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Wednesday, May 29, 1963

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Malcolm MacDuffie, Jr., of Hallowell.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

**Papers from the Senate
Tabled**

From the Senate: The following Orders:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Legislative Research Committee examine the actions of the National Congress with respect to federal appropriations made available under the McIntire-Stennis Act, particularly with respect to federal matching funds for the State of Maine should the same become available for projects concerning forest research programs, including but not limited to capital construction projects, and further that the decisions reached by the Legislative Research Committee be communicated to the Governor and Council for such action as they may take to implement such recommendation, by use of the Contingent Fund (S. P. 612)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, the Order was read.

(On motion of Mr. Wellman of Bangor, tabled pending passage in concurrence and unassigned.)

**Tabled until Later
in Today's Session**

WHEREAS, Mr. Carleton Willey, who was born and brought up in Cherryfield, Maine, entered upon a Major League baseball career, completing five years with the Milwaukee Braves, and is now playing for his sixth year in the Major Leagues with the New York Mets; and

WHEREAS, he has made an excellent pitching record with the Mets during the current baseball season; and

WHEREAS, during the past six years he has been the only representative from Maine playing in the Major Leagues; and

WHEREAS, his fine character, exemplified in his devotion to family and sportsmanship, provide outstanding qualities to serve as an example for Maine youth; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Legislature of the State of Maine extend congratulations to Mr. Carleton Willey and his family for his achievement, with best wishes for his continued success; and be it further

ORDERED, that attested copies of this joint order be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to Mr. Carleton Willey and to the Manager of the New York Mets (S. P. 613)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

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

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

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, if the Order is passed, I mean I am too late I guess. But I think it is sacrilegious to say the Manager of the Mets and not put the words 'Old Casey Stengel' in there that is all.

The SPEAKER: Does the gentleman move to reconsider the passage of this Order?

Mr. JALBERT: I do, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, moves the reconsideration of the passage of this Order. Is that the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed.

Thereupon, on further motion of Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston, the Order was tabled pending passage in concurrence and specially assigned for later in today's session.

**Senate Reports of Committees
Ought Not to Pass
Bill Substituted for Report
Amended in Senate**

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Research Studies of the Department of Health and Welfare" (S. P. 492) (L. D. 1344)

Came from the Senate with the Bill substituted for the Report and

passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "B".

In the House, the Report was read.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Bar Harbor, the Bill was substituted for the "Ought not to pass" Report in concurrence, and the Bill was given its two several readings.

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

SENATE AMENDMENT "B" to S. P. 492, L. D. 1344, Bill, "An Act Relating to Research Studies of the Department of Health and Welfare."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of the Title and inserting in place thereof the following new Title: 'An Act Relating to Investigation of Motor Vehicle Accidents by Highway Safety Committee.'

Further amend said Bill by striking out everything after the enacting clause and inserting in place thereof the following:

"R. S., c. 23, Sec. 37-I, sub-sec. V, additional. Section 37-I of chapter 23 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted by section 1 of chapter 120 of the public laws of 1963, is amended by adding a new subsection V, to read as follows:

V. Motor vehicle accidents. It may investigate motor vehicle accidents by itself or in cooperation with any persons, agencies or organizations it may select. Any information, records, reports, statements, notes, memoranda or other data obtained through such investigations shall not be admissible as evidence in any action of any kind in any court or before any other administrative agency or person. No person participating in such investigations shall disclose, in any manner, the information so obtained except for statistical purposes.'"

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

Ought to Pass in New Draft Amended in Senate

Report of the Committee on Labor on Bill "An Act Revising Certain Laws under the Workmen's Compensation Law" (S. P. 477) (L. D. 1329) reporting same in a new draft (S. P. 583) (L. D. 1548) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

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

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

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

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 583, L. D. 1548, Bill, "An Act Revising Certain Laws Under the Workmen's Compensation Law."

Amend said Bill in section 1 by striking out all of the underlined paragraph and inserting in place thereof the following underlined paragraph.

"An employee sustaining personal injury by accident arising out of and in the course of his employment shall be entitled to reasonable and proper medical, surgical and hospital services, nursing, medicines and mechanical, surgical aids, as needed, paid for by the employer."

Further amend said Bill by inserting after section 1, the following section:

"Sec. 2. R. S., c. 31, Sec. 9, amended. The last paragraph of section 9 of chapter 31 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

"Whenever there is any disagreement as to the proper costs of the services or aids aforesaid, or the periods during which they shall be furnished, or as to the apportionment thereof among the parties, any interested person may file a petition with the commission for the determination thereof."

Further amend said Bill in that part designated "Sec. 10." of section 2 by striking out in the 4th line the underlined figure "14" and inserting in place thereof the underlined figure 21

Further amend said Bill by renumbering sections 2 to 6 to be sections 3 to 7.

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

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments and Legislative Reapportionment report-

ing "Ought not to pass" on Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Permit the Governor to Veto Items Contained in Bills Appropriating Money (S. P. 531) (L. D. 1452)

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. FARRIS of Kennebec
PORTEOUS of Cumberland
NOYES of Franklin
— of the Senate.

Messrs. BERMAN of Houlton
VILES of Anson
WATKINS of Windham
PEASE of Wiscasset
CARTIER of Biddeford
— of the House.

Minority Report of same Committee reporting "Ought to pass" on same Resolve.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. EDMUNDS of Aroostook
JACQUES of Androscoggin
— of the Senate.

Messrs. SMITH of Bar Harbor
COTTRELL of Portland
SMITH of Strong
DENNETT of Kittery
PLANTE
of Old Orchard Beach
— of the House.

Came from the Senate with the Majority Report accepted.

In the House: Reports were read.

On motion of Mr. Pease of Wiscasset, the Majority "Ought not to pass" Report was accepted in concurrence.

**Divided Report
Tabled and Assigned**

Majority Report of the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Shortening the Period of Real Estate Mortgage Foreclosure" (S. P. 298) (L. D. 871) reporting same in a new draft (S. P. 596) (L. D. 1563) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. FARRIS of Kennebec
BOARDMAN of Washington
CAMPBELL of Kennebec
— of the Senate.

Messrs. RUST of York
PEASE of Wiscasset

SMITH of Bar Harbor
— of the House.

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

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. KNIGHT of Rockland
THORNTON of Belfast
CHILDS of Portland
BERMAN of Houlton
— of the House.

Came from the Senate with the Majority Report accepted and the New Draft passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "A".

In the House: Reports were read.

(On motion of Mr. Smith of Bar Harbor, tabled pending acceptance of either report and specially assigned for Tuesday, June 4.)

**Divided Report
Tabled and Assigned**

Majority Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to Enforcement of Certain Codes in Municipalities" (S. P. 117) (L. D. 345) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted there-with.

Report was signed by the following members:

Mr. STITHAM of Somerset
Mrs. SPROUL of Lincoln
Mr. ATHERTON of Penobscot
— of the Senate.

Mrs. WHITE of Guilford
Messrs. FOSTER of Mechanic Falls
COPE of Portland
— of the House.

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

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. COTE of Lewiston
WELLMAN of Bangor
GILBERT of Eddington
BOISSONNEAU

of Westbrook
— of the House.

Came from the Senate with the Reports and Bill indefinitely postponed.

In the House: Reports were read.

(On motion of Mr. Gilbert of Eddington, tabled pending acceptance

of either report and specially assigned for Tuesday, June 4.)

Orders

Mr. Humphrey of Augusta presented the following Order and moved its passage:

WHEREAS, today is the 102nd birthday of Mrs. Emma A. Finley of Augusta, mother of Representative George B. Finley, be it

ORDERED, that the House extend congratulations to Mrs. Finley and that the Clerk of the House be directed to send a letter of congratulations on behalf of the 101st Legislature.

