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HOUSE

Wednesday, February 18, 1953

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Charles L. Pendleton of Bethel.

The journal of the previous session was read and approved.

Papers from the Senate

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Line Budget for State Appropriations" (S. P. 239) (L. D. 664)

Bill "An Act Creating a State Scholarship Fund for Normal School and Teachers' College Students" (S. P. 242) (L. D. 667)

Resolve in favor of Northern Maine Sanatorium (S. P. 240) (L. D. 665)

Resolve to provide for a Survey of Mentally Handicapped Persons (S. P. 241) (L. D. 666)

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

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

From the Senate:

Resolve to Reimburse the City of South Portland for support of Margaret Dawson (S. P. 243) (L. D. 669)

Resolve to Reimburse the Town of Pittsfield for Support of Dianne K. Edwards (S. P. 244) (L. D. 668)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Claims.

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Enlarging the Jefferson-Whitefield Game Preserve" (S. P. 246) (L. D. 670)

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

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Limitation of Actions When Death of Either Party Before Suit Commenced" (S. P. 247) (L. D. 672) Bill "An Act relating to Application for Writ of Habeas Corpus" (S. P. 248) (L. D. 671)

Bill "An Act relating to Temporary Judges for Municipal Courts" (S. P. 249) (L. D. 674)

Bill "An Act relating to the Admissibility of Blood Tests in Criminal Cases" (S. P. 250) (L. D. 677)

Bill "An Act relating to the Recording of Chattel Mortgages" (S. P. 251) (L. D. 673)

Bill "An Act relating to the Recording of Conditional Sales Agreements" (S. P. 252) (L. D. 675)

Bill "An Act relating to Court Holidays" (S. P. 253) (L. D. 676)

Bill "An Act relating to Facilities Furnished by Public Utilities" (S. P. 254) (L. D. 678)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Displays of Fireworks" (S. P. 255) (L. D. 680)

Bill "An Act relating to Fire Escapes" (S. P. 256) (L. D. 681)

Bill "An Act relating to Notice of Defects in Buildings" (S. P. 257) (L. D. 679)

Bill "An Act relating to Motor Vehicle Racing" (S. P. 258) (L. D. 682)

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

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Taxation of Insurance Companies" (S. P. 259) (L. D. 683)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Taxation.

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Salaries of County Attorney and Assistant County Attorney of Cumberland County" (S. P. 260) (L. D. 684)

Bill "An Act relating to Clerk Hire in Office of Register of Probate, Cumberland County" (S. P. 261) (L. D. 687) Bill "An Act relating to Fire Wards" (S. P. 262) (L. D. 685)

Bill "An Act relating to the Salary of Register of Probate, Cumberland County" (S. P. 263) (L. D. 686)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties.

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

From the Senate:

Resolve providing for State Pension for Gertrude Hanscom of Machias (S. P. 282)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Welfare.

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

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act relating to Disposition of Money Received by Department of Inland Fisheries and Game" (H. P. 575) (L. D. 619), which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in the House on February 11.

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in non-concurrence.

In the House: The House voted to recede and concur with the Senate.

The SPEAKER: The Chair notes at this time the presence in the balcony of the Hall of the House of fifteen students from Winthrop High School, in charge of Mr. William Parker; of a group of twentyone members of Cub Pack 288 from Gardiner, Maine, under the supervision of Mrs. Wilbur H. Towle, Mrs. Simon Glazier, Mrs. Leona Warren, and a group of Seventh and Eighth Grade students from King's Mills Grammar School in Whitefield under the supervision of Mrs. Neota Grady.

In behalf of the House, the Chair extends to you a very cordial and hearty welcome. (Applause)

Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference

The following Bills and Resolves (transmitted by the Director of Legislative Research pursuant to Joint Order S. P. 29) were received

and, upon recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following Committees:

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Bill "An Act to Authorize the Establishment of a School of Fisheries at the Maine Vocational Technical Institute" (H. P. 784) (Presented by Mr. McCluskey of Warren)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve in favor of the Town of Monson to Aid in Completion of Gymnasium (H. P. 785) (Presented by Mr. Anderson of Greenville) (Ordered Printed)

Resolve in favor of the Town of Stonington (H. P. 786) (Presented by Mr. Billings of Stonington)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Authorizing Construction of New Fish Hatchery and Rearing Station in Aroostook County (H. P. 787) (Presented by Mr. Currier of Caribou)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Authorizing Construction of Fish Rearing Station at Littleton in Aroostook County (H. P. 788) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve for Support of "Ruggles House" in Columbia Falls (H. P. 789) (Presented by Mr. Hanson of Machiasport)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve in favor of State Soil Conservation Committee (H. P. 790) (Presented by Mr. Turner of Auburn)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Business Legislation

Bill "An Act relating to Procedure by Savings Banks When Original Book of Deposit Lost" (H. P. 791) (Presented by Mr. Gosline of Gardiner)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Permitting Savings Banks to Invest in Mortgage Bonds of Natural Gas Companies" (H. P. 792) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Powers of Rangeley Trust Company" (H. P. 793) (Presented by Mr. Harnden of Rangeley)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to the Danville Mutual Fire Insurance Company" (H. P. 794) (Presented by Mr. Trafton of Auburn)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Claims

Resolve in favor of the City of Gardiner (H. P. 797) (Presented by Mr. Gosline of Gardiner)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve in favor of Robert E. Towle of Portland (H. P. 795) (Presented by Mr. Childs of Portland)

Resolve in favor of Mrs. Earl Worster of Kingman (H. P. 796) (Presented by Mr. Dicker of Lakeville Pl.)

