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## SENATE

Friday, April 6, 1951

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Reverend Wesley U. Riedel of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. McKusick of Piscataquis was granted unanimous consent to address the Senate.

Mr. McKUSICK of Piscataquis: Mr. President and Members of the Senate, it is easy to understand that a people of any locality like to praise the products of their locality which are peculiar to that place. We have seen with what pride the delegation from Aroostook County displayed the samples of their potatoes and announced to us that Aroostook is the potato empire of the whole nation.

We in Piscataquis County can't compete with Aroostook in growing potatoes, although we do a fairly good job at that considering our area of cultivated land, but we do have a product in our County in which we will not yield first place to any county in the State or perhaps to any state in the Union, and I refer to our boys and girls. Up in Piscataquis County, there is a little town. I say a little town — it is the second town in size in the County, but as compared with our cities, it is a pretty small place, and that Town maintains a high school and that high school has got a considerable amount of favorable publicity this winter. Perhaps you will remember I had the pleasure of introducing the Governor of the Boys' State, Marvin Karp, here in this Chamber. He comes from Milo High School. Perhaps if you are interested in athletics, you will remember that the basketball team of Milo High School won the class "M" championship from the eastern section of the State.

I also happened to notice in the papers recently that in one of our Maine colleges a girl had been elected a Phi Beta Kappa, the highest scholastic honor, and it went on to say that that girl was a graduate of Milo High School.

Recently, there has been a notice in the papers which I think is the

climax of all of this. A boy from Milo High School has entered in a nationwide oratorical contest based on the theme of "Health and Safety." This is sponsored by an assurance company of the middle west and it has been competed in by contestants from all of the forty-eight states and I believe from Hawaii and Canada if I remember correctly.

He has gone successfully through the preliminaries, through the regional contests and very recently in New York under the auspices of Columbia University, he has competed in the finals and been successful, and in doing so, he has brought distinction not only on himself but on Milo High School, the County of Piscataquis and the whole State of Maine. He has won this beautiful trophy which is on the President's desk. He has also won a cash scholarship award of \$4,000.00, and perhaps this is the unusual thing, that Milo High School gets a cash award of a thousand dollars.

Now that boy, John Decker of Milo, is present in the Senate this morning as our guest and also his teacher, Mrs. Kelleher whom we can also claim as a strictly Piscataquis product, is present.

I am glad to make that announcement to the Senate at this time.

THE PRESIDENT: I am sure that I speak for the Senate when I say that we are particularly proud of the achievements of John Decker from Piscataquis County. We appreciate the Senator bringing this to the attention of the Senate and I am sure I still speak for the Senate when I say that we are very proud of the Senator from Piscataquis, Senator McKusick in his achievements and that every county does have things of which it is especially proud. I think there is no question that the youth of the country and of our state are the products with which we must be particularly concerned.

I am sure this again shows that Maine can lead the nation and in this case certainly has.

The Chair will ask the Senator from Piscataquis, Senator McKusick to conduct John Decker to the rostrum where he may have a chance to have a seat at the right of the President.

This was done, and at the request of the President, John Decker used the President's gavel and seated the Senate.

#### Order

On motion by Mr. Crosby of Franklin, out of order and under suspension of the rules, it was

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, April 10th, 1951, at ten o'clock in the morning.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### From the House

Bill "An Act Prohibiting the Printing of Pauper Assistance in Town Reports." (H. P. 206) (L. D. 128)

In the Senate on April 4, passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "B" and by Senate Amendment "A".

Comes from the House, that body having insisted on its former action whereby the bill was passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "B".

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Noyes of Hancock, the bill and accompanying papers were laid upon the table pending consideration.

MEMORIAL TO CONGRESS, Joint Resolution Rescinding Proposal for Considering a Constitutional Convention of the United States or Amendments to the Constitution of the United States Relating to Strengthening the United Nations and Limited World Federal Government. (S. P. 205) (L. D. 460)

In the Senate on April 4, 1951, original Memorial substituted for the report of the Judiciary Committee and adopted.

Comes from the House, original Memorial substituted for the report of the Committee; House Amendment "A" adopted, and the Memorial as amended adopted in non-concurrence.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Leavitt of Cumberland, the Memorial and accompanying papers were laid on the table pending consideration.