The Order received passage.

On the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on Bill "An Act relating to Eligibility of Trustees, Executors and Administrators as Directors of Trust Companies" (H. P. 657) (L. D. 913) the Speaker appointed the following Conferees on the part of the House:

Messrs. BERRY of Cape Elizabeth
SMITH of Bar Harbor
PEASE of Wiscasset

On the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on Bill "An Act relating to Definition of 'Hotel' under Liquor Law" (H. P. 299) (L. D. 393) the Speaker appointed the following Conferees on the part of the House:

Messrs. RUST of York
SMITH of Strong
KNIGHT of Rockland

On the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on Bill "An Act relating to Use of Titles by Unregistered Persons in Practice of Architecture" (S. P. 113) (L. D. 341) the Speaker appointed the following Conferees on the part of the House:

Messrs. COPE of Portland
PEASE of Wiscasset
GILBERT of Eddington

On the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature on Bill "An Act Revising the Maine Employment Security Laws" (H. P. 778) (L. D. 1151) the Speaker appointed the following Conferees on the part of the House:

Messrs. THAANUM of Winthrop

BROWN of South Portland
JALBERT of Lewiston

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Madawaska, Mr. LEVESQUE.

Mr. LEVESQUE: Mr. Speaker, may I ask if the House has in its possession Senate Paper 395, Legislative Document 1098?

The SPEAKER: The Chair will inform the gentleman that it is in possession of Senate Paper 395, Legislative Document 1098, "An Act relating to Right of Electric Power Companies to Take Land for Lines by Right of Eminent Domain."

Mr. LEVESQUE: Mr. Speaker, having voted on the prevailing side yesterday, I now move that we reconsider our action of yesterday.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Madawaska, Mr. Levesque, moves that the House reconsider its action whereby it indefinitely postponed this Bill in concurrence with the Senate as of yesterday. All those in favor of reconsideration, will please say yes; those opposed, no.

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

Fifty-three having voted in the affirmative and forty-five having voted in the negative, the motion to reconsider did prevail.

The SPEAKER: Does the gentleman have a motion to make now that the House has reconsidered? The pending motion now before the House is the indefinite postponement in concurrence with the Senate.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Windsor, Mr. Choate.

Mr. CHOATE: Mr. Speaker, may I speak briefly on this bill?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. CHOATE: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I think most members are perhaps misinformed as to the nature of this bill. The main objective of this bill is to cut down as much as possible the distance that a power line must travel to take care of its

customers. Now you all know that when you have to zigzag from one area to another, it costs money. Now this extra expense goes right back to the customer, and as to the danger of a transmission line being too close to a dwelling, at this present day most power lines now are equipped with an automatic reclosing device which immediately takes care of — if a ground occurs, it immediately cuts the power off so that there is no danger therein.

I can say this with some experience because I was connected for some ten years with a transmission line department, and I know that there is very little danger from transmission lines. Now distribution lines — we have distribution lines carrying some 4170 volts which are right here in Augusta and in all your cities that are going within three or four feet sometimes of a building. It is rare that you hear of anybody becoming involved with those lines. I think most of us respect electricity and keep away from it. Actually you can become killed just as dead with 120 volts as you can with 33,000 volts. Therefore, I, myself, can't see why that there is such a great fear of electricity being close to a building. Thank you.

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

Mrs. HENDRICKS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: The gentleman from Madawaska, Mr. Levesque, was pretty convincing yesterday in his speech. I am a little bit confused today at his stand, and I was wondering if he would explain it.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Madawaska, Mr. Levesque.

Mr. LEVESQUE: Mr. Speaker, I guess I am being put on the spot this morning good and proper, and to explain to the gentlewoman from Portland, Mrs. Hendricks the reason why I was asking for reconsideration this morning was purely a matter of courtesy for the people that have sponsored the bill, to give them a second chance of having discussion on the Floor of the House.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Dexter, Mr. Harrington.

Mr. HARRINGTON: Mr. Speaker and Members of this House: Yesterday, I voted to keep the lines away from the houses, and I heard a lot of convincing arguments yesterday afternoon why they should be closer. Last night and this morning, I called a couple of people that I really trust connected with this, and I asked them if they would have any objections to a power line being within 100 feet of their house and they told me, no. So this morning I am going to vote to put the lines closer.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Denmark, Mr. Dunn.

Mr. DUNN: Mr. Speaker, my objection to this bill was not the danger of the line near the house; it was the objection to the right to take land within one hundred feet of anyone's home that they were living in. I still feel the same way on that point.

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

Mr. THAANUM: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I just wanted to say that the right of eminent domain has got to be either agreeable to the landowner or there has to be something paid for the exercise. If there is anything damaging about the right of eminent domain, then the landowner has a right to be reimbursed for that damage. It appears to me here that the proposition here is that you might have a piece of property that you wanted to get electric current into and there might be some difficulties in getting it through other property, and I think the exercise of the right of eminent domain in this particular case is more for the benefit of the people that want the power rather than the power company.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question? The pending question is indefinite postponement in concurrence. All those in favor of that motion, please rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

Fifty-nine having voted in the affirmative and forty-three having voted in the negative, the motion to indefinitely postpone in concurrence did prevail.

House Reports of Committees Ought Not to Pass

Mr. Jalbert from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Creating the Bureau of Administration within the Department of Finance and Administration" (H. P. 83) (L. D. 127)

Mrs. Smith from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Appropriating Funds to Renovate Building for Culinary Arts Course at Maine Vocational Technical Institute" (H. P. 518) (L. D. 735)

Mr. Albair from the Committee on Taxation reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Reimbursement by State to Colleges for Property Taxes" (H. P. 8) (L. D. 14)

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Ought Not to Pass Covered by Other Legislation

Mr. Bragdon from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Providing for the Preparation of a Comprehensive Economic Development Plan for Aroostook County" (H. P. 406) (L. D. 559), as it is covered by other legislation.

Mr. Humphrey from same Committee reported same on Resolve Appropriating Funds for Survey of Economic Resources of Washington County (H. P. 321) (L. D. 448), as it is covered by other legislation.

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Ought to Pass in New Draft New Draft Printed

Mr. Wood from the Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act Increasing Excise Tax on House Trailers" (H. P. 257) (L. D. 326) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1099) (L. D. 1576) under title of "An Act relating to the Excise Tax on House Trailers" and that it "Ought to pass"

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

Ought to Pass Printed Bills

Mr. Minsky from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reported "Ought to pass" on Resolve Appropriating Money to Supplement Federal Vocational Funds for Area Education Programs for Apprentices and Other Adult Workers (H. P. 324) (L. D. 451)

Mr. Pierce from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Increasing Working Capital of Liquor Commission" (H. P. 262) (L. D. 356)

Reports were read and accepted, the Bill read twice, Resolve read once, and assigned the next legislative day.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Mr. Minsky from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Resolve Appropriating Monies to Match Federal Funds Provided under Title VIII of the National Defense Education Act (H. P. 412) (L. D. 565) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Resolve read once.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 412, L. D. 565, Resolve, Appropriating Monies to Match Federal Funds Provided Under Title VIII of the National Defense Education Act.

Amend said Resolve in the 2nd line by striking out the figure "\$35,000" and inserting in place thereof the figure "\$10,000"; and by striking out in the 3rd line the figure "\$65,000" and inserting in place thereof the figure "\$15,000"; and by inserting after the word "education" in the 5th line the punctuation and words ", electronics course at Maine Vocational Technical Institute, and by striking out in the 6th line the punctuation and words

“; and be it further” and inserting in place thereof a period.

