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Thursday, March 23, 1939.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Bickmore of Augusta.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

Senate Bills In First Reading

Bill "An Act relating to State Armories" (S. P. 347) (L. D. 783); in new draft (S. P. 499) (L. D. 1041) under same title.

Bill "An Act relating to Licenses for Dispensing Victuals" (S. P. 142) (L. D. 123); in new draft (S. P. 508) (L. D. 1047) under same title.

Bill "An Act relating to the Keeping of Dogs" (S. P. 326) (L. D. 593); in new draft (S. P. 509) (L. D. 1048) under same title.

Bill "An Act Exempting the Transportation of Neat Cattle from the Common Carrier Law" (S. P. 397) (L. D. 819); in new draft (S. P. 500) (L. D. 1040) under title of "An Act Extending the Exemptions from the Common Carrier Law"

Bill "An Act relating to the Penobscot Tribe of Indians" (S. P. 177); in new draft (S. P. 507) (L. D. 1046) under same title.

Bill "An Act relating to the Milk Control Board" (S. P. 342) (L. D. 825)

Bill "An Act relating to the South Portland Board of Education" (S. P. 90) (L. D. 55)

Bills were read twice and tomorrow assigned.

Senate Bill Tabled

From the Senate: Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act to Provide for the Appointment of a Board of Commissioners of Police for the city of Bath" (S. P. 183) (L. D. 234) reported same in a new draft (S. P. 510) (L. D. 1049) under title of "An Act to Provide for Civil Service Rules for the Police and Fire Departments in the city of Bath" and that it "Ought to pass."

Comes from the Senate, report read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed.

In the House, on motion by Mr.

Miller of Bath, tabled pending acceptance of committee report.

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

Taxation

Remonstrance of East Holden Grange in the form of a Resolution against any Increase in the Gasoline Tax (H. P. 2021) (Presented by Mr. Pratt of Turner)

Petition of George McCallan and 44 others of Caswell and vicinity in favor of H. P. 1758, L. D. 933—An Act relating to Licenses for Operation of Retail Stores (H. P. 2022) (Presented by Mr. Burgess of Lime-stone)

Remonstrance of Annie S. Clay and 160 other Consumers of Bucksport opposing Chain Store Tax Legislation (H. P. 2023) (Presented by Mr. Emery of Bucksport)

Remonstrance of John Berry and 451 others of South Portland against same (H. P. 2024) (Presented by Mr. Hinckley of South Portland by request)

Remonstrance of Edwin L. Thomas and 17 others of Roxbury against any Tax on Tobacco (H. P. 2025) (Presented by Mr. Colby of South Paris)

Remonstrance of Daniel R. Cole and 40 others of Greenwood against same (H. P. 2026) (Presented by same gentleman)

Remonstrance of E. B. Perham and 37 others of Woodstock against same (H. P. 2027) (Presented by same gentleman)

Remonstrance of Joseph F. Chadbourne and 142 others of Saco and vicinity against same (H. P. 2028) (Presented by Mr. Ford of Saco)

Remonstrance of Francis J. Dostie and 20 others of Winthrop against same (H. P. 2029) (Presented by Mr. McNamara of Winthrop)

Remonstrance of R. J. Ashley and 25 others of Baileyville against same (H. P. 2030) (Presented by Mr. Murchie of Calais)

Remonstrance of Guy L. Thomas and 328 others of Calais against same (H. P. 2031) (Presented by same gentleman)

Remonstrance of Walter L. Rankin and 31 others of Hiram against same (H. P. 2032) (Presented by Mr. Williams of Bethel)

Remonstrance of Lloyd E. Libby

and 24 others of Denmark against same (H. P. 2033) (Presented by same gentleman)

Remonstrance of Barnes H. Walkerson and 31 others of Lovell against same (H. P. 2034) (Presented by same gentleman)

Petition of Mrs. Walter A. Nickerson and 12 others of Readfield in favor of (H. P. 1758) (L. D. 933) An Act relating to Licenses for Operation of Retail Stores (H. P. 2041) (Presented by Mr. Downs of Rome)

Petition of P. J. Couture and 32 others of Lewiston in favor of same (H. P. 2042) (Presented by Mr. Townsend of Bangor)

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Race of Boothbay, it was

ORDERED, that there be printed 500 copies of An Act to Incorporate the Boothbay - Boothbay Harbor Cemetery District.

Mr. THOMPSON of Castle Hill: Mr. Speaker, out of order, I wish to ask for a reconsideration of our action of yesterday whereby the House indefinitely postponed an order relating to cemetery investigations.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Castle Hill, Mr. Thompson, moves that the rules be suspended to permit reconsideration of the action of the House yesterday whereby it indefinitely postponed House Paper 2020, Order Relative to a Committee of Investigation. Is this the pleasure of the House?

Cries of no, no.

The SPEAKER: All those in favor of the motion that the rules be suspended—

Mr. BUBAR of Weston: Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER: The motion to suspend the rules is not debatable. For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. BUBAR: I was going to ask for a division, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Weston, Mr. Bubar, asks for a division. All those in favor of the rules being suspended to permit reconsideration of the vote of yesterday will rise and stand in their places until counted and the Monitors will make and return the count.

A division of the House was had.

Thirty-one voting in the affirmative and 58 in the negative, the motion did not prevail.

The SPEAKER: The House is proceeding under Orders. Are there any further Orders?

Reports of Committees

Inexpedient

Mr. Welch from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act relative to Trolling" (H. P. 1561) (L. D. 659) reported legislation inexpedient.

