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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Alfred G. Hempstead of Augusta.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time notes the presence in the Hall of the House of the gentlewoman from Presque Isle, Mrs. Christie, and the gentlewoman from North Kennebunkport, Mrs. Downing, and without objection the Clerk will note their presence in the journal. The Chair hears no objection and so rules.

ORDERS

On motion of Mr. DeBeck of Holden, it was

ORDERED, that Mr. Henry of North Yarmouth be excused from attendance during the remainder of this Special Session because of his entering the hospital for surgical treatment.

On motion of Mr. DeBeck of Holden, it was

ORDERED, that Mr. Abbott of Mechanic Falls be excused from attending this special session because of severe illness.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that the Clerk of the House be directed to send flowers to Mr. Abbott from the members of the House and express to him their hopes for a speedy recovery.

On motion of Mr. DeBeck of Holden, it was

ORDERED, that Mr. Currier of Caribou be excused from attendance during this Special Session because of pressure of business.

House Reports of Committees

Mr. Fuller of Bangor from the Committee on Elections to which was referred the returns of votes

cast in the towns of Boothbay, Boothbay Harbor, Bristol, South Bristol, Southport and Monhegan Pl. at the special election held March 1, 1954 for Raymond R. Greenleaf of Boothbay Harbor, candidate for Representative to the Ninety-sixth Legislature

and
the returns of votes cast in the city of Augusta at the special election held October 5, 1953 for Fred R. Lord, candidate for Representative to the Ninety-sixth Legislature reported the following Resolution:

RESOLVED, that Raymond R. Greenleaf of Boothbay Harbor and Fred R. Lord of Augusta are hereby declared legally elected representatives to the 96th Legislature.

The report was read and accepted and the Resolution adopted.

**Ought to Pass
Printed Bills**

Mr. Burgess from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reported "Ought to pass" on Resolve Providing for the Shipping and Packaging of the Revised Statutes of 1954 (H. P. 1312) (L. D. 1581)

Mr. Fitanides from the Committee on Judiciary reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Sale of Revised Statutes and Session Laws" (H. P. 1313) (L. D. 1582)

Mr. McGlauffin from the Committee on Judiciary reported "Ought to pass" on Resolve Approving Draft and Arrangement of the State Constitution Made by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Judicial Court, and Providing for its Publication and Distribution (H. P. 1314) (L. D. 1583)

Mr. Trafton from the Committee on Judiciary reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Sale of 1954 Revised Statutes, Annotated, Outside of State" (H. P. 1315) (L. D. 1584)

Mr. Clements from the Committee on Welfare reported

"Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Aid to the Disabled" (H. P. 1316) (L. D. 1585)

Mr. Ludwig from the Committee on Highways reported "Ought to pass" on Resolve Providing for the Replacements of State Police Vehicles (H. P. 1317) (L. D. 1586)

Reports were read and accepted and the Bills and Resolves, having already been printed, under suspension of the rules the Bills were read three times, the Resolves read twice, all passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

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

Mr. Boston from the Committee on Highways reported "Ought to pass" on Resolve Providing for Furnishing, Maintaining and Operating Weighing Stations at Kittery (H. P. 1318) (L. D. 1587)

Mr. Low from the Committee on Taxation reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to Repeal the Tax on Cigars and Tobacco Products" (H. P. 1311) (L. D. 1580)

Reports were read and accepted and the Bill and Resolve, having already been printed, under suspension of the rules the Bill was read three times, the Resolve read twice, both passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

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

Mr. FULLER: Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that unless previous notice is given to the Clerk of the House of intention to move reconsideration that the Clerk be authorized to send to the Engrossing Department forthwith after action by the House all matters passed to be engrossed in concurrence during today's session and to send to the Senate all matters acted upon during today's session that require concurrence forthwith after the completion of House action

and after such matters have been sent forward by the Clerk no motion to reconsider shall be in order.

The SPEAKER: For what purpose does the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, arise?

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, to inquire if a motion to reconsider is in order.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state that a motion to reconsider is in order at this time. Does the gentleman wish to make a motion for reconsideration?

