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LEGISLATIVE RECORD

OF THE

*One Hundred and Fourth
Legislature*

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1969

KENNEBEC JOURNAL
AUGUSTA, MAINE

HOUSE

Wednesday, March 12, 1969

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Robert Gavenston of Greene.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate

From the Senate: The following Communication: (S. P. 370)

STATE OF MAINE
BUREAU OF
PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS
AUGUSTA

March 10, 1969

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the One Hundred and Fourth Legislature

In accordance with the provisions of Title 5, Section 1742, MRSA as amended, we are submitting herewith the "Recommended Priorities for Projects Contained Within Requests for Capital Improvements" for the fiscal years 1969-1970.

Respectfully,

(Signed) NIRAN C. BATES

Director

Came from the Senate read and with accompanying Report ordered placed on file.

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

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Bills from the Senate requiring reference were disposed of in concurrence.

Senate Report of Committee Leave to Withdraw

Report of the Committee on State Government on Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Providing for Annual Legislative Sessions (S. P. 35) (L. D. 93) reporting Leave to Withdraw.

Came from the Senate read and accepted.

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

Petitions, Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference

The following Bills were received and, upon recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following Committees:

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act to Provide for Modifications of State Owned Landing Terminals at Long Island and Chebeague Island and to Allow for Vehicle Ferry Service" (H. P. 1019) (Presented by Mr. Santoro of Portland)

Bill "An Act relating to Payment of Life Insurance Premiums of State Employees" (H. P. 1020) (Presented by Mrs. Wheeler of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will interrupt just for a moment and invite the gentleman from Southwest Harbor, Mr. Benson to come to the rostrum to preside temporarily. The Sergeant-at-Arms will escort that gentleman to serve as Speaker pro tem.

Thereupon, Mr. Benson assumed the Chair as Speaker pro tem and Speaker Kennedy retired from the Hall.

Business Legislation

Bill "An Act Revising the Savings Banks Laws" (H. P. 1021)

(Presented by Mr. Harriman of Hollis)

Bill "An Act Establishing a Consumers' Council" (H. P. 1022) (Presented by Mr. Moreshead of Augusta)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Education

Bill "An Act Repealing the Law Coordinating Public Higher Education in Maine" (H. P. 1023) (Presented by Mr. Richardson of Stonington)

Bill "An Act to Provide for Distribution of School Administrative District Budgets" (H. P. 1024) (Presented by Mr. Trask of Milo)

Bill "An Act relating to State Subsidy for School Superintendents" (H. P. 1025) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Health and Institutional Services

Bill "An Act relating to Bills Submitted by Charitable Organizations for State Aid" (H. P. 1026) (Presented by Mr. Martin of Eagle Lake)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Highways

Bill "An Act relating to the Determination of Limited-User Highways" (H. P. 1027) (Presented by Mr. Hardy of Hope)

Bill "An Act relating to Access Driveway from Route 1 to Certain Properties in Stockton Springs" (H. P. 1028) (Presented by Mr. Mitchell of Frankfort)

Bill "An Act relating to Agreements between Municipalities and State Highway Commission in Laying out Certain Highways" (H. P. 1029) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Judiciary

Bill "An Act Providing for Implied Consent Law for Operators of Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 1030) (Presented by Mr. Birt of East Millinocket)

Bill "An Act to Provide Mandatory Penalties for Commission of

a Crime with a Dangerous Weapon" (H. P. 1031) (Presented by Mr. Carter of Winslow)

Bill "An Act relating to Disposition in the Superior Court of Persons Charged with Crime" (H. P. 1032) (Presented by Mr. Lund of Augusta)

Bill "An Act relating to Alimony and Separate Maintenance in Divorce Actions" (H. P. 1033) (Presented by Mr. Ouellette of South Portland by request)

Bill "An Act Amending the Marriage Laws" (H. P. 1034) (Presented by Mrs. Wheeler of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Labor

Bill "An Act relating to Mediation Authority of State Employees Appeal Board" (H. P. 1035) (Presented by Mr. Crosby of Kennebunk)

Bill "An Act Creating a Public Employer-Employee Labor Relations Law" (H. P. 1036) (Presented by Mr. Huber of Rockland)

Bill "An Act Revising the State Board of Arbitration and Conciliation Law" (H. P. 1037) (Presented by Mr. Levesque of Madawaska)

Bill "An Act Repealing Exclusion of Seasonal or Casual Farm Laborers from Workmen's Compensation Law" (H. P. 1038) (Presented by Mr. Moreshead of Brunswick)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act relating to Sales of Beverages in Nonreturnable Bottles" (H. P. 1039) (Presented by Mr. Mitchell of Frankfort by request)

Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the City of Portland Relating to Recall" (H. P. 1040) (Presented by Mrs. Wheeler of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Liquor Control

Bill "An Act relating to Retail Sale of Wine" (H. P. 1041) (Presented by Mr. Moreshead of Augusta)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Natural Resources