#### Senate Committee Reports

Mr. Haskell from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relat-

ing to Tax Lien Law." (S. P. 435) (L. D. 998) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Which report was read and accepted and sent down for concurrence.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Uniform Reciprocal Enforcement of Support Act." (S. P. 437) (L. D. 1000) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to place of Taxation of Personal Property." (S. P. 409) (L. D. 969) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Barnes from the Committee on Judiciary on "Resolve Authorizing Completion and Printing of a Digest of the Opinions of the Law Court." (S. P. 436) (L. D. 999) reported that the same ought to pass.

Which reports were severally read and accepted the bills and resolve read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Mr. Noyes from the Committee on Taxation on Bill "An Act Repealing the Gasoline Road Tax." (S. P. 68) (L. D. 74), reported the same in a new draft (S. P. 534) under a new title Bill "An Act Amending the Gasoline Road Tax.", and that it ought to pass.

Which report was read and accepted, and the New Draft, under new title, laid upon the table for printing under Joint Rule No. 10.

#### Passed to be Engrossed

Bill "An Act Relating to Composite Certificates of Organization of Corporations." (H. P. 1108) (L. D. 688)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Employment of Women During War and Other Emergencies." (H. P. 1683) (L. D. 1257)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Taking and Sale of Clams in the Town of Boothbay." (H. P. 30) (L. D. 7)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Taking and Sale of Clams in the Town of Westport." (H. P. 330) (L. D. 166)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Digging of Shellfish and Marine Worms

in the Town of Yarmouth." (H. P. 1395) (L. D. 937)

Bill "An Act Relating to Scallop Fishing Licenses." (L. D. 1682) (L. D. 1256)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Taking of Alewives in Winnegance Lake in the City of Bath and the Towns of Phippsburg and West Bath." (H. P. 1186) (L. D. 744)

Bill "An Act Creating Beauchamp Point Game Preserve." (H. P. 1412) (L. D. 1020)

"Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Providing for Additional Signers for Direct Initiative of Legislation." (H. P. 1114) (L. L. 694)

Which were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed, as amended, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Non-Resident Commercial Fishing Licenses." (H. P. 439) (L. D. 262)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Taking of Alewives in the Town of Arrowsic." (H. P. 1063) (L. D. 643)

Bill "An Act Increasing the Salary of the Recorder of the Western Hancock Municipal Court." (H. P. 555) (L. D. 313)

Bill "An Act Relating to Fire Protection Tax in Unorganized Territory." (H. P. 1327) (L. D. 890)

Bill "An Act Relating to Purposes for Which Cities and Towns May Raise Money." (H. P. 1645) (L. D. 1208)

Bill "An Act Relating to Time of Registration of Voters in Towns." (H. P. 1554) (L. D. 1115)

Bill "An Act to Authorize Towns to Own Scales." (H. P. 1443) (L. D. 1054)

Bill "An Act Relating to Clerk Hire of the Lewiston Municipal Court." (H. P. 1135) (L. D. 667)

Bill "An Act Increasing the Salary of the Recorder Bar Harbor Municipal Court." (H. P. 1139) (L. D. 671)

Which were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to the Assets of the Farm Rehabilitation Corporation of Maine." (S. P. 153) (L. D. 327)

Bill "An Act Relating to Membership of the Blueberry Industry Advisory Committee." (S. P. 387) (L. D. 935)

Bill "An Act Relating to Boats for Hire on Inland Waters." (S. P. 392) (L. D. 1010)

Bill "An Act Relating to Vital Statistics." (S. P. 401) (L. D. 949)

Bill "An Act Creating the Maine Economic Poisons Law." (S. P. 342) (L. D. 808)

(On motion by Mr. Brewer of Aroostook, tabled pending passage to be engrossed.)

Bill "An Act to Clarify the Employment Security Law." (S. P. 457) (L. D. 1071)

Bill "An Act Relating to Interstate Transportation of Clams." (S. P. 259) (L. D. 558)

Bill "An Act Concerning Coercion in the Placing of Insurance on Real Estate or Personal Property." (S. P. 428) (L. D. 992)

Which were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

#### Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Haskell of Cumberland, the Senate voted to take from the table Joint Order Relative to Judiciary Committee being authorized to study federal laws relating to health and welfare program (H. P. 1686) tabled by that Senator on April 5 pending passage; and on further motion by the same Senator, the Joint Order received a passage in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Boucher of Androscoggin,

Adjourned until Tuesday, April 10, 1951 at ten o'clock in the forenoon.