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relative to 'Fly Fishing'" (H. P. 1562) (L. D. 660)

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Ought Not to Pass

Mr. LaFleur from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Fishing for Pickerel in Hancock County" (H. P. 467) (L. D. 138)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve for Screening Outlet of Moosehead Lake at Indian Pond (H. P. 883) (L. D. 340)

Mr. Peakes from same Committee reported same on Resolve Regulating Fishing in Four Ponds (H. P. 1106) (L. D. 394)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve Regulating Fishing in East Grand Lake (H. P. 548) (L. D. 222) as it is covered by other legislation.

Mr. Starrett from same Committee reported same on Resolve Regulating Fishing in Madawaska Lake and Madawaska Lake Little (H. P. 674) (L. D. 249) as it is covered by other legislation.

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Open Season on Muskrats in Washington County" (H. P. 1134) (L. D. 378)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve Regulating Fishing in Jim Pond Little (H. P. 1116) (L. D. 404)

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Report Tabled

Mr. Peakes from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Open Season on Fur-bearing Animals" (H. P. 1567) (L. D. 665)

(On motion by Mr. Snow of Dover-Foxcroft, tabled pending acceptance of committee report)

Mr. Peakes from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "Ought not to pass" on Resolve relating to Fishing in Aroostook County (H. P. 1570) (L. D. 633)

Mr. Arzonico from the Committee on Public Utilities reported same on Bill "An Act to Incorporate South Berwick Water District" (H. P. 1837) (L. D. 998)

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Recommitted

Mr. Churchill from the Committee on Salaries and Fees reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Compensation of the Register of Probate of York County" (H. P. 941) (L. D. 369)

(On motion by Mr. Dow of Eliot, the report, together with the bill, recommitted to the Committee on Salaries and Fees)

Report Tabled

Mr. Churchill from the Committee on Salaries and Fees reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to the Western Hancock Municipal Court" (H. P. 1782) (L. D. 947)

(On motion by Mr. Emery of Bucksport, tabled pending acceptance of committee report)

Mr. Churchill from the Committee on Salaries and Fees reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to the Salary of the Recorder of the Northern Cumberland Municipal Court" (H. P. 687) (L. D. 260)

Mr. Pike from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported same on Bill "An Act relating to the Publication of Audits of Municipalities" (H. P. 388) (L. D. 106)

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Ought To Pass In New Draft

Mr. Hanold from the Committee on Maine Publicity on Bill "An Act Naming the Deer Isle - Sedgwick Bridge" (H. P. 1183) (L. D. 413) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 2037) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Mr. Otto from same Committee on Resolve Creating a Recess Committee on Feasibility of Acquiring Property for the Establishment of Public Bathing Beaches (H. P. 1700) (L. D. 838) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 2038) under title of "Resolve Creating a Recess Committee

on Feasibility of Acquiring Property for the Establishment of Public Bathing Beaches and for Encouraging the Development of the Shores of the Lakes and Streams of the State" and that it "Ought to pass"

Mr. LaFleur from the Committee on Public Utilities on Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Lubec Water Company" (H. P. 1199) (L. D. 414) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 2036) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Mr. Farwell from same Committee on Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Brooks Water District" (H. P. 1803) (L. D. 966) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 2035) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Mr. Dow from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act to Provide a Town Council and Manager Form of Government for the town of Norway in the County of Oxford" (H. P. 916) (L. D. 306) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 2040) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Mr. Pike from same Committee on Bill "An Act providing for Licenses for Cinematograph, Moving Pictures and Operators" (H. P. 1663) (L. D. 854) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 2039) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Reports were read and accepted and the new drafts ordered printed under the Joint Rules.

Ought To Pass

Mr. LaFleur from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relative to Trapping Season" (H. P. 1557) (L. D. 655)

Mr. Young from the Committee on Maine Publicity reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Holidays" (H. P. 1430) (L. D. 631)

Mr. Walker from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Designating a Certain Road as "Moosehead Trail" (H. P. 1802) (L. D. 965)

Mr. Donahue from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Vacancies in Town Offices" (H. P. 1649) (L. D. 709)

Mr. Dwinal from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relative to Jail Auditors" (H. P. 1428) (L. D. 609)

Reports were read and accepted.

Ought to Pass With Committee Amendment

Mr. Buzzell from same Committee on Bill "An Act relating to Fees for Licenses" (H. P. 1769) (L. D. 938) reported "Ought to pass" when amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted herewith.

Report was read and accepted.

Mr. BUZZELL of Belfast: Mr. Speaker, I offer Amendment "A"—

The SPEAKER: The Chair understands that the amendment comes before the House as a Committee Amendment, and it is not necessary that it be offered by any individual member but will be read after the second reading of the bill.

Divided Reports

Majority Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Increasing the Penalty for Violation of the Sunday Law" (H. P. 1652) (L. D. 922)

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. CHASE of Washington
MORSE of Waldo
—of the Senate
BUZZELL of Belfast
DOW of Norway
DWINAL of Camden
SHESONG of Portland
PAYSON of Portland
DONAHUE of Biddeford
—of the House

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

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. MARDEN of Kennebec
PIKE of Bridgton
—of the House

(On motion by Mr. Dow of Norway, the majority report, "Ought not to pass" was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Reports Tabled

Majority Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Creating a State Lottery Commission" (H. P. 1644) (L. D. 852) together with remonstrance (S. P. 496)

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. MORSE of Waldo
MARDEN of Kennebec
—of the Senate.
PIKE of Bridgton
PAYSON of Portland
SHESONG of Portland
DOW of Norway
—of the House

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

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. CHASE of Washington
BUZZELL of Belfast
DWINAL of Camden
DONAHUE of Biddeford
—of the House.

(On motion by Mr. Weed of Manchester, tabled pending acceptance of either report)

Reports Tabled

Majority Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to Permit Sunday Moving Pictures" (H. P. 1665) (L. D. 736)

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. CHASE of Washington
MORSE of Waldo
—of the Senate.