Further amend said Resolve by striking out all of the 2nd and 3rd paragraphs.

Committee Amendment “A” was adopted and the Resolve assigned for second reading the next legislative day.

Mrs. Smith from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill “An Act Appropriating Funds for Sewage Treatment Plant and Purchase of Equipment at Gorham State Teachers College” (H. P. 410) (L. D. 563) 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. 410, L. D. 563, Bill, “An Act Appropriating Funds for Sewage Treatment Plant and Purchase of Equipment at Gorham State Teachers College.”

Amend said Bill by striking out all of the 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th lines from the end and inserting in place thereof the following:

‘General Fund the sum of \$117,000 (Sewage disposal plant, \$92,000 - Equipment, \$25,000) to the Department of Education. This appropriation shall not lapse but shall remain a continuing carrying account until June 30, 1965.’

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

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on Municipal Affairs reporting “Ought to pass” on Bill “An Act relating to Establishment of a Personnel Law for Certain Employees of the City of Lewiston” (H. P. 544) (L. D. 801)

Report was signed by the following members:

Mr. CYR of Aroostook
 — of the Senate.
 Mrs. LINCOLN of Bethel
 Mr. MacGREGOR of Eastport
 Mrs. KILROY of Portland

Messrs. WELLMAN of Bangor
 CHOATE of Windsor
 HARDY of Hope

— of the House.

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

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. JACQUES of Androscoggin
 CRAM of Cumberland
 — of the Senate

Mr. DUDLEY of Enfield
 — of the House

Reports were read.

On motion of Mr. Wellman of Bangor, the Majority “Ought to pass” Report was accepted, the Bill read twice and assigned the next legislative day.

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time would like to recognize in the gallery of the House, thirty pupils from the Ingall’s School of Farmington, accompanied by Mr. York and Mr. Veilleux, their teachers.

On behalf of the House, the Chair extends to you a warm greeting. We trust that you will enjoy and profit by your visit with us here this morning. (Applause)

Order Out of Order

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn they adjourn to meet at 4 p.m. on Monday, June 3, 1963 (S. P. 615)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, the Order was read.

The SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the House that this Order receive passage in concurrence?

(Cries of “No”)

The SPEAKER: All those in favor of this Order being passed in concurrence, will please say aye; those opposed, no.

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Wellman.

Mr. WELLMAN: Mr. Speaker, is this item debatable?

The SPEAKER: This item is debatable.

Mr. WELLMAN: Mr. Speaker, I feel that perhaps some of those who said no have other commitments. I wish to repeat again that the purpose of this meeting on Monday as it was this Monday is to clear up this hammer stuff — this driftwood, stuff that can be easily removed, which will leave us available to get down to work immediately on Tuesday morning. I certainly hope that when the division is taken, that you will support the Order. Thank you.

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

Mr. MacLEOD: Mr. Speaker, I haven't missed a day in this House except the three days I was ill. I came down here last Monday and there were less than 100 members in this House. We are going to finish up today probably eleven o'clock, and there are many important items on the Unassigned Table that should be discussed and voted on in this House. I am getting tired of putting in a half day's work, coming down here on a Monday afternoon at four o'clock when I could be busy at home doing other things, and only have 100 people or 90 people in this House. I say let's stay here today and do a full day's work and come down Tuesday morning and do a full day's work.

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

Mr. CHILDS: Mr. Speaker, I also realize that last Monday there were very few here, but it is still our obligation to be here. I believe that this House should go along with leadership as far as times are concerned and when the Legislature meets. I hope that the House will go along with voting to be here at four o'clock Monday.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question? The question is on the passage of this Order in concurrence. All those who are in favor of passage, will please rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

Eighty-five having voted in the affirmative and twenty-five having voted in the negative, the Order received passage in concurrence.

(Off Record Remarks)

Passed to Be Engrossed Amended Bill

Bill "An Act relating to Transportation to Islands in Casco Bay" (H. P. 611) (L. D. 846)

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

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

Mr. TAYLOR: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: Yesterday I checked with the Attorney General's Office regarding this matter, and I find that it is exactly as I so stated here on the Floor of the House yesterday, that no carrier operating in the Casco Bay area may do so without a permit from the Public Utilities Commission, and from previous experience, they recognize no one but the Casco Bay Lines. At the hearing I asked the Commission this question and they refused to answer, regarding the fact that they would recognize anyone besides Casco Bay.

Now this report came out of Committee, five, four and one, and our House Chairman was the one. I request that this Bill be indefinitely postponed and all accompanying papers. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Taylor, now moves the indefinite postponement of Bill "An Act relating to Transportation to Islands in Casco Bay," Legislative Document 846 and its accompanying papers.

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

Mr. MINSKY: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I now arise to oppose the motion of the gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Taylor. I feel that this bill is one of extreme significance to this session, not as to how it will affect this particular session, but how it will affect the State of Maine in years to come. I would

point out to you that while it may be so that the gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Taylor, asked members of the Commission if they would license others than the Casco Bay Lines, I would say that he got the only answer I could expect him to get. Naturally no member of the Commission can say in advance of hearings, in advance of even the authority to do so, in advance of even the authority to hold the hearings, what he is going to decide. It was like going to the judge and saying, now next week you are going to hear a case, what is your decision going to be? So I think that it is rather obvious that they obviously could not give an opinion at this time.

I do believe that it is important to the State of Maine, to all of the State of Maine, and that is why I, from Bangor, am involved in this, that we bring some order into the situation as it now exists in Casco Bay. I became involved because of the year I spent on this along with eleven other citizens of this state. We do believe and we firmly believe that if the regulatory powers of the Public Utilities Commission can be extended to the waters of Casco Bay in the exact same fashion as they have worked upon the land for the past thirty years, since 1933, that we can establish good service to the people of the Islands with reasonable rates and keep the State of Maine out of it. I have no desire to see another state ferry service. I have no desire for another two million dollar bond issue to buy boats as we have done once already. I have no desire for an annual deficit that we must now pay for in the other state ferry service. It is for this reason, looking to the problems of future legislatures, that I have involved myself in this. I hope that this House will not adopt the motion to indefinitely postpone and this bill will have its third reading and will be passed to be engrossed.

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

Mr. ANDERSON: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I was stationed on Long Island for two years with a Marine detach-

ment and know what the service was at that time. I know and I think we all know that the service has deteriorated over the years. I think it is high time that some specific head took over this transportation problem. I go along with the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Minsky.

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

Mrs. HENDRICKS: Mr. Speaker, I think perhaps it might be fair to give grandfather rights to those persons now operating, and possibly we could think that one over.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Minsky.

Mr. MINSKY: Mr. Speaker, in answer to the suggestion made by the gentleman from Portland, Mrs. Hendricks, I would read the following from the amendment which is part of this bill now, and which I do support. "Upon the effective date of this act, a certificate of public convenience and necessity shall issue to any duly authorized carrier for rights covering any and all services which said carrier was presently required to perform on the day preceding the effective date of this act." I believe this bill as amended contains the grandfather clause that she so desires.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question? The question before the House is the motion of the gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Taylor, that the Bill and all its accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed. The Chair will order a division. All those in favor of indefinite postponement, will please rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

Eleven having voted in the affirmative and eighty-eight having voted in the negative, the motion to indefinitely postpone did not prevail.

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

**Enactor
Indefinitely Postponed**

An Act relating to Expending Aroostook County Funds for Renovating the Terminal at Presque Isle Municipal Airport (S. P. 194) (L. D. 493)

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Berman.

