2, by inserting after

the word "Fund" the words and punctuation to the All Other cate-

gory,

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

Report of the Committee on Transportation on Bill "An Act to Revise Certain Motor Vehicle Laws" (S. P. 346) (L. D. 1011) 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" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 346, L. D. 1011, Bill, "An Act to Revise Certain Motor Vehicle Laws."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of sections 2, 10 and 13.

Further amend said Bill by renumbering the sections of said Bill to read consecutively.

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

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment Amended in Senate

Report of the Committee on Labor on Bill "An Act relating to Employment of Minors under Sixteen Years of Age" (S. P. 214) (L. D. 524) 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" and Senate Amendment "B".

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

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 214, L. D. 524, Bill, "An Act Relating to Employment of Minors Under Sixteen Years of Age."

Amend said Bill, in the 7th line, by striking out the underlined comma which appears after the underlined words "storage house"

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence.

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

SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to S. P. 214, L. D. 524, Bill, "An Act Relating to Employment of Minors Under Sixteen Years of Age."

Amend said Bill, in the 7th and 8th lines, by striking out the underlined words and punctuation "potato storage house, not including farm storage."

Senate Amendment "B" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow

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

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act Increasing Funeral Allowance in Public Assistance Cases" (H. P. 560) (L. D. 775) which was passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" in the House on February 27.

Came from the Senate passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" as amended by Senate Amendment "A" thereto in non-concurrence.

In the House: The House voted to recede and concur with the Senate.

Non-Concurrent Matter

An Act Transferring Burial Allowance Program for Veterans from Department of Health and Welfare to Division of Veterans Affairs (H. P. 311) (L. D. 404) which was passed to be enacted in the House on February 21 and passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" on February 5.

Came from the Senate passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and Senate Amendment "A" in non-concurrence.

In the House: The House voted to recede and concur with the Senate.

Petitions, Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference

The following Bill, approved by a majority of the Committee on Reference of Bills for appearance on House Calendar, less than one-tenth of the members present objecting. was received and referred to the following Committee:

State Government

Bill "An Act Providing for Lease by Maine State Park and Recreation Commission to Mt. Blue Ski Corporation'' (H. P. 1014) (Present-ed by Mr. Smith of Strong) (Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Orders

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time would recognize the Majority and Minority Floor Leaders who will please assemble in the well of the House. And will the Sergeantat-Arms please conduct these gentlemen to the rear of the Hall of the House.

Thereupon, Mr. Wellman of Bangor and Mr. Plante of Old Orchard Beach were conducted by the Sergeant-at-Arms to the rear of the Hall of the House and escorted the Honorable Lorin L. Arnold to the rostrum, amid applause the members rising.

Mr. Wellman of Bangor was granted unanimous consent to briefly address the House.

Mr. WELLMAN: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I should like to offer a few remarks for the record before offering a very special resolution for adoption by this House.

Today this House and indeed the entire Legislature is honoring a man for whom we all have the highest personal and professional regard. It is fitting, I think, that such welldeserved recognition be given this journalist because by paying him homage, we are also drawing attention to the type of journalism that we in Maine take so much for granted.

Maine citizens have come to expect fair, impartial coverage of the events that make news in the fields of politics, state government and the Legislature. As makers of the laws of the State of Maine, we

follow our own doings in the newspapers and over the radio and television. And we, in Maine, conduct ourselves, our events, our deliberations under the bright and wise glow of a Right to Know Law that

is adhered to closely by all.

What I am saying in substance is that the "press" and its members have our respect, and we want to express this respect of them here in the form of a resolution honoring the "Dean" of their number, the Honorable Lorin L. Arnold of the Bangor Daily News, a fellow Bangorian I might add.

I say the Honorable Mr. Arnold because he is just that - Honorable. He sums up the highest degree of professional journalism, and

we want to tell him so today.

Lorin Arnold is called "Doc" by his friends and associates. He looks the part of a country doctor, who always is ready to administer un-derstanding aid to his patients. I think it can be said that "Doc" Arnold has always administered an understanding of not only politics and government in his writings, but of the people who make up these fields of public service.

He, himself, is a public servant, a fair, honest, conscientious and understanding wielder of the mighty pen. It is because he possesses all these qualities that we pay him tribute today as the "Dean" of Maine's press and its outstanding example of the integrity of the Fourth Estate.

And now, Mr. Speaker, out of order, I would like to present a Resolution.

Thereupon, Mr. Wellman presented the following Resolution and moved its adoption:

WHEREAS the One Hundred and First Legislature is cognizant of the fact that fair and impartial reporting of events are requisites in the profession of political writing, and

WHEREAS honorable and faithful service to a career are attributes to be admired, and

WHEREAS friendship, loyalty and honesty are among the greater human qualities, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the One Hundred and First Legislature hereby recognizes that Lorin L. Arnold, during a thirtyfive year career, has possessed all of the aforementioned qualities, and be it further

RESOLVED: That the House of Representatives of this One Hundred and First Legislature does pay him special tribute as the Dean of Maine's professional journalists.

The Resolution was read and adopted.

Mr. Plante of Old Orchard Beach was granted unanimous consent to briefly address the House.

Mr. PLANTE: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: We, the Minority, also wish to commend "Doc" Arnold for carrying out his responsible public function by digging and probing into the complexities of governmental and political activities with fairness and vigor. May he continue to do same for many, many more years.

Thereupon, the Honorable Lorin L. Arnold was escorted from the Hall of the House by the Sergeant-at-Arms, amid applause the members rising.

Tabled and Assigned

Mr. Pease of Wiscasset presented the following Order:

ORDERED, that notwithstanding any House Rule or Order, sound television film, for broadcasting purposes only, may be taken in the Hall of the House while the House is in session, when authorized by the Speaker.

Thereupon, on further motion of the same gentleman, under Rule 59, the Order was tabled pending passage and specially assigned for the next legislative day.

On motion of Mr. Finley of Washington, it was

ORDERED, that Rev. Foster Williams of the First Baptist Church, Waldoboro, be invited to officiate as Chaplain of the House on Wednesday, April 17, 1963.

The SPEAKER: The Chair is very pleased this morning also to recognize in the balcony of the House, forty-two Senior students from the Class in Problems of Democracy of the Boothbay Region High School, accompanied by their teacher, Mrs. Claude Bransford; and Mr. Paul

Murphy.

