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

Prayer by the Rev. Benjamin C. Bubar of Blaine.

The journal of the previous session was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Legislative Research Committee be and hereby is directed to study the general desirability of legislation seeking information in building codes, the results of which study shall be reported to the 95th legislature. (S. P. 658)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

(In the House, was read and, on motion by Mr. Burgess of Limestone, tabled pending passage in concurrence.)

Senate Reports of Committees Leave to Withdraw

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Resolve Regulating Fishing in Fish Pond in the County of Knox (S. P. 627) (L. D. 1369) reporting leave to withdraw.

Report of same Committee on Bill "An Act Regulating Wearing of Hunting and Fishing Licenses in Metal Cases" (S. P. 457) (L. D. 893) reporting leave to withdraw.

Came from the Senate read and accepted.

In the House, read and accepted in concurrence.

Ought Not to Pass

Report of the Committee on Claims reporting "Ought not to pass" on Resolve in Favor of Francis J. Byrne, of Cambridge, Mass. (S. P. 187)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Resolve in Favor of Louise Staff Totman, of Linthi-

cum Heights, Maryland (S. P. 291)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Resolve in Favor of Winslow S. Lobdell, of Bartlett, New Hampshire (S. P. 339)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Resolve in Favor of Stephen J. Chamberlin, of Nahant, Massachusetts (S. P. 571)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Resolve in Favor of Independent Lithograph Co., of New York City, New York (S. P. 479)

Report of the Committee on Ways and Bridges reporting same on Bill "An Act to Provide for Better Patrol of Highways" (S. P. 451) (L. D. 801)

Came from the Senate read and accepted.

In the House, read and accepted in concurrence.

Ought to Pass

Report of the Committee on Agriculture reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act Relating to an Institutional Farm Supervisor" (S. P. 219) (L. D. 339)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Bill "An Act Relating to Pasteurized Milk" (S. P. 333) (L. D. 564)

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

In the House, Reports were read and accepted in concurrence and the Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Report of the Committee on Agriculture on Bill "An Act Defining Homogenized Milk" (S. P. 334) (L. D. 565) 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 read twice.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"
to S. P. 334, L. D. 565, Bill "An Act Defining Homogenized Milk."

Amend said Bill by striking out the underlined figure "5%" in the next to last line and inserting in place thereof the underlined figure '10%'

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

Report of the Committee on Labor on Bill "An Act Regulating Industrial Homework" (S. P. 190) (L. D. 243) 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 read twice. Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A"
to S. P. 190, L. D. 243, Bill "An Act Regulating Industrial Homework."

Amend said Bill in that part designated "Sec. 37-H" thereof by striking out in the 1st line the underlined figures "\$50" and inserting in place thereof the underlined figures '\$25'; by striking out in the 3rd line the underlined figures "\$50" and inserting in place thereof the underlined figures '\$25'; by striking out in the 5th line the underlined figures "\$100" and inserting in place thereof the underlined figures '\$50" and by striking out in the 7th line the underlined figures "\$200" and inserting in place thereof the underlined figures '\$100'

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

Ought to Pass with Senate Amendment

Report of the Committee on Education on Bill "An Act Relating to School Attendance" (S. P. 610) (L. D. 1301) reporting "Ought to pass" in a new draft (S. P. 647) (L. D. 1429) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

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

In the House, Report was read and accepted in concurrence and the Bill read twice. Senate Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

SENATE AMENDMENT "A"
to S. P. 647, L. D. 1429, Bill "An Act Relating to School Attendance."

Amend said Bill by striking out all of section 1 thereof.

Further amend said Bill by striking out, at the beginning of section 2 thereof, the underlined abbreviation and figure "Sec. 2."

Thereupon, Senate Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill was assigned for third reading tomorrow morning.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act Relating to Illegal Importation and Transportation of Malt Liquor" (H. P. 2015) (L. D. 1397) which was passed to be engrossed in the House on March 31st.

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

In the House: The House voted to reconsider its action of March 31st whereby the Bill was passed to be engrossed.

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

SENATE AMENDMENT "A"
to H. P. 2015, L. D. 1397, Bill "An Act Relating to Illegal Importation and Transportation of Malt Liquor."

Amend said Bill by inserting, after the underlined word "state" in the 3rd line of that part designated "II.", the underlined words 'in a

greater quantity than 1 case, unless said malt liquor was legally purchased in the state'

Thereupon, Senate Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "A" in concurrence.

Non-Concurrent Matter Recommended

Bill "An Act Relating to Retail Dealers' Licenses" (H. P. 2032) (L. D. 1439) which was passed to be engrossed in the House on April 7th.

Came from the Senate recommended to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries in non-concurrence.

In the House: The House voted to reconsider its action of April 7th whereby the Bill was passed to be engrossed.

Thereupon, the Bill with accompanying papers was recommended to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries in concurrence.

The gentleman from Orient, Mr. Maxell, was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. MAXELL: Mr. Speaker and Members of this Legislative Body: I wish to express to you, at this time, my thanks and appreciation to the members of this Legislative body, to the Clerk of the House and to his official office force for the kind words and expressions of sympathy which were conveyed to me through your Speaker in my recent illness, hoping for my speedy recovery.

I especially want to thank you for the beautiful bouquet of flowers which were sent to my room and which I enjoyed during those days. And I especially want to thank Dr. Bates, who came so readily to my assistance and who carried me home and looked after my welfare and comfort and then saw to it that ways were provided that I should receive the prescriptions which he wanted me to have.

I also want to thank the Clerk of the House for setting up down there in that temperance hearing on Wednesday afternoon the recording machine recording the doings of that committee which I felt it was my duty that afternoon to sit in on with the members of the committee. And since that time, he has brought that machine—he and one of his clerks—and set it up in my room and there I had a chance of reheating the things which were enacted and the various speeches which were made by the various ones at that hearing.

All these things to me are very impressive and touching. I came to this session of the Legislature to represent a people and it has been my desire and my wish that I might do my best for them at all times. There is much yet important legislation coming before us, legislation which I am much concerned about and it is my wish that I may be able to have that strength and courage to do my part in enacting such laws as will be beneficial to our people.

And so, with these demonstrations which I have seen in the last few days, the many kind things which you have all been doing for me, I cannot help but thank God that I live in a land where the spirit of brotherly love still reigns and dawns in the hearts of our people. I thank you.

House Reports of Committees Leave to Withdraw

Mr. Atherton from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to Pensions for Members of the Police Department of the City of Bangor" (H. P. 1836) (L. D. 1161) reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. Martin from the Committee on Salaries and Fees reported same on Bill "An Act Relating to Fees Payable to Registers of Deeds" (H. P. 192) (L. D. 64)

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Ought Not to Pass

Mr. Boothby from the Committee on Agriculture reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Relating to Retail Grocer Representative on Milk Control Board" (H. P. 1360) (L. D. 713)

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Tabled

Mr. Boothby from the Committee on Agriculture reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Relating to the Bee Industry" (H. P. 1361) (L. D. 714)

(On motion by Mr. Gauthier of Sanford, tabled pending acceptance of the Committee Report.)

Mr. Dorsey from the Committee on Agriculture reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Relating to the Price of Milk to the State and Certain Institutions" (H. P. 1362) (L. D. 715)

Mr. DeSanctis from the Committee on Claims reported same on Resolve in Favor of Maine Bonding and Casualty Company, of Portland (H. P. 904)

Mr. Gray from same Committee reported same on Resolve in Favor of Reginald Hutchins, of Verona Island (H. P. 824)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve in Favor of Emile H. Lebel of Brunswick (H. P. 1460)

Mr. Knapp from same Committee reported same on Resolve in Favor of Albert E. Briggs, of Hudson (H. P. 815)

Mr. Carville from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported same on Resolve Providing for a Fish Screen at Outlet of Lower Hot Brook in the Town of Danforth (H. P. 1776) (L. D. 1115) as it is covered by other legislation.

Mr. Hill from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Relating to Special Dog Training and Field Trial Areas" (H. P. 1473) (L. D. 836)

Mr. Wight from same Committee reported same on Resolve Provid-

ing for a Fish Screen at Outlet of Taylor Pond in the City of Auburn, in the County of Androscoggin (H. P. 1908) (L. D. 1272)

Mr. Fuller from the Committee on Maine Publicity reported same on Bill "An Act Relating to Potato-Shaped Number Plates on Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 1878) (L. D. 1215)

Mr. Merritt from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Relating to Roadside Improvement" (H. P. 1580) (L. D. 895)

Mr. Dufresne from the Committee on Military Affairs reported same on Bill "An Act Relating to the Staff of the Governor" (H. P. 662) (L. D. 214) as it is covered by other legislation.