Mr. BERMAN: Mr. Speaker, Members of the House: This I submit is a dangerous bill. It involves a new departure with respect to airports. Every week when I go home to Houlton, our papers are full of mortgage foreclosures, and I submit that the taxpayers in our part of the County are asking for a sense of proportion. What do we get up north from the City of Presque Isle? I submit that with this piece of legislation, we are getting an unwarranted raid on our treasury. Why do I call it an unwarranted raid? These are my reasons. Presque Isle was given this airport terminal building free of charge by Uncle Sam. Presque Isle agreed to pay one-half the total cost of \$39,000 in fixing this up. Presque Isle came down to Augusta to see the Governor and Council, and I suggest that without passing any personal reflections that a present member of this House was serving on the Council. Now that Council gave Presque Isle half the total cost of \$39,000; namely, around \$19,500 from the state taxpayers and the federal taxpayers. Again, these are statements of facts. The Executive Councillor resigned his seat and later took his seat in this House of Representatives. The same gentleman secured an appointment to the Committee on Towns and Counties which heard this bill.

This bill was then introduced to have our taxpayers pick up the other half of fixing up the Presque Isle terminal so that Presque Isle would get it for nothing, contrary to what they said they would do.

Now ladies and gentlemen, it was not generally known and it certainly wasn't known to me at the time of the hearing, that Presque Isle had already received one-half the

cost of fixing up the building from the state and federal taxpayers. This work has been done for some months, and it is completely paid for, as I understand it. And now Presque Isle is trying to, I submit, get out of its commitment to pay one-half its own bill and burden our taxpayers.

The mere fact that a lot of training and hard persuasion was done within the delegation when I was away for the morning period following the death of an extremely close member of my family, and during the absence of my great good friend from Monticello, Mr. Jewell, I don't consider this was really fair play. And the mere fact that this was put into our budget, doesn't seem to me to be right. In all good conscience and without casting any personal reflections, I think that Presque Isle has taken enough out of this Legislative session. I hope you will support me this morning to stop this unfair bill. I would move indefinite postponement of this bill, its papers, and ask for a division and remind you of some words from the author of Common Sense who put it, "public money ought to be touched with the most scrupulous conscientiousness of honor; it is not the produce of riches only, but of the hard earnings of labor and poverty. It is drawn even from the bitterness of want and misery; not a beggar passes or perishes whose mite is not in that mass." Thank you.

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

Mr. BERRY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: In the course of the years it has been my privilege to transact some of my business in the wonderful County of Aroostook, and I sincerely mean it. It is a wonderful section of the State of Maine. It frequently has been necessary because of the distance that Aroostook County is from my home, that I have had to take an airplane to get there and back in order to accommodate my schedule within the limits that I have to do once in a while. I land at Presque Isle, I rent a car, I drive to Fort Kent, I'll transact my busi-

ness, I return to Presque Isle and take a plane back home.

Another occasion I made the same trip, I rented a car, I drove to Houlton and I transacted my business and I drove back home. I think that what I am trying to explain to the members of this House is, my little case is an example where the Presque Isle airport serves the entire County of Aroostook. I think that in the transaction of my business, I feel that the people in Fort Kent and the people in Houlton have some interest in the Presque Isle base. I hope the motion for indefinite postponement does not succeed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Berman.

Mr. BERMAN: Mr. Speaker, I would say very briefly in reply to the gentleman from down in Cape Elizabeth, that the issue here this morning is extremely clear cut and should not be confused. The issue is should Presque Isle get out of its bargain of paying the one-half that it said it would pay, or should the taxpayers have to pick up the entire tab contrary to the understanding.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Eagle Lake, Mr. Gallant.

Mr. GALLANT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Pertaining to Senate Paper 194, Legislative Document 493, it seems to me in my opinion that there are better ways of appropriating money for this purpose than take it from the county taxpayers, and which very few people use this airport. For this reason, I would go along with indefinite postponement of this bill and its accompanying papers. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Chelsea, Mrs. Shaw.

Mrs. SHAW: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I would like to explain the position of the Towns and Counties Committee on this bill. Presque Isle is one of the airports that is designated as an area airport and does serve the entire northern portion of our state. Now as you know, money for airports is on a matching basis with the local community, the

state and the federal government participating. In this particular case, Presque Isle has more than done its share, the Committee felt, in contributing on the local basis and is asking the County to help in this matter as this is an area airport serving other communities other than Presque Isle.

This is not a precedent for other airports in this state have also received county funds. Two of them, one being in Washington County and one being in Wiscasset. I am sure that there are others that have received county funds that I do not know of. For this reason, the Committee voted to pass this bill out "Ought to pass," and we do support the county participating in the Presque Isle airport.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Osborn.

Mr. OSBORN: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I believe there is some confusion in this bill as to the source of money. Several members of this House have informed me that it was their impression that the funds were to come from the State of Maine. This is not so. \$19,500 as specified in this bill is county money. This amount was approved unanimously by the members present at the Aroostook County delegation meeting at which thirteen members were in attendance. It was made a part of the county budget. Our county budget, like all county budgets, has been approved by this Legislature and all towns in Aroostook County have accepted their share including the City of Presque Isle. The gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Berman, did not object when the town which he represents received \$20,000 from the same county budget that I now speak of for a private school located in the Town of Houlton.

Mr. Berman of Houlton was granted permission to address the House a third time.

Mr. BERMAN: Mr. Speaker, I rise to answer some of the points mentioned by the honorable gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Osborn. No, I wasn't present at the delegation meeting, and there are other members that were not present. I have previously explained why I

could not be present. The delegation was aware at the time that it had the meeting of my strong opposition to this bill, and again without meaning to cast any reflections, I don't think that it was right to take a vote when I was objecting in my absence due to a death in the family. That doesn't strike me as fair play.

Now with regard to this school down in Houlton, this was an old project. It was not a project that I personally was greatly in favor of, but I have my duties to the people who elected me, and I submit that it is one thing to continue a program that has been established for some time; and another thing to start a new one when we in our part of the County are having such a devilishly hard time to just keep our heads above water. Again, there is no confusion as I see it in this particular bill. The City up north said that they would pick up one-half the tab if the County would pick up the other half. The City of Presque Isle today, I submit, is not picking up their one-half of the tab. They are having the County pick up their half of the tab and they are getting the whole renovation done free. This is not right.

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

Mr. AYOOB: Mr. Speaker, I pride myself of the fact that I come from Aroostook County, and I pride myself of the fact that the Aroostook delegation throughout this Legislature has shown a great sense of unity. I don't like to have our dirt in public. I would appreciate it if someone would get up and table this until Tuesday next.

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

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I move that this item lie on the table until Tuesday next.

Mr. Berman of Houlton then requested a division on the tabling motion.

The SPEAKER: A division has been requested on the tabling motion. All those in favor of tabling this matter until Tuesday next, will please rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

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

The SPEAKER: The pending question is the motion of the gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Berman, to indefinitely postpone.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Presque Isle, Mr. Wight.

Mr. WIGHT: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen: You would think that this amount that we are asking for would establish the Presque Isle base and was the total expense involved. I wish to make it clear, and I guess it has been that this is county funds. By our delegation meeting, we unanimously accepted that it be put in the budget and the budget has already been submitted to the House. I might add the figures that are involved in this matter, not in detail but in summary, that this airport has a cost for operating of something over \$21,000. The cost for our improvements up there that are being considered, which are not only the terminal renovations, but also construction of the ramp and runway resurfacing and maintenance of this regional airport, which I might say is about ninety-five percent of our air transportation in the County. This airport is used by all of the towns and areas within the radius of probably 150 miles. The cost of our improvements that are necessary to maintain and keep this airport are something in the neighborhood of \$103,000.

