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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. McWhorter of Augusta.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state that the indications are that we propose to meet at nine o'clock tomorrow morning for the purpose of participating in the trip to Bath; and the indications are that an order will come from the Senate to reconvene Monday afternoon at 4.30. This early session tomorrow will tend to expedite the printing over the week end, and committees will thus be enabled to report out tomorrow morning so that new drafts can be printed, and the printed copies will be available Monday. The business will thus be forwarded and bills passed along through the engrossing stage.

It will not be long before we are concerned with the question of final adjournment, and expedition of business at this time is important. The Clerk and the Chair will take what pains they can to go through the formal business of the House as expeditiously as possible. If a member is apprehensive that something may pass without his notice, he can well speak to the Clerk or the Chair before the session begins. The Clerk and his entire office seem to have unlimited patience and the Chair will try to emulate that division of our branch.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

Senate Bills in First Reading

S. P. No. 451: An act to change the personnel of the Budget Committee.

S. P. No. 523: An act to amend Chapter 20 of the Revised Statutes relating to apothecaries and the sale of poisons.

S. P. No. 108: An act to amend the charter and change the name of People's Realty Association to People's Mutual Loan Association.

S. P. No. 277: An act to authorize "The First Church and Parish" to sell and convey certain land and buildings.

S. P. No. 282: An act to correct a

clerical error in Section 13 of Chapter 98 of the Private and Special Laws of 1923.

From the Senate: Report of the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on bill, an act to prohibit the taking of firearms into unorganized townships during closed season on partridge or ruffed grouse, so-called, S. P. 165, H. D. 140, reporting same in a new draft, S. P. 526, S. D. 220, under title of An act to prohibit the taking of firearms into unorganized townships between September 10th and December 10th of each year, and that it ought to pass.

In the Senate, report read and accepted and the bill indefinitely postponed.

Mr. WING: Mr. Speaker, will you state the parliamentary situation?

The SPEAKER: The bill was indefinitely postponed in the Senate after the acceptance of the committee report.

On motion by Mr. Wing, the House voted to concur with the Senate in the indefinite postponement of this bill.

From the Senate: Bill, an act relating to the fees of clerks of cities and towns, H. P. 551, H. D. 119, which was passed to be engrossed in the House March 6th.

Comes from the Senate passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment A in non-concurrence.

In the House: (Senate Amendment A read)

On motion by Mr. Wing of Auburn, the House voted to reconsider its action whereby this bill was passed to be engrossed; and on further motion by the same gentleman Senate Amendment A was adopted in concurrence; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill as amended by Senate Amendment A was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

The following remonstrances were received and, upon recommendation of the committee on reference of bills, were referred to the following committees:

Judiciary

By Mr. Ieland of Sangerville: Remonstrance of Ruth Hussey of Sangerville and certain others against repeal of the Direct Primary Law. (H. P. No. 1212).

By Mr. Bisbee of Damariscotta: Remonstrance of Frank E. Somes

and others against same. (H. P. No. 1214).

By Mr. Hale of Portland: Remonstrance of C. T. Owen and certain others of Portland against passage of Bill "An Act to prevent illegal interference with the Business of Another" and Bill "An Act relative to inciting, inducing or persuading another to commit Crime." (H. P. No. 1213).

Orders

On motion by Mr. Hall of Waterville, it was

Ordered, that bill, an act relating to taking of pickerel and smelts through the ice from the Belgrade Chain of Lakes, House Paper 747, be taken from the files and returned to the House.

Mr. Lamson of South Portland presented the following order and moved its passage:

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that the Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries be authorized to prepare and have printed for free distribution five thousand copies of the Revised Sea and Shore Fisheries Laws in convenient pocket form, the expense of this work to be paid from the appropriation of the Department of Sea and Shore Fisheries.

The order received passage and was sent up for concurrence.

Reports of Committees

Mr. Flint from the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on bill, An Act to amend Section 32 of Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1917, as amended, relating to the pollution of certain waters with mill waste (H. P. No. 950) reported that same be placed on file as the subject matter has been incorporated in another bill.

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on bill, An Act relating to the pollution of certain waters in the State with mill waste (H. P. No. 744).

Mr. Nichols from the committee on Judiciary reported ought not to pass, on bill, An Act relative to the Judge not acting in cases within the jurisdiction of his court (H. P. No. 768).