Mr. Plummer from the Committee on Motor Vehicles reported same on Bill "An Act Providing for the Placing of Owners' Names on Commercial Vehicles" (H. P. 1729) (L. D. 1084)

Mr. Brown from the Committee on Ways and Bridges reported same on Bill "An Act Relating to Entrances to State Highways" (H. P. 1890) (L. D. 1218)

Mr. Lackee from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Relating to Uncertain Boundaries of Highways" (H. P. 1892) (L. D. 1220) as it is covered by other legislation.

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

**Ought to Pass in New Draft
Tabled and Assigned**

Miss Longstaff from the Committee on Education on Bill "An Act Relating to Elderly Teachers' Pensions" (H. P. 1625) (L. D. 936) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 2045) (L. D. 1471) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

(On motion by Miss Longstaff of Crystal, tabled pending acceptance of the Report of the Committee and specially assigned for Friday, April 15.)

Mr. Hayward from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act Relative to Trapping Season on Fur-Bearing Ani-

mals" (H. P. 1290) (L. D. 673) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 2043) (L. D. 1468) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Report was read and accepted and the Bill, having already been printed, was read twice under suspension of the rules.

Mr. Hayward of Machias presented House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 2043, L. D. 1468, Bill "An Act Relative to Trapping Season on Fur-Bearing Animals."

Amend said Bill by striking out in the 8th line of Sec. 3 thereof the underlined words "April 1st to April 15th" and inserting in place thereof the underlined words 'April 11th to April 25th'

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

Ought to Pass Printed Bills

Mr. Chapman from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act Relating to Transportation of Dogs from Licensed Kennels" (H. P. 1971) (L. D. 1353)

Mr. Campbell from the Committee on Salaries and Fees reported same on Bill "An Act Relating to Salary of Register of Probate and Clerks in the Office of Register of Probate, Hancock County" (H. P. 1534) (L. D. 865)

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

Divided Report Tabled and Assigned

Majority Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Relating to Sale and Use of Fireworks" (H. P. 135) (L. D. 41)

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. EDWARDS of Oxford
BACHELDER of York
BAKER of Kennebec
—of the Senate

CHAPMAN of Portland
ATHERTON of Bangor
MARTIN of Augusta
—of the House

Minority Report of same Committee on same Bill reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by the Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. CAMPBELL of Augusta
PAINE of Portland
MARBLE of Dixfield
HAYES of Dover-Foxcroft
—of the House

(On motion by Mr. Bird of Rockland, both Reports with accompanying papers were tabled pending acceptance of either Report and specially assigned for Tuesday, April 19.)

Passed to be Engrossed

Bill "An Act Relating to Optometry" (S. P. 549) (L. D. 1171)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the Commissioner of Labor and Industry" (H. P. 600) (L. D. 183)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the County Attorney of Waldo County" (H. P. 1073) (L. D. 479)

Bill "An Act Relative to Closed Time on Deer in Oxford County" (H. P. 1137) (L. D. 599)

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

Bill "An Act Relating to Employment of Women and Minors" (H. P. 2040) (L. D. 1463)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Mrs. Fay of Portland presented House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 2040, L. D. 1463, Bill "An Act Re-

lating to Employment of Women and Minors."

Amend said Bill by inserting in the 7th line in that part of said Bill designated Sec. 24-A after the underlined word "or" the underlined words 'to any female'

Further amend said Bill by striking out in said 7th line the underlined word "receive" and inserting in place thereof the underlined word 'receives'

Thereupon, House Amendment "A" was adopted and the Bill was given its third reading, passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

Bill "An Act Relating to Fees Payable to Registers of Deeds" (H. P. 2041) (L. D. 1464)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Hancock Pond in the County of Oxford (H. P. 990) (L. D. 421)

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

Amended Bills and Resolves

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the Register of Deeds in Cumberland County" (H. P. 190) (L. D. 62)

Bill "An Act to Provide for the Annual Salary of Members of the Public Utilities Commission" (H. P. 368) (L. D. 128)

Bill "An Act Relating to Salary of Judge of Probate in Cumberland County" (H. P. 718) (L. D. 260)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the Sheriff of Waldo County" (H. P. 1074) (L. D. 480)

Resolve Providing for a Fish Screen at Outlet of Hancock Pond in the Town of Denmark (H. P. 1394) (L. D. 727)

Bill "An Act Relating to Salary of Sheriff of Hancock County" (H. P. 1664) (L. D. 972)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the Clerk of Courts of Waldo County" (H. P. 1732) (L. D. 1086)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the Judge of Probate of

Waldo County" (H. P. 1733) (L. D. 1087)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the Register of Probate of Waldo County" (H. P. 1734) (L. D. 1088)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the County Treasurer of Waldo County" (H. P. 1847) (L. D. 1185)

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, Bills read the third time, Resolve read the second time, all passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

Tabled

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the Judge of the Waldo County Municipal Court" (H. P. 1848) (L. D. 1186)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading.

Mr. Clements of Belfast presented House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

The SPEAKER: The amendment, not having been reproduced and distributed, the gentleman from Belfast, Mr. Clements, moves that the amendment lie upon the table pending adoption. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed.

Resolve Transferring Moneys from Employees' Retirement Fund to General Fund (S. P. 220) (L. D. 340)

Resolve Improving the Fish Screen at Outlet of Long Pond in Sandy River Plantation (H. P. 1036) (L. D. 520)

Resolve Opening Bagaduce River, in Hancock County, to Trapping of Eels (H. P. 1344) (L. D. 696)

Resolve Providing for a Fish Screen at Outlet of Peabody Pond in the Town of Sebago (H. P. 1395) (L. D. 728)

Resolve Providing for a Fish Screen at Outlet of Tacoma Lakes Chain in the Town of Litchfield (H. P. 1485) (L. D. 842)

Resolve Providing for a Fish Screen at Outlet of Lake Auburn

in the City of Auburn (H. P. 1438) (L. D. 845)

Resolve Providing for a Fish Screen at Outlet of Great Pond in Plantation No. 33, Hancock County (H. P. 1695) (L. D. 1018)

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the second time, passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

**Finally Passed
Constitutional Amendment
Tabled**

Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution to Set Forth the Duty of the State and the Towns Towards Education (H. P. 1572) (L. D. 886)

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

(On motion by Mr. McGlauffin of Portland, tabled pending final passage.)

**Passed to be Enacted
Emergency Measure**

An Act Relating to the Atlantic Sea Run Salmon Commission (S. P. 124) (L. D. 145)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 132 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

**Emergency Measure
Tabled**

An Act Amending An Act to Provide for the Joining of Towns for the Purpose of Providing Better School Facilities (S. P. 654) (L. D. 1447)

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

(On motion by Mr. Campbell of Augusta, tabled pending passage to be enacted.)

Passed to be Enacted

An Act Increasing the Salary of the Judge of the Gardiner Municipal Court (S. P. 277) (L. D. 450)

An Act Relating to the Salary of the Judge of the Franklin Municipal Court (S. P. 319) (L. D. 512)

An Act Relating to the Salaries of the Judge of Probate and Register of Probate, Franklin County (S. P. 320) (L. D. 513)

An Act Relating to the Salaries of Various County Officers of Franklin County (S. P. 321) (L. D. 514)

An Act Relating to Investigation of Fire Hazards and Causes of Fires (S. P. 391) (L. D. 706)

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

An Act Relating to State Owned Cars (S. P. 489) (L. D. 1173)

An Act Relating to Certificate of Approval for Brewers (S. P. 531) (L. D. 1061)

An Act to Construct a Bridge Between Old Town and Indian Island (S. P. 638) (L. D. 1409)

An Act Relating to the Salary of the Clerk of Courts in Sagadahoc County (H. P. 757) (L. D. 294)

An Act Relating to Salary of Judge and Clerk Hire of the Municipal Court of Waterville (H. P. 941) (L. D. 382)

An Act Relating to the Salary of the Judge of the Bangor Municipal Court (H. P. 1194) (L. D. 597)

An Act Relating to the Bulk Sales Act (H. P. 1505) (L. D. 812)

An Act Relating to Dealer's Registration (H. P. 1515) (L. D. 890)

An Act Relating to Retail Store Malt Liquor Licenses (H. P. 1858) (L. D. 1195)

An Act Relating to Establishing Boundaries of State Highways (H. P. 1873) (L. D. 1213)

An Act Relating to Fire Escapes (H. P. 1926) (L. D. 1286)

An Act to Validate the Acts of the Woodlawn Memorial Cemetery Association and to Authorize the Transfer to and Acceptance by the City of Brewer of that Association's Cemetery and Trust Funds (H. P. 1933) (L. D. 1308)

An Act to Provide Civil Service Rights to the Chief of Police and the Fire Chief of the City of South Portland (H. P. 1935) (L. D. 1310)

An Act Relating to Qualifications of Voters at Primary Elections (H. P. 1966) (L. D. 1340)

An Act Relating to Traffic Control Signals (H. P. 2011) (L. D. 1394)

An Act Relating to Selling Liquor Near Togus Hospital (H. P. 2024) (L. D. 1413)

Finally Passed

Resolve Authorizing Town of Harpswell to Fill Certain Waters for Road (H. P. 1936) (L. D. 1311)

Were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. Bills passed to be enacted, Resolve finally passed, all signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Order of the Day

The SPEAKER: Under Orders of the Day, the Chair lays before the House the first tabled and today assigned matter, Resolve in Favor of Atlantic Sea Run Salmon Commission (S. P. 322) (L. D. 939) tabled on April 8 by the gentleman from Benton, Mr. Faas, pending assignment for second reading.