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I move that we reconsider House Paper 1317, Legislative Document 1586, which was passed to be engrossed, Resolve Providing for the Replacements of State Police Vehicles. I frankly can see no emergency here. I further see it as pure and simple a handout. If we are, however, going to go into handouts we should do it at a regular session. I move, therefore, that we reconsider our action and afterwards will make a motion that the measure be referred to the next regular session of the Legislature, and I ask for a division.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, moves that the House reconsider its action whereby it passed to be engrossed Resolve Providing for the Replacements of State Police Vehicles, House Paper 1317, Legislative Document 1586.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Hope, Mr. Ludwig.

Mr. LUDWIG: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: This bill for purchasing new automobiles for the State Police according to the figures which they gave us at the hearing this morning, the '52 cars that they are using some of them have as much as 125,000 miles on the speedometer and those cars are costing a lot of money to maintain and the way the State Police have to use their cars it isn't practical to use 1952 cars with that mileage. In fact, some of them they are not using at all;

they are unable to use them so it means that they can't let all the State Police who need cars have one. They have increased their mileage from 3,700,000 to 5,000,000 miles in the last year so that shows the additional miles that the State Police have been driving. I think it is true that any private business using cars the way these cars are being used would trade them in for new ones because they are a good deal cheaper to operate. In the long run the State is going to save a lot of money by trading them in.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis.

Mr. CURTIS: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I attended that hearing and I have looked into the situation quite thoroughly and inasmuch as I have been in the automobile business somewhat in my past years I think I am somewhat qualified to at least give my experience.

Now, right away we are going to have new automobiles coming out in October and when they do come out, when the '55's come out that means the '52 will take the place of '51 as far as their value is concerned to anyone who is going to swap them in or buy them. In questioning the Department, I find that if these 1952 cars are held over until the 1955 do come out it will mean not only this loss but if they are held longer, it means \$485 per car will have to be put out. That would be the average to put these cars in running condition. Now, inasmuch as these cars are used to patrol the roads, which heaven knows we do need a lot of and some of the high-priced cars driving as high as 120 miles an hour—I saw a news item not long ago where they chased a fellow who got up to 125 miles an hour in either a high-priced Cadillac or something like that and so they just didn't catch him. They did head him off by setting up a road block for him. So, an old

1952 car with 120,000 miles on it, I don't want to ride any 120 miles an hour, that is sure, and I don't think anybody else wants our policemen to. The fact of the matter is that we have been getting better road patrolling this past year. In fact, we haven't killed within twelve as many as we did at the same time last year. Well, they tell us that the cost of one life to the State of Maine means \$95,000. Let's not be penny-pinching as well as trying to save some money, let's save some lives too. Not only is it worth that \$95,000 to the State but it is worth something to the man who is living, I am sure. I think that they should go farther.

I remember that I was with—now this, perhaps, is ancient history but I am sure that it holds true today. Some 15 years ago I was with a concern who furnished cars for the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company and also did their repairs. They kept their cars three years and then all at once they started changing them every year. So talking with a man, I asked him: "How come they started changing every year?" And they showed me the figures. Now, you could buy an automobile at those times for at least half of what you can now but the repair of those cars, those men who use them in the New England Telephone Company, that is just ordinary work, they didn't get too many miles nothing like the the state cars get in mileage, it was \$55 for the first year, it was \$153 for the second year and for the third year it was \$257. So no wonder they started changing every year and I think it would be wise for us to start right now and get rid of these old cars and in the next Legislature let's set up a program to get rid of them every year and save money and save lives.

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

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: The job of analyzing the proposals of the Governor, which drains a large sum immediately from the surplus of General Fund and which obligates the State to an additional large sum from 1955 on is one which never should be given to a "Lame Duck" legislature at a special session held within three months of the next regular session. It is wrong in principle. It is a hectic way of doing business. But the job has to be done as responsibly as possible.

Here are my convictions on the several items recommended which include the item under debate.

1. Employees' salaries. I regret the old habit of underestimating income and overestimating expenses which results in neglecting such items of business at a regular session and forces last minute consideration of them. Reluctantly I would vote for the increase, disagreeing not with the goal but with the manner of achieving it.