Now of course part of this is accepted by the Aeronautics Board and is contributed by our state and federal funds. But nevertheless, this leaves the City of Presque Isle a considerable expense to operate this airport. The \$19,500 is merely for the share that we feel was right in our delegation that the county should give for their share in our cost of maintaining this airport. I feel that this is just. And I feel this is not unfair to the County as a whole. I hope when this indefinite postponement is presented, that it will be by division.

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

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask a question through the Chair to either the Chairman of the Aroostook County delegation or any member of the Aroostook County delegation, how many there are in the Aroostook delegation and what the count is as far as the pros and cons of this proposal.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, poses a question through the Chair to any member of the Aroostook delegation who chooses to answer.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Hodgdon, Mr. Williams.

Mr. WILLIAMS: Mr. Speaker, Members of the House: In answer to my friend, Mr. Jalbert, I happen to be the Chairman of the Aroostook County delegation. We have sixteen Representatives plus three Senators and actually there were nineteen votes involved in this decision.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Hodgdon, Mr. Williams.

Mr. WILLIAMS: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen: I hate to see Ricker College, Ricker Bill, so-called, involved in this thing, because I was here when that first started. Now perhaps it was wrong to take county funds to support a college which is a private school altogether, but at that time I had some doubts in my own mind whether it was the right thing to do, but Ricker College was just starting when this was originally put forth and they were in desperate straits for money. Finally they came up with the idea that if we could get \$10,000 a year for two years, it seemed to be a question of having a college in Aroostook County or not having one, and I don't think that anybody was too unhappy with the results. They've got quite a college going up there. It seems to be increasing every day, but they still come back and want us to authorize their \$10,000 a year, but in my estimation, why that \$10,000 or \$20,000 in the biennium didn't break the county and I doubt if this present thing that we are talking about will break the county.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recog-

nizes the gentleman from Monticello, Mr. Jewell.

Mr. JEWELL: Mr. Speaker, I want to concur with my friend the gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Ber- man, in everything he has said one hundred percent. Aroostook County, the southern end of the county, is a lot closer to Bangor than it is to Presque Isle airport so they have no interest whatever in the Presque Isle airport. One more point, when they renovated this building up there, the City of Presque Isle moved their city offices in that building and I imagine that that went into the cost of renovating that building. I don't think the county should pay the City of Presque Isle to renovate their town office. I suppose they had to build them, I don't know how much it cost, but that must have been one part of the cost. I want to go along with the indefinite postponement of this bill.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Madawaska, Mr. Levesque.

Mr. LEVESQUE: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I think that those of you that are not coming from Aroostook County must be pretty well tired of listening to the debate of the Aroostook County delegation. As the question was asked by the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, the proponents and the opponents of this bill in the county delegation meetings, if you will go down and find out actually which delegation vote was taken and accepted on this sum of money, I think there might have been a half a dozen votes taken at which some-time or in all of the delegation meetings some of the delegates were absent.

I think possibly that the closest vote that could have been taken in regards to this at a delegation meeting was probably in the vicinity of twelve proponents and three or four opponents, with the rest of them remaining absent, so from the beginning there was quite a bit of opposition to this Airport Bill from Presque Isle because they felt if they had committed themselves that they would pay half and then after the bill is bought and

paid for, this would actually be returning monies to the City of Presque Isle rather than to the airport itself, so in brief this is a summary of actually what has happened.

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

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I would like to assure the gentleman from Aroostook that at least I am not unhappy about this debate. This just proves what I have been saying for years that Lewiston is not the only area that cleans out a little linen on the Floor.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question? The question before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Berman, to indefinitely postpone Item 1, "An Act relating to Expanding Aroostook County Funds for Renovating the Terminal at Presque Isle Municipal Airport," Legislative Document 493. The Chair will order a division. All those in favor of indefinite postponement will please rise and remain standing in your places until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had. Sixty-seven having voted in the affirmative and forty-six having voted in the negative, the motion prevailed and the Bill was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

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Indefinitely Postponed

An Act relating to Taxpayers Furnishing List of Property to Assessors (S. P. 434) (L. D. 1177)

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Livermore, Mr. Boothby.

Mr. BOOTHBY: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I would move for indefinite postponement of L. D. 1177, "An Act relating to Taxpayers Furnishing List of Property to Assessors." To me this is just adding one more burden upon the assessors and increasing the cost of local government. One of the oldest axioms we ever heard was: "There's nothing

as sure as death and taxes." So I think that everyone knows that the tax is due on the first of April; and this is somewhat of a misnomer anyway because as I read it, it is concerning the sending of notices instead of the list of taxpayers. I think it is entirely unnecessary and I hope you will support the indefinite postponement.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Livermore, Mr. Boothby, moves that item 2 be indefinitely postponed. Is the House ready for the question? All those in favor will say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion to indefinitely postpone did prevail.

Thereupon, the Bill was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

Passed to Be Enacted

An Act relating to Publications Printed or Published by the State. (H. P. 252) (L. D. 321)

An Act Prohibiting the Use of Live Birds and Animals for Certain Purposes (H. P. 1038) (L. D. 1505)

An Act relating to Search Warrants (H. P. 1090) (L. D. 1562)

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.

Order

Out of Order

On motion of Mr. Turner of Auburn, it was

ORDERED, that the House of Representatives of the 101st Legislature extend congratulations and best wishes in advance to one of its esteemed colleagues, the gentleman from Freeport Mr. Crockett, who will celebrate the 73rd anniversary of his birth this Saturday, June first.

And, be it further ordered, that this House express to Mr. Crockett its appreciation for his kindly nature, enduring friendship, and untiring energy, with best hopes for continued good health and long life. (Applause, the members rising.)

The SPEAKER: The Chair is pleased this morning to recognize

in the gallery of the House, eleven members of the eighth grade of West Bath Elementary School with their Principal, Mr. Merrifield, and Mrs. Rose, their chaperone. These are the special guests of Representative Mendes of Topsham.

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

Orders of the Day

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

HOUSE REPORT—Ought not to pass—Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to Deficiency Appropriation for Division of Veterans Affairs." (H. P. 407) (L. D. 560)

Tabled—May 22, by Mr. Prince of Oakfield.

Pending—Motion of Mrs. Smith of Falmouth to accept ONTP Report.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Skowhegan, Mr. Wade.

Mr. **WADE**: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: Like my good friend, the gentleman from Winterport, Mr. Easton, I am hesitant to have to refer to notes in addressing this honorable body, and while I have been fairly conversant to a degree with the legislative document in question, I didn't have sufficient facts at my command to present an intelligent resume for discussion, so I had to go to the Division of Veterans Affairs and get some statistics.

Number one in the minds of a great many members of the House, I believe, is the misconceived thought or idea that World War Assistance is a program that sometimes is confused with veterans' pensions at the federal level. And to clarify that point, I want to say that World War Assistance is a program solely of temporary financial aid for the wife or the widow, the children of a deceased or totally disabled War Veteran. The program as far as needs is concerned, is based on an established investigation by personnel of the Division of Veterans Affairs. This has never

been a runaway program. Actually, far more was spent in certain past years than is the case today. Last year only \$367,000 was expended as contrasted with the high year of 1957 when the expenditure that year was \$409,000.

Through the past decade there has been turned back to the general fund some \$340,000 unused. For six years, 1954 through 1959, the appropriation was over \$400,000 each year; the high point was in 1956 and 1957 when \$447,000 was appropriated.