DOW of Norway
DONAHUE of Biddeford
DWINAL of Camden
BUZZELL of Belfast
SHESONG of Portland
PAYSON of Portland
—of the House.

Minority Report of same Committee reporting "Ought not to pass" on same Bill together with Remonstrances (H. P. 1892) and (S. P. 481)

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. MARDEN of Kennebec
—of the Senate
PIKE of Bridgton
—of the House.

Mr. DOW of Norway: Mr. Speaker, I move the acceptance of the majority report "Ought to pass" on this bill.

Mr. McGLAUFILIN of Portland: Mr. Speaker, I move that these two reports be laid on the table.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Norway, Mr. Dow, moves that the House accept the majority report "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to Permit Sunday Moving Pictures." The gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaufilin, moves that the two reports and the accompanying bill lie on the table pending the motion of the gentleman from Norway, Mr. Dow. All those in favor of the motion of the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaufilin, that the two reports lie on the table pending the acceptance of the majority report will say aye; those

opposed to the motion to table will say no.

A viva voce being doubted.

A division of the House was had. Sixty-four having voted in the affirmative and 36 in the negative, the motion prevailed, and the two reports, together with the bill, were so tabled.

First Reading of Printed Bills

Bill "An Act relating to Copies of Records" (H. P. 1662) (L. D. 713)

Bill "An Act relating to Removal of Paupers" (H. P. 1664) (L. D. 904)

Bill "An Act Changing the Name of the Preachers' Aid Society of the Maine Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church" (H. P. 1836) (L. D. 997)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Rockland School District" (H. P. 2018) (L. D. 1066)

Bill "An Act relating to Civil Service in the city of Auburn" (H. P. 2019) (L. D. 1065)

Bills were read twice and tomorrow assigned.

First Reading of Printed Bills With Committee Amendments Bill Tabled

Bill "An Act Changing Ward Boundaries in the city of Saco" (H. P. 1169) (L. D. 488)

Bill had its two several readings.

The SPEAKER: The Clerk will read Committee Amendment "A".

Committee Amendment "A" to H. P. 1169, L. D. 488 Bill "An Act Changing the Ward Boundaries in the City of Saco"

Amend said Bill by striking out all of section 3 and inserting in place thereof the following:

Sec. 3. Referendum. This act shall take effect 90 days after the adjournment of this legislature only for the purpose of permitting its acceptance or rejection by the legal voters of the city of Saco at the next general election therein, or at a special state election, or at any prior city election held before April 2nd, 1940, notified and called by the mayor and aldermen, in the manner prescribed by the charter of the city of Saco.

The question proposed on said ballot shall be substantially in the following form:

"Shall an act passed by the legislature in the year nineteen hundred and thirty-nine approved (insert date) entitled, 'An Act Changing the Ward Boundaries in the City

of Saco, be accepted," otherwise said ballot shall be in form provided by law when a constitutional amendment is submitted to the vote of the people.

If a majority of the qualified voters of the city, present and voting, vote in favor of the acceptance of this act, it shall become operative. The city clerk shall forthwith file with the secretary of state a certificate of the action of the city thereon.

The SPEAKER: The Chair understands that the gentleman from Biddeford, Mr. Donahue, moves that Committee Amendment "A" together with the bill, lie on the table pending the adoption of the amendment.

Bill "An Act relating to the Registration of Non-resident Owned Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 1697) (L. D. 927)

The bill was given its two several readings. Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk, as follows:

Committee Amendment "A" to H. P. 1697, L. D. 927, Bill, "An Act Relating to the Registration of Non-Resident Owned Motor Vehicles."

Amend said Bill by striking out the phrase "paragraph (a) of" in the 12th line of subsection (a) and by striking out the word "section" in said 12th line and inserting in place thereof the word "subsection".

Thereupon, Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and the bill was assigned for third reading tomorrow morning.

Passed To Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act relating to the Licensing of Aircraft" (H. P. 1439) (L. D. 619)

Bill "An Act relating to selling or Giving Liquor to Indians" (H. P. 1150) (L. D. 467)

Bill "An Act relating to Paupers" (H. P. 1599) (L. D. 728)

Bill "An Act relating to Support of Child Committed to Custodial Agency by Municipal Courts" (H. P. 1600) (L. D. 729)

Bill "An Act relating to Custodial Care of Children" (H. P. 1602) (L. D. 730)

Bill "An Act relating to Transfer of Inmates of State Institutions" (H. P. 1605) (L. D. 698)

Bill "An Act relating to Commit-

ments to the Pownal State School" (H. P. 1606) (L. D. 699)

Bill "An Act relating to Disposal of Minor Children in Divorce Proceedings" (H. P. 1609) (L. D. 702)

Bill "An Act Providing for the Disposition of Moneys from the Tax on Gasoline Purchased for Use in Internal Combustion Engines" (H. P. 1983) (L. D. 1058)

Bill "An Act relating to the Weight of Commercial Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 1996) (L. D. 1059)

Bill "An Act relating to Registration Fees to be Paid for Registration of Funeral Coaches and Funeral Hearses" (H. P. 1997) (L. D. 1060)

Resolve Naming "Perleys Pond" (H. P. 1994) (L. D. 1061)

Sent up for concurrence.

Amended Bills

Bill Tabled

Bill "An Act Amending the Law relating to Advertising" (S. P. 69) (L. D. 39)

(On motion by Mr. Farrington of Augusta, tabled pending third reading)

Bill "An Act relating to Registration of Certain Trucks" (H. P. 285) (L. D. 92)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent up for concurrence.

Passed To Be Enacted (Emergency Measure)

An Act to Change the Charter of the city of Calais (S. P. 459) (L. D. 1002)

The SPEAKER: This being an emergency measure, it requires for its passage the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the entire elected membership of the House. As many as are in favor of the passage of this bill to be enacted will rise and stand in their places until counted and the Monitors will make and return the count.