On motion by Mr. Prince of Harpswell, the Resolve was assigned for second reading at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning, April 13.

The SPEAKER: The Chair now lays before the House the second tabled and today assigned matter, House Divided Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to Running Horse Racing" (H. P. 1260) (L. D. 562), Majority Report "Ought to pass," Minority Report "Ought not to pass" tabled on April 8 by the gentleman from Stratton, Mr. Carville, pending acceptance of either report.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Stratton, Mr. Carville.

Mr. CARVILLE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I shall try to be as brief as I can. I think this has had a pretty good airing here the last three or four weeks. The

legalizing of running races is not new to this Legislature. Two terms ago, a similar bill passed both branches of the Legislature here and was vetoed. Last term a similar bill covering the harness horses passed both Houses here with flying colors but was vetoed. We came within a few votes of overriding the veto—we lacked five votes.

I am going to bring out a few of the points I think are important. One of them is the so-called "bookies" that we have in our State playing on our State with out-of-state money. These agents are in all of our leading cities and they have under-agents in our small towns. I know because I live in one of these small towns. If we only knew the half of the lost revenue to the State that these out-of-state vultures are taking from us, I think it would make a lot of difference to us all. I would like to see at least a part of this revenue kept at home.

We are in the business of parimutuel betting; it is on our statutes, it is in our American blood to gamble in some form. It started with the Pilgrims when they came here to gamble a new life in a new world. Every business venture any of us have taken has always been a gamble. I ask you where any one of us would have been today if our leaders from the beginning had not been gamblers.

A few statistics regarding this, I will give just a few states. New Hampshire, last year, on a gross of approximately \$47,000,000, New Hampshire gets a cut on that at the same rate we are getting here, five per cent, which amounts to \$2,600,000. Now, in New Hampshire, they have a lot of tracks in Massachusetts that are drawing a lot of their patronage while here we have very little to draw. I think it is conservative to say that we should get \$600,000 to \$1,000,000 in revenue after such racing is set up. Florida netted approximately \$13,500,000. That was in revenue alone. Other states show similar takes from their racing. I have every reason to believe that the interests involved in this type of racing will build a

track that will do justice to Maine. I understand that it will be somewhere west of Portland as they have to depend more or less on out-of-state patronage. Our out-of-state summer guests demand this type of entertainment. You can ask any camp owner or any hotel owner. They will always tell you that people are always crying: "Why don't we have racing?" The lion's share of revenue from such racing would certainly come from out of state and I believe we all like out-of-state money.

Some of my opponents have made the remark that all we would have would be fifth-rate horses for either trotters or runners. I do not believe any of us will agree with it when last year some of the best horses came to Old Orchard for only a twelve-day meet.

The rating of these horses would not, however, be too interesting to me if it was a fair contest and a race where the State can derive \$600,000 and at the same time bring in many out-of-state visitors and give the people of Maine who don't care to gamble, the entertainment they crave.

I remember my early days in Stratton; we had a small half-mile track and the three minute gait was tops. I enjoyed those races just as much, if not more, than many of the so-called first rate horse races I have seen since then.

The contest is what makes it interesting, not the speed. Unless the time was told to you, could you tell a three minute gait from the world's record? I doubt it. Now I expect world records to be made by our runners and trotters and I expect at times we will have the best horses in the game competing on our tracks.

This sport will bring many more people to the State of Maine, not only the fans but their families. Many of them will stay with us for the summer. And, as a change from every day at the track, will try our coastal and inland fishing, tour our State for its scenic beauty,

and surely many will visit our county fairs.

This type of racing has not much more in common with the fairs than our baseball games, derbies, etc. I like fairs and all types of sport including horse racing, both harness and the jockeys, but I like a change also. Now, let's all be fair-minded, and not discriminate. Remember we have all pledged to the "Boost Maine Club" and here is a chance to really boost Maine. No one attraction will bring more out-of-state people here than will racing. We should be able to make this what Florida is in the winter, in the summer. We advertise as a vacation land and I understand it is ideal for training of horses and it is ideal for the people to spend their summers here. They do crave additional entertainment.

Another point I want to bring out is that I never want, as I have been quoted, to bring revenue to the State that depends on gambling and liquor to carry on. I don't want to see the State run on gambling or on liquor revenue. I am told that there is only about twenty percent of the people who bet on these races; that certainly furnishes fine entertainment for the other eighty percent. In concluding, I don't believe that any of us like monopolies. It is not the American way and if we are to carry on our aid to those in need certainly this measure will help. Let's stay on the "Boost Maine Drive."

There is no moral issue here except to clean up the situation that is out of control. I refer to the "bookies." I am told that one of the "bookies" in Portland is driving around with three Cadillac cars. I think this will help to put him on a motorcycle. I would like to cut them down and put them out of business. I would and everyone else would. They mention a man that wagers money, his family needs. Probably he never would take care of his family anyhow.

If he didn't bet on the races, he would play craps or poker, buy tickets from the agents. Remember,

there is no moral issue. If we are to carry on aid to those in need, this certainly will help.

I move acceptance of the "Ought to pass" report of the committee and ask that when the vote is taken, it be taken by division.

On motion by Miss Longstaff of Crystal, House Rule 25 was suspended for the remainder of today's session in order to permit smoking.

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

Mr. McGLAUFFIN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I wish, at this time, to quote briefly from the editorial of the Press Herald of April 8th.

It says: "Racing Bill Ought Not To Pass. — The bill to legalize pari-mutuel betting on running horse racing deserves swift defeat at the hands of the Maine Legislature. The Legal Affairs Committee favors the measure, 7 to 3, but the Press Herald thinks the best interests of the state will be served if the committee is reversed." This editorial goes on at some length and you will find it complete in the yellow slips on the desks, but I will not take up the time to read the whole argument. But, at the end of the editorial, it says this: "It is accepted that horse racing inflicts serious moral damage to a community, that it attracts an undesirable element of race followers, that it is a social scourge. But even those who choose to ignore these arguments run headlong into the record of economic disadvantages, the suffering by individuals and losses by retailers.

"Neither Maine as a vacationland, nor Maine as a business and industrial land will be benefited by legalizing pari-mutuel betting on running horse racing. We hope the 94th Legislature rejects the proposal."

Also, I will read briefly from an editorial from the Lewiston Journal I cut out of last Friday's paper.

This newspaper says: "No Running Races, Please. — This newspaper strongly opposed, when introduced in the Legislature some weeks ago, measures to introduce pari-mutuel betting on jockey horse races in Maine. Despite the favorable report of the Legal Affairs committee, it still opposes the proposition.

"It is not good under any conditions. In the first place, there should be no broadening of the legal outlets for gambling. With harness race pari-mutuel and beano, the State has gone already too far. . . . Let's not open our doors."

Now, my opposition to this bill is not in running of horses, it is that I am opposed to gambling. They say that we are already in the gambling business in the pari-mutuel races. I admit that and if I had been in the Legislature when that measure came up I should have voted against it because I am opposed to gambling. But, I am particularly opposed to the idea of the State of Maine that has forbidden gambling over many, many years coming in and taking part in the gambling proposition itself. I do not question the sincerity of men like my brother who just spoke. He is a good friend of mine and I like him immensely. We can't always agree on just what should be done. He thinks that money is being wasted that we should get hold of but the idea of a gambling proposition is wrong and, I don't believe in legalizing a wrong and I particularly am opposed to our taking a part in a wrong for the purpose of making a few dollars. I am thinking of more than just how many dollars Maine might make by hook or by crook on some such scheme. I am thinking of the children who may go without shoes because the father is so weak-minded and unwise as to risk his money on chances that are very far from being even. Gambling as a means of making money is recognized the world over as financially unsound. It isn't a proper way to raise funds for a state.

It has been said to me: "What harm is there if some society or

organization wants to put up an automobile and sell tickets on it and perhaps try to make some money that way?" Members of this House, that is a very different proposition in my mind from what it is to have the State of Maine go into the gambling business. The State of Maine ought to protect its citizens, not throw out temptation to lower their morality. I oppose this bill because I feel that it does lower the morality of the men who get excited and under the spur of the moment make bets that at a sane time they would not think of making. I think there is a moral issue here. I think the State of Maine should protect its citizens and I hope that this bill does not pass.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is upon the motion of the gentleman from Stratton, Mr. Carville, that the House accept the "Ought to pass" report of the committee.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Randolph, Mr. Kent.