Now last year the Department request was \$380,000 for each year of the biennium, and that amount was cut to \$365,000 annually, so that in the year of 1961-62 the Department was successful in getting a transfer of \$3,000 from the surplus to the general pension fund. This made a total expenditure of \$368,000.

In the current fiscal year there has been a marked increase in requests for aid. This resulted in a cumulative expenditure of \$21,000 more by the end of April 1963 than the same point one year ago, and leaves the Department facing a deficiency for the month of June.

Now I think it should be pointed out that there was no increase in the scope of the ceiling price prior to 1949. The maximum monthly grant that could be made to a family of seven or more dependents was \$175.00 in 1949, and this figure is still the same. Of course most grants are under this figure and average about \$94.00 per month. On any given day the average families on assistance rolls is around 300, and the number of individuals average over 1,000 on the rolls at any one time, and in the event that this bill is not received favorably, these individuals would have no place to seek welfare but through the welfare offices of the local towns and the cities. And at the present time there are cases in numerical order in the various communities totaling 126 municipalities.

Now it is I think ironical that we stand here today, a lot of us of course are referred to as veterans; sometimes I wonder if perhaps ex-service people might not be a better classification. Tomorrow

row, as we know very well, we are adjourning for the purpose of celebrating a National holiday. Last Sunday afternoon and again last night it was my privilege to serve on a committee that I have been privileged to work with over thirty years in the decorating of graves, and in my little town of Skowhegan we have 589 individual so-called veterans' graves. They are distributed through five cemeteries. We go back to the Revolutionary War, and I can assure you ladies and gentlemen that there isn't one so-called veteran's grave in the community of Skowhegan and the surrounding little town of Larone and East Skowhegan that will not have a flag flying on it tomorrow morning.

So I said ironical, I used that word. Many of us tomorrow will participate, I hope, in observance of Veterans Decoration for Memorial Day, and to you who are interested enough to take part in these services, I want you to remember as you see your veterans in parade that the little amount of money that is being asked to assist financially those who are not so fortunate as some of us, I just wonder how your thoughts will react if you have that thought as the parade passes by.

There is a quote from a little poem:

"To you from failing hands we throw the cross,
be yours to hold it high;
If ye break faith with us who die,
we shall not sleep, though poppies grow in Flanders Fields."

So Mr. Speaker, I move that this "Ought not to pass" Report be defeated.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Falmouth, Mrs. Smith.

Mrs. SMITH: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I realize that perhaps I am at a bit of disadvantage after the eloquence of the gentleman from Skowhegan, Mr. Wade. However, I would remind this House that most of us have people who have served. Some of us have lost relatives and some have not. I have three sons who have also served. I have three sons who also pay taxes, and I think

that when any veterans' bills are considered here, they should be considered on the basis of their merit and not on the basis of their emotional appeal. I think this is true of all bills, and of all groups, because we have emotional appeal from all groups, and as a chairman of the Appropriations Committee, it is my duty to you as Members of this House to base my judgment on the facts so far as I am able and then present them to you as I see them, and leave it to your own good judgment.

The gentleman who conducts this program knew when he came before the Appropriations Committee last time that he would have to make his donations or whatever, that's not the proper word, but his contributions, fit the budget that was allotted to him by the Legislature. He consistently refuses to do so, and he insisted that he would not change the way he was doing this before the Committee two years ago, and I was a member of that Committee. We were adamant and gave him the money that we thought he was properly entitled to. He has recently been before the Council to obtain this necessary money and they too turned him down.

This program—I think what you ought to understand about this program is, it is administered like any other welfare program or anything. The particular department administering the program is allocated a certain sum of money. Whether it be the fair and right sum of money probably is debatable. I think whether old age assistance has the proper amount of money; whether the hospitalization program has the proper amount of money is debatable, but I think we do expect these people to, within reason, be willing to fit their program to the amount of money that is allocated to them. This is exactly the same situation. This is the same situation as though in the Old Age Assistance a person having enough should decide that if he didn't cut by maybe a dollar here and a dollar there he couldn't meet his budget. This is what has happened here. It is for the end of this fiscal year and will require emergency legislation.

I have no personal interest in this bill one way or the other, but I do feel that it was the duty of the gentleman in charge of this department to make his money come out the way it should, and not wait until the last month of the biennium to run short. This is your decision.

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

Mr. HENDSBEE: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I am sure that you have listened with a lot of interest to the gentleman from Skowhegan, Mr. Wade, and to the lady from Falmouth, Mrs. Smith. They both have given you a very fine rendition of actually what does happen.

Now, I would say, and adding to what the modest gentleman from Skowhegan, Mr. Wade, has already said, that all he has said is absolutely true. The need is there. We need the help. There is no question about that whatever. Mr. Wade, I have known him personally for many years, he is a terrific worker for anything that has to do with veterans. He has told you what he has done in his town, and he says that goes for the towns around his district, which is absolutely true. Tomorrow we will take care of all of our veterans' affairs, living and dead. Many have no relatives left in this part of the country. Many would be forgotten, were it not for a group of dedicated people who go out and work and serve tomorrow.

Now, we are also very much concerned with the affairs of the living veterans, and anything that has to do with helping veterans, I am all for. I appreciate the explanation that the lady from Falmouth has given us. It's very clear and concise, but I will, as a veteran and as a supporter of all veterans' affairs, definitely pledge my support to the motion of the gentleman from Skowhegan, Mr. Wade, to object to this particular report "Ought not to pass."

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

Mr. CHILDS: Mr. Speaker, if my motion is in order at this time,

I would like to move that we substitute the bill for the report.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House now is the motion of the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Childs, that the House substitute the bill for the report.

Mrs. Smith of Falmouth requested a division.

The SPEAKER: A division has been requested. Is the House ready for the question? All those in favor of substituting Bill "An Act relating to Deficiency Appropriation for Division of Veterans Affairs" for the "Ought not to pass" Report will please rise and remain standing in your places until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

Seventy-six having voted in the affirmative and twenty-one having voted in the negative, the motion did prevail, the Bill was substituted for the Report.

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

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, this was discussed at length, and I've been both lobbied and talked to concerning this measure. There is more than just passing the bill involved here. For that purpose it would not delay too much in any event, but for the purpose of grappling with the situation as we ought to, I move now that this be referred to the Committee on Appropriations — re-referred to the Committee.

The SPEAKER: The question now before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, that this bill recommitted. Is that the pleasure of the House?

The motion failed on a viva voce vote.

Thereupon, the Bill was read twice and assigned the next legislative day.

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

AN ACT Continuing the Committee on Aging (S. P. 384) (L. D. 1087)

Tabled—May 22, by Mrs. Smith of Falmouth.

Pending—Passage to be Enacted.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Hodgdon, Mr. Williams.

Mr. WILLIAMS: Mr. Speaker and Members: This Committee has been in operation for approximately a year and a half, and this bill to continue the Committee has been on the table for quite some time.

Now the 100th Legislature in its wisdom extended this Committee two years ago, the Committee on Aging, and what was much more important, in my mind, it appropriated \$30,000, \$15,000 for each biennium to finance the thing for two years. Now we are being asked to continue this Committee for two more years. This is the usual procedure for these committees. Now being rather old myself, I was interested to see what you people bought for your \$30,000 with this Committee on Aging. I have before me a list of all the expenditures of this Committee up to about a year and a half which was the time, it's been on the table ever since that, so my appropriation here is a little bit behind hand, but for the first year of the biennium, the first thing, I have the complete list of what they spent. Well, the first item on it, they sent a gentleman from Augusta to New York City and he spent seven days there, it included his travel, meals, lodging and other expenses and it cost the Committee \$140.57. Well then a few days later they sent the same gentleman to Kingston, Rhode Island and he stayed there four days. This includes his travel, meals and so forth. That cost \$96.66. I won't read all these things because they run right down to a rubber stamp for 71 cents.