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on bill, An Act relating to limitation of right to enter on or take land (H. P. No. 707) (H. Doc. No. 150).

Mr. Oakes from same committee reported same on bill, An Act relating to Municipal and Police Courts and providing that Judges shall not be of

counsel (H. P. No. 705) (H. Doc. No. 170).

Mr. Martin from same committee reported same on bill, An Act to prevent fraudulent advertising (H. P. No. 701) (H. Doc. No. 166).

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on bill, An Act to amend Chapter 7 of the Revised Statutes entitled "Elections" (H. P. No. 711) (H. Doc. No. 155).

Mr. Drake from the committee on Ways and Bridges reported same on bill, An Act entitled "An Act to assist towns in the improvement of their highways" (H. P. No. 807).

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on resolve in favor of the town of Orient, Aroostook county (H. P. No. 817).

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on resolve in aid of the repairing and rebuilding of a road in Prentiss (H. P. No. 820).

Reports read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Majority report of the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reporting ought to pass on bill, An Act providing for a yearly limit of one deer in all counties of the State (H. P. No. 258) (H. Doc. No. 51) together with Petitions, (H. P. No. 442) (H. P. No. 443) (H. P. No. 741) (H. P. No. 917) (H. P. No. 740) (H. P. No. 485) (H. P. No. 484) (H. P. No. 483) (H. P. No. 1025) (H. P. No. 1024).

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. CRAFTS of Piscataquis,
LORD of Wells,
—of the Senate.

KINSMAN of Augusta,
BUKER of Bath,
FLINT of Monson,
STONE of Bridgton,
BUMP of Wilton,
—of the House.

Minority report of same committee reporting ought not to pass on same bill together with same petitions.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. WILSON of Aroostook,
—of the Senate.

FROST of Eastport,
HALLETT of Ashland,
—of the House.

The SPEAKER: What is the pleasure of the House?

Mr. BRAGDON of Perham: Mr. Speaker, I move that the bill and the reports lie on the table pending the acceptance of either report.

A viva voce vote on this motion being doubted,

A division of the House was had. Forty-eight voting in the affirmative and 73 in the negative, the motion to table was lost.

Mr. FLINT of Monson: Mr. Speaker, I move the acceptance of the majority report, ought to pass.

A viva voce vote being taken, the House voted to accept the majority report.

Mr. KINSMAN of Augusta: Mr. Speaker, I move that this matter be placed on the table and be especially assigned for Tuesday morning.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion to table failed of passage.

On motion by Mr. Eustis of Strong, this bill received its two several readings and tomorrow assigned for its third reading.

Mr. BRAGDON of Perham: Mr. Speaker, I move that the bill now lie on the table for the purpose of offering an amendment.

The SPEAKER: It will first be necessary to reconsider the assignment for the third reading.

On motion by Mr. Bragdon of Perham, the House voted to reconsider its action whereby tomorrow was assigned for the third reading of this bill.

The SPEAKER: Mr. Bragdon of Perham now moves that this matter lie on the table for the purpose of amendment.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion to table failed of passage, and the bill was assigned for its third reading tomorrow morning at nine o'clock.

Mr. White from the committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reported "ought to pass" on resolve in favor of an appropriation for the directors of the Port of Portland for the payment of salaries and expenses, (H. P. 589)

Report read and accepted and the resolve ordered printed under the joint rules.

Mr. Wing from the Committee on Judiciary reported "Ought to pass" on bill "An Act relieving the State of the necessity of alleging and proving the non-existence of a federal permit in proceedings for punishment for unlawful transportation of liquor and for forfeiture of vehicles, boats etc." (H. P. No. 969) (H. Doc. No. 255)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on bill "An Act to amend Section 127 of Chapter 87 of the Revised Statutes, relative to affidavits being received as prima

facie evidence" (H. P. No. 895) (H. Doc. No. 224)

Mr. Hale from same Committee reported same on bill "An Act relating to admission to the bar" (H. P. No. 941) (H. Doc. No. 242)

Mr. Dwinal from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported same on bill "An Act to amend Chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1903, pertaining to the School Board of the City of Brewer" (H. P. No. 382) (H. Doc. No. 75)

Mr. Young from the Committee on Maine Publicity reported same on Resolve in favor of the designation of a certain day in February of each year as Potato Day (H. P. No. 232) (H. Doc. No. 41)

Reports read and accepted and the bills and resolve having already been printed, the bills were read twice, the resolve read once, and tomorrow assigned.