Resolve in favor of the Town of Jay (H. P. 798) (Presented by Mr. Macomber of Jay)

Resolve in favor of Donald Miller of Bridgton (H. P. 799) (Presented by Mr. Whitney of Bridgton)

Sent up for concurrence.

Correctional Institutions

Bill "An Act providing for a Deputy Commissioner of Institutional Service" (H. P. 897) (Presented by Mr. Macomber of Jay)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Highways

Bill "An Act relating to Permits for Moving Heavy Objects and Loads Over Ways and Bridges" (H. P. 800) (Presented by Mr. Cianchette of Pittsfield)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve in favor of the Town of Brooksville (H. P. 801) (Presented by Mr. Billings of Stonington)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve in favor of Cary Plantation (H. P. 802) (Presented by Mr. Williams of Hodgdon)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve in favor of the Town of Linneus (H. P. 803) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Inland Fisheries and Game

Bill "An Act relating to Open Season on Muskrats in Cumberland County" (H. P. 804) (Presented by Mr. Call of Cumberland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Use of Lights to Illuminate Wild Birds or Animals" (H. P. 805) (Presented by Mr. Fogg of Madison)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Daily Bag Limit on Rabbits in York County" (H. P. 806) (Presented by Mr. Frechette of Sanford)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Daily Bag Limit on Partridge or Grouse and Pheasants in York County" (H. P. 807) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Bounty on Bears" (H. P. 808) (Presented by Mr. Gates of Millinocket)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Hunting with Bow and Arrow in Kennebec County" (H. P. 809) (Presented by Mr. Gosline of Gardiner)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Authorizing Construction of New Fish Hatchery and Rearing Station in Aroostook County from Capital Improvement Fund (H. P. 810) (Presented by Mr. Currier of Caribou)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Authorizing Construction of Fish Rearing Station at Littleton in Aroostook County from Capital Improvement Fund (H. P. 811) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Opening Tributaries of Lake Pennessewassee, Oxford County, to Smelt Fishing (H. P. 812) (Presented by Mr. Ford of Waterford)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Warren Pond, York County (H. P. 813) (Presented by Mr. Frechette of Sanford)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve to Open Red River, Aroostook County, to Fishing (H. P. 814) (Presented by Mr. Morris of Portage Lake)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve providing for a Fish Screen at Outlet of Cathance Stream in Washington County (H. P. 815) (Presented by Mr. O'Dell of Eastport)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve providing for Dam and Fish Screen at the Outlet of Lake Embden in the Town of Embden (H. P. 816) (Presented by Mr. Taylor of Norridgewock)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Opening Brackett Lake, Aroostook County, to Ice Fishing (H. P. 817) (Presented by Mr. Williams of Hodgdon)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Judiciary

Bill "An Act relating to Penalty for Carelessly Shooting Humans While Hunting" (H. P. 818) (Presented by Mr. Buckley of Leeds by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Provide for the Observance of Legal Holidays" (H. P. 819) (Presented by Mr. Davis of Harrison)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Actions in Which Trustee Process May be Used" (H. P. 820) (Presented by Mr. Jacobs of Auburn)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Time of Sessions of Bath Municipal Court" (H. P. 821) (Presented by Mr. Legard of Bath)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Powers of Recorder of Bath Municipal Court" (H. P. 822) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Knox County General Hospital" (H. P. 823) (Presented by Mr. Low of Rockland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Duties of Parole Board" (H. P. 824) (Presented by Mr. Macomber of Jay)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to the Adoption of Persons" (H. P. 825) (Presented by Mr. McGlaufin of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Juveniles" (H. P. 826) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Eligibility for Retirement Under the Maine State Retirement Law" (H. P. 827) (Presented by Mr. O'Dell of Eastport)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Creating an Assistant County Attorney for the Town of Brunswick" (H. P. 828) (Presented by Mr. Senter of Brunswick) (Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Labor

Bill "An Act relating to Compensation for Loss of Hearing Under Workmen's Compensation Act" (H. P. 829) (Presented by Mr. Couture of Lewiston)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Definition of Employer Under Employment Security Law" (H. P. 830) (Presented by Mr. Frechette of Sanford by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act to Provide for the Appointment of a Board of Commissioners for the Police and Fire Departments of the City of Saco" (H. P. 832) (Presented by Mr. Fitanides of Saco)

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Bill "An Act relating to Sale of Fireworks" (H. P. 831) (Presented by Mr. Bibber of Kennebunkport by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Application of Plumbing Laws" (H. P. 833) (Presented by Mr. Ford of Waterford)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Fees of Plumbers" (H. P. 834) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the People's Ferry Company" (H. P. 835) (Presented by Mr. Gilman of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Granting Powers to the Franciscan Fathers of Maine" (H. P. 836) (Presented by Mr. Nadeau of Biddeford)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Borrowing Power of the Town of Hermon School District" (H. P. 837) (Presented by Mr. Stanley of Hampden)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to the Town of Hampden School District" (H. P. 838) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Authorizing the Towns of Porter, Parsonsfield and Cornish to Devise Formula for Cost of High School (H. P. 839) (Presented by Mr. Evans of Cornish by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Liquor Control