Bill "An Act to Create a Use Regulation Commission" (H. P. 1042) (Presented by Mr. Bragdon of Perham)

Bill "An Act Establishing the Environmental Advisory Commission" (H. P. 1043) (Presented by Mr. Eustis of Dixfield)

Bill "An Act Classifying Marsh Stream, Waldo County" (H. P. 1044) (Presented by Mr. Mitchell of Frankfort)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Public Utilities

Bill "An Act Creating the Winterport Water District" (H. P. 1045) (Presented by Mr. Mitchell of Frankfort)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

State Government

Bill "An Act Establishing the Law Enforcement Planning and Assistance Agency" (H. P. 1046) (Presented by Mr. Brennan of Portland)

Bill "An Act to Establish the State Racing Commission" (H. P. 1047) (Presented by Mr. Harriman of Hollis)

Bill "An Act Revising the Maine State Personnel Laws" (H. P. 1048) (Presented by Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston)

Bill "An Act Increasing Salaries of County Attorneys and Assistant County Attorneys" (H. P. 1049) (Presented by Mr. Lund of Augusta)

Bill "An Act Establishing a Human Rights Commission" (H. P. 1050) (Presented by Mr. McTeague of Brunswick)

Bill "An Act to Establish a State Department of Family Relations" (H. P. 1051) (Presented by Mr. Ouellette of South Portland by request)

Bill "An Act Conferring upon Others the Powers now Vested in the Executive Council" (H. P. 1052) (Presented by Mr. Susi of Pittsfield)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Taxation

Bill "An Act relating to Sardine Tax Revenues for Advertising" (H. P. 1053) (Presented by Mr. Bunker of Gouldsboro)

Bill "An Act relating to the Jet Fuel Tax" (H. P. 1054) (Presented by Mr. Cox of Bangor)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Towns and Counties

Bill "An Act relating to Compensation of Councilmen of City of Biddeford and Prohibiting Contracts of Councilmen and Mayor with the City" (H. P. 1055) (Presented by Mr. Sheltra of Biddeford)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Transportation

Bill "An Act Revising the Motor Vehicle Dealer Registration Law" (H. P. 1056) (Presented by Mr. Lebel of Van Buren)

Bill "An Act relating to Signs on Slow Moving Vehicles" (H. P. 1057) (Presented by Mr. Scott of Presque Isle)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

At this point, Speaker Kennedy returned to the rostrum.

The SPEAKER: The Chair thanks the gentleman from Southwest Harbor, Mr. Benson for serving as Speaker pro tem. It is delightful I think and very profitable for any presiding officer to have someone that he can depend upon when an emergency arises and he must leave the rostrum temporarily.

The following Bills, approved by a majority of the Committee on Reference of Bills for appearance on House Calendar, were received and referred to the following Committees:

State Government

Bill "An Act Setting off a Portion of the Town of Perry to the State of Maine for the Pleasant Point Reservation" (H. P. 1058) (Presented by Mr. Mills of Eastport)

(Ordered Printed)
Sent up for concurrence.

Transportation

Bill "An Act relating to Turn Signals" (H. P. 1059) (Presented by Mr. Richardson of Cumberland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Orders

Mr. Chandler of Orono presented the following Joint Order and moved its passage:

WHEREAS, the Red Riots of Orono High School have won the State Class L basketball championship for the year 1969; and

WHEREAS, members of this championship team represent both the Town of Orono and the Town of Veazie; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the members of the 104th Maine Legislature commend this team and its coach, Robert Cimbolek, for their accomplishments in the field of sports and wish them continued success in their efforts to bring honor to their respective towns, school and state; and be it further

ORDERED, that a copy of this Joint Order be sent to the principal and coach of Orono High School. (H. P. 1060)

The Joint Order received passage and was sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Marsteller of Freeport presented the following Joint Order and moved its passage:

WHEREAS, the Falcons of Freeport High School have won the State Class M basketball championship for the year 1969; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the members of the 104th Maine Legislature commend this team and its coach, Loren Sibley, for their accomplishments in the field of sports and wish them continued success in their efforts to bring honor to their town, school and state; and be it further

ORDERED, that a copy of this Joint Order be sent to the principal and coach of Freeport High School. (H. P. 1061)

The Joint Order received passage and was sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Snow of Caribou presented the following Joint Order and moved its passage:

WHEREAS, the Vikings of Caribou High School have won the State LL basketball championship for the year 1969 in a thrilling finale; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the members of the 104th Maine Legislature commend this team and its coach, Gerry Duffy, for their accomplishments in the field of sports and wish them continued success in their efforts to bring honor to their city, school and state; and be it further

ORDERED, that a copy of this Joint Order be sent to the principal and coach of Caribou High School. (H. P. 1062)

The Joint Order received passage and was sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Williams of Hodgdon presented the following Joint Order and moved its passage:

WHEREAS, the Elks of Island Falls High School have won the State Class S basketball championship for the year 1969; now, therefore, be it

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the members of the 104th Maine Legislature commend this team and its coach, Phil Faulkner, for their accomplishments in the field of sports and wish them continued success in their efforts to bring honor to their town, school and state; and be it further

ORDERED, that a copy of this Joint Order be sent to the principal and coach of Island Falls High School. (H. P. 1063)

The Joint Order received passage and was sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Emery of Auburn, it was

ORDERED, that Donna Ventrilla of Livermore Falls High School be appointed to serve as Honorary Page for today.