A division being had,

One hundred and twenty-three voting in the affirmative and none in the negative, 123 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected membership of the House, the bill was passed to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. Murchie of Calais, the bill was sent forthwith to the Senate.

Passed To Be Enacted

An Act Defining the Terms 'Dealer' and 'Securities' (S. P. 486) (L. D. 1923)

An Act relating the Registration of Motor Vehicles (S. P. 488) (L. D. 1025)

An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law Providing for Recovery of Erroneous Payments (H. P. 901) (L. D. 293)

An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law to Increase Certain Penalties (H. P. 903) (L. D. 295)

An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law to Provide Uniform Coverage Termination (H. P. 904) (L. D. 296)

An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law relative to Office Records (H. P. 905) (L. D. 297)

An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law relative to Refunds (H. P. 907) (L. D. 299)

An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law relative to Seasonal Employment (H. P. 908) (L. D. 300)

An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law relative to Disqualifications (H. P. 909) (L. D. 301)

An Act relating to Vocational Rehabilitation (H. P. 1548) (L. D. 906)

An Act relating to Automobiles Stopping Upon Signal of Officer (H. P. 1688) (L. D. 748)

An Act relating to the Issuance of Liquor Licenses (H. P. 1739) (L. D. 842)

An Act relating to Licenses for Consumption Sale of Liquor (H. P. 1741) (L. D. 844)

An Act relating to Liquor Licenses (H. P. 1742) (L. D. 845)

An Act to Regulate the Sale of Commercial Fertilizer (H. P. 1927) (L. D. 1026)

An Act relating to State Aid to Agricultural Societies (H. P. 1928) (L. D. 1027)

Finally Passed

Resolve in favor of Harry F. Ward of Baldwin (S. P. 487) (L. D. 1024)

Resolve relating to Lobster Fishing in Machias Bay (H. P. 584) (L. D. 209)

Resolve relating to Lobster Fishing in Jonesboro-Roque Bluffs (H. P. 1209) (L. D. 422)

Resolve Regulating Digging of

Clams Within the Limits of the towns of Deer Isle and Stonington (H. P. 1722) (L. D. 675)

Resolve relative to Protection of Smelts in Medomak River (H. P. 1724) (L. D. 676)

Resolve relative to Digging Clams in the towns of Wiscasset, Edgecomb, Boothbay and Boothbay Harbor (H. P. 1930) (L. D. 1029)

Resolve in favor of O. M. Froding of Portland (H. P. 1931) (L. D. 1030)

Resolve in favor of Mrs. Abbie Libby Towle of Newfield and Ox-bow (H. P. 1932) (L. D. 1031)

Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: The Chair lays before the House, in accordance with the House rules, the unfinished business in which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment of yesterday's session.

Mr. NORWOOD of Southwest Harbor: Mr. Speaker, would it be in order to reconsider at this point our action taken earlier in this morning's session?

The SPEAKER: Under suspension of the rules, it may be done at this time.

Mr. NORWOOD: Mr. Speaker, I move that the rules be suspended in order that I may move to reconsider the action taken earlier in this morning's session.

The SPEAKER: Will the gentleman state which item he wishes to reconsider?

Mr. NORWOOD: Mr. Speaker, I move that the House reconsider its action taken earlier in this morning's session whereby it voted to accept the "Ought to pass" report of the Committee on Item 21, Legislative Document 631.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Southwest Harbor, Mr. Norwood, moves that the rules be suspended to permit a motion to reconsider the action taken earlier in this morning's session by which the House accepted the "Ought to pass" report of the Committee on Maine Publicity on Bill "An Act relating to Holidays" (H. P. 1430) (L. D. 631)

Mr. MILLS of Farmington: Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER: The motion is not debatable.

Mr. MILLS: I note the absence of the gentleman from Kennebunkport, Mr. Dow.

The SPEAKER: All those in

favor of the motion to suspend the rules to permit reconsideration of the House action will rise and stand in their places until counted and the Monitors will make and return the count.

A division of the House was had.

Ten having voted in the affirmative and 37 in the negative, the motion did not prevail.

The Chair lays before the House the first item of unfinished business, Senate Report "Ought to pass" of the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to the Collection and Disposition of Money Received Through Violations of the Inland Fish and Game Law" (S. P. 218) (L. D. 289), tabled on March 14th by Mr. Peakes of Milo, pending acceptance in concurrence; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

On motion by Mr. Peakes, the "Ought to pass" report of the committee was accepted in concurrence.

Mr. Peakes then offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

House Amendment "A" to Senate Paper 218, L. D. 289, Bill "An Act Relating to the Collection and Disposition of Money Received through Violations of the Inland Fish and Game Laws"

Amend said Bill by striking out the second sentence thereof and inserting in its place the following: **'All officers' fees taxed against a respondent, if any, under any provision of this chapter which are not paid or recovered from the respondent shall not be assumed or paid by the county where the offense was committed.'**

Thereupon House Amendment "A" was adopted, the bill had its two several readings, and was assigned for third reading tomorrow morning.

The Chair lays before the House the second item of unfinished business, Joint Order Relative to Investigating Ability of State Hospitals to Care for Properly Committed Insane Persons (H. P. 1934), tabled on March 14th by Mr. Hinman of Skowhegan, pending passage; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Mr. HINMAN: Mr. Speaker and members of the House: I have no particular objection to this order. I think the committee already has all the authority that the order gives them.