Bill "An Act to Permit Taverns to Sell Wine and Spirits" (H. P. 840) (Presented by Mr. Frechette of Sanford by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Hours for Sale of Liquor" (H. P. 841) (Presented by same gentleman by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Natural Resources

Resolve Authorizing the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game to Convey a Right of Way over State Owned Land in Littleton (H. P. 842) (Presented by Mr. Hand of New Limerick)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Public Health

Bill "An Act relating to Barbering, Hairdressing and Beauty Culture" (H. P. 843) (Presented by Mr. Ford of Waterford)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Eating and Lodging Places" (H. P. 844) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Public Utilities

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Saco Sanitary District" (H. P. 845) (Presented by Mr. Fitanides of Saco)

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Bill "An Act relating to the Kennebunk Light and Power District" (H. P. 846) (Presented by Mr. Bibber of Kennebunkport)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Windshields, Wipers and Tops on Rail Track Motor Cars" (H. P. 847) (Presented by Mr. O'Dell of Eastport)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Norridgewock Water District" (H. P. 848) (Presented by Mr. Taylor of Norridgewock)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Create the Jackman Sewerage District" (H. P. 849) (Presented by Mr. Watson of Moose River Pl.)

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Sea and Shore Fisheries

Resolve relating to the Taking of Clams in Town of Harpswell (H. P. 850) (Presented by Mr. Fickett of Naples)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Taxation

Bill "An Act Exempting Funeral Services from Sales Tax" (H. P. 851) (Presented by Miss Cormier of Rumford)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Towns and Counties

Bill "An Act relating to the Taking of Alewives in Sherman Lake" (H. P. 852) (Presented by Mr. Chase of Whitefield)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Payments to Somerset County Law Library" (H. P. 853) (Presented by Mr. Cianchette of Pittsfield)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Salary of Judge and Allowance for Clerk Hire of the Pittsfield Municipal Court" (H. P. 854) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Salaries and Fees of Western Somerset Municipal Court" (H. P. 855) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to the Salary of the Judge of the Waldo County Municipal Court" (H. P. 856) (Presented by Mr. Clements of Belfast)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Authorize the Town of Gray to Contribute to the Rebuilding of the Dam in Little Sebago Lake" (H. P. 857) (Presented by Mr. Davis of Harrison)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Authorizing the Town of Windham to Contribute to the Rebuilding of the Dam in Little Sebago Lake" (H. P. 858) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Rental for Millinocket Municipal Court" (H. P. 859) (Presented by Mr. Gates of Millinocket)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salary of the Judge of the Western Hancock Municipal Court" (H. P. 860) (Presented by Mr. Jewett of Bucksport)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Salary of Clerk of Courts and Deputy Clerk of Courts of Cumberland County" (H. P. 861) (Presented by Mr. Mc-Glaufin of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salaries of the Judge and Recorder of the Northern Aroostook Municipal Court" (H. P. 862) (Presented by Mr. Morris of Portage Lake)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salary of the Judge of the Van Buren Municipal Court" (H. P. 863) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salaries of the Judge and Recorder of the Presque Isle Municipal Court" (H. P. 864) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salaries of the Judge and Recorder of the Caribou Municipal Court" (H. P. 865) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salaries of the Judge and Recorder of the Houlton Municipal Court" (H. P. 866) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salary of the Judge of the Fort Fairfield Municipal Court" (H. P. 867) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salary of the Judge of the Bar Harbor Municipal Court" (H. P. 868) (Presented by Mr. Peterson of Bar Harbor)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to the Salary of the Town Manager of the Town of Mount Desert" (H. P. 869) (Presented by Mr. Reynolds of Mount Desert)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salaries of the Judge and Recorder of the Piscataquis Municipal Court" (H. P. 870) (Presented by Mr. Sanford of Dover-Foxcroft)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Salaries of Recorders and Judges of Municipal Courts, Clerk Hire and Rentals of Such Courts in Penobscot County" (H. P. 871) (Presented by Mr. Stanley of Hampden)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Number of Members of Superintending School Committee of Hermon" (H. P. 872) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Statement of Income and Expense of Persons Requesting Pauper Assistance" (H. P. 873) (Presented by Mr. Wadleigh of Mt. Vernon by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the City of Calais re Term of Office of School Committee" (H. P. 874) (Presented by Mr. Walker of Calais)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Salaries of Judge and Recorder of Northern Cumberland Municipal Court" (H. P. 875) (Presented by Mr. Whitney of Bridgton)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salary of the Judge of the Ellsworth Municipal Court" (H. P. 876) (Presented by Mr. Willey of Ellsworth) (Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Transportation

Bill "An Act relating to the Issuance of Operators' Licenses from Date of Birth with Notification" (H. P. 877) (Presented by Mr. Anderson of Greenville)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to the Issuance of Operators' Licenses from Date of Birth" (H. P. 878) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Exemptions from Regulation of Motor Carriers" (H. P. 879) (Presented by Mr. Small of Mexico)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Fastening of Logs and Tubular Products Carried by Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 880) (Presented by Mr. Tardif of Lewiston)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Welfare