On behalf of the House, the Chair extends to you young ladies and

gentlemen, a warm and cordial welcome and we trust that you will enjoy and profit by your visit with us this morning. (Applause)

The SPEAKER: Will the Sergeantat-Arms please conduct the gentleman from Windham, Mr. Watkins, to the rostrum to serve as Speaker pro tem.

Thereupon, Mr. Watkins 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. Brewer from the Committee on Claims on Resolve to Reimburse Town of Bristol for Aid to a State Pauper (H. P. 425) (L. D. 578) reported Leave to Withdraw.

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve to Reimburse Town of Greenville for Express Charges on Surplus Foods Distributed to Unorganized Territory (H. P. 429) (L. D. 634)

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Ought to Pass in New Draft New Draft Printed Tabled and Assigned

Mr. Sahagian from the Committee on Natural Resources on Bill "An Act Authorizing Forest Commissioner to Permit and Regulate Dredging in Great Ponds" (H. P. 164) (L. D. 213) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1015) (L. D. 1469) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Report was read.

(On motion of Mr. Easton of Winterport, tabled pending acceptance of the Committee Report and specially assigned for Friday, March 29.)

Ought to Pass Printed Bill

Mr. Hendsbee from the Committee on Retirements and Pensions reported "Ought to pass" on Resolve Providing for a Pension for Jennie A. George of Orrington (H. P. 553) (L. D. 768)

Report was read and accepted, the Resolve read twice, and assigned the next legislative day.

Mr. Hendsbee of Madison was granted unanimous consent to brief-

ly address the House.

Mr. HENDSBEE: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: In reference to this bill, I think it is one of the most unusual that was ever presented to this or any other Legislature, and I feel that it shouldn't go by unnoticed particularly in the case of this lady here, who will be 103 years of age next July; and I think it is probably one of the most worthwhile pieces of legislation I have ever been included in. The lady is in such good health that she is not even eligible for nursing care. Let's hope that we will all attain that same thing some day.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Mr. Mower from the Committee on Agriculture on Bill "An Act Revising Laws on Dogs in Unorganized Territory" (H. P. 798) (L. D. 1185) 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. 798, L. D. 1185, Bill, "An Act Revising Laws on Dogs in Unorganized Territory.'

Amend said Bill by striking out in the 12th line the underlined word 'warden' and insert in place there-

of the underlined word 'recorder' Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

Mr. Littlefield from the Committee on Industrial and Recreational Development on Bill "An Act Authorizing the Maine Port Authority to Establish Foreign Trade Zones in Maine" (H. P. 978) (L. D. 1417) 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. 978, L. D. 1417, "An Act

Authorizing the Maine Port Authority to Establish Foreign Trade Zones in Maine."

Amend said Bill, in the last paragraph, by striking out in the 2nd line the underlined words "an area" and inserting in place thereof the underlined words 'such areas'

Further amend said Bill, in the last paragraph, by striking out all of the underlined 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th lines and inserting in place thereof the following:

defined as follows: Goods, wares and merchandise moving in interstate or international commerce through such zones, or which were consigned to a warehouse, public or private, within such zones whether specified when'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

Mr. Welch from the Committee on Public Utilities on Bill "An Act to Create the Van Buren Sewer District" (H. P. 493) (L. D. 695) 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. 493, L. D. 695, Bill, "An Act to Create the Van Buren Sewer District.

Amend said Bill by striking out all of the last sentence of the 3rd paragraph from the end of section 14 and insert in place thereof the following sentence:

'Each trustee shall receive for his

services the sum of \$75 per year.' Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

Mr. Osborn from the Committee on Transportation on Bill "An Act relating to How Motor Vehicle Number Plates are Fastened" (H. P. 858) (L. D. 1245) 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. 858, L. D. 1245, Bill, "An Act Relating to How Motor Vehicle Number Plates are Fastened."

Amend said Bill by inserting at the beginning of the first line the underlined abbreviation and figure 'Sec. 1.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of the last 3 lines and inserting in place thereof the following:

"Each number plate displayed shall be horizontal and shall be so fastened as not to swing and its lower edges shall be at least 12 inches from the ground."

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

"Sec. 2. R. S., c. 22, Sec. 18, amended. Section 18 of chapter 22 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, is further amended by adding after the 3rd paragraph, a new paragraph, as follows:

'Farm trucks, or any vehicle used for hauling forest products and required by law to be registered, may attach the number plate by means of a rigid or semi-rigid bracket designed so as to allow the plate to swing freely.'"

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on Public Utilities reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Quorum of Cumberland Water District" (H. P. 496) (L. D. 698)

Report was signed by the following members:

Mr. PHILBRICK of Penobscot
Mrs. HARRINGTON of Penobscot
Mr. BOISVERT of Androscoggin
— of the Senate.

Messrs. RAND of Yarmouth
PHILBRICK of Augusta
PITTS of Harrison
WELCH of Chapman
TYNDALE

of Kennebunkport PLANTE

of Old Orchard Beach
— of the House.

Minority Report of same Committee reporting "Ought not to pass" on same Bill.

Report was signed by the following member:

Mr. TAYLOR of South Portland
— of the House.

Reports were read.

The Majority "Ought to pass" Report was accepted, the Bill read twice and assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

Divided Report

Report "A" of the Committee on Liquor Control reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Definition of Public Places u n de r Law Relating to Drinking in Public Places" (H. P. 786) (L. D. 1139)

Report was signed by the following members:

Mrs. CHRISTIE of Aroostook

— of the Senate.

Mrs. OAKES of Portland Messrs. MEISNER

of Dover-Foxcroft
CHAPMAN of Norway
TOWNSEND of Baileyville
— of the House.

Report "B" of same Committee reporting "Ought not to pass" on same Bill.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. KIMBALL of Hancock
JACQUES of Androscoggin
— of the Senate.

Messrs. WADE of Skowhegan
BERNARD of Sanford
— of the House.

Reports were read.

The Majority "Ought to pass" Report was accepted, the Bill read twice and assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

Passed to Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act Placing Vocational Teachers in Unclassified Service" (S. P. 53) (L. D. 103)

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

Bill "An Act Classifying Certain Tidewaters in Lincoln County" (H. P. 242) (L. D. 310)

Bill "An Act relating to Extension of Water Service in Town of Scarborough" (H. P. 490) (L. D. 692) Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Third Reader Amended

Bill "An Act to Include Town of Winslow in the Kennebec Water District" (H. P. 491) (L. D. 693)

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

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

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 491, L. D. 693, Bill, "An Act To Include Town of Winslow in the Kennebec Water District."

