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

Prayer by the Rev. Edna Knowlton of Augusta.

The Members stood at attention during the playing of the National Anthem.

The journal of the previous session was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Relating to the Aeronautical Fund" (S. P. 414) (L. D. 772)

Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Authorize a Bond Issue to Match Federal Funds for the Construction and Improvement of Airports (S. P. 415) (L. D. 773)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Aeronautics.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Aeronautics in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Relating to Agricultural Societies" (S. P. 416) (L. D. 774)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Agriculture in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Resolve in Favor of the Central Maine Sanatorium at Fairfield (S. P. 417) (L. D. 777)

Resolve Providing Funds to Augment Institutional Appropriations (S. P. 418) (L. D. 775)

Resolve Providing for Purchase and Installation of Heating Equipment at the State School for Boys (S. P. 419) (L. D. 776)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Resolve in Favor of the Town of Princeton (S. P. 456)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Relating to Number of Medical Examiners in Aroostook County" (S. P. 421) (L. D. 778)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Counties.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Counties in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Relative to Regulating Hunting, Fishing and Trapping on Game Management Areas" (S. P. 423) (L. D. 780)

Resolve Closing Certain Waters in Somerset County to All Fishing Except Fly Fishing (S. P. 424) (L. D. 779)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Relating to Transfer of Convicts from Prison to State Reformatory for Men" (S. P. 426) (L. D. 786)

Bill "An Act Relating to Parolees from Reformatory for Men" (S. P. 427) (L. D. 785)

Bill "An Act Relating to Juvenile Records" (S. P. 428) (L. D. 784)

Bill "An Act Relating to Paroled and Discharged Prisoners from State Prison" (S. P. 429) (L. D. 783)

Bill "An Act Relating to Trespass" (S. P. 430) (L. D. 781)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

Tabled

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Relating to Lawful Use of Force" (S. P. 431) (L. D. 782)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

In the House, on motion by Mr. McClure of Bath, tabled pending acceptance of report in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Relating to Terms of Court in Aroostook County" (S. P. 433) (L. D. 787)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Practice of Optometry" (S. P. 453) (L. D. 797)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Relating to the Weekly Payment of Wages" (S. P. 434) (L. D. 788)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Labor.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Labor in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Relating to Possession of Chattel Property" (S. P. 435) (L. D. 789)

Resolve in Favor of James A. Boyle, of Portland (S. P. 436) (L. D. 790)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salaries of the Clerk of Courts and Deputy Clerk of Courts of Penobscot County" (S. P. 438) (L. D. 793)

Bill "An Act Relating to Salary of Register of Deeds and Clerks in the Office of Register of Deeds, Hancock County" (S. P. 439) (L. D. 792)

Bill "An Act Relating to Salary of Register of Deeds and Clerk Hire in Office of Register of Deeds, Androscoggin County" (S. P. 440) (L. D. 791)

Bill "An Act Relating to Fees of Clerks of Courts" (S. P. 441) (L. D. 829)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of Clerk of Courts, Hancock County" (S. P. 442) (L. D. 794)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Salaries and Fees.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Salaries and Fees in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Relating to the Re-Use of Barrels for Food" (S. P. 443) (L. D. 795)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Relating to Expenses of Recommitment of Patients to the State Hospitals" (S. P. 444) (L. D. 796)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on State Hospitals.

In the House, referred to the Committee on State Hospitals in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Relating to Taxation of Various Corporations" (S. P. 446) (L. D. 828)

Bill "An Act Relating to Exemptions from Taxation" (S. P. 447) (L. D. 827)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Taxation.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Relating to Credit for Returns of Malt Liquor Bottles" (S. P. 448) (L. D. 800)

Bill "An Act Relating to Applications for Liquor Licenses" (S. P. 449) (L. D. 799)

Bill "An Act Relating to Qualification for Liquor Licenses" (S. P. 450) (L. D. 798)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Temperance.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Temperance in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act to Provide for Better Patrol of Highways" (S. P. 451) (L. D. 801)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will announce that Item 35 on the House Advance Journal has been recalled to the Senate.