Bill "An Act relating to Real Property of Deceased Persons Who Received Old Age Assistance" (H. P. 881) (Presented by Mr. Wadleigh of Mt. Vernon by request)

(Ordered Printed)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Susie Ramsdell of North Leeds (H. P. 882) (Presented by Mr. Buckley of Leeds)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for James L. Cordwell of Norway (H. P. 883) (Presented by Mr. Ford of North Waterford)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Charles Burnham of Auburn (H. P. 884) (Presented by Mr. Jacobs of Auburn)

Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Edgar Jandreau of St. Francis Plantation (H. P. 885) (Presented by Mr. Martin of Eagle Lake)

Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Phillippa Jandreau of St. Francis Plantation (H. P. 886) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Villa Boone of Eastport (H. P. 887) (Presented by Mr. O'Dell of Eastport)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Elizabeth St. Lawrence of Eastport (H. P. 888) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Mary McMahon of Eastport (H. P. 889) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Arthur Jollotta of Eastport (H. P. 890) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Maggie Caird of Dexter (H. P. 891) (Presented by Mr. Roberts of Dexter)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Geneva Morton of Garland (H. P. 892) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Walter A. Leavitt of Lin-

coln Center (H. P. 893) (Presented by Miss Steeves of Lincoln)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Mrs. Maude M. Bailey of Auburn (H. P. 894) (Presented by Mr. Trafton of Auburn)

Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for William Mc-Gowan of Reed Plantation (H. P. 895) (Presented by Mr. Williams of Hodgdon)

Resolve Providing for State Pension for Hazel E. Carr of Orient (H. P. 896) (Presented by same gentleman)

Sent up for concurrence.

On motion of Mrs. Lord of Portland, House Rule 25 was suspended for the remainder of today's session, in order to permit smoking.

ORDERS

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey.

Mr. DICKEY: Mr. Speaker, I present an order and before reading it, I would request a short recess in order that the Sergeantat-Arms may distribute copies of this order, which has been reproduced.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey, presents an order and the Chair understands that he moves its passage. Mr. DICKEY: I do move its pas-

Mr. DICKEY: I do move its passage, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Chair declares a short recess for the purpose of distributing this order as printed. The House may be at recess until the sound of the gavel.

RECESS

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the presentation of an order by the gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey, who moves its passage. The Clerk will read the order.

The order was read by the Clerk as follows:

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that a joint select committee be created, consisting of seven on the part of the Senate and sixteen on the part of the House, for the purpose of ascertaining the number of inhabitants of the State at the present time and with authority to consider and report a bill apportioning representatives to the legislature.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey.

Mr. DICKEY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: The order that is on the table, I tried my best to try to make an amendment to it but I ended up by just having the title. I then worked on the proposition of making a substitute and came up with the same thing. Therefore, I think that my order cuts it down to the point that we want. We want a committee on apportionment which will allow us to consider a bill for the apportionment of representatives. Therefore, I move its passage.

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

Mr. McGLAUFLIN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I wish to discuss this matter briefly with you because I am opposed to this order.

According to the Constitution of the State of Maine, we are sup-posed to have an apportionment The tenth year every ten years. came up two years ago. Notwithstanding the fact that every member of the House has sworn to support the Constitution of this State of Maine, they proceeded, those who felt that it wasn't for the interests of their district to have that apportionment go through, to put up such flimsy arguments as this: One man from Aroostook stated that while the inhabitants, many of them, in Aroostook had taken their families and their chattels and goods and moved into other states, they were only gone temporarily and that, as a matter of fact, Aroostook hasn't lost any inhabitants. Isn't that the argument of a Socrates? You might just as well say that where Portland has 80,000 inhabitants today, why they shouldn't have the present representatives because tomorrow they are going to have two thousand and some odd move back into the country.

Another argument they put up was that the United States Census was not correct. I want to point out to you that the statistics of the United States Census are accepted as standard and correct for entire civilized world. Of the course, it isn't absolutely correct. If you take a census today, you will find a different figure tomorrow. The best basis that we have to go upon is the United States Census, and the original order provides that that may be used with such corrections, if any, as the committee may find.

There was one member of the last Legislature who went so far as to say: "To Hell with the Constitution," and so it happened that with these foolish and flimsy excuses the last Legislature passed the buck and did nothing.

Now, since that time, the Supreme Court of this State has stated that it is the duty of this Legislature to make that apportionment. I am also going to call your attention to the fact that every last one of us swore to support the Constitution of the State of Maine and if there is any man or woman in this House who did not mean what he said when he swore to support the Constitution, he hasn't any right to be in this House and he is here under false pretense. I do not think that there is any such here.

Now, we have this duty to perform and I have now come to the point. The original resolution that came down to us the other day and was tabled was prepared by a member of this Legislature, who has given probably ten times as much attention as any of us have given this subject. That has come down to us for confirmation and now this order is brought in, and for what purpose? I can see nothing but confusion and delay. It says that we are going to have this committee ascertain the number of inhabitants in the State at the present time. What machinery have they got to take a new census? Regardless of that, if this committee can ascertain how many inhabitants there are in the State, so can the committee provided for under the original order. To me, this simply means confusion and delay and accomplishes no purpose. I consider it extremely unwise and I move the indefinite postponement of this order.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlauflin, moves that the order presented by the gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey, be indefinitely postponed.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey.