Amend said Bill, in the first line of section 2, by striking out the underlined figure "1889" and inserting in place thereof the underlined figure "1899; and by striking out the figure "1889" in the 3rd line and inserting in place thereof the figure '1899'

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

Bill "An Act to Extend the Charter of the R. and T. Cement Railroad Company" (H. P. 492) (L. D. 694)

Bill "An Act relating to Superintendent of Schools in School Districts Employing Less Than Fifteen Teachers" (H. P. 765) (L. D. 1119)

Bill "An Act Correcting Certain Omissions and Inconsistencies in the Workmen's Compensation Law" (H. P. 818) (L. D. 1205)

Bill "An Act Classifying Certain Tidal Waters in Scarboro, Cumberland County" (H. P. 938) (L. D. 1372)

Bill "An Act relating to Report of Department of Health and Welfare in Child Custody Cases" (H. P. 1013) (L. D. 1466)

Resolve in favor of Allie P. Lewis, of Palmyra, for Well Damage (S. P. 242) (L. D. 616)

Resolve Authorizing Forest Commissioner to Convey Part of a Public Lot in Moro Plantation (H. P. 971) (L. D. 1410)

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

Amended Bills

Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the Westbrook Sewerage District" (H. P. 488) (L. D. 690)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act to Prevent Pollution of the Waters of Floods Pond and Burnt Pond" (S. P. 250) (L. D. 624)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

At this point, Speaker Kennedy returned to the rostrum.

SPEAKER KENNEDY: The Speaker thanks the gentleman from Windham, Mr. Watkins, and congratulates him for executing the duties of Speaker pro tem.

Thereupon, the Sergeant-at-Arms escorted the gentleman from Windham, Mr. Watkins, to his seat on the Floor, amid the applause of the House, and Speaker Kennedy resumed the Chair.

Passed to Be Enacted Emergency Measure

An Act to Create the Ogunquit Sewer District and Amend the Charter of the Ogunquit Village Corporation (H. P. 549) (L. D. 776)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 107 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and, on motion of Mr. Tyndale of Kennebunkport, sent forthwith to the Senate.

Passed to Be Enacted

An Act Revising Laws Relating to Benefits for State Employees While in the Armed Forces (S. P. 78) (L. D. 186)

An Act relating to Jurisdiction of Juvenile Courts in Certain Motor Vehicle Violations (S. P. 107) (L. D. 335)

An Act Revising Laws Relating to Juvenile Training Centers (S. P. 292) (L. D. 865)

An Act relating to Definition of Alien under Fish and Game Laws (S. P. 315) (L. D. 981)

An Act Increasing Aides-de-Camp to Governor (S. P. 336) (L. D. 1001)

An Act Amending Certain Statutes Relating to Licensed Small Loan Agencies (S. P. 353) (L. D. 1019)

An Act Revising the Highway Safety Committee (S. P. 371) (L. D. 1037)

An Act relating to Bids of Prime Contractor for State Public Improvements (S. P. 372) (L. D. 1038)

An Act relating to Nonforfeiture Benefits and Valuation Standards for Life Insurance Policies (S. P. 448) (L. D. 1277)

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

Enactor Tabled and Assigned

An Act relating to Counsel for Indigent Persons in Criminal Cases (S. P. 507) (L. D. 1423)

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

(On motion of Mr. Wight of Presque Isle, tabled pending passage to be enacted and specially assigned for Wednesday, March 27.)

An Act Providing for Equitable Relief for Purchasers of Real Estate from Municipalities (H. P. 154) (L. D. 205)

An Act relating to the Duties of Department of Labor and Industry Regarding Industrial Safety (H. P. 503) (L. D. 705)

An Act Providing for Rental Fees to Connect Subdivisions of State with the State Police Teletypewriter System (H. P. 579) (L. D. 817) An Act relating to Appointment of Deputy County Treasurers (H. P. 698) (L. D. 954)

An Act relating to Solicitation of Prearranged Funerals and to Payments for Securing Funeral Business (H. P. 723) (L. D. 1052)

An Act Revising the Laws Relating to the Organization and Powers of Credit Unions (H. P. 799) (L. D. 1186)

An Act relating to Length of Vacation of County Clerical Help (H. P. 854) (L. D. 1241)

An Act Permitting Savings Banks to Make Loan Secured by Mortgages of Property Located in the Eastern Slope Regional Airport (H. P. 896) (L. D. 1303)

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

Enactor Tabled and Assigned

An Act relating to Probation of Persons by Court (H. P. 1002) (L. D. 1444)

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

(On motion of Mr. Thornton of Belfast, tabled pending passage to be enacted and specially assigned for Wednesday, March 27.)

Finally Passed

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Certain Waters in York County (S. P. 524) (L. D. 1439)

Resolve to Reimburse Harry F. Sanborn, West Baldwin, for Loss of Pullets (H. P. 423) (L. D. 576)

Resolve Authorizing George A. Nowell to Bring Civil Action Against State of Maine (H. P. 468) (L. D. 672)

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

Orders of the Day

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

SENATE REPORT — Ought to pass — Committee on Municipal Affairs on Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the City of Calais to Provide for the Acquisition of a Water System by the City of Calais." (S. P. 118) (L. D. 346)

Tabled — March 7, by Mr. Davis of Calais.

Pending—Acceptance in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Calais, Mr. Davis.

Mr. DAVIS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: At the hearing, I opposed the substance of this bill, but it does carry a referendum clause. I am a great believer in home rule, and I feel that the people in my community should have an opportunity to pass upon this.

Therefore, I am going to move the acceptance of the Report.

Thereupon, the "Ought to pass" Report was accepted in concurrence, the Bill read twice, and assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

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

Bill "An Act to Authorize the Municipalities of Detroit, Etna, Plymouth and Stetson to Form a School Administrative District." (H. P. 435) (L. D. 640) (Filing H-94) — In House Read the Third Time.

Tabled — March 13, by Mr. Carter of Etna.

Pending — Passage to be Engrossed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Etna, Mr. Carter.

Mr. CARTER: Mr. Speaker, this bill 640 is permissive legislation and gives the municipalities of Detroit, Etna, Plymouth and Stetson or any combination of towns the right to form an administrative district. The idea was that if any one town should not care to join in this administrative district, that it would be possible for the other three towns to go on and form the administrative district. I understand this is simply permissive legislation, and before a district could be formed, the School Administrative Commission would have to vote on it. In committee, they had a Committee Amendment deleting this provision of any combination of towns thereof. I move that Committee Amendment, H-94, be indefinitely postponed.