Mr. KENT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I am opposed to this bill because I don't think the State of Maine is large enough to have two types of racing. I think if we bring running races in here it would ruin Maine as a harness racing state. I think Maine is a harness racing state and it should remain that way. During the time we would be having our running race meets here in the State of Maine, there would be one in one of the other New England states, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, or Rhode Island. At that time, those tracks up there have a tremendous population to draw from and they would have the best horses available, due to the fact that their purses would be four or five times what we could possibly pay in the State of Maine. Now, on that assumption, what kind of horses would we get down here in Maine? We would get horses that could not possibly win or bring money in, and it would be foolish to bring a horse down here to

Maine to race for three or four hundred dollars when it could race for \$1,000, or \$5,000 and up to \$50,000 in purses at other places where they have racing. So, we would get the scum of an already bad mess. We would get the cheapest horses, the cheapest owners and the cheapest jockeys. In other words, any one that could not stay up on the big tracks and make money would come down here to Maine and try to pick up what they could. Now we have not a large enough population with betting money enough to support two types of racing, I don't believe. At the time we would have a running horse meet, someone else would have a harness horse meet. Neither track would profit by it and each one of them would lose revenue and I think it would be a failure both ways.

We have come a long way in the State of Maine in trying to help out our agricultural fairs in the promotion of harness horse racing, and I think we should keep this activity confined to the agricultural fairs rather than have the benefit derived from it go to them. Therefore, I hope that we accept the "Ought not to pass" report of this committee.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Blaine, Mr. Bubar.

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I am against this bill for moral reasons and the press this morning gave some of the reasons. They listed me as a grandfather and if I keep on a few years more feeling as I do now, I will be a great grandfather and a great, great grandfather.

Now, I am here to legislate not only for my children but for your children and the children of the State of Maine and I am against any gambling device from a moral standpoint. I want my children and my grandchildren—they spoke of it this morning and I said I don't object to being a grandfather although, I have five wonderful

children, I am not denying it, but when it come to calling me grandfather, you would think I had gray hair and a bald head. But I am here because I want to legislate to make it easy for boys and girls to live right and to grow up in an atmosphere that I grew up in of the Sunday school and the temperance legion, where boys and girls have an incentive to do right. I am against this bill because I am going to be responsible to your children and your grandchildren and mine. I am against this bill because I read in the Physical Culture Magazine this month—you go down and get it — an article by the great physical culturist and philanthropist and moralist, Bernarr MacFadden. That is one of the second greatest reasons for heart failure aside from smoking cigarettes (Laughter) which I mentioned a while ago and I don't want to mention that again. And the second greatest reason for heart failure was gambling. Do you suppose that I am going to license a second killer like that? No, sir. I have to answer to myself in here, to the people when I go back home and somebody else when I get through legislating here upon this earth. I am against this bill. I thank you.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is upon the motion of the gentleman from Stratton, Mr. Carville, that the House accept the "Ought to pass" report of the committee.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Lovell, Mr. McKeen.

Mr. McKEEN: Mr. Speaker, I simply want to go on record as opposing this bill. I don't think that the State of Maine is going to gamble itself into any great amount of prosperity. If you will read this piece here on your desks through, you will find nothing there that isn't so. I hope this measure does not pass.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Greene, Mr. Sanderson.

Mr. SANDERSON: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I had

not intended to make any remarks on this subject this morning but in looking over our morning papers, this little paragraph caught my eye. Quoting Dr. C. Elwood Drake, Acting Principal of Newton, Massachusetts high school, who addressed the teachers at Skowhegan, yesterday, says: "Americans who want more horse racing, more gambling and more fun are selling their children short on education." And I would also like to call attention to a few figures which were given. I think these were close estimates which would state that the amount of money spent in this country for horse racing amounts to two billion dollars. The testimony of a man who has made some considerable research on this subject is this: The little guy can't stand the strain and so he gambles his money much to the disadvantage of his family and the local merchants who are left holding the bag. It is the contention of an investigator in the State of Rhode Island that during the racing season retail sales fell off forty percent.

I certainly admire the ability and sincerity of the gentleman from Stratton and I do admire the same qualities in the case of the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaulin, but I would be very much gratified at the opportunity to state that I am in perfect agreement with the sentiments of the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlaulin, and on behalf of my people who have signified their ideas to me, I want to go on record as being opposed to this measure and I would like to have a roll call on this question.

The SPEAKER: At this time, the Chair notes the presence in the balcony of the Hall of the House of the Eighth Grade from Porter Junior High School, of Kezar Falls, Mrs. Wescott in charge. On behalf of the House, we bid you welcome. (Applause)

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is upon the motion of the gentleman from Stratton, Mr. Carville, that the House do ac-

cept the "Ought to pass" report of the committee.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Monmouth, Mr. Marsans.

Mr. MARSANS: Mr. Speaker, I can't see that the question right now is whether Maine is going into the gambling business or not. We are already in that so, therefore, I believe the moral question must take a back seat. We are in the liquor business and we do not argue whether we should sell whiskey only and not allow beer to be sold. We are allowing sulky racing now. This is merely taking the man off the sulky and placing him on a horse's back and changing the horse's pace and I can see no moral issue on that particular point. It is true that we have seen what pari-mutuels have done to the fairs. It has helped the fairs out tremendously due to the vision of practically one man who was willing to put the time, effort and money into backing pari-mutuel betting for the harness boys. It has helped not only the fairs but every locality where fairs are run. I think that although this is not going to be all over the State of Maine, it will very definitely help a section where we are dependent on outside people for a great deal of our revenue.

Being in the recreational game, I know that a number of parents who come to visit their children want to know what there is to do. They will leave Maine to go to Saratoga or they will leave Maine to go to King's Park in Canada for such type of recreation that they like. In the same way as any kind of recreational activity, they are bound to spend money whether it is on the roller coasters, the affairs down to old Orchard, naturally they are going to spend money but it will help your local merchants. I am in favor of this particular measure since it does not present a moral issue. We are in the gambling business, and I do not think it should be a monopoly.

I hope the "Ought to pass" report will prevail.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is upon the motion

of the gentleman from Stratton, Mr. Carville, that the House do accept the "Ought to pass" report of the committee. Is the House ready for the question?

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

Mr. BOOTHBY: Mr. Speaker, I want to make a motion that when we vote on this we vote by the yeas and nays.

The SPEAKER: The Chair understands that a similar motion has already been made by the gentleman from Greene, Mr. Sanderson.

Is the House ready for the question?

The gentleman from Greene, Mr. Sanderson, has requested that when the vote is taken, it be taken by the yeas and nays. The yeas and nays are in order at the desire of one-fifth of the members present. As many as desire that the vote be taken by the yeas and nays will kindly rise. The monitors will kindly return the count of the members who have arisen.

Twenty-four members arose.

The SPEAKER: Will the monitors now return the count of the members in their seats in their sections?

There being one hundred thirty-one members presently in their seats, twenty-four having arisen, twenty-four being less than one-fifth of the members present, the yeas and nays are not in order.

The gentleman from Stratton has requested when the vote is taken that it be by division.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Stratton, Mr. Carville.

Mr. CARVILLE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I feel I should answer one or two of the remarks that have been made regarding the corruption in the states that are legalizing running horses. I was given this information that Arizona, Florida and Nevada are the three leading states in the gambling field; they are also the three leading states in the educational field. They do more for education than any other states in the Union.

As to the conflict that my colleague, Mr. Kent, said we would run into in the time set when we would be running races and fairs and harness racing, that they would conflict. That is all up to the commission and it has been talked over, for his information, and it rests between all of the interests involved and they have agreed that the time will be set so that it will not conflict. There is plenty of time between May 15th and November 30th for the runners, the trotters and the fairs. The idea in my mind is that during fair time, the commission will see to it that harness racing does not operate. The runners will operate during that time and the runners have no more effect on the fairs than, as I said before, a baseball game. At that time if at the track at Gorham the harness racing is down, where do you think those horses are going? Certainly a large part of them will visit our fairs. A lot of the people will visit our fairs. I don't think that it is a fair remark to make that there is any conflict here when it has been agreed by all parties that this will be taken care of.

As to the corruption of the children in the pari-mutuel betting, I can't see that point. You have the pari-mutuels now and on top of that we have the so-called bookies. I am sorry that the gentlemen who brought this out do not seem apparently to travel in the same paths that I do. They would know that we have this gambling with us. Our truck drivers in the small towns are loaded with tickets to sell to everybody, children up. When you go to the pari-mutuels, there are no children in evidence; they are not even allowed inside the gate. You have the good, clear odds against you. They are posted; you know what the odds are. And with the "bookies" and agents you don't know what the odds are. If there is any moral issue, it is in favor of the running and the harness racing. I think we should bring it up from under the table

and set it up on top, put it where we can control it. I thank you.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Randolph, Mr. Kent.