Mr. DICKEY: Mr. Speaker, the good gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlauflin, wants us to uphold the Constitution, waves it in front of us the same as they did two years ago, yet he doesn't want to go along with this order, which is part of the Constitution, asking for a committee of apportionment.

I did not realize that this order would bring up a debate on the whole subject of reapportionment but I am ready at this time: I will also challenge his remark regarding the gentleman he referred to as having spent more time than any man in this Legislature on this subject. I think I have spent a couple of minutes on it myself. There is quite a circular on the subject. My only purpose with this order was to simplify a confusing order that is on the table now. If we want to debate, I am ready and willing. I thought this order would be a simple way of getting this committee appointed.

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

Mr. FULLER: Mr. Speaker, I think there is a matter of propriety which enters in here. Here is an order that has passed the Senate and has come into this branch and has laid on the table for at least two weeks and it seems to me that in all propriety we should at least take the original order up before we try to pass any other order.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Standish, Mr. Center.

Mr. CENTER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I do not propose at this time to enter into any debate in this matter at length. I would like to support the motion of the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlauflin, for the indefinite postponement of this latter order. I do not see that it accomplishes anything that the original order does not accomplish and I can see where it leaves things out that would be decidedly to the advantage of the committee if they are going conscientiously work on this to problem. I think this latter order is much too general and that it does not, as I quickly run over it. mention anything about the population of counties, cities, towns and plantations. It does not mention the Constitution. It does not authorize the use of the Federal Census of 1950, which was a much debated question of the last Legislature, as a basis by which the population might be established. Tt. does not set any date for the committee to report back to this Legislature. In other words, in my opinion, it is simply a stalling measure and I trust that the motion of the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlauflin, will prevail.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Mexico, Mr. Small.

Mr. SMALL: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I want to go along with the gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey, on this motion. It seems that, like many more of you. I am not too well versed in constitutional law nor any other kind but, judging from my experience here so far, I expect to go home knowing a lot more about it than when I came down here. I think that there is a lot more than meets the eye in both of these orders. I think that it should be the purpose of men who, like myself, come from points scattered all over this State, to think of what is best for the State as a whole and I believe that whatever committee you appoint, if you appoint one under this order or any other, will bring in a report in accordance with our laws and our Constitution and in what they think will be for the best interests of our state.

I believe that the order of the gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey, will accomplish that purpose, and I believe that it is broad enough and leaves the committee to be appointed, if they are appointed under this order, latitude enough under which to work. I hope that the members of this body will vote favorably upon the order of Mr. Dickey and against the motion to indefinitely postpone this order. The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess.

Mr. BURGESS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I am not an attorney and I wish to apologize to the House for taking any part in the discussion that is now before us but I hope, in the interests of harmony in this group, that we will not become confused until after the original order has gone to the committee. When it returns to this branch through regular channels is the proper time to discuss the reapportionment of the Representatives throughout the State.

I hope that no one will attempt to put any trigs under the wheels of progress. We have so far progressed very well ahead of schedule, I believe, on all matters now before this Legislature and particularly before the House.

I just offer this remark in passing, that I hope we will not allow ourselves to become confused at this time; that we will think clearly and allow the original order to go to the committee and when it returns, then if we wish to debate the matter that is the proper time.

I would also like to leave this thought: that there will be presented at the proper time through channels a measure which, if the Constitution is changed by the peoproposed ple according to the change, would place at least one branch of the Legislature on an even basis, that of either having two or three Senators from each county, which will be a similar arrangement to the United States Congress. If there is, by the public, a dissatisfaction with the present constitutional provisions, it is up to the people to decide that. We can only pass it on to them.

Again, may I say in the interests of harmony, let us proceed without debate on the merits of reapportionment at this time, allow it to go to the committee and when it comes back, then we can exchange our views and decide then what we wish to do.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Portland, Mr. McGlauflin, that the order presented by the gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey, be indefinitely postponed. As many as are in favor of the motion will please manifest their desire by saying aye; those opposed will please manifest their desire by saying no.

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

One hundred and ten having voted in the affirmative and twenty-one in the negative, the motion prevailed and the order was indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair, at this time, notes the presence in the balcony of the Hall of the House of a group of Explorer Scouts, Troop 137, of Auburn, under the supervision of Scout Master Mr. Wallingford. In behalf of the House, the Chair extends you a cordial and hearty welcome. (Applause)

On motion of Mr. Roundy of Portland, it was

ORDERED, that Rev. R. Winthrop Nelson, State Street Congregational Church, Portland, be invited to officiate as Chaplain of the House on Wednesday, March 25, 1953.

On motion of Mr. Clements of Belfast, it was

ORDERED, that Rev. Frank A. Pitman of Belfast, be invited to officiate as Chaplain of the House on Tuesday, March 17, 1953.

On motion of Mr. Bearce of Hebron, it was

ORDERED, that Rev. Henry M. Larsen of Hebron, be invited to officiate as Chaplain of the House on Thursday, March 19. 1953.