Senate Reports of Committees Ought Not to Pass

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Relating to Order of Names on Primary Ballots" (S. P. 134) (L. D. 196)

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting same on Bill "An Act Relating to Plumbing" (S. P. 228) (L. D. 345)

Came from the Senate read and accepted.

In the House, read and accepted in concurrence.

Ought to Pass in New Draft

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges on Bill "An Act Relieving Towns of Expense of Maintaining State Aid Highways" (S. P. 109) (L. D. 113) reporting same in a new draft (S. P. 454) (L. D. 770) under title of "An Act to Relieve Towns of Maintenance of State and State Aid Highways and to Provide for Construction of State Aid Highways" and that it "Ought to pass".

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Addison, Mr. Lackee.

Mr. Lackee: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: This new draft, L. D. 770, is a combination. Included in that combination are two bills that were introduced into this Legislature for the primary purpose of relief to towns. This first section referred to in this bill which we have a part of, under that plan the towns would be privileged to increase or enlarge their State Aid construction by one-half million. The second section, which includes the so-called Ela bill, and which is entirely a relief measure, provides that the expense of winter and summer maintenance of the towns, except snow removal, shall be taken over by the State. The cost of this plan is \$440,000, and that \$440,000 can be eliminated from your property tax bills.

In order that the towns may participate in this relief during the fiscal year 1949-1950, it is necessary that this new draft be finally passed in time for the State Highway Commission to notify each town before its annual town meeting, because it will affect their budget. Therefore, any delay in the passage of this new draft will automatically delay that notification and thereby defeat the purpose of the bill.

Ever since I have been in the Legislature, there has always been a demand for relief to towns in some public service by way of local taxation, and it is entirely within your province to satisfy that demand. I therefore move the acceptance of the committee report.

The SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the House to accept the committee report?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Waterville, Mr. Muskie.

Mr. MUSKIE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I am concerned about this bill in only one respect, and that is with respect to the section that undertakes to repeal Section 7 of the Public Laws of 1947, Chapter 349. I read that section just before we convened this morning. If this bill passes, it will repeal the limitation on the gasoline tax which we passed two years ago, the fact that the in-

crease of two cents then enacted should expire on September 1, 1950. So in effect this bill is a gas tax measure. It comes out of the Committee on Ways and Bridges, which I understand did not hold any hearing on the subject.

You remember two years ago that public dissatisfaction was attached to a bill passed by this Legislature without adequate committee hearings and without an opportunity for the public to be heard. It does not seem to me that with that background there is any emergency which requires immediate action this morning on an extension of that increase in gasoline tax. For that reason, I move that this matter lie on the table and be specially assigned for Thursday morning.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Waterville, Mr. Muskie, that the bill and accompanying papers lie upon the table and be specially assigned for Thursday morning of this week, pending acceptance of the report of the committee.

As many as are in favor of the motion of the gentleman from Waterville, Mr. Muskie, that the matter lie upon the table and be specially assigned for Thursday morning will say aye; those opposed, no. The noes have it unless doubted.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase.

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, there is much about this bill which I like, and, in what I have to say regarding it, I do not want to be understood as being hostile to the bill. It does, however, contain certain defects which should be pointed out. I do not know if the printed copy is an exact copy of the original, but I have just noticed that the printed bill repeals Section 7 of Chapter 347 of the Public Laws of 1947, whereas I believe the correct number is 349. The original bill may be correct.

But the other defect is one which I deem to be fatal to the bill, and while I am in accord with the re-

marks of Representative Lackee in regard to the need for haste, we do not want to hasten to pass a bill which may contain a fatal defect.

Section 9 of Article IV of Part 3rd of the Constitution provides that all bills for raising of a revenue shall originate in the House of Representatives. This bill, since it repeals the expiration date on the gas tax, is a bill for raising a revenue. It did not originate in the House of Representatives, as it is a new draft of a Senate bill, S. P. 109. For this reason, I move that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, now moves that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

As many as are in favor of the motion of the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth will say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being doubted.

A division of the House was had.

The SPEAKER: Ninety-seven having voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, the motion to recommit prevails.