On motion of Mr. Marquis of Lewiston, it was

ORDERED, that Jeanne Nadeau of Lewiston High School be appointed to serve as Honorary Page for today.

On motion of Mr. Rocheleau of Auburn, it was

ORDERED, that Joline Parent of Edward Little High School, Auburn, be appointed to serve as Honorary Page for today.

On motion of Mr. Gilbert of Turner, it was

ORDERED, that Valerie Varney of Leavitt High School be appointed to serve as Honorary Page for today.

On motion of Mr. Hunter of Durham, it was

ORDERED, that Linda Michaud of Lisbon High School be appointed to serve as Honorary Page for today.

On motion of Mr. Gaudreau of Lewiston, it was

ORDERED, that Monique Gendron of St. Dominic High School be appointed to serve as Honorary Page for today.

The SPEAKER: The Chair would advise the House that this is the traditional Androscoggin Day. This has gone on for many sessions, the sessions that I have been here in this House, and they exhibit their industries under the rotunda on the third floor of the State House. I will ask the Sergeant-at-Arms to escort the Honorary Pages to their positions in the well of the Hall of the House, and will you give them a good hand. (Applause)

Thereupon, the Sergeant-at-Arms escorted the Honorary Pages to their seats in the well of the House.

House Reports of Committees Leave to Withdraw

Mr. Curtis from the Committee on Claims on Resolve to Reimburse Lindore Labbe of Wallagrass Plantation for Damage by Beaver (H. P. 455) (L. D. 592) reported Leave to Withdraw.

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs

Mr. Scott of Presque Isle from the Committee on Business Legislation on Bill "An Act relating to Bank Holidays" (H. P. 593) (L.

D. 774) reported that it be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Report was read and accepted, the Bill referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

Ought to Pass Printed Bills

Mr. Scott of Presque Isle from the Committee on Business Legislation reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act Authorizing the Attorney General to Seek Dissolution of Certain Corporations" (H. P. 656) (L. D. 843)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Venue of Certain Corporate Court Actions" (H. P. 657) (L. D. 844)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Consolidation of Corporations with Foreign Corporations" (H. P. 658) (L. D. 845)

Mr. Vincent from the Committee on Election Laws reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Political Committees and Political Advertising" (H. P. 684) (L. D. 883)

Mr. Soulas from the Committee on Health and Institutional Services reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Septic Tank and Cesspool Cleaners" (H. P. 685) (L. D. 884)

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

Ought to Pass With Committee Amendment

Mr. Chandler from the Committee on Liquor Control on Bill "An Act relating to Liquors Manufactured or Bottled in Maine" (H. P. 524) (L. D. 695) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-91) submitted therewith.

Mr. Bernier from the Committee on Public Utilities on Bill "An Act to Increase the Borrowing Capacity of Richmond Utilities District" (H. P. 642) (L. D. 830) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (H-92) submitted therewith.

Reports were read and accepted and the Bills read twice. Committee Amendment "A" to each was read by the Clerk and adopted, and tomorrow assigned for third reading of the Bills.

**Divided Report
Tabled and Assigned**

Majority Report of the Committee on Liquor Control reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Amount of Liquor that may be Imported into State for Personal Use" (H. P. 703) (L. D. 903)

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. BERRY of Cumberland
CONLEY of Cumberland
BOISVERT of Androscoggin
— of the Senate.

Messrs. STILLINGS of Berwick
CHANDLER of Orono
TANGUAY of Lewiston
COUTURE of Lewiston
FAUCHER of Solon
— of the House.

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

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. HICHENS of Eliot
LEIBOWITZ of Portland
— of the House.

Reports were read.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Eliot, Mr. Hichens.

Mr. HICHENS: Mr. Speaker, I move that the Minority Report "Ought to pass" be accepted.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Eliot, Mr. Hichens, moves that the House accept the Minority "Ought to pass" Report. Is this the pleasure of the House?

(Cries of "No")

Whereupon, on motion of Mr. Chandler of Orono, tabled pending the motion of Mr. Hichens of Eliot and specially assigned for Friday March 14.

Passed to Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act relating to Shooting Domestic Animals or Birds while Hunting" (S. P. 355) (L. D. 1127)

Bill "An Act Providing for Maintenance of a Certain Road

Leading to Baxter State Park" (H. P. 229) (L. D. 285)

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 relating to Definition of Agricultural Societies to Qualify for Stipend" (H. P. 365) (L. D. 475)

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

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

House Amendment "A" (H-93) was read by the Clerk and adopted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

**Third Reader
Tabled and Assigned**

Bill "An Act relating to Killing Rodents in Orchards" (H. P. 451) (L. D. 588)

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

(On motion of Mr. Jutras of Sanford, tabled pending passage to be engrossed and specially assigned for tomorrow.)