Mr. Buker from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on bill "An Act to close hunting in certain territory in Sagadahoc County to be known as the West Bath Game Preserve" (H. P. No. 601) reported same in a new draft (H. P. No. 1211) under same title and that it "Ought to pass".

Report read and accepted and the new draft ordered printed under the Joint Rules.

First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves

H. P. No. 715: An act to authorize the State Board of Registration and Examination in Optometry to issue a certificate of registration to David M. House.

H. P. No. 1171: An act to require the teaching of American History and Civil Government in the public and private schools.

Mr. EUSTIS of Strong: I wish to offer House Amendment A, Mr. Speaker, and move its adoption.

The SPEAKER: The Clerk will read the amendment.

House Amendment A to House Paper 1171, bill an act to require the teaching of American History and Civil Government in the public and private schools.

"Amend said bill by striking out the words 'including the constitution of the United States' in both places where they appear in said bill and inserting in place thereof in both of said places the words 'including the constitutions of the State of Maine and the United States'."

The SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the House that this amendment be adopted.

Mr. STURGIS of Auburn: Mr. Speaker, I move the indefinite postponement of Amendment A.

The SPEAKER: The pending question is on the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. GAGNE of Lewiston: Mr. Speaker, I want this bill and amendment tabled and especially assigned for Tuesday next.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion to table failed of passage.

Mr. WING of Auburn: Mr. Speaker, will you give me the number of the document?

The SPEAKER: It is House Document 413, an act to require the teaching of American History and Civil Government in the public and private schools. This is the same matter that was introduced in an old draft in House Document No. 56. The new draft appears as House Document 413. The pending question is on the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. EUSTIS of Strong: Mr. Speaker, I would like to explain briefly why I asked for this amendment. A knowledge of American History and its background is essential and should be required. The constitution of the State of Maine is based on the constitution of our national government. My short experience in the schools and the colleges of our State has led me to believe that at least seventy-five percent of our students have no knowledge of the actual government of their own State. They know nothing of the functioning of this Legislature. They know nothing of how their laws are made. This amendment in a small way will tend to do away with this difficulty and to teach the students of the State of Maine something about their own State. I hope the amendment will be adopted.

The SPEAKER: Lest there be any doubt in the minds of the members the Chair will read the amendment again. (Amendment read).

Mr. PIERCE of Sanford: Mr. Speaker, after a hearing on this bill, the committee on Education reported it in new draft without the words "Constitution of the State of Maine". The committee felt that this was unnecessary, that the Constitution of the United States was enough and that the extra expense of text books and teaching the constitution of Maine at the present time was not

necessary. I think the majority of the committee feel that this amendment is not necessary.

Mr. EUSTIS of Strong: Mr. Speaker, I am a member of the committee on Education and some members, certainly, are in favor of this amendment. As to the matter of expense, I do not think that we are going to put into the course in Civic Government which is now taught in our schools, anything that will require a great deal of additional expense in procuring copies of the constitution of the State of Maine. I think it would be far better, if we were only going to teach one, to teach the constitution of our own State rather than that of the National Government.

The SPEAKER: Did the gentleman from Auburn. Mr. Sturgis, make a motion?

Mr. STURGIS: Mr. Speaker, I live in the State of Maine and I think the constitution of the United States is greater than the constitution of Maine. The constitution of the State of Maine is fashioned after the United States constitution. I live on a hill, and from sixty years experience I feel that it is not good policy to overload. I feel that this would go through much easier without the extra load.

Mr. WING of Auburn: Mr. Speaker, will you please inform the House as to the report of the committee on House Document 413?

The SPEAKER: The report of the committee is upon House Document No. 56, the original document, reporting the same in a new draft, which appears as 413, and reporting that it ought to pass.

Mr. BRAGDON of Perham: As a member of that committee which recommended that this bill ought to pass, I will attempt to add to what was said by the gentleman from Sanford, Mr. Pierce. There were members of that committee who felt that we were loading up our school system which was heavy enough already, and would have objected to the bill had this extra load been added, as it was owing to the fact that it was kept down to the point that appears in the new draft that a majority report of the committee was had on it.