Ought to Pass

Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act Relating to a State Police Barrack in the County of Penobscot" (S. P. 65) (L. D. 48)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Bill "An Act to Provide for a Reserve for Operating Capital for the General Fund of the State" (S. P. 96) (L. D. 102)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Bill "An Act Relating to the Payment of the Cost of the Kennebec or Carlton Bridge" (S. P. 255) (L. D. 389)

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting same on Bill "An Act Relating to State Prison Sentences" (S. P. 101) (L. D. 106)

Report of the Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation reporting same on Resolve Authorizing the State Tax Assessor to Convey Certain Interest of the State in

Lands in Oxford County to Emile Pellerin of Rumford (S. P. 278) (L. D. 451)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Resolve Transferring Supervision and Control of Certain Interest of the State in Lands in the Unorganized Territory from the State Tax Assessor to the Forest Commissioner (S. P. 279) (L. D. 452)

Report of the same Committee reporting same on Bill "An Act Relating to Territory Included in the Maine Forestry District" (S. P. 89) (L. D. 75)

Report of the same Committee reporting same on Resolve Authorizing the State Forest Commissioner to Convey Certain Interest of the State in Lands in Somerset County to Dennistown Plantation (S. P. 61) (L. D. 37)

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

In the House, reports were read and accepted in concurrence, the Bills read twice, the Resolves read once, and tomorrow assigned.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to Permanent State Trust Funds" (S. P. 221) (L. D. 341) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

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

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

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 221, L. D. 341, Bill "An Act Relating to Permanent State Trust Funds."

Amend said bill by adding to the first line of Sec. 2 thereof, after the

word "appropriated" the words, 'from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and tomorrow assigned for third reading of the Bill.

Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to State Owned Delinquent Tax Lands Account" (S. P. 110) (L. D. 137) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

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

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

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 110, L. D. 137, Bill "An Act Relating to State Owned Delinquent Tax Lands Account."

Amend said bill by adding after "Sec. 2" thereof, a new section to be numbered "Sec. 3" to read as follows: "Sec. 3 Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated from the general fund the sum of \$1,000 for the year ending June 30, 1950 and the sum of \$500 for the year ending June 30, 1951."

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and tomorrow assigned for third reading of the Bill.

Additional paper from the Senate, not on the Advance Journal.

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that Senate Paper 93, Legislative Document 356, Resolve in Favor of the Town of Freedom, be recalled to the Senate from the Governor for further consideration. (S. P. 474)

Came from the Senate, in that body read and passed.

In the House, read and passed in concurrence.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Clements of Belfast, it was

ORDERED, that Rev. J. C. Colind of Belfast, be invited to officiate as Chaplain of the House on Thursday, March 3, 1949.

On motion by Mr. Gauvin of Lewiston, it was

ORDERED, that Rev. Fr. Emanuel Grondin, Pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Auburn, be invited to officiate as Chaplain of the House on Tuesday, March 15, 1949.

House Reports of Committees

Mr. McGlaflin from the House Committee on Elections on the Returns of the Votes cast for Representative to the Legislature in the class towns of Grand Isle and Van Buren at Special Election held February 7, 1949, reported that Charles L. O'Connell be declared the duly elected Representative to the 94th Legislature.

Report was read and accepted, and Mr. O'Connell of Van Buren was declared duly elected.

Ought to Pass Printed Bills

Mr. Campbell from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "Ought to pass" on Resolve Closing Kennebago Stream to all Fishing. (H. P. 746) (L. D. 288)

Report was read and accepted and the Resolve, having already been printed, was read once under suspension of the rules and tomorrow assigned.

Ought to Pass

Mr. Hayward from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "Ought to pass" on Resolve Extending the Open Season on Gull Pond (H. P. 572)

Mr. Wight from same Committee reported same on Resolve Regulating Fishing in Gay Brook in the County of Cumberland (H. P. 653)

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

Ought to Pass Printed Bill (continued)

Mr. Burgess from the Committee on Judiciary reported "Ought to pass" on Resolve Relating to Transfer of Certain Records of State Employees' Retirement System (H. P. 706) (L. D. 252)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Changing Name of Retirement System to 'Maine State Retirement System'" (H. P. 704) (L. D. 250)

Mr. Payson from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Relating to Uniform Act on Interstate Arbitration of Death Taxes" (H. P. 358) (L. D. 121)

Mr. Silsby from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Relating to Uniform Act on Interstate Compromise of Death Taxes" (H. P. 359) (L. D. 122)

Mr. Woodworth from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Granting Certain Powers to the Hancock County Trustees of Public Reservations" (H. P. 655) (L. D. 209)

Reports were read and accepted, and the Bills and Resolve having already been printed, the Bills were read twice under suspension of the rules, the Resolve read once, and tomorrow assigned.