Bill "An Act relating to Tuberculosis Sanatoriums" (H. P. 686) (L. D. 885)

Resolve in Favor of the City of Augusta (H. P. 3) (L. D. 3)

Resolve to Reimburse Kermit Sanborn of South Portland for Damage by Escapees from Boys Training Center (H. P. 595) (L. D. 776)

Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Providing for Regulation by the Legislature of Municipal Borrowing (H. P. 673) (L. D. 859)

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 relating to Wild Animals in Captivity" (S. P. 221) (L. D. 661)

Bill "An Act Changing Name of State Soil and Water Conservation Committee" (H. P. 353) (L. D. 461)

Were 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.

Orders of the Day

The following Members were granted unanimous consent to address the House relative to Androscoggin County Day:

Mr. TANGUAY of Lewiston: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: My brief remarks will focus your attention on the 10th Androscoggin Day at the Maine Legislature. A short description of many products manufactured in our progressive county will be given to you by some of my colleagues.

Androscoggin County comprises the cities of Lewiston, Auburn, recipients of the Model Cities and All-American Cities Awards, respectively, and thirteen industrial and farming towns. Its population numbers approximately 100,000.

Androscoggin County boasts of several points. The skilled fingers of this great shoe and textile area is unexcelled. Our school system, both public and parochial, is recognized by a good percentage of our students who follow through and further their education. Our post-high school education is one to be envied. Among them is the internationally known Bates College. The Central Maine Vocational School, located on the banks of Lake Grove in Auburn, is being recognized for its programming, directorship and successes throughout New England. Besides full enrollment, this school, only six years in operation, boasts an enrollment of more than 1600 evening students. We are also the home for two business colleges, namely Bliss College and the Auburn School of Commerce.

I would now humbly request that one of my colleagues give me a hand in further describing Androscoggin County.

Mr. COTE of Lewiston: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: Once again it is my pleasant duty as a Representative from the great City of Lewiston, not only to be proud of Androscoggin County but to direct your attention to the display of products manufactured in the City of Lewiston.

Bates Manufacturing Company, employing approximately 2,500, continues to be the City's largest employer. Its products and particularly its bedspreads are known and valued throughout the United States and abroad. Bates is continually developing new lines of diversified products and new opportunities for its employees.

American Philip Elmet Corporation from Philip Elmet, an old Lewiston corporation employing approximately one hundred twenty-five craftsmen. The Nation's manufacturers receive the finest in quality molybdenum and tungsten products, as well as plated wire.

Hillcrest Poultry Company is a fully integrated poultry producing processing industry. Products including fresh packed and frozen are sold under the label "Country Cousins." The products are sold throughout eastern United States and the Armed Forces.

Knapp Brothers Shoe Manufacturers Company is solidly established and happy in its Lewiston operation. It supplies workers throughout the Nation with the finest in quality working shoes.

Paragon Glass Company, who just two years ago completed the construction of a new 30,000 square foot building, has developed into the largest Christmas ornament bulb company in the United States. Paragon's attractive products are entering homes throughout the world.

Geiger Brothers have enlarged their plant to a great extent and have continued to make history through its witty and accurate Almanac, having predicted this year mild weather during the winter months, and February despite its snowfall has been a very mild month. Paine Incense Company, a unique organization in Androscoggin County, sends its fragrance for which our State of

Maine is famous in packaged balsam fir pillows and incense throughout the United States. There are many, many other products such as exhibited here today by Twin City Printing, Commonwealth Shoe Company, Maine Awards, and others. These products are being manufactured also in our city but are too numerous to be mentioned at this time.

In closing, in behalf of the manufacturers of the City of Lewiston, we, the Representatives of Lewiston, invite you to view the wonderful exhibit of their products located in the rotunda; and may I add that I am proud to have shared in the observance of the 10th Androscoggin County Day. Lewiston is proud of its contribution to the economy of Androscoggin County and of our State of Maine. Thank you.

Mr. ROCHELEAU of Auburn: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: As a member of the Auburn delegation, I would like to welcome you to Androscoggin Day. On display today in the rotunda we have the following: Falcon Rule Company, BonAn Footwear Company, Inc., where canvas and rubber sneakers and women's vinyl slippers are manufactured and where approximately 500 people are employed. This is a subsidiary of Goodyear Rubber Company. General Electric Company, producing circuit protective devices; Pioneer Plastics Corporation, manufacturing diversified plastic products, and our newest industry to migrate to Auburn, Albany Felt Company. Last on my list, but not to be forgotten is, Country Kitchen, makers of Batter Whipped Bread, the Toast of Maine. Thank you.

Mr. DRIGOTAS of Auburn: I arise to salute the City of Auburn for its participation in the now famous and colorful Androscoggin County Day. Auburn is the shrine city of the County whose busy county offices serve the myriad needs of its inhabitants. It is a thriving industrial city as well as the city of many beautiful homes. The City of Auburn proudly wears the mantle of All American City,

one of eleven cities so chosen throughout the United States. Auburn was so chosen by the National Municipal League and Look Magazine.