Thereupon, on further motion of Mr. Carter of Etna on a viva voce vote, the Rules were suspended in order that the House reconsider its action whereby Committee Amendment "A" was adopted on March 12.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis.

Mr. CURTIS: Mr. Speaker, I move that this lie on the table and be specially assigned for one week from today.

Thereupon, the Bill was tabled pending the motion of Mr. Carter of Etna to reconsider the adoption of Committee Amendment "A" and specially assigned for Wednesday, March 27.

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

Bill "An Act to Authorize the Municipalities of Corinna and Newport to form a School Administrative District." (H. P. 367) (L. D. 540) (Filing H-95) — In House Read the Third Time.

Tabled March 13, by Mr. Osgood of Corinna.

Pending — Passage to be Engrossed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Corinna, Mr. Osgood.

Mr. OSGOOD: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I move that this be passed with amendment that was laid on the desk of each Representative yesterday. I have that amendment. I took it up with the School Superintendent and the School Committees over the weekend in my town. There was an amendment that was placed on a week from yesterday that was entirely unacceptable. I also took it up with the Education Department; they agreed with me that it wouldn't work. And that is why I offered this amendment that was on the desks yesterday morning. I move the acceptance of said amendment.

Thereupon, Mr. Osgood of Corinna offered House Amendment "B" and moved its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "B" to H. P. 367, L. D. 540, Bill, "An Act to Authorize the Municipalities of Corinna and Newport to Form a School Administrative District."

Amend said Bill, in the 13th line from the end, by striking out the word "shall" and inserting in place

thereof the word 'may'

On motion of Mr. Čurtis of Bowdoinham, tabled pending the adoption of House Amendment "B" and specially assigned for Friday, March 22

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

Bill "An Act relating to Hours for Sale of Liquor by Hotels and Class A Restaurants." (H. P. 118) (L. D. 162) — (Filing H-99) — In House Read the Third Time.

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

Pending — Passage to be En-

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Ellsworth, Mr. Anderson.

Mr. ANDERSON: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: Relative to legislative document 162, with the Chair's permission, I will yield for a moment to the gentleman from Mechanic Falls, Mr. Foster.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may speak in his own right.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Mechanic Falls, Mr. Foster.

Mr. FOSTER: Mr. Speaker, I offer House Amendment "A" to House Paper 118, Legislative Document 162, and move its adoption. It has been reproduced and distributed under Filing Number H-106.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 118, L. D. 162, Bill, "An Act Relating to Hours for Sale of Liquor by Hotels and Class A Restaurants."

Amend said Bill in the 5th and 6th lines by striking out the underlined punctuation and words ", so called."

The SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the House that House Amendment "A" be adopted?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Childs. Mr. CHILDS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Unfortunately I have so many of these papers on my desk that I cannot find this House Amendment. I wonder if the gentleman from Mechanic Falls, Mr. Foster, would explain to the House what the amendment does.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Portland, Mr. Childs, poses a question through the Chair and he may answer if he desires.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Mechanic Falls, Mr. Foster.

Mr. FOSTER: Mr. Speaker, the deletion of the word 'so-called' was done because it seemed to be better English and perhaps give a better understanding to the original bill. The word 'so-called' is not used by lawyers, as the gentleman from Portland well understands, unless there is some question as to the meaning of the word it referred to. This here where it refers to this particular bill, there is no mistake as to the identity of the word. It did not need the word 'so-called following it, and it was for the purpose of clarification and perhaps for better English that I have made the motion.

The SPEAKER: Is it now the pleasure of the House that House Amendment "A" be adopted? The motion prevailed.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Ellsworth, Mr. Anderson.

Mr. ANDERSON: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: This may sound facetious to you when I say I have been called a 'hypocrite' by some of my colleagues for my stand against the steamroller liberalization of our liquor laws.

I think, and hope, these remarks were made in a tone of levity. Just to set the record straight, I am not a teetotaler. I imbibe on many occasions. I am fortunate that I can take a drink or leave it alone. There are many more in our state just as fortunate as I. There are many, many who are not so fortunate.

There are approximately 27,000 alcoholics in the State of Maine. It is my strong feeling that this extra hour of service will swell this total. It will mean added automobile accidents, added fatalities on our high-

ways, added suffering in hospitals, sorrow in homes. It will mean added personnel in our policing departments, and this will mean added cost to our already overburdened taxpayers.

We, as Legislators, represent every nook and corner of the State. I feel we owe it to our constituents to kill this bill which, if passed, will be detrimental to the health, safety and happiness of our people.

I now move indefinite postponement of legislative document 162, "An Act relating to Hours for Sale of Liquor by Hotels and Class A Restaurants," and I request a roll call.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Ellsworth, Mr. Anderson, now moves the indefinite postponement of item 4 and its amendments.

For the Chair to order a roll call, it must have the expressed desire of one-fifth of the members present in the House.

All those who request a roll call, will please rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A sufficient number arose.

The SPEAKER: Obviously, more than one-fifth of those present having arisen, a Roll Call is ordered, and the Clerk will call the Roll.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Hampden, Mr. Littlefield.

Mr. LITTLEFIELD: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I am sorry to have to get mixed up with these liquor bills, but I lived in the days of Prohibition. I voted for the repeal of the law in order that a man might go to a liquor store and purchase liquor legally if he wanted it. In those days, they told us that repeal would remedy the dissatisfaction with the law.

Since that time, laws liberalizing the sale of liquor have been enacted so that today we are as bad off, if not worse, than we were during Prohibition. At that time an intoxicated man would come out of the bar or 'speak-easy,' climb into his wagon, throw the reins over the dashboard and the old horse would have sense enough to take him home. Today it is different! The auto has no brains and it is questionable whether the man behind

the steering wheel with a few drinks under his belt has any.

This bill extends the selling time of liquor another hour — and a bad one — from midnight until one a.m. I don't believe this bill is necessary. I am opposed to it. It would be abused; it can increase crime, broken homes and drunken driving. If a person cannot get drunk enough by midnight, he had better keep a fifth in his bureau drawer to finish out with after he gets home.