Mr. KENT: Mr. Speaker, the present program set up for harness racing in the State of Maine this year starts the 6th day of June and runs continuously from then into November depending on how the weather is; I think it is somewhere about the 11th or 15th of November. It would be rather difficult to have meets that weren't conflicting unless the harness horses were forced to stop racing some of the weeks while the runners were racing. Otherwise, perhaps two weeks in May or from the middle of November until November 30th would be the only dates that do not conflict.

Another thing, I don't believe that all the people who come down here for recreation in the summer time are crazy about running race horses; if they were, they would probably stay up in Massachusetts and watch the running races where they have tremendous tracks and lots of horses. People come down here for recreation, to have a chance to rest and relax and get strength and then go back to the runners there and get worn out. I don't think they are all sold on the idea of having a running track put up in their back yard somewhere which would attract tremendous crowds and everything else. I know from the business man's point of view, the merchant's point of view, that any town that is cursed with a race track is in bad shape. I thank you.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is upon the motion of the gentleman from Stratton, Mr. Carville, that the House do accept the "Ought to pass" report of the committee. The same gentleman has requested that when the vote is taken, it be taken by division.

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

Mr. CHAPMAN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: This mat-

ter has been pretty well thrashed out by now so I will be extremely brief.

It seems to me there is a question of consistency in thinking that is involved here and my suggestion would be that if this bill does not receive favorable passage—and I think it probably will—we should introduce legislation to repeal the some one hundred and thirty-one Beano licenses which are now granted to churches. (Laughter)

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Stratton, Mr. Carville, that the House accept the "Ought to pass" report of the committee, the same gentleman having requested a division.

As many as are in favor of the motion of the gentleman from Stratton, Mr. Carville, that the House accept the "Ought to pass" report of the committee will rise and remain standing and the monitors will make and return the count.

A division of the House was had.

The SPEAKER: Eighty-three having voted in the affirmative and forty-seven having voted in the negative, the motion to accept the "Ought to pass" report of the committee prevails.

The bill having been printed, under suspension of the rules was given its two several readings and tomorrow assigned for third reading.

The SPEAKER: The Chair lays before the House the third tabled and today assigned matter, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1950 and June 30, 1951" (S. P. 624) (L. D. 1360) tabled on April 11th by the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess, pending third reading.

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

Mr. Robbins offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 624, L. D. 1360, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1950, and June 30, 1951."

Amend said Bill by striking out the figure "75,000" in each column after MAINE MARITIME ACADEMY and inserting in place thereof, in each column, the figure '95,000'.

Further amend said Bill by correcting the totals in the paragraph above amended and also the grand totals in said Bill.

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

Mr. ROBBINS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would like to explain briefly the reasons why I have introduced this amendment.

You all know, I believe, that the Maine Maritime Academy is a joint operation between the Federal and State government. Up to this point, the Federal government has been putting in approximately three dollars for every dollar put in by the State. During the war, when the Academy was first established, it was impossible to obtain a civilian faculty, and, accordingly, the Navy supplied the entire corps of instructors. At the conclusion of hostilities, the Navy withdrew their instructors except in Naval Science and Tactics and it became incumbent upon the State to furnish the funds for the remainder of the faculty. Accordingly, whereas during the war we had operated on an appropriation of only \$50,000 a year from the State, it became necessary for us to come in here two years ago requesting an appropriation of \$115,000 a year from the State. At the same time, the trustees, of whom I am one, pledged themselves to seek every means to reduce the amount requested for the next biennium, and, in fact, we came in for \$95,000 a year instead of \$115,000.

Now we achieved this reduction in this way: Prior to last fall, the regulations of the Maine Maritime Commission prohibited us from

charging tuition. We were allowed to charge \$200 a year service charge, and that was all. We also were obliged to feed the students, and, no matter what it was, we could not charge them more than the allowance from the Federal government of seventy-five cents a day, which created quite a deficit.

As a result of our representations, the Maritime Commission last fall permitted us to charge tuition instead of a service charge, and permitted us also to charge the students for the value of the food which they actually consumed. This means that in terms of per student we have set the rate of tuition for the next scholastic year starting in August we set the rate the same as the University of Maine, \$225. Instead of the \$200 service charge we are going to have to charge them about \$140 a year additional for food. So that, starting in August of this year, each student will be obliged to pay \$165 more than they have been paying, which is an increase of 82 per cent.

Now, as far as this amendment goes, if it is not granted, the trustees will be obliged to charge each student another \$100. That means we would have to charge them \$265 more than they are now paying, an increase of 130 per cent, all at one time.

Now we believe that the reason that the Budget Committee recommended only \$50,000 was due, in part at least, to a misunderstanding. The present budget message stated that every department could be maintained at the same level or better than in the previous biennium, whereas the budget report, in coming to the \$50,000 went back to two years ago. Had they gone back to the present biennium, they would have recommended \$115,000. We are requesting \$95,000 which is \$20,000 less. The Governor recommended that \$25,000 be allotted to the Academy from surplus. The bill before you would appropriate \$75,000 for each year. Now the trustees will tell you that we cannot run the school for that amount,

and it will be necessary to take it from the students.

In conclusion, I would like to emphasize that we are asking for \$20,000 less for the biennium; and secondly, if this amendment is defeated it would not mean the end of the school as it would two years ago; it will simply mean that we will have to charge the students who entered the school with the understanding they would pay \$200 a year, we will have to charge them \$465 a year, which in the opinion of the trustees is impossible for many of the students who are now in the school. It may be that in years to come we will have to reach that permanently high level, but we do not think it is fair for students now enrolled to make that jump all at one time.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bath, Mr. McClure.

Mr. McCLURE: Mr. Speaker, I would like to concur with my colleague, the gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Robbins. This is one semi-military institution that should have some increase.

Gentlemen, I have looked over the appropriation measures, and when it comes to anything pertaining to veterans, their dependents, or the education of veterans, I notice they have had only a little over \$2,000 in an increased appropriation.

I would like to bring this matter up in regard to different veterans' measures. It took me a little time to find this. The Adjutant General's department: recommended by the committee, \$261,824; no increase by the Appropriations Committee. Education of Orphans of Veterans: recommended by the committee, \$1200; no increase. Institutions: Military and Naval Children's Home, recommended \$42,630 for 1950-51; approved by committee, \$52,630; no increase. As I stated, the Maine Maritime Academy was \$50,000. There was an increase to \$75,000 on that. Veterans Affairs Division, \$377,125; approved by the

Appropriations Committee, \$377,-125.

Gentlemen, in time of war we need the veteran; we promise everything. If we cannot give him at least a token of appreciation for his services let us at least try to protect the ones he has left behind who need our help.

The **SPEAKER**: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Robbins, that the House adopt House Amendment "A".

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Unity, Mr. Brown.

Mr. **BROWN**: Mr. Speaker, I shall vote for the amendment, and I ask for a yea and nay vote.

The **SPEAKER**: The gentleman from Unity, Mr. Brown, has requested the yea and nay vote. The yeas and nays are in order at the desire of one-fifth of the members present.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlauffin

Mr. **McGLAUFFIN**: Mr. Speaker, I want to go on record as also favoring this amendment.

The **SPEAKER**: The gentleman from Unity, Mr. Brown, has requested that when the vote is taken that it be taken by the yeas and nays. The yeas and nays are in order at the desire of one-fifth of the members present. Those desiring that the vote be taken by the yeas and nays will kindly rise.

Obviously more than one-fifth of the members present having arisen, the yeas and nays are in order.

The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Houlton, Mr. Robbins, that the House do adopt House Amendment "A".

As many as are in favor of the adoption of House Amendment "A" will say yes when their names are called; those opposed will say no.

The Clerk will call the roll.

ROLL CALL

YEA—Albee, Ames, Arthur, Bates, Benn, Bennett, Berry, Bird, Boothby, Brown, Robbinston, Brown, Unity, Brown, Wayne; Bubar, Bucknam,

Burgess, Limestone; Burgess, Rockland; Campbell, Augusta; Campbell, Garland; Campbell, Guilford; Carle, Carter, Carville, Castonguay, Chaples, Chapman, Chute, Clapp, Clements, Cobb, Cook, Cyr, Dennett, Dorsey, Dow, Dudley, Dunham, Eastman, Faas, Fay, Fuller, Gerrish, Gray, Hall, Hayes, Hayward, Hill, Hobbs, Acton; House, Jacobs, Jamieson, Jennings, Jewett, Johnston, Jones, Kent, Knapp, Lackee, Larrabee, Bath; Larrabee, Westbrook; Latno, Leavitt, Littlefield, Longstaff, Ludwig, Marble, Marsans, Martin, Frenchville; Maxell, McClure, McGlauffin, McGown, McKeen, Merrill, Merritt, Millett, O'Connell, Paine, Parker, Patterson, Payson, Philbrick, Phillips, Plummer, Prince, Pullen, Ricker, Robbins, Roundy, Sanborn, Sargent, Spear, Spring, Stanley, Taylor, Thomas, Thompson, Brewer; Tyler, Wight, Bangor; Williams, Auburn; Winchenpaw.