One thing I'd like to point out is that they spent for prizes for the Quarter of a Century Club \$33.95. Well now I understand the Lions pick up the tab on that, but they did, this Committee opened their hearts and spent \$33.95 for prizes. As far as I can see that's all that they spent in favor of the old age people. Another thing I'd like to point out that during that year they spent \$91.50 for stenographic work. Now they didn't spend — they hadn't got going that year, so they only spent a total of \$1-

129.94, and they lapsed \$13,850.06 out of the original appropriation into the general fund. Now that was all right, but they just got going that year. Well now the second year of the biennium, that's the year we're in right now, they hired an Executive Secretary for \$114.50 a week to run their affairs. Well I looked in after the snoop book came out to see if it corresponded, and I found that it didn't, according to the snoop book this Executive Secretary only got \$109.00 per week, so I went back to find out where the difference lay and I found that the Secretary had been raised since the snoop book came out by \$4.50 a week which made her total salary \$114.50. I understand she has also hired another — she has hired a secretary to her to do her work, and she is paying \$65.00 a week for that. Well you add them together and it makes \$189.50 a week and it would look to me that they wouldn't be overburdened with work in a thing like that.

Well now I won't read the whole of this thing, but if this follows through they will have spent around \$6,000, it is pretty hard to say exactly how much for their secretaries for the year, and as far as my figures go here, they had already spent \$1,609.28 for mileage, meals, lodging and so forth and caterers for their meetings. Now that's the expense end of it.

Now what are you getting for this in return? This last year I would figure by the way the accounts run that by the first of this next July your appropriation will be exhausted. They haven't published anything. You have got nothing in return for it, but I did find a report that they printed, their last report there, and these are the things you bought for it. Now these are recommendations which I suppose this House should honor. Number one is just what you would expect, that the committee be continued. Number two is that the older people should have medical care and they should have employment security, and they should have health care, and they should have better housing and they aren't very well educated, so they recom-

mend that the state produce some education for them and that should be subsidized by the state for fifty percent of the cost, and they also say they should have some free time activities that also are to be state-sponsored.

So far this year we have got no results whatever, but perhaps by the end of the year they will take some time off and some of this money and publish you another pamphlet, so at this time I would move indefinite postponement on this and all of its accompanying papers and ask for a division.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Hodgdon, Mr. Williams, moves that the House indefinitely postpone item 2.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Norway, Mr. Chapman.

Mr. CHAPMAN: Mr. Speaker, at my age you know I would appreciate all this service that we are about to get for this small amount of money, but I am compelled to agree with the gentleman from Hodgdon, Mr. Williams, and I second the motion of him to indefinitely postpone this bill.

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

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I can appreciate now the comments I made a few days ago that in any program or debate, there must be some levity, and I think the gentleman from Hodgdon, Mr. Williams, just handed it to us. In his very first remark he lost me in any event. I had a little conference with my colleague from Yarmouth, the gentleman from Yarmouth, Mr. Rand, when we heard the comment that in New York seven days, \$140. We left the evenings out but we both agreed that we could do a fairly good job on \$140 in one afternoon in New York, not one evening, one afternoon, and it is both our opinions that one who would spend \$140 only in seven days in New York should not be only commended but given the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Now I think when we go into these programs, getting to the serious side of it, where we come down to rubber stamps for seven-

ty-one cents, I think we should also realize the value and the work and the good sound honest work that these people have done who serve on this committee, without pay, get eight cents a mile when they travel and get themselves a lunch for ninety-seven cents at noon for their trouble. I think that they have done a splendid job, they should be commended. If this committee would end they have got a great many loose ends that they could pick up and I think the cost is very minor for the work that this splendid committee has done over the years, appointed by Governors of both parties, praised by Governors of both parties, praised in our conventions often times incidentally. I certainly hope the motion to indefinitely postpone does not prevail.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Kennebunkport, Mr. Tyndale.

Mr. TYNDALE: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I am not too familiar with all the work of this committee, but I listened very carefully to the debate this morning, and during the 100th I know that we did vote to continue this meeting, and there was quite a long discussion on it at that time, and it seemed that the purpose of the committee seemed very worthwhile. The work that they have accomplished, and I heartily agree with my distinguished colleague from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, a fellow who can go to New York for \$140 in seven days, I wonder where he stayed. But I do believe that there is some merit to this committee. They do have a purpose in mind that is good and worthwhile, and I think that we might be a little bit hasty this morning and discontinue this committee when they are doing a worthwhile job. I would vote against the motion to indefinitely postpone at this time.

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

Mr. MACLEOD: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: This bill was heard before the Welfare Com-

mittee on which I served as your House Chairman and this was reported out ten to nothing "Ought to pass." If the vote were taken in the committee today, it would at least be nine to one because I could not vote now to pass this bill out. I agree wholeheartedly with the gentleman from Hodgdon that this \$30,000 this document calls for is more money than the results we are getting. I don't question the purposes or the motives of the people who have been serving on this committee, I know some of them personally, and they are fine dedicated people; but I don't feel the amount of money we are spending and what we are getting back in the study that I have done since the committee hearing warrants the expenditure, so I will support the gentleman from Hodgdon.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question? The question before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Hodgdon, Mr. Williams, that "An Act Continuing the Committee on Aging," Senate Paper 384, Legislative Document 1087, be indefinitely postponed. A division has been requested. All those in favor of the indefinite postponement, will please rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

Sixty-seven having voted in the affirmative and thirty-six having voted in the negative, the motion did prevail, the Bill was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

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

Bill "An Act relating to Effective Date for Salary Increase for County Officers." (S. P. 543) (L. D. 1467)—In Senate Engrossed with Senate "B" (S-183)—In House Engrossed without Amendment in Non-concurrence. Senate Insisted and Asked Conference. House Receded and Concurred.

Tabled—May 22, by Mr. Karkos of Lisbon.

Pending—Motion of Mrs. Shaw of Chelsea to Reconsider Receding and Concurring.

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

Mr. JONES: Mr. Speaker, I would ask the question if we don't have another bill before us pertaining to the salaries of the county officers, and on that rewrite that came out of committee I think there is an effective date of increases, that the increase should become effective on that bill? If I am — I would like to ask that question first through the Chair.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Farmington, Mr. Jones, poses a question through the Chair to any Member who may answer if he chooses, and the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Chelsea, Mrs. Shaw.

Mrs. SHAW: Mr. Speaker, the gentleman from Farmington, Mr. Jones, is correct, the date is October 1, which is the beginning of the fourth quarter of the year; and in view of that I would withdraw my motion to reconsider receding and concurring and would ask that the House pass this bill to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "B."

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Chelsea, Mrs. Shaw, requests permission to withdraw her motion to reconsider receding and concurring. Is that the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed.

Mr. CROMMETT: Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Millinocket, Mr. Crommett.

Mr. CROMMETT: Mr. Speaker, I move this item be tabled until June 4.

The SPEAKER: The matter is not before the House.

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

HOUSE REPORT—Ought to pass in New Draft (H. P. 1089) (L. D. 1561) under new title of "An Act to Reorganize the Department of Economic Development"—Committee on Industrial and Recreational Development — on Bill "An Act to Clarify and Revise Laws of Department of Economic Development." (H. P. 834) (L. D. 1221)

Tabled—May 22, by Mrs. Smith of Falmouth.

Pending—Acceptance of Report. Report was read and accepted, the New Draft read twice and assigned the next legislative day.