I go along with the indefinite post-

ponement of this Bill.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Ellsworth, Mr. Anderson, that Bill "An Act relating to Hours for Sale of Liquor by Hotels and Class A Restaurants," House Paper 118, Legislative Document 162, be indefinitely postponed.

All those in favor of indefinite postponement of the Bill, will answer "yes" when their name is called. Those opposed to indefinite postponement, will answer "no" when their name is called.

The Clerk will call the Roll.

ROLL CALL

YEA — Anderson, Ellsworth; Ayoob, Bedard, Birt, Boothby, Brag-Brown, Fairfield; Bussiere. Carter, Chapman, Choate, Cookson, Crommett, Curtis, Denbow, wards, Ewer, Finley, Foster, Gustafson, Hammond, Hanson, Harring-Hawkes, Hendsbee, ton, Henry, Hobbs, Humphrey, Hutchins, Jewell, Karkos, Kent, Knight, Laughton, Lincoln, Littlefield, MacPhail, Maddox, Mathieson, McGee, Meisner, Mower, Nadeau, Norton, Oakes, Oberg, Osgood, Pierce, Prince, Oakfield; Reynolds, Richardson, Ricker, Roberts, Ross, Brownville; Ross, Augusta; Sahagian, Scott, Shaw, Smith, Bar Harbor; Smith, Strong; Snow, Thaanum, Thornton, Treworgy, Turner, Tyndale, Vaughn, Viles, Waltz, Ward, Waterman, Watkins, Welch, Wellman, White, Guilford; Whitney, Wight, Presque Isle; Williams, Wood, Young.

NAY — Albair, Anderson, Orono; Baldic, Benson, Berman, Bernard, Berry, Blouin, Boissonneau, Bourgoin, Brewer, Brown, South Portland; Burns, Cartier, Childs, Cope, Cote, Coulthard, Cressey, Crockett, Dennett, Dostie, Lewiston; Drake, Dudley, Dunn, Easton, Gallant, Gifford, Gilbert, Gill, Giroux, Hardy, Hendricks, Jalbert, Jameson, Jobin, Jones, Kilroy, Levesque, Libby, Lowery, MacLeod, Mendes, Noel, O'Leary, Osborn, Pease, Philbrick, Pitts, Plante, Prince, Harpswell; Rand, Rankin, Rust, Smith, Falmouth; Susi, Taylor, Wade.

ABSENT — Binnette, Bradeen, Cottrell, Davis, Linnekin, MacGregor, Minsky, Poirier, Lewiston; Tardiff, Townsend.

Yes, 80; No, 58; Absent, 10.

The SPEAKER: Eighty having voted in the affirmative and fifty-eight having voted in the negative, with ten absent, the motion to indefinitely postpone does prevail.

Thereupon, the Bill with accompanying papers was indefinitely postponed and sent up for concurrence.

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

Bill "An Act Revising Laws relating to Hairdressers." (H. P. 864) (L. D. 1251) In House Read the Third Time.

Tabled—March 13, by Mr. Gill of South Portland.

Pending—Passage to be Engrossed. Mr. Gill of South Portland offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 864, L. D. 1251, Bill, "An Act Revising Laws relating to Hairdressers."

Amend said Bill by striking out in the 4th line of subsection I of that part designated "Sec. 214." of section 2 the following underlined words and punctuation "without payment for the public."

House Amendment "A" was adopted.

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

Mr. BROWN: Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to this bill for several reasons. My primary one is the establishment of any precedent whereby the Personnel Board is concerned with full-time executive secretaries. I belong to several organ-

izations and we hire and employ our own executive secretaries to perform the functions for which they are employed. It would seem as though we are getting into an area in which the State does not belong. The license fee so-called will go to pay the salary of the executive secretary. Consequently, as the secretary's salary is increased it will behoove the State to increase the rates for licenses in order to meet this situation. It is my firm conviction if they wish to hire a full time executive secretary, it should be of their own choosing; they should specify what he is to do. I do not believe it is the function of this Legislature to do so and therefore I feel as though this bill should be indefinitely postponed and so move.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House now is the motion of the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Brown, that this bill be indefinitely postponed.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Gardiner, Mr. Hanson.

Mr. HANSON: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I presume the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Brown, was speaking on L. D. 1251.

Mr. BROWN: That is correct.

Mr. HANSON: Mr. Speaker, a bit of explanation I would like to make about this Board, its function and so forth. The Board itself, of Hairdressers is composed of three members, and they hire their executive secretary and the assistants that are necessary for the purpose of making the sanitary inspections. keeping records of all licenses and all business pertaining to that office. Now the fees that are paid to those secretaries or any expenses that are incurred, are paid from the license fees that are received from those that are working at the trade, such as the licensing of their shops and their operators' licenses and apprentices if there are any. This does not involve any of the State's money whatsoever. They are required to hire their secretaries or their help they need in their offices through the Personnel Board, and it is for the express purpose of sanitation and efficiency within their office. Now in the past years, the Department of Health have had their inspectors directly under Dr. Fisher, and Dr. Campbell worked under him. In this case, the inspectors that are hired must take an examination that is given by the Personnel Board for Sanitarian I. As they progress and time goes on where their salary is increased, it only increase to a certain bracket, before they would then be required to take the examination for Sanitarian II. I can see no reason why after - not this particular law, but one that is very similar to it has been in operation since 1933. should be changed in any way whatsoever, especially where it does not affect any of our taxpayers' monies. They are independent. I guess that that is all the explanation I can make at this time. I hope that answers the gentleman's question, and I certainly hope that the bill is not indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Farmington, Mr. Jones.

Mr. JONES: Mr. Speaker, Gentlewomen and Gentlemen of the House: Two years ago I believe we passed a law dividing the barbers from the hairdressers. Prior to that time the whole area of this activity was governed by one body for the two so-called departments now, barbers and hairdressers. So two years ago they submitted a bill and wanted to divide, the barbers did, I don't believe the nairdressers did want to, but the barbers wanted to, they sort of wanted to be on their own. Now in doing that, as you can see, much of this work has been duplicated. There is duplication, whereby in this personnel, the secretary, executive secretary, the work load is not so great in this area but what one person could handle the two offices, and then we are coming down now and they have this bit in here for additional. It has been explained and you are led to believe that the cost in this particular area is more or less dedicated The expenses—the income from the licenses take care of the expenses of the so-called department, but let me assure you I believe at this session of the Legislature you have had a bill in here whereby they would increase the license fees for the barbers, which is brought about due to the fact that the income from the present licensees in the past was not sufficient to cover the expenses, so I go along with our good colleague Mr. Brown of Fairfield, for indefinite postponement. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Winthrop, Mr. Thaanum.