Mr. LAMBERT of Lewiston: Mr. Speaker, I presented this order with the idea in mind to relieve the emergency which exists in the City of Lewiston. I am well aware of the fact that the Committee on Insane Hospitals can well take care of the matter. On the other hand, if an emergency exists, I think it is time that we take action, and I see no reason why my order should not have a passage. I therefore move that the order to investigate and report to this Legislature have passage.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Lambert, moves that the order have passage. Is this the pleasure of the House?

Cries of no, no.

The SPEAKER: All those in favor of the passage of this order will say aye; those opposed no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion did not prevail.

The Chair lays before the House the third item of unfinished business, House Order Relative to Investigating Non-monument Memorial Park and Cemetery Developments, tabled on March 14th by Mr. Bubar of Weston, pending passage; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker, I present House Amendment "A" to this order and move its adoption.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Weston, Mr. Bubar, offers House Amendment "A". The Clerk will read the amendment.

House Amendment "A" to House Order Relative to Investigating Non-monument Memorial Park and Cemetery Developments.

Amend said Order by striking out all after the word "Ordered" and inserting in place thereof the following:

'The Senate concurring, that there be and hereby is created a joint select committee to consist of 3 members on the part of the Senate, to be named by the President of the Senate, and 3 members on the part of the House, to be named by the Speaker of the House.

Said committee shall examine into all the affairs and activities of "Brooklawn Memorial Park," "Brooklawn Company," "Grandview Memorial Park," "Grandview Company," "Grandview Corporation" and all and any other cemetery corporations, associations, firms, or

partnerships within the State of Maine which have in any manner engaged in the business or practice of offering, soliciting or selling to any person, or persons, or to the public generally, any cemetery lots or interests therein, or any stock in any cemetery corporation, association, firm or partnership of any nature or description as an investment or speculation during the past five years.

Said committee may employ counsel, compel the attendance of witnesses and production of books, papers, documents, records and other evidence and may administer oaths to witnesses and punish for contempt.

The said committee shall report its findings to the 89th legislature.

All expenses incurred by said committee in the discharge of its duties shall be paid from the general funds of the State upon approval by the Governor and Council.

Mr. HINMAN of Skowhegan: Mr. Speaker, I do not think it is necessary to any further discuss the question. I would call to your attention that this Amendment "A" even, to say nothing about the original order, sets up in his Legislature a group that shall perform the functions of our Court, and even go to the extent of punishing for contempt. I move that the amendment be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker, I do not believe I have made any motion on this order. I was going to move that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary. I would like to say a few words. Yesterday I agreed to indefinitely postpone this order provided the order of yesterday was passed. As the order of yesterday was killed, I therefore presented this amendment because I believed the members of this House had not had a chance to conscientiously consider, had not had the time to consider the importance of this order. Now, members, I wish to say that those who are opposed to this measure and who are saying leave it up to the Courts and who are saying the Legislature—

Mr. HINMAN: Mr. Speaker, I rise to a point of order.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may state his point.

Mr. HINMAN: The question is upon the acceptance of the order and not upon the merits of the question.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is that the order and the amendment be indefinitely postponed, which is open to debate. The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker, I move that this order be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will inform the gentleman at this time that the order as it stands before the House is a House order and cannot properly be referred to a Joint Committee. If the amendment offered by the gentleman from Weston this morning should be adopted it would then be a joint order and could then be properly referred to a Joint Committee. The gentleman can proceed on the motion for indefinite postponement.

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker, I move the adoption of the amendment, if that is in order.

The SPEAKER: The pending question is on the motion to indefinitely postpone the order and amendment.

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker, may I ask for information through the Chair?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may make a parliamentary inquiry if he desires.

Mr. BUBAR: May I have permission to say a few words, Mr. Speaker?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman has a right to debate the motion for indefinite postponement.

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker, do I have the right to debate that motion for indefinite postponement?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman has the right to debate on the merits of the order. The pending question is on the motion of the gentleman from Skowhegan (Mr. Hinman) that the order and amendment be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker and members of the House: I am speaking in opposition to the indefinite postponement of this order for these reasons: It has been suggested that this matter be left to the Courts for their consideration, and as I understand, and as it has been brought to my attention, those who are shouting the loudest to have the Courts take this up were the ones who were shouting the loudest for a Recess Committee in certain other investigations.

I wish to ask this question: How can we expect Court action when

our County Attorneys are themselves involved in this racket? I wish at this time to read the names of some of the Directors—

Mr. HINMAN of Skowhegan: Mr. Speaker, I rise to a point of order.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may state his point.

Mr. HINMAN: Mr. Speaker, I submit to you that the question is not upon the merits of this order or the amendment. It is on the indefinite postponement of the amendment.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will have to overrule the point. The gentleman from Weston (Mr. Bubar) has the right to general debate.

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker and members of the House: I thank you. I wish to read the names of these Directors which I did not read yesterday. They are: Henry F. Merrill, Franz U. Burkett, Albert Knudsen, Charles S. Morrill, Louis J. Brann, Fred H. Lancaster, Nathan W. Thompson. Some of those gentlemen are known to the members of this House.

Now, I ask you, how can we expect any Court action when these racketeers are under the directorship and under the protection of high officials of our State? Now is it possible that this Legislature wants to cover up a vicious racket that is taking money from the poor people of the State of Maine? And is it possible that they want to shield the real offenders and allow them to still prey on the people of this State?

Let me ask this: Is it possible we are going to say to the people back home, "We are not interested in your protection"? Members, I ask that you give it careful consideration this morning.

Further, I wonder if it is possible that we are going to fall in line with just one or two who have listened to and are obeying their masters' voices this morning, or are we going to vote to uncover this mess. I will admit, members, this morning that it smells to high Heaven.

Now, members, I am leaving this matter in your hands; I am leaving to you the protection of the people whom we represent this morning against a few who are racketeers preying upon the people of this State. Mr. Speaker, I move that when the vote is taken, it be by a roll call.