There are some of us who feel that we have gone too far in adding holidays, and special assignment days to our school work, at the same time adding a lot of new matter to the amount to be handled in the schools. Personally, I have no ob-

jection to the Constitution of the United States or the State of Maine being taught in our schools; but as a former teacher I feel that we are handling as much, up to the high school course, as can be handled profitably at the present time. I feel that the new draft of the bill covers enough ground without adding the amendment at this time.

The SPEAKER: The Chair does not recall whether the gentleman from Auburn (Mr. Sturgis) made any motion or not.

Mr. STURGIS: Mr. Speaker, I moved the indefinite postponement of Amendment A.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House now is the indefinite postponement of Amendment A.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion to indefinitely postpone the amendment prevailed, and the bill was assigned for its third reading tomorrow morning at nine o'clock.

H. P. No. 1181: An Act to grant a new charter to the city of Saco.

H. P. No. 1190: An Act relating to the salaries of Deputy Sheriffs of Cumberland County.

H. P. No. 1191: An Act to amend Chapter 174 of the Public Laws of Maine for 1923, known as the Military Law.

H. P. No. 1192: An Act relating to the taking of smelts, suckers, bait fish, white fish and cusk.

H. P. No. 1188: Resolve in favor of the Central Maine Sanatorium for maintenance, personal services, repairs and equipment.

H. P. No. 1189: Resolve in favor of Central Maine Sanatorium.

H. P. No. 1193: Resolve in favor of the Directors of the Port of Portland.

Mr. ATWOOD of Portland: Mr. Speaker, I offer House Amendment A and move its adoption.

House Amendment A to House Document 416.

Resolve in favor of the Directors of the Port of Portland.

"Amend said resolve by striking out the word and figures 'December 31, 1924' in the last line and substituting in place thereof the word and figures 'June 30, 1925.'"

Mr. ATWOOD: I now yield to the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. White.

Mr. WHITE of Bowdoinham: Mr. Speaker, this is to correct a clerical error, and I hope the amendment will be adopted.

The SPEAKER: The House hears

the motion. The question is on the adoption of House Amendment A.

A viva voce vote being taken, Amendment A was adopted and the resolve as amended was assigned for its second reading tomorrow morning at nine o'clock.

H. P. 1194: Resolve in favor of the Directors of the Port of Portland.

Passed To Be Engrossed

S. P. No. 154: An Act relating to industrial banks.

S. P. No. 295: An Act to amend Section 37 of Chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 128 of the Public Laws of 1919, relating to the approval of stocks, bonds and notes.

H. P. No. 291: An Act relating to fishing in Upper Taylor Brook and tributaries and in the East Branch and West Branch of Passadumkeag Stream and Brown Brook in Penobscot and Hancock Counties.

H. P. No. 712: An Act to authorize the city of Calais to issue bonds to refund its bonds maturing in 1926.

H. P. No. 721: An Act to amend and extend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Odd Fellows Home of Maine."

H. P. No. 743: An Act relating to the protection of game birds.

H. P. No. 1111: An Act to provide for clerk hire in the office of Sheriff of the county of Androscoggin.

H. P. No. 1182: An Act amending the charter of the Belfast Municipal Court.

(Tabled by Mr. Wing of Auburn pending third reading)

H. P. No. 548: Resolve in favor of Arthur H. King of Turner for State Pension.

H. P. No. 773: Resolve providing for a State Pension for Katherine H. Mara of Lewiston.

H. P. No. 776: Resolve providing for a State Pension for Luke Woodard of Cornville.

H. P. No. 780: Resolve in favor of Robert F. Parlin of Fayette, for State Pension.

H. P. No. 1183: Resolve for State Pension in favor of Rena Cooley.

H. P. No. 1176: Resolve for the laying of the County Taxes for the year 1925.

H. P. No. 1177: Resolve for the laying of the County Taxes for the year 1926.

Passed To Be Enacted

An Act to amend Paragraph A of

Section 47 of Chapter 211 of the Public Laws of 1921, relating to fees for registration of vehicles.

An Act relating to clerk hire by the Judge of the Municipal Court of Waterville.

An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 114 of the Private and Special Laws of 1913, entitled "An Act to increase the salary of the Recorder of the Western Hancock Municipal Court."