It is presently observing its 100th anniversary of incorporation as a city and the Centennial will be celebrated by community programs. The planning of this event started two years ago with many many committees involved, headed up first by Mayor Woodard and presently Mayor Goudey and City Manager Woodbury Brackett.

One of the highlights of its observance is published for this occasion. It spans the hundred years of history, contains 400 pages and was authored by Auburn's distinguished city historian, the Honorable Ralph Skinner. He was assisted by many people notably John Libbey and Dafne Merrill.

It is with community pride that I am privileged to commemorate and commend Auburn for its centennial observance and its participation in the Androscoggin County Day.

Mr. HUNTER of Durham: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I too am from Androscoggin County. Androscoggin County is one of the young counties in this State. We didn't exist at all until 1854 and we took Durham and Auburn and Minot and Poland right away from Cumberland County, and up on the northern end we took Livermore Falls and Leeds and Greene and Wales from Kennebec County; and Lewiston and Lisbon and Webster came from Lincoln County; and Turner and Livermore came from Oxford County.

You know, we're one of the smaller counties in the State in area, but we're fifth in population. So it shows that we're doing something right! (Laughter and applause)

Now what I would like to speak about is agriculture. It is characterized by energetic and intelligent people. These people conduct an industry that produces around \$12,000,000 annually at the farms and the economists tell me that for every dollar at the farms it means about seven dollars or

eight dollars when it gets in trades, or what we really do is to produce about \$84,000,000 of the economy of this great County of ours.

Some of the people involved in this industry is Oscar Turner of Livermore, a man of many parts and a leader in the egg marketing industry. Jack DeCoster, who owns and operates the largest brown egg producing complex in the Nation. Hillcrest Poultry Company in Lewiston has received presidential recognition for their work with the handicapped worker, and then the Maine Egg Farms in Greene, etcetera.

Words fail me to explain just what a large complex they have up there. The only way I can describe it is each and every day they produce one hundred and fifty tons of pure hen manure. (laughter)

Then our dairy industry. The number one drink of Androscoggin County is milk and in our dairy industry we have Sherman Varney, Paul Varney, Lawrence Caldwell, Bill Morris, Maurice Keene, Charles Tebbets, Don Hatch, Glen Torrey, and the gentlemen are all gentlemen from Leeds, and Guy Buckley, are among the leading dairymen of Androscoggin County. And these people have kept up with the technology and the economic explosions which have put so much pressure on the Maine Dairy Industry.

Now an apple a day keeps the doctor away. And Lewis Berry, Arch Leavitt, Rufus Prince, Albion Ricker, the Wallingfords and Boothbys help to keep the doctor away forty million times a year with the apples that they produce. And although Androscoggin County isn't a county as far as potatoes are concerned, we produce almost a peck of potatoes for every man, woman and child in the State of Maine.

Still another thing. In addition to farmers farming, they make good citizens too. They give very generously of their time to local town government, civic affairs and things like that, and don't hold back at all, and they give of their talents to the other people to use.

Incidentally, I want to call your attention to the display we have

here in the rotunda. There are six concerns from Lisbon, the Vinylidine Corporation which makes floor covering; Bradco Company which makes furniture; Maine Research Corporation — I have been in there every two weeks or so and I don't know what they do make in there, it's so complicated. The U.S. Gypsum and the Lisbon Mills and Austin Mills which are in the textile business. And we have a display of antique hat pins and things like that — Mrs. Charles Cooidge from Leeds, and the Fedco Company, fertilizer manufacturer from Greene.

However, the finest product that we have in our County is its people. We are traditionally the melting pot of every nationality, and they have come together and gone to the same schools and they have married and had nice large families and have learned to live together, and have mutual respect for each other's culture, tradition, the other person's holidays and things like that; and the great majority are forward-looking and ambitious, and by their involvement hope and intend to build a better life for their children, their grandchildren and all the people in the County. (Applause)

Mr. GAUDREAU of Lewiston: Mr. Speaker, the Honorable Louis Jalbert, and Distinguished Members of the Legislature: "I deeply regret my inability to personally join you in recognizing the contribution of Androscoggin County to our State's progress. It is a happy privilege to extend my greetings to our County not only for its industrial growth which has added to our economy, but also for the part it plays in furthering the lofty ideals of American Democracy.

With your cooperation we will soon build another bridge across the Androscoggin River to better serve our physical needs. May I remind you that we of Androscoggin County have constructed a spiritual bridge of understanding, abolishing the distance between men and bringing them close together in true fellowship and neighborliness, recognizing that being a neighbor depends on some-

thing more substantial than mere accidental proximity.

It is in our County that there was instituted a program of ecumenism more than a quarter of a century ago, when a team of clergymen, consisting of the Reverend Father Francois Drouin, now of Ottawa, the Rev. Albert C. Niles, now of Brockton, and myself, began carrying the message of Brotherhood and neighborliness. We are now reaping the rich harvest of our efforts.