Mr. McGLAUFILIN of Portland:

Mr. Speaker, I would just like to point out to this House that if this matter is referred to the Judiciary Committee it has got to be advertised for hearing and it can't possibly—

The SPEAKER: The Chair will inform the gentleman that the pending question is on the indefinite postponement of the order and the amendment. The question of reference to the committee is not at this time before the House.

Mr. McGLAUFILIN: Very well, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. WHITNEY of Bangor: Mr. Speaker, I would like to point out just one thing. The next to the last paragraph in this amendment says: The committee shall report its findings to the 89th Legislature. I submit that any committee appointed to do a half way decent job in investigating certainly cannot report back to this Legislature and make any kind of an investigation. Therefore I hope the motion of the gentleman from Skowhegan (Mr. Hinman) will prevail.

Mr. FARWELL of Unity: Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask the gentleman from Weston (Mr. Bubar) a question through the Chair.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Unity, Mr. Farwell, may ask the gentleman from Weston (Mr. Bubar) a question through the Chair, and the gentleman may answer if he wishes.

Mr. FARWELL: The gentleman from Weston (Mr. Bubar) accused every County Attorney in the State of Maine of being in this racket. I would like to ask him, Mr. Speaker, if he has any grounds for this accusation in Waldo County?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may answer if he wishes.

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker, I certainly did not accuse every County Attorney in the State of being guilty. I stated that some of our County Attorneys are connected with that, and I made that statement because we found the names of some of the County Attorneys signed to the material put out by some of these cemetery companies. It was not my statement, but it was on their own signatures, and I believe I read the name of one of them here this morning.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Biddeford, Mr. Donahue.

Mr. DONAHUE: Mr. Speaker, the

gentleman from Weston, Mr. Bubar, in naming off the Board of Directors, has, by inference, attacked the credibility of prominent citizens of both parties in the State of Maine.

Approximately four weeks ago the Legal Affairs Committee had a hearing on a cemetery bill, and yesterday morning we listened to the same remarks that the Legal Affairs Committee heard four weeks ago.

Apparently the purpose of this order is merely to promote the candidacy of a member of the Republican party at the next primaries. I wish to say this: All the statements which were made in regard to an attack on the Attorney General are baseless. The letters which came in from Bangor and vicinity were properly referred to the Banking Department. None of the correspondence has any reference to Brooklawn Cemetery. At the present time the Attorney General of the State of Maine is working for the indictment of those who were interested in the cemetery proposition near Bangor, and I desire to say this: All of the gentlemen who were interested in Brooklawn Cemetery are honorable gentlemen, and I hope that the motion of the gentleman from Skowhegan, Mr. Hinman, will prevail.

Mr. FELLOWS of Augusta: Mr. Speaker, I move the previous question.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Fellows, moves the previous question. In order for the Chair to entertain this motion, it requires the affirmative vote of one-third of the members present. All those in favor of the Chair entertaining the motion for the previous question will rise and stand in their places until counted, and the Monitors will make and return the count.

A division was had.

Seventy-four having voted in the affirmative, and seventy-four being more than one-third of the members present, the previous question was ordered.

The SPEAKER: The question now before the House is: Shall the main question be put now? This motion is debatable only on the question of whether the main question shall be put now.

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker, a few moments ago I moved the vote be taken by roll call.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman

probably desires that the roll call be taken on the main question, rather than on the question now before the House.

Mr. BUBAR: Excuse me, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the House that the main question be put now?

The motion prevailed.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Skowhegan, Mr. Hinman, that House Amendment "A" to House Order Relative to Investigating Non-monument Memorial Park and Cemetery Developments be indefinitely postponed. The gentleman from Weston, Mr. Bubar, has asked that the vote be taken by the yeas and nays. To entertain this motion it requires the affirmative consent of one-fifth of the members present. All those in favor of the vote being taken by the yeas and nays will rise and stand in their places until counted and the Monitors will make and return the count.

A division was had.

The SPEAKER: Eight being obviously less than one-fifth of the members present, the motion does not prevail.

All those in favor of the motion of the gentleman from Skowhegan, Mr. Hinman, that House Amendment "A" be indefinitely postponed will say aye; those opposed no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion prevailed.

The SPEAKER: The question now before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Skowhegan, Mr. Hinman, that House Order Relative to Investigating Non-monument Memorial Park and Cemetery Developments be indefinitely postponed. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the order was indefinitely postponed.

The Chair lays before the House the fourth item of unfinished business, House Report "Ought not to pass" of the Committee on Claims on Resolve in Favor of Zina N. Witham of Augusta (H. P. 530), tabled on March 14th by Mr. Fellows of Augusta, pending acceptance; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

On motion by Mr. Fellows, the "Ought not to pass" report was ac-

cepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Chair lays before the House the fifth item of unfinished business, House Report "Ought not to pass" of the Committee on Claims on Resolve in Favor of Vernon A. Soule of Augusta (H. P. 531), tabled on March 14th by Mr. Fellows of Augusta, pending acceptance; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

On motion by Mr. Fellows, the "Ought not to pass" report was accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

The Chair lays before the House the sixth item of unfinished business, Bill "An Act Relating to the Sale of Wood by the Load (H. P. 1893) (L. D. 1022), tabled on March 14th by Mr. Noyes of Franklin, pending second reading. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Poland, Mr. Goss.

On motion by Mr. Goss, the bill was given its second reading, and tomorrow assigned for third reading.