House Reports of Committees Leave to Withdraw

Mr. Potter from the Committee on Claims on Resolve to Reimburse the town of Bridgewater for Hospitalization and Medical Aid for Robert Crockett (H. P. 89) (L. D. 93) reported leave to withdraw.

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve in favor of John Morin of the Unorganized Township of Connor (H. P. 138) (L. D. 138)

Mr. Moulton from the Committee on Natural Resources reported same on Bill "An Act Repealing the Authority to Build a Private Road

Across Massacre Pond, in Scarboro" (H. P. 277) (L. D. 264)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act to Facilitate the Burning of Brush and Slash" (H. P. 118) (L. D. 119)

Mr. Cole from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reported same on Resolve in favor of Indians at Peter Dana Point Reservation for Building and Repair of Homes (H. P. 135) (L. D. 135) as it is covered by other legislation.

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve in favor of Indians at Pleasant Point Reservation for Building and Repair of Homes (H. P. 136) (L. D. 136) as it is covered by other legislation.

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Ought Not to Pass

Mr. Burgess from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Moving Expenses of Fish and Game and Coastal Wardens" (H. P. 86) (L. D. 90)

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Tabled

Mr. Campbell from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reported "Ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of Bosworth Memorial Association (H. P. 23) (L. D. 18)

Report was read.

(On motion of Mr. Berry of South Portland, tabled pending acceptance of Committee Report)

Mr. Jacobs from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reported "Ought not to pass" on Resolve relating to an Appropriation to Buy Indian Baskets (H. P. 158) (L. D. 160)

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Tabled

Mr. Jalbert from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reported "Ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of the town of Cushing (H. P. 41) (L. D. 42)

Report was read.

(On motion of Mr. Winchenpaw of Friendship, tabled pending acceptance of Committee Report)

Mr. Higgins from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries reported "Ought not to pass" on Resolve to Prohibit the Dragging of Flounders in Waters Adjacent to town of Lamoine (H. P. 235) (L. D. 217)

Mr. Willey from the Committee on Taxation reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Refund of Gasoline Tax to town of North Haven" (H. P. 122) (L. D. 122)

Mr. Keay from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Tax Exemption of Certain Organizations" (H. P. 283) (L. D. 268) as it is covered by other legislation.

Mr. Stewart of Portland from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Throwing Substances at Motor Vehicles" (H. P. 229) (L. D. 255) as it is covered by other legislation.

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Ought to Pass Printed Bills

Mr. Alden from the Committee on Claims reported "Ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of Ralph D. Olfene and Winiferd O. Wallingford of Auburn (H. P. 160) (L. D. 804)

Mr. Billings from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries reported same on Bill "An Act relating to the Taking of Clams in the Town of Castine" (H. P. 281) (L. D. 302)

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

Tabled

Mr. Billings from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act Regulating the Digging of Marine Worms in the City of Belfast, Waldo County" (H. P. 193) (L. D. 204) Report was read.

(On motion of Mr. West of Stockton Springs, tabled pending acceptance of Committee Report)

Mr. Hanson from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act Regulating the Digging of Clams in the Town of Tremont, of Hancock County" (H. P. 236) (L. D. 218)

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

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment Tabled and Assigned

Mr. Hanson from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries on Bill "An Act relating to the Taking of Soft Shell Clams, Quahogs and Mussels in Jonesport" (H. P. 234) (L. D. 259) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

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

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 234, L. D. 259, Bill, "An Act Relating to the taking of Soft Shell Clams, Quahogs and Mussels in the town of Jonesport."

Amend said Bill by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting in place thereof the following:

'Taking of soft shell clams, quahegs and mussels in Jonesport: penalty. It shall be unlawful for any person, not a legal resident of the town of Jonesport, in the county of Washington, to dig or to take soft shell clams, quahogs or mussels, for any purpose, in the coastal waters and flats within the limits of the said town of Jonesport.

Whoever violates the provisions of this section shall, for each offense, be punished by a fine of not less than \$10, nor more than \$25, or by imprisonment for not more than 30 days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

The SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the House to adopt Committee Amendment "A"?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Trafton.

Mr. TRAFTON: Mr. Speaker, I move that the matter be tabled and assigned for tomorrow, pending adoption of the amendment.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Trafton, moves that House Paper 234, Legislative Document 259, Bill "An Act relating to the taking of Soft Shell Clams, Quahogs and Mussels in Jonesport" with Committee Amend-ment "A" lie on the table pending adoption of Committee Amendment "A" and be specially assigned for tomorrow. Is this the pleasure of the House?

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

Passed to be Engrossed

Bill "An Act relating to Payment to Oxford County Law Library" (H. P. 36) (L. D. 30)

Bill "An Act to Provide for the Issuance of Bonds of the State to Refund Kennebec Bridge Loan Bonds" (H. P. 40) (L. D. 41)

Bill "An Act Increasing the Salary of the Mayor of the City of Augusta" (H. P. 153) (L. D. 149)

Resolve in favor of Knox Memorial Association, Inc. for Support and Maintenance of 'Montpelier' (H. P. 42) (L. D. 43)

Resolve Authorizing Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game to Pay Certain Claims (H. P. 90) (L. D. 94)

Resolve in favor of Carroll L. McKusick of Parkman (H. P. 159) (L. D. 733)

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

Amended Bills Tabled

Bill "An Act relating to State Stipend for Counties and Towns" (H. P. 113) (L. D. 115)

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

Mr. O'Dell of Eastport, offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 113, L. D. 115, Bill, "An Act Relating to State Stipend for Counties and Towns."