2. Old age extension. When we are told that this item will not involve additional moneys, I emphatically disagree. When we look at the years ahead and realize that some half a million dollars or more probably will be spent, we realize that a half truth is a dangerous basis for recommendations to the Legislature. With proper and realistic safeguards, I would be in favor of extending the care but I feel that the Legislature has not been told the complete story. Before the Legislature acts, certainly the present and future price tags should be placed on these items.

3. Aid to permanently disabled. This is a worthy objective, which should have been achieved long ago.

4. Truck weight station, patrol cars, liquor warehouse and offices. These items can not be said to be pressing. There is no reason why this Legislature must

commit \$213,000 to these. On the list of current needs of this State, these items come far from the top and ignore the many human needs of our people. I shall vote against any moneys at this time for these.

5. State office building. Not only is this not an emergency matter, but much explanation is needed to satisfy the Legislature on the amount involved. Was not the granite facing included in the original bids? Certainly no one anticipated so large an amount as half a million dollars to finish this project. I think the whole history of this matter could stand a little light from legislative inquiry. I would vote against an appropriation at this session.

6. Pownal. This expenditure is apparently warranted. I would vote for the requested appropriation.

7. Hurricane repairs to town roads. If the Highway Fund surplus is not now sufficient to take care of the need, the General Fund Surplus should loan the necessary funds to the highway account and should be reimbursed out of federal moneys received. However, we understand this is not to be done; consequently we would vote for this measure, maintaining however that it originally should have been drawn up to come out of dedicated highway funds.

8. Educational subsidies. I would vote for a 100% subsidy at this session of the Legislature, recognizing that the next session will convene in the near future.

9. Elderly teachers' pensions. A worthy measure, long a dream of our elderly retired teachers.

The above recommendations, if accepted, would result in a saving this year in the amount of over \$1,225,000 and a yearly saving for the future of over \$1,000,000. I believe they are consistent with sound government and steady progress, without placing further burdens on the people by way of an increased sales tax. At least, the chances of

avoiding an increase in the sales tax are far better under the above program. I am sure the sentiment of the Democratic membership of the House is the same concerning these remarks.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, that the House reconsider its action whereby it passed to be engrossed House Paper 1317, Legislative Document 1586, Resolve Providing for the Replacements of State Police Vehicles and the same gentleman has requested a division.

As many as are in favor of the motion to reconsider will kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

Twenty-one having voted in the affirmative and one hundred and three having voted in the negative, the motion for reconsideration did not prevail and the Resolve was sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER: The matter now before the House is the unanimous consent request of the gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Fuller. Does the Chair hear objection? The Chair hears none and the request for unanimous consent is granted.

House at Ease

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The House is continuing under House Reports of Committees.

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to Provide for Additional Educational Subsidy Funds for the December, 1954 Payment" (H. P. 1310) (L. D. 1579)

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. COLLINS of Aroostook
HASKELL of Penobscot
SINCLAIR of Somerset
— of the Senate

COLE of Liberty
BURGESS of Limestone
SENER of Brunswick
CATES of East Machias
CAMPBELL of Guilford
— of the House

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

Report was signed by the following member:

Mr. JALBERT of Lewiston
— of the House

Reports were read.

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

Mr. BURGESS: Mr. Speaker, I move that the majority report "Ought to pass" be accepted.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess, moves that the majority report "Ought to pass" on Legislative Document 1579 be accepted.

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

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I request a division vote.

The SPEAKER: The Chair understands that the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, requests a division vote. Is the House ready for the question?

As many as are in favor of accepting the majority report of the committee will kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

One hundred and five having voted in the affirmative and eighteen having voted in the negative, the motion prevailed and the majority report of the Committee was accepted.

Thereupon, under suspension of the rules the Bill was given its three several readings, passed to

be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

**Ought to Pass
Printed Bill**

Mr. Cole from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and the Committee on Highways jointly, reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act Providing Emergency Relief to Municipalities from Hurricane Damage to Highways" (H. P. 1309) (L. D. 1578)

Report was read and accepted and the Bill was given its first and second readings under suspension of the rules.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis.