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

Bill “An Act to Pay School Subsidies on the Basis of Uniform Local Effort.” (S. P. 416) (L. D. 1159)

Tabled—May 23, by Mr. Easton of Winterport.

Pending — Passage to be Engrossed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Winterport, Mr. Easton.

Mr. EASTON: Mr. Speaker, in accordance with the suggestion made by my good friend from Perham, Mr. Bragdon, I move this item be re-referred to the Committee on Education.

Thereupon, the Bill was recommitted to the Committee on Education in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

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

HOUSE MAJORITY REPORT (7) — Ought not to pass — Minority Report (3) — Ought to pass in New Draft (H. P. 1067) (L. D. 1532) — Committee on Education on Bill “An Act Providing for State Support of Education Foundation Program and the Financing Thereof.” (H. P. 899) (L. D. 1307)

Tabled—May 23, by Mr. Mendes of Topsham.

Pending—Acceptance of Either Report.

On motion of Mr. Mendes of Topsham, the Reports and Bill recommitted to the Committee on Education and sent up for concurrence.

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

SENATE REPORT — Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment “A” (S-247) — Committee on Industrial and Recreational Development on Bill “An Act relating to the Department of Economic

Development Advisory Council.” (S. P. 578) (L. D. 1533)

Tabled—May 24, by Mr. Plante of Old Orchard Beach.

Pending—Acceptance of Report. The “Ought to pass” Report was accepted in concurrence and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment “A” was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “A” to S. P. 578, L. D. 1533, Bill, “An Act relating to the Department of Economic Development Advisory Council.”

Amend said Bill in the 7th line by striking out the underlined figure “5” and inserting in place thereof the underlined figure “7.”

Further amend said Bill by striking out the 10th line and inserting in place thereof the following underlined line:

‘year, 3 for a term of 2 years and 3 for a term of 3 years. A’

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

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

SENATE REPORT “A” (5) — Ought to Pass in New Draft (S. P. 581) (L. D. 1534) — Senate Report “B” (5) — Ought Not to Pass — Committee on Natural Resources on Bill “An Act Creating an Allagash River Authority for State of Maine.” (S. P. 65) (L. D. 115)

Tabled—May 24, by Mr. Wellman of Bangor.

Pending—Motion of Mr. Williams of Hodgdon to Accept Report “A” OTP.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Hodgdon, Mr. Williams.

Mr. WILLIAMS: Mr. Speaker and Members: Noting many empty seats around here and knowing that this bill has perhaps been blown up beyond its real value owing to the famous Allagash region, and also the Forestry people have told me they have some maps and literature that might enlighten us some, I would hope that someone would table this bill until Tuesday next.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Wellman of Bangor, retabled pending

the motion of Mr. Williams of Hodgdon to accept Report "A" and specially assigned for Tuesday, June 4.

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

Bill "An Act relating to Mileage and Expenses for Members of Legislature." (H. P. 1065) (L. D. 1531) — In Senate Engrossed with Senate Amendments "A" & "B" in Non-concurrence.

Tabled—May 24, by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston.

Pending—Further Consideration.

On motion of Mr. Berry of Cape Elizabeth, the House voted to recede and concur with the Senate.

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

HOUSE REPORT — Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment "A" (H-392) — Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Providing for Holding District Court for Western Aroostook at Fort Kent." (H. P. 52) (L. D. 75)

Tabled—May 24, by Mr. Gallant of Eagle Lake.

Pending—Acceptance of Report.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Eagle Lake, Mr. Gallant.

Mr. GALLANT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Pertaining to this House Paper 52, Legislative Document 75, we have contacted the District Judge and the area seems to be in agreement and I now move the acceptance of the Committee Report with amendment. Thank you.

Thereupon, the Committee "Ought to pass" Report was accepted and the Bill read twice.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 52, L. D. 75, Bill, "An Act Providing for Holding District Court for Western Aroostook at Fort Kent."

Amend said Bill by striking out the 11th line and inserting in place thereof the following: "Madawaska for criminal and civil business and at Fort Kent solely for criminal business."

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

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

AN ACT relating to Exempting from Property Tax Pleasure Boats in the State for Storage. (H. P. 1092) (L. D. 1567)

Tabled—May 24, by Mr. Edwards of Raymond.

Pending—Passage to be Enacted.

On motion of Mr. Waterman of Auburn, retabled pending passage to be enacted and specially assigned for Tuesday, June 4.

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

Bill "An Act Reactivating the State Committee on Children and Youth." (H. P. 1098) (L. D. 1574)

Tabled—May 27, by Mr. MacLeod of Brewer.

Pending—Passage to be Engrossed
On motion of Mr. MacLeod of Brewer, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

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

HOUSE REPORT — Ought to Pass in New Draft (H. P. 1097) (L. D. 1573) — Committee on Industrial and Recreational Development on Bill "An Act Providing for Public Facilities for Boats." (H. P. 32) (L. D. 56)

Tabled—May 27, by Mr. Gilbert of Eddington.

Pending—Acceptance.

On motion of Mr. Gilbert of Eddington, the "Ought to pass" Report was accepted, the New Draft read twice and assigned the next legislative day.

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

AN ACT Providing for Life Preservers for Boats for Hire. (H. P. 35) (L. D. 58)

Tabled—May 28, by Mr. Waterman of Auburn.

Pending—Passage to be Enacted.

On motion of Mr. Oberg of Bridgton, retabled pending passage to be

enacted and specially assigned for Tuesday, June 4.

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

AN ACT relating to Equipment and Safe Operation of Boats. (H. P. 283) (L. D. 377)

Tabled—May 28, by Mr. Oberg of Bridgton.

Pending—Passage to be Enacted.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bridgton, Mr. Oberg.

Mr. OBERG: Mr. Speaker, because of the reason that three of the sections of this particular L. D. 377 have been incorporated in L. D. 460, which was passed to be enacted yesterday, I would therefore move the indefinite postponement of this L. D. 377.

Thereupon, the Bill was indefinitely postponed on a viva voce vote in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair lays before the House the Joint Order which was tabled earlier in today's session, Senate Paper 613.

Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to SENATE ORDER (S. P. No. 613) Relative to Extending Congratulations to Mr. Carleton Willey and Family.

Amend said Order by striking out in the last line the first word "the" and inserting in place thereof the words and punctuation 'Casey Stengel.'

House Amendment "A" was adopted and the Order was passed as amended by House Amendment

"A" in non-concurrence and without objection, sent forthwith to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Albar of Caribou, the House voted to take from the table the first tabled and unassigned matter:

HOUSE DIVIDED REPORT — Majority (7) Ought to pass — Minority (3) Ought not to pass — Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act Increasing Sales Tax." (H. P. 313) (L. D. 406)

Tabled—February 13, by Mr. Albar of Caribou.

Pending—Acceptance of Either Report.

On motion of Mr. Wellman of Bangor, tabled pending acceptance of either Report and specially assigned for Tuesday, June 4.

On motion of Mr. Childs of Portland, the House voted to take from the table the fourth tabled and unassigned matter:

HOUSE JOINT ORDER — ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that Bill, "An Act relating to a Net Income Tax Law for the State of Maine." (H. P. 945) (L. D. 1295) be recalled from the Legislative Files to the House for the purpose of further consideration.

Tabled—May 2, by Mr. Childs of Portland.

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

On motion of Mr. Wellman of Bangor, tabled pending that gentleman's motion to indefinitely postpone, and specially assigned for Tuesday, June 4.

On motion of Mr. Gifford of Manchester,

Adjourned until Monday, June 3, at four o'clock in the afternoon.