Passed to be Engrossed

Bill "An Act relating to Power of Corporations Without Capital Stock to Hold Property" (S. P. 388) (L. D. 651)

Bill "An Act relating to Dog License Fees" (H. P. 324) (L. D. 115)

Bill "An Act relating to the Inheritance Tax" (H. P. 1566) (L. D. 771)

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

Orders of the Day

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

Mr. ROBBINS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I wish to move that the House reconsider its earlier action by which it returned to the Committee on Ways and Bridges S. P. 454, L. D. 770, "An Act to Relieve Towns of Expense of Maintaining State and State Aid Highways and to Provide for Construction of State Aid Highways."

There were two points made against this measure by the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth (Mr. Chase). The first one was that in Section 5 of the bill there is an erroneous reference to Chapter 347. I have just checked the original bill, and in the original bill it is correctly stated as being Chapter 349. That is a misprint.

The most important point the gentleman made was that this was a revenue measure which, according to the Constitution should have originated in this House. The Committee on Ways and Bridges gave very careful consideration to that point before reporting out this bill. Unfortunately, when the gentleman spoke I did not have with me a copy of the Constitution. I went out to get one, and I would like to read to the members of the House just what Article IV, Part 3, Section 9 says. It says this: "Bills, orders or resolutions may originate in the House and may be altered, amended or rejected in the other." Now here is the point: "but all bills for raising revenue shall originate in the House of Representatives, but the Senate may propose amendments as in other cases." Please get that. "The Senate may propose amendments as in other cases."

As a matter of fact, this bill is an amendment to an already existing revenue measure; it is not a new revenue bill. It simply amends a revenue measure which originated properly in the House of Representatives two years ago, and it was for that reason that the committee felt entitled to report out this bill. It is not a new revenue bill; it simply amends an existing one, which the Senate, under the terms of the Constitution, is empowered to do.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Robbins, moves that the House do now reconsider its action taken earlier this morning whereby it recommitted Item 38, Bill "An Act to Relieve Towns of Expense of Maintaining State Aid Highways" (S. P. 109) (L. D. 113) reporting same in a new draft (S. P. 454) (L. D. 770) under title of "An Act to Relieve Towns of Maintenance of State and State Aid Highways and to Provide for Construction of State Aid Highways."

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase.

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, I repeat that I have nothing against this bill, but the gentleman's argument does not satisfy me as to the constitutionality of this measure if we should proceed to pass it in its present form, and I do not want this Legislature to pass such an important revenue act as this if there is any doubt as to its constitutionality which can be corrected in a very short space of time by appropriate procedure.

The gentleman's reference to the earlier act which this bill would amend seems to me inappropriate, because I understand the word "bill" to refer to procedure in the Legislature and not to a law which has already been passed. I still believe that there is sufficient doubt regarding the constitutional point involved so that we cannot afford not to take time enough to turn it back now to correct what I believe to be a fatal error.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess.

Mr. BURGESS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: It appears that confusion has come into our minds in regard to the measure now in question. We have in our State House, for the purpose of clearing the way on matters with reference to their legal status and constitutionality, the office of the Attorney General. I hope at this time that the measure can remain in the House and the matter be

cleared with the legal authorities of our State and their opinions returned to you without the necessity of returning the measure to the committee.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Robbins, that the House reconsider its action taken earlier this morning whereby the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

As many as are in favor of the motion of the gentleman from Houlton will say aye; those opposed, no.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase.

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, I have no objection to reconsideration if the understanding is that the bill thereupon will go on the table until this point has been cleared.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess.

Mr. BURGESS: Mr. Speaker, it is my purpose, if reconsideration prevails, to then move to table the bill and assign it for tomorrow morning.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question?