I am proud and happy to extend my wishes and prayers that we continue to grow ever stronger industrially and spiritually, with vigor, vision and determination as we move into a prosperous and secure future." Signed Rabbi David Berent.

Mr. JALBERT of Lewiston: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: You have heard a great deal said about our county and all factual, and on the record, Mr. Speaker, all original.

There are some who did not get up by presenting orders or making remarks, namely, Representative Laberge of Auburn, Representative Emery of Auburn and Representative Couture of Lewiston, all members in that community in very good standing, all members of the delegation in good standing.

We feel in our county that we have a very fine county; we feel we have a county that looks to progress; we feel that we have a county that doesn't at times mind, as one would say on the Carnival lot, a little charade, but believe me, after these little discussions that we have that sometimes heat up, why some of us are for the better and some of us learn something.

There is one industry, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, that has not been brought forth that I saved in part at least for myself, and that is another industry that was made possible by the people of a previous Legislature and continued in progress by other Legislatures and I hope in the future, and I speak of Central Maine Vocational Technical Institute located in Androscoggin

County. I'm not going to go into the disheartening episode that I went through when I woke up and found it based on the banks of the beautiful Lake Grove, but so be it, Lake Grove being in Auburn. I have got over this feeling that I have had because really if some of you have not visited Central Maine Vocational School located on the banks of Lake Grove in Auburn, you are in for a treat should you visit. It is academically, structurally and program-wise unsurpassed in my opinion by none other in this Country. It's a six year old school which now boasts an enrollment of 1600 plus adults in the evening. If that does not speak for progress, I wouldn't know what would.

I notice who came in, because of business reasons, at a late hour, another member who is in good standing in his community and also in our county delegation, the honorable gentleman from Mechanic Falls, Representative Frank Foster.

In closing, Mr. Speaker and Members of the House, I would like to thank you personally, the Page boys, and certainly our affable Clerk and her assistants for the cooperation that we have had at this Androscoggin Day as we have had at all Androscoggin Days. I welcome you all, thanking you all for listening to us, I certainly hope not boring, and I welcome you all to our program under the rotunda at 1:00 o'clock this afternoon; welcome you to visit our exhibits, enjoy some of our apple cider, and also enjoy Androscoggin County's number one drink — milk. Thank you, very much.

Mr. BENSON of Southwest Harbor: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: We observe here today at the State House a group of dedicated people working together to place the proverbial best foot of the county forward, and I just think that this is an act that we can observe and hopefully take a note from their book.

On behalf of the Republican membership of the House, I would like to commend them and

congratulate them for the excellent display and the very businesslike manner with which they have carried out their program. Thank you. (Applause)

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

HOUSE REPORT — Ought not to pass — Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act Creating a Second Assistant County Attorney for the County of York" (H. P. 302) (L. D. 378)

Tabled — March 5, by Mr. Crosby of Kennebunk.

Pending — Motion of Mr. Danton of Old Orchard Beach to Reconsider Acceptance.

On motion of Mr. Dennett of Kittery, retabled pending the motion of Mr. Danton of Old Orchard Beach to reconsider acceptance of the "Ought not to pass" Report and specially assigned for Wednesday, March 19.

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

HOUSE REPORT — Ought to pass in New Draft — Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act relating to Hunting License for Certain Maine Residents in Armed Forces" (H. P. 384) (L. D. 494) — New Draft under title "An Act relating to Hunting and Fishing Licenses for Certain Maine Residents in Armed Forces" (H. P. 947) (L. D. 1125)

Tabled — March 5, by Mr. Carrier of Westbrook.

Pending—Acceptance.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Westbrook, Mr. Carrier.

Mr. CARRIER: Mr. Speaker, Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I was ready to debate the passage of L. D. 494 and to do away with the Committee Report in New Draft of L. D. 1125. I have to confess that I took my daily quota of raw nails this morning, so I feel able to debate against this L. D. 1125.

However, in consideration of the desires of some of the members of the Committee who might have seen the light, I will be a nice

fella and I will give them a chance to prepare themselves for Friday when I will be back for debate on this bill.

I wish that somebody would table this until Friday, or do they want to? I would ask to have it tabled.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Porter of Lincoln, retabled pending acceptance and specially assigned for Friday, March 14.

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

HOUSE MAJORITY REPORT (6) — Ought not to pass — Committee on Election Laws on Bill "An Act Repealing Certain Procedure for Registration of Voters" (H. P. 628) (L. D. 816) — Minority Report (4) — Ought to pass.

Tabled — March 5, by Mr. Porter of Lincoln.

Pending — Acceptance of either Report.

On motion of Mr. Henley of Norway, retabled pending acceptance of either Report and specially assigned for Wednesday, March 19.

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

Bill "An Act relating to Leave of Absence for Teachers and Principals" (H. P. 139) (L. D. 161)

Tabled — March 5, by Mr. Henley of Norway.