Amend said Bill by striking off from the title at the end thereof the words 'and Towns'.

(On motion of Mr. Stewart of Portland, the Report with accompanying papers was tabled pending adoption of House Amendment "A")

Bill "An Act relating to Blue Hill-George Stevens Academy" (H. P. 114) (L. D. 116)

Bill "An Act relating to Appointment of Certain City Officials of Eastport" (H. P. 188) (L. D. 199)

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

Passed to be Enacted

An Act relating to Additional Powers to Portland University (S. P. 30) (L. D. 52)

An Act relating to Liens on Logs, Lumber, Wood and Bark (H. P. 29) (L. D. 23)

An Act relating to Ferry Between Indian Island and Old Town (H. P. 31) (L. D. 25)

Finally Passed

Resolve Regulating Fishing in the Sheepscot River (S. P. 52) (L. D. 80)

Resolve relating to the Protection of Smelts in the Sheepscot River (S. P. 54) (L. D. 82)

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

Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: The Chair lays before the House the tabled and today assigned matter, Joint Order relative to Apportionment of Representatives (S. P. 157) tabled on February 17 by the gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey, pending consideration. (In Senate passed as amended by Senate Amendment "A" which was Filing Number 5).

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Brewer, Mr. Archer.

Mr. ARCHER: Mr. Speaker, I move this order be tabled and unassigned pending consideration.

(Call of "no")

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Brewer, Mr. Archer, moves that this order be tabled and unassigned. Is this the pleasure of the House? As many as are in favor will please manifest their desire by saying aye; as many as are opposed will please manifest their desire by saying no.

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

The SPEAKER: The question before the House at this time is on the adoption of Senate Amendment "A" which is Filing Number 5. All those in favor of adopting Senate Amendment "A" will please manifest their desire by saying aye; those opposed will say no.

A viva voce vote being taken, Senate Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The question now before the House is on the passage of the Joint Order as amended by Senate Amendment "A". Is this the pleasure of the House?

Thereupon, Joint Order relative to Apportionment of Representatives (S. P. 157) as amended by Senate Amendment "A," received passage in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Trafton.

Mr. TRAFTON: Mr. Speaker, I move that the second tabled and unassigned matter be taken from the table.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Trafton, moves that the second tabled and unassigned matter, Bill "An Act relating to Carrying Motor Vehicle License by Operator" (H. P. 293) (L. D. 278) tabled on February 17th by that gentleman, pending third reading, be now taken from the table. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Trafton. Mr. TRAFTON: Mr. Speaker, Legislative Document 278 should be read together with Section 135 of the same chapter, which provides in effect, when the two are read together, that anyone who drives an automobile and does not have his operator's license either on his person or in the car will violate the law and will be subject to a penalty of a fine of not more than \$100 or by imprisonment for not more than ninety days or both.

I feel that the passage of this bill would make many of us, in our absent-minded moments, violators of the law. I move for the indefinite postponement of this bill.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Trafton, moves that the second unassigned matter, Bill "An Act relating to Carrying Motor Vehicle License by Operator" (H. P. 293) (L. D. 278) be indefinitely postponed. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the bill was indefinitely postponed and was sent up for concurrence.

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

The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: For the record, and before I make my remarks, I shall read the article that appeared in all the papers. I do not necessarily single out the Bangor paper which I am reading this article from, which pertains to Governor Cross's interview with the press yesterday. I shall read the article and then make my comments.

"Governor Burton M. Cross emphatically asserted Tuesday that the State Liquor Commission adheres '100 per cent to a policy of refusal to recommend any individual for the job of liquor salesman' and political friendship 'is no longer the yardstick guiding purchases' by the commission."

Under the title "New Salesmen"

"His statement was made at a news conference as he referred to the employment by each of two Massachusetts wine companies of a Maine salesman in what appeared to be a move to gain the good graces of the Cross administration.

The two new salesmen, both personal friends and political allies of Liquor Commission Chairman Clarence N. Crosby of Farmington, are former State Representative Stanton C. Carville of Stratton and Frank N. Vanderhoff of Farmington.

Carville was hired by the Supreme Wine company of South Boston to replace Palmer N. Hinds of Gardiner, and Vanderhoff is a new salesman for Granada Wine company of Cambridge.

Crosby said he had 'no knowledge' of the employment of the two men.

Both Carville and Vanderhoff were supporters of Cross in his bid for the governorship.

The names of the Supreme Wine company and Granada Wine company were prominently mentioned at the sensational liquor probe hearings before the legislative research committee last summer.

Referring to the employment of Carville, Nicola Disabato of Supreme Wine said:

'I liked his looks better than Hinds. Hinds was a good salesman, but I liked the other man better. I'm always looking for a better man. If I see a man I like better, I'll fire Carville and hire him.'

Edward L. Laven of Granada Wines commented that Vanderhoff 'is a good friend of the administration, isn't he? He was an applicant the same as a dozen more. Nobody up there recommended him.'