NAY — Atherton, Boulter, Brown, Baileyville; Brown, Bangor; Brown, Durham; Chase, Cole, Cormier, DeSanctis, Dostie, Lewiston; Dostie, Winslow; Duquette, Farley, Fitch, Foley, Gates, Gauthier, Gauvin, Hanson, Jalbert, Kelly, Labbe, Lacharite, Laughton, Lessard, Letourneau, Malenfant, Martin, Augusta; Maxwell, McEnery, Muskie, O'Dell, Sanderson, Sharpe, St. Pierre, Webber, White, Auburn; Williams, Topsham; Woodworth.

ABSENT—Bearce, Dufresne, Grant, Hobbs, So. Berwick; Johnson, Martin, Eagle Lake; Nadeau, Palmer, Silsby, Stevens, Wormwood.

Yes 100, No 39, Absent 11.

The **SPEAKER**: One hundred having voted in the affirmative and thirty-nine having voted in the negative, eleven being absent, House Amendment "A" has been adopted.

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

Mr. **CHASE**: Mr. Speaker, I offer House Amendment "D" to L. D. 1360 and move its adoption.

The **SPEAKER**: The gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, presents House Amendment "D" to L. D. 1360 and moves its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "D" to S. P. 624, L. D. 1360, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal

Years Ending June 30, 1950, and June 30, 1951."

Amend the paragraph of the Bill making appropriations for the Maine Development Commission by striking out

"Departmental Operations
300,000 300,000"
and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Departmental Operations
200,000 200,000'

Further amend said Bill by correcting the grand totals in said Bill.

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

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, I understand that this appropriation bill has been kept before the House for some time, particularly in order to afford those who wish to economize an opportunity to cut it down. So far, out of those who have been reluctant to vote for taxes, we seem to have acquired a considerable number of "Yes" votes for increased appropriations. I should like to afford to the House an opportunity to move in the other direction by decreasing an appropriation. This amendment cuts down the appropriation for the Maine Development Commission by the amount of \$100,000 per year.

Now, as to the most of the items in this budget which have been heard by the Budget Committee and revised by the Appropriations Committee, I have consistently accepted their view of the situation because I think they know a good deal more about it than I do, but in the particular field where I have some respect for my own view derived from long experience, I am making my motion to reduce the appropriation.

In so far as the Maine Development Commission is concerned with the solid core of industrial promotion or agricultural promotion, or promotion of Inland Fisheries and Game or Sea and Shore Fisheries, I am entirely in accord with its purpose and believe it is doing a fairly good job. Over the whole period of time that the Commission

has been in existence, however, there seems to have been a constant tendency from time to time for those who move into it and acquire control of it to have a selfish interest in using it, and thereby using State money, to promote their own purpose. I am of the opinion that a substantial amount of money is being spent by the Maine Development Commission in advertising and recreational promotion and in other fields, which money would be far better spent by private interests who derive a direct benefit therefrom.

During the past thirty years, I have been engaged myself in trying to employ the money of Maine people in Maine industry. I have also had some contacts, through the University of Maine, with the agricultural situation in this State. It is my belief that the future prosperity of this State depends far more upon individuals acting in their own capacity and with their own money, going out and doing creative and constructive things than it does from advertising and the general type of booster literature. I believe, therefore, that if \$100,000 of the State's money is withheld from the Commission — and I understand that part of that is an increase which is asked for and reduces it only in part below what it has been getting — I believe that if that money ceased to be public money it can be raised and should be raised by the private interests who are most directly by the activities of that body.

It is for that reason that I make my contribution, in a field in which I feel I have some knowledge and experience, toward reducing the total amount of this appropriation bill.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Unity, Mr. Brown.

Mr. BROWN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: The Development Commission have an appropriation for this present year of \$234,000. They appeared before the Appropriations Committee and made a request for \$350,000. They

pointed out to the committee that, due to the increased cost of advertising and publishing booklets, they needed this money to keep up with the procession. In other words, we have competition from other states in our vacation and recreational business at the present time, and, in order to compete with them, they must advertise in the better class of magazines and have larger advertising than they have heretofore in past recent years.

Furthermore, I do not look upon this appropriation as an appropriation; I look upon it as an investment. If we can invest this money and bring more vacationists into the State, I believe it will tend to increase our revenues. By that I mean additional sales of tobacco and additional sales of liquor and beer. If it has any value at all, I believe at least we should keep this appropriation up to the \$300,000 that we have granted.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bath, Mr. McClure.

Mr. McCLURE: Mr. Speaker, strange as it seems, I agree with the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, that perhaps not as large an amount of cut be made at this time as he has suggested, but I think it is at least a step in the right direction. Perhaps a ten per cent cut over-all would be the right thing to do.

I might say that, in so far as additional revenue from tobacco is concerned, we know if we look at the record that that is not true when we have a tax of thirty-three per cent larger on our cigars and tobacco than any other state in the Union. I do not look for any increase from that source. I feel, as I said before, it is really a step in the right direction.

The gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, also referred to some of the economy bloc perhaps voting apparently his way. Now I might say what I stated a few days ago in regard to the economy bloc. The fact that I and many other members of the economy bloc are against new taxes does not

mean that we are against necessary improvements. I feel that we have ample funds to improve many conditions, and my first suggestion would be to use as much surplus as we are able to do for our schools and our teachers. We have also noticed this morning that we have approved a running race bill. Regardless of what anyone says, if that does go through there will be added revenue there, and, apparently, by the vote of the House this morning, it will go through.

I would like to go along with Mr. Chase, but before I would vote for a cut of the size he wants, I would want to investigate it further. I know it is a step in the right direction, and I want to thank Mr. Chase on behalf of the taxpayers of Maine for that step.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, that the House do adopt House Amendment "D".

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

Mr. BURGESS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would like to speak very briefly as an individual Maine citizen interested in Maine people and interested in the economy of the State of Maine.

It is not a pleasure for me to be on the opposite side of the question from my very good friend, Mr. Chase, but I think my duty is clear. The State of Maine, advertising itself as a vacation state and having annually an estimated one hundred or more million dollars of tourist money coming into the State, must have a central organization that can handle the advertising for the State of Maine. The Maine Development Commission also handles a fund collected from the potato industry; I believe the fund is self-supporting but is administered through the Development Commission and it must take some time and personnel.

There are a great many things that could be pointed out where more advertising could be done to benefit the State of Maine, and although I am as interested as any

person here in saving every dollar that can be wisely saved, I do not believe that this is the place to start lopping off. I hope that you will not support the offered amendment.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Unity, Mr. Brown.

Mr. BROWN: Mr. Speaker, I ask for the yeas and nays.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, that the House adopt House Amendment "D". The gentleman from Unity, Mr. Brown, requests that when the vote is taken it be taken by the yeas and nays.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Monmouth, Mr. Marsans.

Mr. MARSANS: Mr. Speaker, I would like to go on record as opposing this particular amendment. I want you to realize that the Maine Development Commission is one phase of a department for development and conservation of our natural resources. The other major phase of that particular department is the Department of Agriculture, which spends much more money than does the Maine Development Commission; your Forestry Department, which spends much more money; and your Sea and Shore Fisheries, which spends slightly less. Also, your Maine Development Commission does a good deal of its work in advertising agricultural products, such as your Maine potatoes, for the eye and way down into the stomach. Your Development Commission does a lot of work for Sea and Shore Fisheries in promoting the use of Maine lobsters. If we want to curtail their activities until Aroostook County has got to the point where they do not want any further advertising of their product or our coastal communities have reached the point where they do not want to sell any more lobsters, perhaps we can cut down on the money we provide for the Maine Development Commission.

Last year they spent \$259,000, and, because of increased expenses, even

in the budget presented by our Governor on January 12th, under existing revenues, we allowed them \$279,000. I think it is foolish for us to try to cut a department that can really help the State of Maine down to the point where they will be definitely curtailed in the work they are doing to try to make Maine the leading State. I am against this particular amendment.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Anson, Mr. Sharpe.

Mr. SHARPE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I happen to be one of the many men in the State of Maine who is the proprietor of a small industry, and I expect that I am not the only proprietor of a small industry who is under a constant struggle to keep his industry alive. I give employment to from ten to twenty people all the time, and I know of no medium which has given me so much valuable assistance as the Maine Development Commission.

I find myself at this time, for the first time that I can recall in two years in this House, unable to go along with the motion of my colleague, the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, that the House do adopt House Amendment "D". The gentleman from Unity, Mr. Brown, has requested that when the vote is taken it be taken by the yeas and nays. Is the House ready for the question?