The Chair lays before the House the seventh item of unfinished business, Resolve Authorizing Charles A. Darrington to Bring Suit at Law against the State of Maine (H. P. 1425) (L. D. 559), tabled on March 14th by Mr. Bragdon of Perham, pending second reading; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

On motion by Mr. Bragdon, the Resolve was given its second reading, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

The Chair lays before the House the eighth item of unfinished business, House Report "Ought to pass" of the Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act Relating to Taxes for Old Age Assistance" (H. P. 1462) (L. D. 628), tabled on March 15th by Mr. Varney of Berwick, pending acceptance. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Old Orchard Beach, Mr. Young.

Mr. YOUNG: Mr. Speaker, in view of an emergency which called Mr. Varney from the city, I ask the indulgence of the House to retable this matter pending his return.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Old Orchard Beach, Mr. Young, moves that the "Ought not to pass" report, together with the

bill, lie on the table. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed, and the report, together with the bill, was retabled.

The Chair lays before the House the ninth item of unfinished business, Bill "An Act Authorizing Peabody Law School to Confer Degrees" (H. P. 6) (L. D. 13), tabled on March 15th by Mr. McGlaulin of Portland, pending third reading; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Mr. McGLAULIN: Mr. Speaker. I understood that was to be taken care of by the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Marshall. I would like to have it retabled.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaulin, moves that Bill "An Act Authorizing Peabody Law School to Confer Degrees" lie on the table pending third reading. Does the gentleman care to make a special assignment?

Mr. McGLAULIN: Mr. Speaker, I don't know what the plan was. I was merely giving Mr. Marshall an opportunity to be heard, whatever way he liked.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaulin, that the bill lie on the table. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed, and the bill was retabled.

The Chair lays before the House the tenth matter of unfinished business, House Report "Ought not to pass" of the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Permitting Signboards Under Certain Conditions (H. P. 1789) (L. D. 957), tabled on March 17 by Mr. Sleeper of Rockland pending acceptance; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Mr. SLEEPER: Mr. Speaker and members of the House: I realize that the hour is late and that my voice is not pleasant to listen to, but there are a few words that ought to be said here, so, with your very kind indulgence, I would like to say a few words before I go down to defeat.

I introduced this measure by request, and there seemed to be some justice to it.

Our State is made up of all kinds of groups. We have wealthy people, we have the great middle class, of

which most of us are members, and we have the so-called working class.

A person came to me from one of the small summer hotels and he said that apparently the Legislature in its majesty as the maker of all laws had deemed he did not have the right to advertise his business unless he went into the advertising business and got a license and erected billboards. I said, "Who was it that gave the State the right to make this law?" He said, "The law was enacted at the last Legislature." I said, "I do not think the members of the Legislature are trying to put anyone out of business. There must be some reason for it." He was convinced there was.

He went on to tell me how the so-called Garden Clubs and the Roadside Beautification Clubs had determined to make our highways bare and beautiful as an Indian trail.

If they want to make them aesthetic, more power to them. But how about the poor fellow who lives off that main trail? It so happens that this little fellow runs a small hotel which is not as large as the Samoset or the Mount Kineo or other hotels. He cannot afford to hire big billboards or buy up railroad advertising or advertise in the papers, and he has no way to tell people where his little place of business is. So, in his ignorance, he and several others like him constructed several small signs. They were not bad to look at. I saw them. They were at the junction in the road in Rockland, about two miles from the city, in front of a group of alders. They erected this little group of signs: "Four miles to Spruce Head Inn, Lobster Dinner." "Four Miles to Owl's Head Inn." "Six Miles to Trail's End."

To the summer guests who came to this State and rode down that road, it was not obnoxious to look at, if they saw these signs and wanted a shore dinner. They would take their choice of those signs and turn down and have dinner.

Along came the State and ripped down those signs, tore them into kindling wood, leaving no method at all for summer guests to know where those places were. So the only chance these people have is to go into the billboard business.

I will say this: The billboards do not seem to be coming down, and the only ones the law is hurting are these small hotel proprietors, and it

does not seem right. So I put this bill in by request. This one person came over, and, wholly voluntarily, there were six or seven other hotel proprietors who were there at that meeting. They said they were in favor of the bill because they would like to have some method by which they could put three or four little beautiful signs up to tell where their place was and try to make a living. The only opposition there was at that hearing was that there were two or three ladies there—and they were ladies. They represented the omnipotent Garden Clubs, and a lawyer and an attorney with a big name got up and spoke for those ladies.

The pleas of these six or seven people who came from all over the State were summarily dispensed with, and the bill comes out "ought not to pass". Perhaps that is right. Perhaps those Garden Clubs do control a lot of votes. But, in all fairness I can see their viewpoint. I would like nothing better than to have no signs at all. But why not think of this little fellow, and why not remember we are representatives of the people? We do not represent the Garden Clubs, we do not represent the hotel owners; we try to represent them all, and we come here trying to do what is fair and best for the greatest number. So why penalize this small hotel proprietor or camp proprietor and tell him that he cannot put up a sign? It does not seem to me to be justice, it does not seem right to me; it is not cricket. I would like to see this House tell those people that there is a body in the State who is trying to represent everybody. I do not know how successful I am going to be, but at least everyone knows where I stand. So I now move that the bill be substituted for the report and that it now be given its first reading.

Mr. THORNE of Madison: Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be retabled and specially assigned for next Tuesday.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Rockland, Mr. Sleeper, moves that Bill "An Act Permitting Signboards under Certain Conditions" be substituted for the "Ought not to pass" report of the Committee on Judiciary. The gentleman from Madison, Mr. Thorne, moves that the report and bill lie on the table pending the motion of the gentle-

man from Rockland, and be specially assigned for next Tuesday. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the bill was so tabled.

The Chair lays before the House the eleventh matter of unfinished business, House Report "Ought not to pass" of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance on Bill "An Act Relating to Standard Fire Insurance Policies" (H. P. 1792) (L. D. 959) tabled on March 17th by Mr. Mahon of Ellsworth, pending acceptance. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Franklin, Mr. Noyes.