An Act to extend the Charter granted to the Columbia Falls Water Company, for two years.

An Act relating to the salary of the Librarian of the Maine State Library.

An Act to authorize the payment of an annuity by the city of Portland to Sarah Mulkern.

An Act relating to fishing in Sunday River, in Oxford County.

An Act to incorporate Cornelia Warren Community Association.

An Act to provide for the schooling of children in the towns where their parents have temporary residence.

An Act relating to the taking of clams in Steuben.

An Act to incorporate Houston Brook Driving Company.

An Act to extend the Charter granted to the Salisbury Cove Water Company, for the taking of water from Lake Wood, and furnishing water to the Village of Salisbury Cove, for two years.

An Act to amend An Act to incorporate the Hallowell Water District.

An Act relating to the taking of smelts from Cobscook River, Cobscook Bay, Orange River, Denny's River and their tributaries.

An Act relating to Standard Time.

An Act relating to the trapping of fur-bearing animals.

An Act relating to the salary of the Clerk of Courts, Knox County.

An Act to ratify and make legal the acts and doings of the Katahdin Electric Company of Patten, Maine.

An Act relating to police regulations at stations.

An Act to prohibit the building of smelt traps in the waters of Harrington River in Washington County.

An Act to regulate the taking of muskrats in certain territory in Washington, Hancock and Oxford Counties.

Finally Passed

Resolve to increase the State Pension of Maria N. Varrell of York.

Resolve in favor of Adelaide France of Sedgwick for State Pension.

Resolve for Teacher's Pension for Etta M. Patten.

Resolve to increase the State Pension of Annie M. Welch, of Kennebunk.

Resolve providing for a State Pension for M.ry C. Kimball of Carmel.

Resolve providing for a State Pension for Granville Baker of Hampden.

Resolve in favor of Ann M. Hiltz of Newburg, for State Pension.

Resolve in favor of Zebedee Cushman of Kennebunk for an increase of Pension.

Resolve providing for an increase of State Pension for Helen B. Hobart of Farmington.

Resolve providing for an increase in State Pension for Ada M. Cowan of Sidney.

Resolve in favor of Louis Nason of West Gardiner for State Pension.

Resolve proposing an amendment to the Constitution prohibiting the use of public funds for sectarian schools.

Mr. WING of Auburn: Mr. Speaker, I move that the resolve lie on the table.

A viva voce vote being doubted.

A division of the House was had Seventy-five voting in the affirmative and 39 in the negative the motion to table prevailed.

Mr. WING: I now move, Mr. Speaker, that the same be especially assigned for Tuesday next.

The SPEAKER: That motion is debatable.

Mr. HALE of Portland: Mr. Speaker, I simply wish to say that there are a few of us in this House who are interested in concluding the present session, and it seems to me that it should be well to do today's work today.

The SPEAKER: The question is the assignment, Tuesday, and the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Wing.

Mr. WING: Mr. Speaker, there are certain gentlemen in this House whose faces I do not see. They are not present in their seats and they are very much interested in this measure. It seems to me if their interest is such as I know it to be that we can well afford to extend to them the courtesy to be here at a day and time certain. I am as much interested as any other man in this House in concluding its business, and I propose to conduct myself to that end.

Mr. HALE of Portland: Mr.

Speaker, may I inquire what members of the House are absent.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Wing, may reply to that if he cares to.

Mr. WING: I call the gentleman's attention to Mr. Edward A. Mansfield, the gentleman who sits near him. There is another gentleman who sits here (indicating) whose name I cannot recall, and I am sure that the gentleman's eyesight is as good as mine.

Mr. HALE: Mr. Speaker, it appears to me that the House is extremely well attended this morning. Can the gentleman from Auburn (Mr. Wing) give us any assurance that it will be better attended next week? If he can, I will not oppose his motion.

The SPEAKER: The matter is already on the table. The motion is assignment for Tuesday.

Mr. SMITH of Bangor: Mr. Speaker, it appears to me that if a definite date is set for this hearing that will give everybody an opportunity to be here and would be fair to everyone. We will then know when the day is and we can consider it on that day and give everybody a fair opportunity to be heard.

Mr. FOSTER of Ellsworth: Mr. Speaker, I thought it was definitely understood that this matter was to be taken up this morning, and I can see no reason why we should not do so.