Pending — Passage to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Richardson of Stonington, retabled pending passage to be engrossed and specially assigned for Tuesday, March 18.

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

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Watercraft Registration and Safety Law" (H. P. 118) (L. D. 134) (Committee Amendment "A" (H-44) adopted)

Tabled—March 6, by Mrs. Baker of Orrington.

Pending — Passage to be engrossed.

Mr. Kelley of Southport offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

House Amendment "A" (H-90) was read by the Clerk and adopted, the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and House Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

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

HOUSE MAJORITY REPORT (6)—"Ought to pass" in New Draft—Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act Providing for Statement of Taxes and Other Assessments on Real Property" (H. P. 581) (L. D. 766)—New Draft (H. P. 972) (L. D. 1153) and MINORITY REPORT (4) reporting — "Ought not to pass."

Tabled—March 11, by Mr. Brennan of Portland.

Pending—Motion of Mr. Fortier of Rumford to Accept Minority Report.

On motion of Mr. Starbird of Kingman Township, retabled pending the motion of Mr. Fortier of Rumford to accept the Minority Report and specially assigned for Friday, March 14.

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

An Act Appropriating Moneys for Essential Needs at the University of Maine (S. P. 77) (L. D. 235)

Tabled—March 11, by Mr. Benson of Southwest Harbor.

Pending—Passage to be enacted.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Lund.

Mr. LUND: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Unfortunately, yesterday when this matter came up for action, I was in Mr. Slosberg's office signing my bills and I was unaware of the debate and the action that was taken. However, for the benefit of the House members who have not been here in the previous session and the session before that, I would like to explain just very briefly what is involved in this measure.

Previous to the merger into the Super University, we had in the

State of Maine five state colleges who operated under the direction of the State Board of Education. In addition to this, we had the University of Maine under its Board of Trustees. There was literally no communication or coordination between these separate institutions. In fact, as far as I can find, the state colleges themselves received very little direction and supervision from the State Board and operated pretty much as autonomous units, making their own decisions as to what to do and where to go.

The Legislature in establishing the Super University wished to see a change in this procedure. It was the practice in the past to allocate funds and resources in a fashion that was pretty much like a mother bird feeding the little birds in the nest. Too often it was the bird with the big mouth that got the worm, whether or not he was the one who should have gotten the worm.

The big job which is to be done and which must be done by the Chancellor and his office is to re-define the mission of the elements of the University. This is a fancy way of saying we have got to decide who is going to do what and how much they are going to have to do it.

To give you two brief examples, at the present time we are training elementary school teachers in all five of our state colleges, and at Orono and to some extent apparently also at Portland. Despite all of this effort, we have a shortage in the State of Maine of elementary school teachers, and it would seem to make sense for us to make a decision to do a good job in a few places instead of trying to spread ourselves too thin. Somebody has to make that decision. That decision is not going to be made voluntarily by these separate institutions. It wasn't in the past, and it won't in the future unless somebody is able to do it and has the manpower to do it.

We have heard some discussion about problems of land expansion at the University of Maine in Portland. So we have two campuses now within the same system, one

acquiring land by buying house lots and tearing the houses down; the other, a few miles away, a few minutes away, with all kinds of land available at rural land prices. Somebody has to make a decision as to what the proper function of the Portland unit is to be and what the proper function of the Gorham unit is to be. This has to be done by the Chancellor and his staff.

In addition to this, there are a list — and I have noted them down this morning, I haven't had a chance to organize them, I am not going to read them, but there are probably two or three dozen differences between elements of the University, differences in the length of the academic year, admission policies, graduation policies, tenure of faculty, retirement age, a host of differences that have to be ironed out, and it is the Chancellor and his staff that have got to iron it out.

I don't think it would be any secret to say to you that dealing with academic people, dealing with the faculties and administrations of these institutions, is a little bit different from dealing with some kinds of people. These are educated people, and they have got lots of arguments why the thing that you want them to do shouldn't be done, and it's going to take a skilled man and skilled staff to carry this out. This is the reason for this emergency bill.

In its original form, this L. D. contained within it appropriations for matters other than the Chancellor's staff, and it ran to some three hundred thousand or more. Your Appropriations Committee, aware of the shortage of funds, felt that it was most important to take care of what needed to be done first namely, to establish the Chancellor's staff. In the course of the hearing, at which Chancellor McNeil spoke, he reduced his request for the Chancellor's staff from \$122,000 to \$95,000. Your Appropriations Committee was impressed by this move and reduced the appropriation further to \$75,000.

The original bill that established the Super University carried an appropriation of \$103,000. At the

time the budget information was submitted to the Legislature, \$37,000 of this had been used up, and by now I would say a substantial additional amount has been used up. I know that it has been necessary and to hire consultants to determine the courses of some of these differences that have to be straightened out. It seems to me that if this Legislature wants to carry out some of the things that I have outlined, mainly giving direction to this academic monolith that is sprawled all over the State, we ought to be prepared to pay for the people to do it, and it doesn't make sense to me to bring a man here who has an excellent reputation, who shows every promise of being able to do the job, and to suggest to him that he should do the job with a secretary and a telephone.