Mr. THAANUM: Mr. Speaker, I don't like to take exception with my good friend, the gentleman from Farmington, nor the gentleman from Fairfield, but at the last session, we went through all this, and it was decided by that Legislature that there would be a separation of the hairdressers and the barbers. We put a lot of time in on that, and we had committee hearings and that was decided two years ago.

Now in connection with the matter of the executive director or an executive secretary, I think in the orderly way of doing business, particularly with any Board that you would find a need to have somebody as an executive secretary of that Board. I am not informed as to what the pay is for that Board, but if the pay is very nominal it stands to reason that you have got to have some sort of a business manager in that kind of a business. We have to have it in a lot of our businesses that are not connected with the State, we have to have executive secretaries, and I hope that you will consider this very carefully, and consider the fact that a great deal of time was spent on it by the 100th Legislature, and that you will vote against this motion to indefinitely postpone this bill. It has been heard by the Committee. It has come out of the Committee as far as I know unanimously and they have done their work on it, and I do feel that we should rely on some of the recommendations of our committees in this Legislature. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis.

Mr. CURTIS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I don't know too much about this bill. They speak about separation. One of the first separations that I am concerned with is the separation of my hair from my head. I have been trying to do something about that for a long while and haven't done anything.

The second separation that I feel about is the separation of the money from my pocketbook. Now I don't know too much about this bill, but I do know that down in my area in anticipation of the passage of this thing, whatever it is going to do, the hairdressers are raising their price, because I had to cough up an extra half a dollar for my wife this week, and she asked me this morning how about a permanent. I said what's that going to cost? Well, she said so far it is \$10.00 so it may be \$11.00 if this goes through. And when somebody gets up and tells you that it isn't affecting the taxpayer, why I tell you it is. Now my daughter goes to a different hairdresser and she came home all joy. She said she didn't go up the half a dollar like your hairdresser did, and I said whoa ho, here is a scrap going on amongst the women; so I am for the indefinite postponement of this thing just for peace and for the saving of a few dollars. I guess it wouldn't wreck any of us to pay another half a dollar for the wife or the daughter, but I can't see any particular need why they have to go to Personnel and add more expense for the taxpaper to pay just to make somebody happy because they didn't understand the bill any more than I do.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Portland, Mrs. Hendricks.

Mrs. HENDRICKS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: This is a matter of public health and sanitation. This bill is very necessary. Up until this time the Board has only been able to make one inspection a year. Now when a new shop is opening and the Board has to send inspectors up to Aroostook County or some other place, they just have to wait until they can make several calls at once, because it is expensive to make these trips, and it is very important these shops and the new shops that are considering opening, it is very important that they be inspected and inspected properly, and after they have opened it is important that they be inspected at least twice a year.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Brown, that Bill "An Act Revising Laws relating to Hairdressers," House Paper 864, Legislative Document 1251 be indefinitely postponed. All those in favor of the motion to indefinitely postpone will say yes; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being doubted by the Chair, a division of the House was had.

Thirty-nine having voted in the affirmative and eighty-seven having voted in the negative, the motion did not prevail.

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

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

An Act Providing for Oxford County Funds for Buildings for Education Programs for Retarded Children. (S. P. 521) (L. D. 1429) —Engrossed in both Branches.

Tabled—March 13, by Mr. Chapman of Norway.

Pending—Passage to be Enacted. On motion of Mr. Chapman of Norway, the House voted to suspend the rules and to reconsider its action of March 6 whereby the Bill was passed to be engrossed.

Mr. Chapman of Norway then offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 521, L. D. 1429, Bill, "An Act Providing for Oxford County Funds for Buildings for Education Programs for Retarded Children."

Amend said Bill by inserting after the underlined word and period "therefor." in the 5th line from the end the following new underlined sentence:

'If the buildings for which county funds have been expended under this section shall not be used for the operation of such programs, the buildings shall revert to the county.' House Amendment "A" was adopted, the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A" in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

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

Bill "An Act relating to Rules and Regulations for Length of Duty of Drivers of Vehicles for Hire." (H. P. 677) (L. D. 933)—(Filing H-80)

Tabled—March 13 by Mr. Bragdon of Perham.

Pending—Passage to be Engrossed. The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Perham, Mr. Bragdon.

Mr. BRAGDON: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: This bill L. D. 933 repeals Section 23 of Chapter 48 of the Revised Statutes, which section now defines the length of duty of drivers hauling freight for hire on the highways, and gives this authority to the Public Utilities Commission to make rules and regulations relating to such length of duty. I feel we are giving up a known regulation which is now in the Statute for an unknown regulation, at least so far as I am concerned, an unknown regulation. There is another bill before us, L. D. 1181 which I believe is still in committee. One of the things that L. D. 1181 proposes to do is amend this same section, and reduce the hours of continuous operation. In fact, there are many bills before us which in the overall pattern seek to regulate and restrict the free flow of commodities over what I like to refer to as the free public highways. I certainly hope that this Legislature will take a very careful look at all these bills and keep regulation at a minimum. If we do not, the people who are going to be hurt are the people who have commodities to move over these same highways. Let's consider the rights of the little fellow perhaps who operates only one truck. How is he going to be affected by this overregulation? Again, it is hard for me to get away from the concept of free highways. We are regulating the flow of traffic over these.

Now in regard to this bill, it has a unanimous report from the Public Utilities Committee, and I would now move that it receive passage to be engrossed. However, I still feel as this pattern of regulation unfolds, I might wish to see its indefinite postponement, and I will be on the watch for it when it comes around again.

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

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

Bill "An Act relating to Portland High School Athletic Commission." (H. P. 482) (L. D. 733)—(Filing H-78)

Tabled—March 13, by Mr. Benson of Southwest Harbor.

Pending—Passage to be Engrossed. On motion of Mr. Libby of Portland, the Bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

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

HOUSE REPORT "A" (5)—Ought to Pass—Report "B" (4)—Ought Not to Pass—Committee on Liquor Control on Bill "An Act relating to Operation of Retail Store and Restaurant Prior to Application to Sell Malt Liquor." (H. P. 326) (L. D. 1213)

Tabled—March 13, by Mr. Mac-Gregor of Eastport.