The yeas and nays are in order at the desire of one-fifth of the members present. Those desiring that the vote be taken by the yeas and nays will kindly rise.

Obviously more than one-fifth of the members present having arisen, the yeas and nays are in order.

The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, Mr. Chase, that the House adopt House Amendment "D". Those in favor of the adoption of House Amendment "D" will say yes when their names

are called; those opposed will say no. The Clerk will call the roll.

ROLL CALL

YEA — Ames, Atherton, Bennett, Boulier, Brown, Durham; Bucknam, Campbell, Augusta; Campbell, Garland; Campbell, Guilford; Castonguay, Chaples, Chase, Cole, Cook, Cormier, Cyr, DeSanctis, Dostie, Lewiston; Dostie, Winslow; Dow, Duquette, Eastman, Faas, Farley, Fitch, Foley, Gates, Gauthier, Gauvin, Gray, Hanson, Hayward, House, Jacobs, Jalbert, Jamieson, Kelly, Labbe, Lacharite, Lackee, Larrabee, Westbrook; Latno, Laughton, Leavitt, Lessard, Letourneau, Ludwig, Malenfant, McEnery, McGown, Merrill, Merritt, Millett, Nadeau, O'Connell, O'Dell, Philbrick, Plummer, Rounding, Sargent, Spear, Spring, Stanley, St. Pierre, Taylor, Thomas, Tyler, Wight, Bangor; Williams, Topsham; Woodworth.

NAY—Albee, Arthur, Bates, Benn, Berry, Bird, Boothby, Brown, Baileyville; Brown, Bangor; Brown, Robbinston; Brown, Unity; Brown, Wayne; Burgess, Limestone; Burgess, Rockland; Carle, Carter, Carville, Chapman, Chute, Clapp, Clements, Cobb, Dennett, Dudley, Dunham, Fay, Fuller, Gerrish, Hall, Hayes, Hill, Hobbs, Acton; Jennings, Jewett, Johnston, Jones, Kent, Knapp, Larrabee, Bath; Littlefield, Longstaff, Marble, Marsans, Martin, Augusta; Martin, Frenchville; Maxell, Maxwell, McClure, McGlauffin, McKeen, Muskie, Paine, Parker, Patterson, Payson, Phillips, Prince, Pullen, Ricker, Robbins, Sanborn, Sanderson, Sharpe, Stevens, Thompson, Brewer; Webber, White, Auburn; Williams, Auburn; Winchenpaw.

ABSENT—Bearce, Bubar, Dorsey, Dufresne, Grant, Hobbs, So. Berwick; Johnson, Martin, Eagle Lake; Palmer, Silsby, Wormwood.

Yes 70, No 69, Absent 11.

The **SPEAKER**: Seventy having voted in the affirmative and sixty-nine having voted in the negative, eleven being absent, the House has adopted House Amendment "D".

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Wayne, Mr. Brown.

Mr. **BROWN**: Mr. Speaker, I offer House Amendment "E" to S. P. 624, L. D. 1360, and move its adoption.

The **SPEAKER**: The gentleman from Wayne, Mr. Brown, offers House Amendment "E" to S. P. 624, L. D. 1360 and moves its adoption.

The Clerk will read the amendment.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "E" to S. P. 624, L. D. 1360, Bill "An Act to Appropriate Monies for the Expenditures of State Government and for Other Purposes for the Fiscal Years Ending June 30, 1950, and June 30, 1951."

Amend the paragraph of the Bill making appropriations for the Forestry Department by striking out "General Forestry Purposes

57,907 60,607"

and inserting in place thereof the following:

'General Forestry Purposes

59,907 64,607"

Further amend said Bill by correcting the totals in said paragraph and also the grand totals in said Bill.

The **SPEAKER**: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Wayne, Mr. Brown.

Mr. **BROWN**: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: The reasons I offer this amendment are these: The Forestry Department, under L. D. 1360, for their general forestry purposes, as the bill is written calls for \$57,907 for the year 1949-50 and \$60,607 in 1950-51. There has been provision made under the department operations for a proposed office manager in the Forestry Department. That has been taken care of. However, under general forestry purposes no amount was provided for operations that are already in operation or were in operation in 1948-49. If this amendment is adopted, it would still mean that we would have to let two wardens go who were working during the years 1948 and 1949. This increase in the general forestry purposes in for replacement of equipment which is wearing out and which will have to be replaced or substantially repaired before the end of 1951.

I would like to point out to the members of the House that the forestry equipment during the forest fire season takes a terrific beat-

ing and it wears out and has to be replaced. Now the only way that the Forestry Department was able to do this in the last year was by borrowing ten thousand dollars from the contingent fund. Now if these funds are set up on the amendment, the Forestry Department believes they could get by in 1949-50 and 1950-51 without having to borrow from the contingent fund for the replacement of equipment.

To my mind, the Forestry Department is a very efficient, well-run department, and, as you can see from the budget figures, they do not get a great deal of money from the State of Maine. The forest fire season has already started earlier than in previous years, and I really believe that this money is needed for this purpose.

I want to point out to you again that, even though you adopt House Amendment "E", it will be necessary for the Forestry Department to let two wardens go who are now working on forestry equipment. We are not asking for a large sum of money, but we do feel that this money is needed for equipment replacement.

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

Mr. MUSKIE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I have watched with interest the manner in which this procedure is working out. I have seen a cow led in here for slaughter, and each of us is taking a cut at it for our piece of steak. I have examined this appropriations bill and compared it with the appropriations bill of two years ago. I find that, in order to make this bill correspond with that appropriations bill and in order for this House to consider whether or not the two bills should be identical, it would be necessary to offer to the House forty to fifty amendments. When we consider also the possibility that there might be other amendments granting some increases above the appropriations bill of two years ago under L. D. 1360, the possible amendments

reach the vicinity of a hundred or more; and I say that is the only way that we could thoroughly and adequately discuss the merits of the increases over the appropriations bill of two years ago.

Now I do not feel that is the job of this House in session; it is the job of the committee after the committee knows how much money will be available.

We have consumed an hour and fifteen minutes discussing two amendments. We have now before us an increase of \$5000 and \$4000. Those sums are peanuts. Why should we be wasting twenty minutes to half an hour not only for debate on this four or five thousand dollars but also a yea and nay vote to put us on record on a picayune item of that sort. This is a routine job to be taken care of by the committee after they know how much money is going to be available. Now if we consider the possible amendments which should come in here and the time that they would consume for debate and for a yea and nay vote—and I assume that a yea and nay vote would be asked for on every one of them, in order to force us into some pattern of consistency—I say that the amount of time it would take is something that we should consider. And so, in order that these may be taken up in the proper order, I would like at this time, Mr. Speaker, if it is in order, to move that this bill, L. D. 1360, be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Waterville, Mr. Muskie, that this bill, L. D. 1360, be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Unity, Mr. Brown.

Mr. BROWN: Mr. Speaker, I shall not ask for a yea and nay vote on this question, but I shall ask for a division.

I would like to point out to the members of this House that this Appropriations Committee worked on

this bill all winter, and while we concede that it is not one hundred per cent perfect, I want to say for myself that I do not know how I could go back there and do a better job on it than I have done already. I believe it should stay here and go across to the other body at the proper time.

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

Mr. McGLAUFLIN: Mr. Speaker, it strikes me that if we start sending back all of these items that we are trying to discuss and iron out, we will be here next December. Let us not do such a foolish thing.

Another thing that I noticed: The gentleman from Waterville (Mr. Muskie) a moment ago, for once in his life, voted right. (Laughter)

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bath, Mr. McClure.

Mr. McCLURE: Mr. Speaker, after listening to the vote on the motion of Mr. Chase, I believe that it should be sent back to the Appropriations Committee. I believe we should make some cuts; we have to in the interest of our voters. If we have to be here, let us be here so long as it is in the interest of our people. I think it is a good idea, because the sentiment, I think, has changed a lot. I know that the sentiment of the people has not changed a bit in regard to economy, because just while I went out to get a drink of water I had four more telegrams, all endorsing the economy movement.

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

Mr. MUSKIE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: For once in his life, the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlauffin, has admitted that I am right. (Laughter)

I would like to put to you a simple question: Which will take more time: to send this back to committee, decide how much money we want to raise by way of taxes, and then ask the committee to cut the bill to fit those revenues; or will it take less time for us to consider

this appropriations bill here item by item, amendment by amendment, \$4000 item by \$4000 item, ad infinitum until we, 151 of us, agree on what that appropriations bill should be? Now I ask you: Which of those two alternatives will consume more of our time?

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

Mr. McGLAUFLIN: Mr. Speaker, as I see it, this is just an attempt to run around in a circle. You send this back to the Appropriations Committee and they will come back with the same report that you have now. And then where are you? It is just like a kitten chasing its tail.