Mr. NOYES: Mr. Speaker, in the absence of Mr. Mahon, who is sick, I would ask the courtesy of the House to retable this bill.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Franklin, Mr. Noyes, moves that the report of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs and Insurance, and accompany bill, lie on the table pending acceptance of the committee report. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the bill was so tabled.

The Chair lays before the House the twelfth matter of unfinished business, House Report "Ought to pass in New Draft under the Title: Resolve Authorizing the Forest Commissioner to Convey Certain Interest of the State in Land in Washington County to Edith D. McKenney of Lincoln—of the Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation on Resolve Authorizing the Forest Commissioner to Convey Certain Interest of the State in Land in Washington County to Mrs. Nina M. Daggett of Hallowell. (H. P. 949) (L. D. 375) new draft (H. P. 1760) (L. D. 1063) tabled on March 17th by Mr. Sylvia of Danforth pending acceptance. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Fellows.

Mr. FELLOWS: Mr. Speaker, owing to the illness of a member of the House who is desirous of speaking on this bill, I move that it be retabled.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Fellows, moves that the report of the Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation on this resolve and the accompanying resolve in a new draft lie on the table pending acceptance of

the committee report. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed, and the matter was retabled.

The Chair lays before the House the thirteenth matter of unfinished business, House Report "Ought to pass in a new draft" of the Committee on Education on Bill "An Act Permitting Teachers to be Elected Under Contract" (H. P. 28) (L. D. 21) new draft (H. P. 1980) (L. D. 1050) tabled on March 17th by Mr. Stilphen of Dresden, pending acceptance; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Mr. STILPHEN: Mr. Speaker, I simply tabled this, waiting the printing of the new draft, and that is acceptable.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Dresden, Mr. Stilphen, now moves that the report of the Committee on Education "Ought to pass in new draft" be accepted. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed, and the report of the committee was accepted.

The Chair lays before the House House the fourteenth matter of unfinished business, House Report "Ought to pass" of the Committee on Interior Waters on Resolve Authorizing the Town of East Machias to Close the West Outlet of Gardiners Lake (H. P. 481) (L. D. 145) tabled on March 17th by Mr. Palmeter of Charlotte, pending acceptance; and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

On motion by Mr. Palmeter, the "Ought to pass" report was accepted.

The Chair lays before the House the fifteenth matter of unfinished business, Majority Report "Ought to pass" and Minority Report "Ought not to pass" of the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relative to Court Proceedings in relation to the Enforcement of the Inland Fish and Game Laws" (S. P. 215) (L. D. 287) which came from the Senate, with the Majority Report read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "A", tabled on March 17th by Mr. Bird of Rockland, pending the motion of Mr. Varney of Berwick, that the Minority Report be accepted.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Rockland, Mr. Bird.

Mr. BIRD: Mr. Speaker, I think the differences in this bill have all been ironed out, but, due to the fact that Mr. Varney is absent, I think perhaps it would be courteous to him to have the bill retabled, and I so move.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Rockland, Mr. Bird, moves that the two reports of the Committee on Judiciary, together with the bill, lie on the table pending the motion of the gentleman from Berwick, Mr. Varney, that the minority report "Ought not to pass" be accepted. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed, and the two reports, together with the bill were so tabled.

The SPEAKER: The House is proceeding under Orders of the Day. Are there any other matters which can be taken from the table?

On motion by Mr. Noyes of Franklin, the House voted to take from the table the first unassigned matter, Joint Order Relative to Authorizing Bank Commissioner to Investigate Relative to Small Loan Companies Charging 36% per Year on Loans (S. P. 506) tabled on March 21st by that gentleman, pending passage in concurrence.

Mr. NOYES: Mr. Speaker, whereas this order requires an appropriation, and, under the House Rules, it requires reference to a Committee before it can be acted upon, I move that this order be referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Franklin, Mr. Noyes, moves that Joint Order Relative to Authorizing Bank Commissioner to Investigate Relative to Small Loan Companies Charging 36% per Year on Loans (S. P. 506) be referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking in non-concurrence.

The Chair will repeat the ruling of yesterday: Any order calling for the appropriation of money must be referred to the appropriate committee before any action can be taken on it.

The motion is therefore in order. Is it the pleasure of the House that the motion of the gentleman from Franklin (Mr. Noyes) prevail?

The motion prevailed and the order was referred to the Committee

on Banks and Banking in non-concurrence, and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: Are there any other matters which can be taken from the table under Orders of the Day? Is there any further business to come before the House?

On motion by Mr. Noyes of Franklin, the House voted to take from the table the eighth unassigned matter, Bill, "An Act Relative to Fishing for Gain or Hire" (H. P. 1559) (L. D. 657) tabled on March 21st by that gentleman pending the motion of Mr. Dennison of East Machias, that the bill be indefinitely postponed. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from East Machias, Mr. Dennison.

Mr. DENNISON: Mr. Speaker, at the present time there are people in Washington County who can catch pickerel and sell them. We consider this a benefit to our lakes and streams, and I have talked with all of our Representatives from Washington County and they are in favor of the law as it is.

Now I would like to ask every one in this House next summer to come down and help us catch some of these pickerel, and the only cost will be to sustain me in the indefinite postponement of the bill. (Laughter)

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from East Machias, Mr. Dennison, that the bill be indefinitely postponed. Is the House ready for the question. All those in favor of the motion of the gentleman from East Machias will say aye; those opposed no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion prevailed, the bill was indefinitely postponed and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: Is there any further business to come before the House? If not, the Clerk will read the notices.

On motion by Mr. Cleaves of Presque Isle,

Adjourned until ten o'clock tomorrow morning.