As many as are in favor of the motion of the gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Robbins, that the House reconsider its action whereby this bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges will please say aye; those opposed, no.

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

The SPEAKER: Eighty-four having voted in the affirmative and ten having voted in the negative, the motion to reconsider prevails.

On motion by Mr. Burgess of Limestone, the bill was tabled and specially assigned for Wednesday, February 23rd.

The SPEAKER: The House is proceeding under Orders of the Day.

On motion by Mr. Faas, of Benton, the House voted to take from the table the thirteenth tabled and unassigned matter, Senate Report "Ought not to pass" of the Com-

mittee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act relating to Fishing and Hunting Licenses," tabled by that gentleman on February 16th, pending acceptance in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Benton, Mr. Faas.

Mr. FAAS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I think that this measure was greatly misunderstood and it would mean considerable revenue to the State if it should pass because if there were a cruising outfit in the Big Woods up in our larger lake regions and they didn't have fishing licenses with them, they would be able to procure licenses at that time. Instead of the three day license, they would procure the regular license, and those who are interested in this particular item feel that the State would receive more revenue by having this become a law than to pass it by.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the acceptance of the "Ought not to pass" report of the committee. The Chair understands that the gentleman from Benton, Mr. Faas, moves to substitute the bill for the report. As many as are in favor of the motion of the gentleman from Benton, Mr. Faas, to substitute the bill for the report of the committee will say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being taken, the motion did not prevail and the "Ought not to pass" report of the committee was accepted in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Nobleboro, Mr. Palmer.

Mr. PALMER: Mr. Speaker, I simply want to make the announcement to those of the members who have bills in the Revisor's office which have not yet been signed that they kindly check there each day to see if the bills are in form to be returned that they might sign their names on them so they can go on the calendar. If you do that, it will

expedite matters greatly and we can progress more rapidly.

On motion by Mr. Wight of Bangor, the House voted to take from the table the eighteenth tabled and unassigned matter Bill "An Act Relative to Prosecutions of Inland Fisheries and Game Laws to be Published" (S. P. 404) (L. D. 743), tabled by that gentleman on February 18, pending reference in concurrence. (In Senate referred to Committee on Judiciary.)

On motion by the same gentleman, a viva voce vote being taken, the bill was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Bearce of Caribou, the House voted to take from the table the fifth tabled and unassigned matter, Bill "An Act relative to Bounty on Bears" (H. P. 1261) (L. D. 662), tabled on February 11 by that gentleman, pending reference; and on further motion by the same gentleman, the bill was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Bearce of Caribou, the House voted to take from the table the sixth tabled and unassigned matter, Bill "An Act relative to Bounty on Foxes, in the county of Aroostook" (H. P. 1262) (L. D. 667), tabled on February 11 by that gentleman, pending reference; and on further motion by the same gentleman, the bill was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Bearce of Caribou, the House voted to take from the table the seventh tabled and unassigned matter, Bill "An Act relative to Bounty on Bears" (H. P. 1263) (L. D. 663), tabled on February 11 by that gentleman, pending reference; and on further motion by that gentleman, the bill

was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Bearce of Caribou, the House voted to take from the table the eighth tabled and unassigned matter, Bill "An Act relative to Bounty on Bobcat, Loupcervier and Canada Lynx" (H. P. 1264) (L. D. 664), tabled on February 11 by that gentleman, pending reference; and on further motion by that gentleman, the bill was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Bearce of Caribou, the House voted to take from the table the ninth tabled and unassigned matter, Bill "An Act relative to Bounty on Bobcat, Loupcervier and Canada Lynx in the county of Aroostook" (H. P. 1265) (L. D. 665), tabled on February 11 by that gentleman, pending reference; and on further motion by that gentleman, the bill was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Bearce of Caribou, the House voted to take from the table the tenth tabled and unassigned matter, Bill "An Act relative to Bounty on Foxes" (H. P. 1266) (L. D. 666) tabled on February 11 by that gentleman pending reference; and on further motion by the same gentleman, the bill was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The House is proceeding under Orders of the Day.

There being no further items of business to come before the House, the Clerk will read the notices.

On motion by Mr. Hanson of Machiasport,

Adjourned until 10:00 o'clock tomorrow morning.