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

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I would just like to ask my good friend, Judge McGlauffin: Where are we now? (Laughter)

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Falmouth, Mr. Dow.

Mr. DOW: Mr. Speaker, there has been frequent mention of different blocs: the economy bloc, the tax and spend bloc, the minority bloc, and so forth. I think it is evident from some of the votes that there are still some members here who are not tied to any bloc and will vote on any measure according to their own convictions. I think it is also evident that we have another bloc which has not been mentioned. Perhaps we might call it the "expediency bloc," who seem to vote on every measure with regard to the effect it might have in the primaries of 1950. (Laughter)

Mr. McCLURE of Bath: Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER: For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. McCLURE: Mr. Speaker, where a bloc was mentioned—

The SPEAKER: For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. McCLURE: To defend the name of blocs.

The **SPEAKER**: Does the gentleman care to ask for unanimous consent to address the House? The Chair understands that the gentleman has already spoken twice on the matter.

Mr. **McCLURE**: Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask for unanimous consent to address the House.

The **SPEAKER**: The gentleman from Bath, Mr. McClure, asks for unanimous consent to address the House. It there objection? The Chair hears no objection and the gentleman may proceed.

Mr. **McCLURE**: Thank you, Members of the House and Mr. Speaker. I feel that on every measure that has come up in this House where the yea and nay vote has been asked for, on several occasions I have stood alone with the man who made the motion. The people back home will decide in the primaries, by the action of every member here, whether or not they are capable of representing their people in any capacity, either greater or lesser than the one in which they are now serving.

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

Mr. **BURGESS**: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I hope that we will not allow confusion to get the better of our judgment at this time. This is only repetition when I say that the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs has sat for months and done the best job it knows how to do. They have reported a measure to us which, so far as I can observe from the amendments offered, has met generally with the approval of the members of this House. To recommit this bill, in my opinion, would be folly.

Now I think we are very much agreed that this bill, along with other bills requiring appropriations or revenue, have been brought along for the purpose of determining whether or not the members of this House were interested in the new services which the appropriations bill represents and which

these new legislative documents represent. We are perfectly aware that at some time before the final adjournment of this Legislature a revenue measure either will or will not pass. At that time, when it is definitely determined, it seems to me that the course is very clear as how to handle all the bills and particularly this one which is before us now. It will be a small matter, if there is no new revenue measure enacted, to bring the appropriations bill within the present revenue. In that respect, I believe then that the Appropriations Committee would be glad to bring in a budget which is within the ability of the State to pay. At this time it is not determined, it is evident, that the new services which this bill calls for are wanted and are needed.

I hope that the motion of the gentleman from Waterville, our friend, Mr. Muskie, does not prevail.

The **SPEAKER**: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Waterville, Mr. Muskie, that S. P. 624, L. D. 1360 be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

The gentleman from Unity, Mr. Brown, has requested that when the vote is taken it be taken by a division.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Portland, Mrs. Fay.

Mrs. **FAY**: Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition to the motion of Mr. Muskie simply to say that two weeks ago I thought it was not the time to pass on a major tax bill. I am not necessarily of the economy bloc, but I do feel the appropriations bill should be settled here and now.

The **SPEAKER**: Is the House ready for the question?

As many as are in favor of the motion of the gentleman from Waterville, Mr. Muskie, that the bill be recommitted to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs will kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had. The SPEAKER: Thirty-two having voted in the affirmative and eighty having voted in the negative, the motion to recommit does not prevail.

The question before the House at this time is on the adoption of House Amendment "E". Is the House ready for the question?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Wayne, Mr. Brown.

Mr. BROWN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I hope that this House Amendment "E" is not tied to any bloc, economy or tax-and-spend bloc. I want to point out to the members that the Forestry Department is set up for the purpose of conserving our greatest natural resource, the forest land of the State of Maine, and they have never asked for a very large appropriation to carry out this purpose.

If the members would look under Forestry Department in L. D. 1360, they will see that the total Forestry Department appropriation as set up by this bill is \$169,608 for the first year and \$167,156 for the second year. Certainly that is not too much money to conserve and protect the greatest natural resource in the State of Maine; and this amount of \$2000 additional in the first year and \$4000 in the second year is merely to maintain and replace worn-out equipment for this department.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Wayne, Mr. Brown, that the House do adopt House Amendment "E". Is the House ready for the question?

As many as are in favor of the adoption of House Amendment "E" will say aye; those opposed will say no.

A viva voce vote being doubted,

A division of the House was had.

The SPEAKER: Fifty-seven having voted in the affirmative and fifty-nine having voted in the negative, House Amendment "E" fails of adoption.

Mr. GAUVIN of Lewiston: Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER: For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. GAUVIN: Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask unanimous consent to address the House.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state that the House has under consideration at this time L. D. 1360.

Thereupon, the Bill was given its third reading, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Jacobs of Auburn, the House voted to take from the table the 18th tabled and unassigned matter, House Report "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Relating to the Transfer of the Department of Institutional Service to Department of Health and Welfare" (H. P. 1756) (L. D. 1099) tabled on March 24th by that gentleman pending acceptance of report.

Mr. JACOBS: Mr. Speaker, in view of the lateness of the hour, I would like to have this matter retabled and specially assigned for tomorrow morning.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Jacobs, moves that Bill "An Act Relating to the Transfer of the Department of Institutional Service to Department of Health and Welfare" (H. P. 1756) (L. D. 1099) be retabled and specially assigned for tomorrow morning, Wednesday, April 13th. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the matter was so tabled and so assigned.

Mr. Gauvin of Lewiston was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. GAUVIN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Under the present laws of the State of Maine baseball games on Sunday must end by seven o'clock. Oftentimes the game is not quite ended by that time and it is very unfortunate. Massachusetts had a similar law which was abolished last year. Other states have done likewise. I have been approached by hundreds of baseball fans who have played

with me to present a bill of this nature. The bill will also be appreciated by baseball players and fans as I am.

Frankly, such a law is similar to the radio station which sometimes cuts off a baseball game in the eighth inning when the score is tied with two out and Ted Williams at bat, and they say, "We regret that we must interrupt the broadcasting of this baseball game."

Naturally a bill of this nature will not cost the State of Maine a cent. I therefore humbly urge you to consider the passage of such a measure. I ask unanimous consent to introduce a bill.

The **SPEAKER**: The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Gauvin, presents a bill and requests unanimous consent for its introduction. The Clerk will read the title.

The title of the bill was read by the Clerk as follows:

Bill "An Act Relating to Hours of Sunday Sports."

The **SPEAKER**: Is there objection to the reception of the bill? The Chair hears none and the bill has been received by unanimous consent.

On motion by Mr. Gauvin, the bill was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs, ordered printed, and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Roundy of Portland, the House voted to take from the table the 51st tabled and unassigned matter, "An Act Relating to Teaching of Importance of Voting in Public Schools" (H. P. 1870) (L. D. 1210) tabled by that gentleman on April 5th pending passage to be enacted.

On motion by Mr. Roundy, under suspension of the rules, the House voted to reconsider its action of March 28th whereby the Bill was passed to be engrossed.

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

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1870, L. D. 1210, Bill, "An Act

Relating to Teaching of Importance of Voting in Public Schools"

Amend the title of said Bill to read as follows:

'An Act Relating to Teaching in the Public Schools the Importance of Voting and the Privileges and Responsibilities of Citizenship'

House Amendment "A" was adopted, and the Bill was passed to be engrossed as amended in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Dennett of Kittery, the House voted to take from the table the 53rd tabled and unassigned matter, House Divided Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act Providing for the Establishment of a State of Maine Information Center" (H. P. 1621) (L. D. 932) Majority Report "Ought not to pass" and Minority Report "Ought to pass" tabled on April 6th by that gentleman pending acceptance of either report; and on further motion by the same gentleman the Bill and accompanying papers were retabled and specially assigned for Wednesday, April 13th.

On motion by Mr. Dunham of Ellsworth, the House voted to take from the table the 50th tabled and unassigned matter, Bill "An Act Relating to the Valuation of the Town of Dedham for the Apportionment of State School Funds" (H. P. 1131) (L. D. 539) tabled by that gentleman on April 5th pending third reading; and on further motion by the same gentleman the Bill and accompanying papers were recommitted to the Committee on Education and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Parker of Sebecton, the House voted to take from the table the 67th tabled and unassigned matter, House Report "Ought not to pass" of the Committee on Claims on Resolve in Favor of Ralph E. Bowdoin of Milo (H. P. 1033) tabled on April 7th by that gentleman pending accept-

ance of report; and on further motion by the same gentleman, the Resolve and accompanying papers were recommitted to the Committee on Claims and sent up for concurrence.

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

If there are no further items of business to come before the House, the Clerk will read the notices.

On motion by Mr. Bird of Rockland,

Adjourned until 10:00 o'clock tomorrow morning.