I therefore hope that the efforts to cause difficulty to this emergency appropriation will come to nothing, that we will at the very least give this man a chance to show what he can do when he has a reasonable sized staff to carry out his duties.

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

Mr. BENSON: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would add just a word to what Representative Lund has already said, and that is, if we agree that the majority should prevail, then I feel that the will of the majority of the 103rd Legislature should be a guiding light for us here today.

We have adopted a new concept in the operation of our several institutions of higher education. That new concept has not yet been tried; in order for us to try it, we must invest of our resources, and that is what we are talking about here today. I feel very very strongly that we have an obligation to give this operation a chance. If, after that chance, we feel that it has not given us the satisfaction that we had hoped for, the new direction that we had hoped for, then is the time for us to re-evaluate our original intent. But I think that we should start here today by funding the office

of the Chancellor, and as the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Lund, has told you, the Appropriations Committee unanimously was convinced that the Chancellor and his people were attempting to do the best job that they could for the fewest number of dollars. I urge you to vote in favor of this emergency measure. Thank you.

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

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I would concur with the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Lund, and the gentleman from Southwest Harbor, Mr. Benson. I certainly wholeheartedly endorse the idea of the new concept comment brought about, because the new concept in my opinion is that the original proposal of \$322,000 now is down to \$75,000, I think that's a beautiful concept.

This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a total was taken, 99 voted in favor of same and 37 against.

Mr. Richardson of Cumberland then requested a roll call.

The SPEAKER: A roll call has been requested. For the Chair to order a roll call, it must have the expressed desire of one fifth of the members present and voting. All of those desiring a roll call will vote yes, those opposed will vote no. The Chair opens the vote.

More than one fifth having expressed a desire for a roll call, a roll call was ordered.

The SPEAKER: The pending question is the enactment of L. D. 235. All of those in favor of this Bill being enacted as an emergency measure will vote yes, those opposed will vote no. The Chair opens the vote.

ROLL CALL

YEA — Barnes, Benson, Bernier, Birt, Boudreau, Bourgoin, Bragdon, Brennan, Brown, Buckley, Burnham, Carey, Carrier, Casey, Chandler, Chick, Clark, C. H.; Corson, Cottrell, Croteau, Cummings, Curtis, Cushing, Dam, Danton, Dri-gotas, Dyar, Farnham, Fecteau, Finemore, Fortier, M.; Fraser,

Gaudreau, Gauthier, Gilbert, Giroux, Good, Hall, Hardy, Has-Kell, Hawkins, Henley, Hewes, Hichens, Hunter, Immonen, Jalbert, Johnston, Jutras, Kelley, R. P.; Kilroy, Laberge, Lawry, Lebel, Leibowitz, LePage, Levesque, Lewin, Lund, MacPhail, Marquis, Marsteller, Martin, McKinnon, McTeague, Millett, Mills, Mitchell, Morgan, Nadeau, Norris, Noyes, Ouellette, Page, Payson, M. W.; Porter, Pratt, Quimby, Rand, Richardson, H. L.; Rideout, Ross, Sahagian, Santoro, Scott, C. F.; Scott, G. W.; Shaw, Sheltra, Snow, Stillings, Tanguay, Temple, Thompson, Tyndale, Vincent, Watson, Wheeler, White, Williams, Wood, The Speaker,

NAY — Baker, Berman, Binnette, Bunker, Carter, Cote, Couture, Cox, Crommett, Crosby, Dennett, Donaghy, Dudley, Durgin, Emery, Eustis, Evans, Faucher, Hanson, Harriman, Heselton, Huber, Jameson, Kelleher, Kelley, K. F.; Keyte, Lee, Lewis, Lincoln, McNally, Meisner, Moreshead, Richardson, G. A.; Rocheleau, Starbird, Trask.

ABSENT — Allen, Bedard, Clark, H. G.; Coffey, Curran, D'Alfonso, Fortier, A. J.; Foster, Mosher, Soulas, Susi, Waxman, Wight.

Yes, 101; No, 36, Absent, 13.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will announce the vote. 101 having voted in the affirmative and 36 having voted in the negative, the Bill is passed to be enacted as an emergency measure. It will be signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

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

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I move that we reconsider our action whereby we passed a Joint Order yesterday that would ask the Committee on State Government to report out a bill redefining the duties and responsibilities of the Department of Economic Development.

The SPEAKER: The Chair would advise the gentleman that the paper is in the possession of the House, and the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, moves that we reconsider the passage of this Joint Order of yesterday.

On motion of Mr. Richardson of Cumberland, tabled pending the motion of Mr. Jalbert of Lewiston to reconsider passage, and specially assigned for Friday, March 14.

The SPEAKER: The House is

proceeding under Orders of the Day.

On motion of Mr. Couture of Lewiston,

Adjourned until nine o'clock tomorrow morning.