The SPEAKER: The matter is on the table. The question is the assignment.

Mr. WING of Auburn: Mr. Speaker, I understood that I moved that the matter be assigned for Tuesday next.

The SPEAKER: That is the motion.

Mr. WING: I can assure the gentleman from Portland (Mr. Hale) that the matter will be then heard, discussed, or debated.

Mr. CUMMINGS of Portland: Mr. Speaker, I cannot quite understand the reason why there should be objection to assigning this for hearing next Tuesday. The matter is on the table at the present time. Unless it is assigned for a day certain, it will not come off until Wednesday, and it strikes me that the motion of the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Wing, is in line to expedite the business of the House.

Mr. HALE of Portland: Mr. Speaker, by way of personal explanation, I would like to say that if the motion of the gentleman from

Auburn, Mr. Wing, is lost I would move for an assignment under orders of the day today.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question.

A viva voce vote being doubted, A division of the House was had, and so many arose in the affirmative that the Chair stated that it was no longer in doubt, and the motion prevailed to especially assign this matter for hearing on Tuesday next.

Orders Of The Day

The SPEAKER: The Chair presents under orders of the day matters assigned for today, the first being bill, An Act relating to abolishment of grade crossings, H. P. 631, H. D. 134, tabled by Mr. Nichols of Portland, March 18, pending third reading.

Mr. NICHOLS of Portland: Mr. Speaker, I offer House Amendment A and move its adoption.

House Amendment A to House Document 134, An Act relating to abolishment of grade crossings.

Amend said act by adding after the word "way" in the fifth line thereof, the following words: 'Appeal from any decision, order or award of the Commission may be had as provided in Section 36 of said Chapter 24.'

Mr. NICHOLS: Mr. Speaker, the object of this amendment is to set at rest any question regarding the right to appeal from the award of the Commission in assessing damages. It was the intention of the author of this bill not to cut off that appeal, but by amending the section of the present law without putting the appeal in, it raises in my mind a question of cutting off the appeal. I have seen the author of the bill; he drafted the amendment, and it is entirely satisfactory to the gentleman who presented the bill and reserves the right of appeal without any question. I hope the amendment will be adopted.

Thereupon Amendment A was adopted and the bill received its third reading and was passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment A.

The SPEAKER: The Chair presents bill, An Act relating to the Penobscot Tribe of Indians, H. P. 937, H. D. 237, tabled by Mr. Stitham of Pittsfield March 18, pending passage to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. Stitham of Pittsfield, the bill was passed to be enacted.

The SPEAKER: The Chair pre-

sents resolve in favor of the Augusta State Hospital for renovation of steam plant, S. P. 468, S. D. 179, tabled by Mr. Norwood of Warren March 18, pending passage to be engrossed.

Mr. NORWOOD: Mr. Speaker, I understand that this resolve goes back to the Senate and that there will be an amendment made to it there, and I now move that it be passed to be engrossed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair would inquire if the amendment could not be offered in the House just as well. If the House passes this matter to be engrossed, it is then printed and goes to the Senate in printed form. If the amendment were offered in the Senate and adopted there, the matter would come back to the House, and if the House desired to adopt the amendment, it would have to reconsider some of its steps. Could the gentleman produce the amendment later in the day?

On motion by Mr. Norwood of Warren this resolve was re-tabled.

On motion by Mr. Mitchell of Houlton, it was voted to take from the table report of committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, ought not to pass on bill, An Act relating to close time on deer in certain counties, H. P. 446, tabled by that gentleman March 18, pending acceptance of the report; and on further motion by the same gentle-

man the report of the committee, ought not to pass, was accepted.

Paper from the Senate, out of order, Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet Friday morning at 9 o'clock.

In the Senate read and passed.

In the House passed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Hale of Portland, it was voted to take from the table Senate Paper 527, Senate Document 219, resolve to appropriate moneys for the payment of certain claims and departmental overdrafts, tabled by that gentleman March 18, pending assignment for second reading; and on further motion by the same gentleman, the rules were suspended and this resolve received its second reading and was passed to be engrossed.

The SPEAKER: We are still under orders of the day. (No response). If there is no further business, the Clerk will read the notices. It would be in order for any member to make a special assignment of any of the matters pending on the table, if he desired so to do.

On motion by Mr. Tupper of North Berwick,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.