The governor told newsmen he was 'deeply disturbed, as I think the public is, over this situation $x \times x$.'

'It is quite evident from the recent action of two wine companies,' he said, 'that they feel that the system of political favoritism that they have exercised in the past is one that they hope will still continue.

'I assure them and the public of Maine that they are mistaken. Political friendship is no longer the yardstick guiding purchases of the Maine Liquor Commission.

'I feel it is time that we take drastic steps to impress upon these individuals that methods have changed.

'Events of the next few months will prove that the hiring of these two individuals will have no undue influence upon the action of the commission. The commission is no longer influenced by political favoritism of any kind.'

Asked if he intended to delist the products of those two companies, the governor replied in the negative, adding 'the offense isn't great enough for that.'

Cross told newsmen he believed 'it might be well for the commission to ask them (officials of the two wine companies) to come down and explain their quotation and their purpose of hiring the two men.'

He said the incident 'illustrates the evils of a situation that was pointed out by me to the research committee a year ago . . . it was a principal issue in the campaign.'

'My personal feelings,' he added, 'have not changed in any way since the campaign. I still believe that liquor salesmen, or public relations men, should be registered or licensed, and should refrain from political influence.

'I have said repeatedly, and say it again, that Maine's Liquor Commission's only yardstick shall be quality of product and acceptance or demand by the public.'

Crosby was named to the commission by Cross a few weeks ago to replace Mrs. Helena Rogers . . .

The governor told the news conference that he and Crosby 'formulated immediately upon his appointment a policy which has been adhered to 100 per cent. A policy of refusal to recommend any individual for the job of liquor salesman.

Cross said he invites the public 'to watch carefully the purchases, sales and inventories of these two (wine) companies. The information as regards purchasing, sales and inventories of these two and all companies will be available to the public at all times.

Earlier in the day, after a conference with the three liquor commissioners, the governor said:

'As soon as practical, probably the last of February, a complete purchase, sales and inventory sheet for the preceding month will be posted in the commission room, available to the newspapers and the public and showing in detail all transactions of the commission for the preceding month. This practice will be continued.

"This, above all else, will bring into the light of day what constitutes the major controversial points brought up in the past. The public will know at all times every detail of purchase and sale and the amounts in the inventory."

The rest is merely a continuation of the previous story. The meat of the interview I have read to you.

I stated when I announced my candidacy to be the Democratic Floor Leader that if I were elected I would attempt at all times to bring forth a militant minority. Sometimes you win and sometimes you lose. After what happened it is very obvious I didn't get enough votes. However, I assure you that I still am a member of the minority party and I express to the leaders and to the members of my party my support, and my support includes my being militant at all times. I have been extremely critical at times of my own party. I feel that the real big trouble with the State of Maine in the past has been the Democratic Party, and I sincerely hope that we will eventually correct that evil, because any party that is in power too long is apt to be sometimes a little bold, and, without being facetious, I might say a little careless.

As far as my purpose in reading this article from the newspapers, I do not care nor should I care nor is it my prerogative to go into the Governor's office or to the opposition and criticize or upbraid his appointments. That is his business. I certainly believe in the spoils system. I certainly hope that sometime we may have a member of my party in the front office and a majority in both branches. A new broom will sweep clean, I can guarantee you that right now. However, I hate to be classified as a political neophyte. I believe in politics, I am a politician and I am proud of the fact that I am. I believe also in the spoils system.

When Governor Cross made his Inaugural Address, if my memory serves me correctly, he stated that there would be no politics so far as the Liquor Commission was concerned. I applauded, as I am certain we all did, because no Governor is inaugurated more than once or at least more than once every two years. By the same token, twenty minutes after the Governor made that statement in his Inaugural Address he posted the name of Clarence Crosby as Chairman of the Commission as No. 1 House boy. That is perfectly all right. He supported him, he should do it. A short time later up came the name of a man whom we all like and respect. Certainly I admire Clarence Crosby and I know he will be a good Chairman and will conduct himself well in the performance of his duties. I am certainly not talking against any individuals; I am bringing out a point, a principle. He came back recently and appointed Frederic Bird of Rockland, House boy No. 2. Perfectly all right again. I believe in the spoils system. House boy No. 3, Mr. Carville, winds up with Supreme Wines. House boy No. 4, Mr. Vanderhoff, winds up with Granada Wines. I just thought I would bring that to your attention. I do not see how you can take politics out of politics.

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

Mr. FULLER: Mr. Speaker, I think we all realize that being Governor of the State of Maine—

The SPEAKER: For what purpose does the gentleman rise?

Mr. FULLER: Excuse me, Mr. Speaker. I request unanimous consent to address the House briefly.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Fuller, requests unanimous consent to address the House briefly. Is there objection? The Chair hears no objection and the gentleman may proceed.

Mr. FULLER: Mr. Speaker, I think we all realize that being Governor of the State of Maine is not an easy job, and I would like at this time to ask this House to give our Governor, Burton M. Cross, a vote of confidence in the work that he is doing.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state that the gentleman's motion is out of order.

The House is proceeding under Orders of the Day. If there is no further business to come before the House, the Clerk will read the notices.

On motion of Mr. Dumais of Lewiston,

Adjourned until 1:30 P.M. tomorrow.