Pending—Motion of Mr. Chapman of Norway to Accept Report "B" (Ought not to pass)

On motion of Mr. Richardson of Stonington, retabled pending the motion of Mr. Chapman of Norway to accept Report "B" "Ought not to pass" and specially assigned for Wednesday, March 27.

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

HOUSE REPORT—Ought not to pass—Committee on Claims on Resolve to Reimburse the Town of Washington for Aid to State Paupers. (H. P. 422) (L. D. 575)—Acceptance of Report Reconsidered.

Tabled—March 14, by Mr. Finley of Washington.

Pending—Acceptance of Report. On motion of Mr. Finley of Washington, the "Ought not to pass" Committee Report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

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

HOUSE MAJORITY REPORT (8)

— Ought to pass in New Draft under title of "An Act Providing for Safety Seat Belts for Automobiles and School Busses." (H. P. 996)
(L. D. 1437)—MINORITY REPORT (2)—Ought not to pass—Committee on Transportation on Bill "An Act Providing for Safety Seat Belts for Motor Vehicles." (H. P. 13) (L. D. 9)

Tabled—March 14, by Mr. Brewer of Bath.

Pending—Acceptance of Either Report.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bath, Mr. Brewer.

Mr. BREWER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I now move the acceptance of the eight to two Majority "Ought to pass" Report and would like to speak briefly on the bill.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. BREWER: This safety seat belt bill I was very pleased to introduce on behalf of the Governor's Highway Safety Committee, which also has the strong endorsement of Governor Reed. At the public hearing there were other State officials that attended and spoke strongly for this bill. The Secretary of State, the head of the Motor Vehicles Division, the State Police, the Maine Trucking Association, a representative from the Department of Education, Driver Training courses, and there were other people, with no opposition.

We are well aware of the increasing number of accidents on our highways causing fatal and also crippling injuries to our citizens; yes, even to our neighbors and our leved-ones and our friends. Our thinking and our decision on this bill should be based solely on whether Maine's policy

should be funneled in the direction of saving lives and lessening the injury factor, or remaining dormant and watch the slaughter continue.

At the last Highway Safety Conference held here in the Hall of the House, just prior to our convening. this House was filled with 600 registered persons from every part of the State, and I will say every one of those people were concerned about the problems of highway safety, not just seat belts, but other recommendations from this committee. And I don't believe that we can treat lightly any recommendation from a committee that has made an all-out effort to lessen the deaths and injuries on our highways. In the past few years an immense amount of scientific reincluding actual vehicle search. crashes, under controlled conditions, proved that the automobile seat belt is the most effective single item of equipment presently available to reduce the toll of traffic injuries and deaths. When a car crashes, the motorist without a seat belt to stop him, flies forward at unreduced speed, for a split second still uninjured, until he hits something solid. This is the impact that kills and maims. It is the violence of the reduction in speed and not the speed itself which kills. Thus, even low-speed collisions can produce high deceleration rates. Seat belts help prevent injury by letting you slow down and live.

Now the most recent fatality, Sunday, happened practically in my back dooryard, and it was ironic with me carrying this bill that it should happen at that particular time, but in talking with the investigating officers, they are convinced that a seat belt would have saved this woman's life.

On the national level, some of the strong advocates of seat belts are the American Medical Association, the Public Health Service and the National Safety Council. And I also was pleased to note yesterday, and you have it on your desks, the policy of the Maine State Grange, where they are supporting L. D. 1437.

Ladies and gentlemen of the House, you have heard the slogan: safety is everybody's business. This is quite true, but basically Legislature, by the enactment of necessary laws, is the key to any safety program, whether it pertains to highways, industry, ski tow regulations or any other program. If this bill goes to the third reading, an amendment has been prepared by the gentleman from Washington, Mr. Finley, Chairman of the Transportation Committee, to eliminate the redraft part of the bill that pertains to school buses, and that will bring the bill back in its original state as recommended by the Highway Safety Committee. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bath, Mr. Brewer, moves that the House accept the Majority "Ought to pass" in New Draft Report. Is that the pleasure of the House?

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

Mr. BROWN: Mr. Speaker and Gentlemen of Ladies and House: There were several reasons for my being in opposition to this bill. Briefly, it is a question of many of my people who are in my vi-cinity feel that this is an imposition on them. The cost of seat belts at the present time, the Waterville Rotarians are putting a drive on to install seat belts for \$5.98 each, and I feel, as well as the others, that the manufacturer of the automobiles could not sell and install these at that price. I know this from first-hand knowledge because recently I bought a car for my son. I insisted on seat belts and the dealer said you go to another station and they will install them far below what I can install them for.

I also was amused, not particularly amused, but disappointed at the fact that most of the time the seat belts were under the seat. It boils down to the fact that you can't make him drink. And speaking of drinking, if you had noticed your list of fatalities in the recent publications sent out by the State Highway Police Departments you would notice I believe there are six out

of ten or eight out of the twelve were caused by evidence of liquor. So you see that seat belts are not the answer, and I do not feel they are the beginning of an answer. It will depend entirely on the educational efforts of the various organizations sponsoring this legislation. I feel that in view of the sentiments expressed to me that I would now move to accept the "Ought not to pass" Report.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Southwest Harbor, Mr. Benson.

Mr. BENSON: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I rise in support of L. D. 9, and therefore my good friend and seatmate, Mr. Brewer. My support of this bill has nothing to do with my immediate proximity with Mr. Brewer. I use as a basis for some of my remarks the statement of the hearing before a sub-committee of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce in the House of Representatives in the 87th Congress, and this is dated August 17, 1962. I will quote only briefly and in part some of these statements. This one is from the Under-Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Edward Goodman, and the statement "The Department of Commerce, in recognition of the value of adequate seat belts has been requiring the installation of this equipment in its own vehicles for over a year. While the accident experience of this department has not been numerically extensive enough during this period to warrant a statistical conclusion, it has been demonstrated clearly by the nature and the circumstances of several major collisions involving the department vehicles that the required seat belts have prevented fatal and serious injury." I quote further from a statement made by the Honorable John Kyl, Representative from the State of Iowa, and he said: "I would point out that the latest figures available point out the seriousness of this matter before us. When we are talking about safety belts we should limit the general overall statistics. Last year 29,850 people died in auto accidents. In that same definitive period 1,253,000 people were injured in automobile ac-

cidents. The rate of these injuries is greatest in the age group between fifteen and twenty-four. In fact in that group there were 1600 injuries per 100,000 persons, which in itself is a very striking and very frightening figure." And he goes on further to estimate: "The best estimates we can find indicate that proper seat belts would perhaps reduce the total of serious injuries by thirty-five percent" and he further says: "The seat belt is the most effective available means to bring about an immediate reduction in auto accident deaths injuries." And further the report goes on to cite a number of organizations that have come out very strongly in favor of this, and I will read that these organizations are the American Automobile Association, the American College of Surgeons, American Medical Association, General Federation of Women's Clubs, National Safety Council. the U.S. Public Health Service and Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

The gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Brown, said that some of his people feel that it is an imposition to be forced to buy a seat belt. Then he must also conclude that it would be an imposition to be forced to buy a horn on a car, which is nothing more than a basic safety feature. We are not forced to use that horn, but I think it is a tremendously valuable little gadget when the occasion arises. I think that the seat belt has many, many merits, and I certainly hope that we will support L. D. 9 and vote to pass it.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Hendsbee.

Mr. HENDSBEE: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I would like to support this bill. Last night we saw a new film which is now in the possession of the State Police. It is called "Mechanized Murder." It is probably one of the most gruesome things that you would ever care to see, if you do care to see that sort of thing. But the evidence that was disclosed through those on-the-accident pictures at the time or as near the time as they could get following

the accident, those pictures were taken. Many of those people who were killed were forced in under the dash of the automobile due to the impact of the collision or else the doors had been forced open and they had fallen in the roadway and the automobile had rolled over them.

Now we hear the word imposition being brought in here. Many people today almost think that our State Police are an imposition, because they are on the highways to make us obey the law. This is nothing being forced on anybody in such a manner as to hurt them. We have to legislate laws in order to cause people to save their lives today. In industry we have done it. On the highways we are doing it. Here is something more that we can add to which there is no argument that I can understand that would say that the safety measure of seat belts is questioned, because it has been proven. And if you think that there is any doubt in your mind, you may contact the state police and have that film "Mechanized Murder" shown to you, and I'll assure you ladies and gentlemen, right there and then, you will change your mind. I wish to speak in support of this measure.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Bath, Mr. Brewer, that we accept the Majority "Ought to pass" Report in New Draft. All those in favor will say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion did prevail, the Majority Report was accepted and the New Draft read twice.

Mr. Finley of Washington offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 996, L. D. 1437, Bill, "An Act Providing for Safety Seat Belts for Automobiles and School Busses."

Amend said Bill in the title by striking out the words "and School Busses"

Further amend said Bill by striking out in the 6th line the underlined words and comma "or school bus,"; by striking out in the 9th and 10th lines the underlined

words "and such school bus is equipped with safety belts installed for use in all seats"; and by striking out in the 18th line the underlined words "or school bus"

House Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

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

SENATE JOINT ORDER Relative to Recalling from Legislative Files, Judiciary Committee Report on I. B. 1 (Cousins Island) (S. P. 533) Tabled—March 14, by Mr. Rust of York.

Pending—Motion of Mr. Prince of Harpswell to Indefinitely Postpone. On motion of Mr. Rust of York, retabled pending the motion of Mr. Prince of Harpswell to indefinitely postpone, and specially assigned for Wednesday, April 3.

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

An Act relating to Prohibition Against Entering on Private Property and Peeking Therein. (H. P. 888) (L. D. 1184)—Engrossed in both Branches.

Tabled—March 14, by Mr. Williams of Hodgdon.

Pending—Passage to be Enacted. On motion of Mr. Gifford of Manchester, passed to be Enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

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

An Act relating to Registration of Motor Vehicles Required to be Registered in Another State by Maine Residents. (S. P. 345) (L. D. 1010) Engrossed in both Branches. Tabled—March 19, by Mr. Plante

of Old Orchard Beach.

Pending—Passage to be Enacted. On motion of Mr. Finley of Washington, retabled pending passage to be enacted and specially assigned for Friday, March 22.

The Chair laid before the House the fifteenth tabled and today assigned matter: HOUSE REPORT—Ought not to pass—Committee on Liquor Control on Bill "An Act relating to Definition of 'Hotel' Under Liquor Law." (H. P. 299) (L. D. 393)

Tabled—March 19, by Mr. Curtis of Bowdoinham.

Pending—Acceptance of Report. The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis.

Mr. CURTIS: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I am very happy that we are taking the time to examine the records. Sometimes I wonder if we all have a chance to read the bills over. I am quite sure that this one has escaped some of us. This legislative document 393 says that each such hotel shall be open for the convenience of the traveling public 7 days per week and one-third of the gross income of the hotels shall be derived from rental of rooms. They have cut out the reasonable proportion. Now unless we do something with this bill as has been the practice, all we are doing is letting these 'gyp-places' which call themselves a hotel, become able to sell alcoholic beverages; and since there is a great profit in selling alcoholic beverages, the state is getting filled up with them.

Now where there is a reasonable amount of demand for alcoholic beverages of the hard liquor type, we have state stores, but if you are going to have a dozen or two of these in these areas where they are just called reasonable, now what is reasonable? It may be one-tenth or one-fifth of the money derived will be from selling legitimate or food or such things, and the rest will all be liquor. I think it is bad for the industry as controlled by the state, and it surely is making 'speak-easies' all over. Therefore, I move that the Bill be substituted for the Report, and then receive passage.

Thereupon, on a viva voce vote, the Bill was substituted for the "Ought not to pass" Report, the Bill read twice and assigned the next legislative day.

The Chair laid before the House the sixteenth tabled and today assigned matter: Bill "An Act relating to State Police Retirement Benefits Under the Maine State Retirement System." (S. P. 457) (L. D. 1284)— In House Engrossment Reconsidered.

Tabled-March 19, by Mr. Wood of Brooks.

Pending — Passage to be Engressed.

On motion of Mr. Wood of Brooks, retabled pending passage to be engrossed and specially assigned for Wednesday, March 27.

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time would appoint a conference committee on the disagreeing ac-

tion of the two branches on House Paper 769, Legislative Document 1123, Bill "An Act relating to the Killing of Bears in Organized Townships in Certain Portions of Franklin and Oxford Counties. The Committee of Conference will consist of the following members:

Messrs. JONES of Farmington HAMMOND of Paris CHAPMAN of Norway

On motion of Mr. Berry of Cape Elizabeth,

Adjourned until Friday, March 22, at nine o'clock in the morning.