Mr. CURTIS: Mr. Speaker, I wish to present House Amendment "A" to the Bill and move its adoption.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis, presents House Amendment "A" and moves its adoption. The Clerk will read House Amendment "A".

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1309, L. D. 1578, Bill "An Act Providing Emergency Relief to Municipalities from Hurricane Damage to Highways."

Amend said Bill by striking out the figures "50%" wherever they appear and inserting in place thereof the figures '70%'.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis.

Mr. CURTIS: Mr. Speaker, in view of the high rate of taxation in the towns of Maine and that there are many town ways that will have to be repaired later on that will not come under this bill, I don't see how they will, and the town is going to be put to a great deal more expense than they really expect and in some of the towns in my area it is going to cost \$60,000, it seems to me that inasmuch as we have in the treasury money that has been collected from the people of the State of Maine it would be only fair to use this money in this

case of emergency rather than have to have each and every town, which would be the case and unless we do it, at least 70 percent are calling a special town meeting to raise these funds. I am well aware and I know that you are that the care of the roads is only a small part of the great expense that our State inhabitants are suffering from these hurricanes.

Now, it is said that the Federal Government will sooner or later help somewhat. As near as I can find out it will be five or six months and then if they do come in with some help and if there is anything left more than to reimburse the towns for what they have put out, it will come back to the State and go into the treasury. So, I think at this time it would be good business on the part of the people of the State of Maine to use this money to take care of these roads and put them into shape before winter weather comes on and I know that many towns are not in any position whatsoever to raise the very small additional funds to what must be raised to take care of the roads. I think it is only fair that we go along with this inasmuch as we have the money to do it with.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Liberty, Mr. Cole.

Mr. COLE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I think the Joint Committee of Appropriations and Highways has given this bill considerable thought and attention and as you know it has been reported unanimously "Ought to pass" and it seems to me that the funds that we have set up of \$1,000,000 out of surplus is very generous when you consider the total damage estimate given us by the Chairman of the Highway Commission this morning. That figure was \$1,600,000. It is true that that may not be correct. It is hard, of course, to make an accurate survey this soon. One will be coming short-

ly, I believe, but it seems to me that this million as we have it set up now under the 50 per cent clause, that the State will reimburse the towns up to 50 per cent, and the towns that have severe loss, that is, over one per cent of their valuation, will be reimbursed in full by the State.

There is a question in my mind whether or not this million will do the job at 50 per cent as we have it set up in the bill. This amendment that was proposed by the gentleman from Bowdoinham (Mr. Curtis), I know that the figure will not take care of the damage and, in turn, the next Legislature would have to reimburse the towns. It seems to me that we have been very generous in giving, or hoping to give, rather, this million dollars to help the towns that are in dire need. I agree with the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis, that many towns have a very serious problem on these washouts. In my particular section, it is true. I hope that we shall be able to get a supplement from the Federal Government which may bring it up to 75 per cent or more. That in turn will leave about 25 per cent for the towns. It seems to me that that would get us over the emergency that now exists. I hope, Mr. Speaker, that this amendment is not adopted.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg.

Mr. FOGG: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I can appreciate the intention of the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis, in trying to help out the towns and I sympathize with him to a great extent. However, I am in favor of the stand of the gentleman from Liberty, Mr. Cole, on this bill because it appears to me that if there is a question that the money might not be sufficient at 50 per cent, it is going to be a case of who gets there first. Somebody is going to get a good, healthy share

of this fund but when it comes to the end somebody is going to be left out in the cold, and if that happened to be some of these towns that the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis, describes as being in bad financial condition it would be a very acute situation for them. So I think that it would be much better to go ahead and help everybody to some extent rather than to help some to a large extent and leave some others out completely.

The SPEAKER: The question pending before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis, that House Amendment "A" be adopted. As many as are in favor of the adoption of House Amendment "A" will please say aye; those opposed, no.

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

Thereupon, under suspension of the rules, Bill "An Act Providing Emergency Relief to Municipalities from Hurricane Damage to Highways", H. P. 1309, L. D. 1578, was given its third reading, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER: I declare the House at recess for approximately 30 minutes.

Recess

After Recess, the House was called to order by the Speaker.

Papers from the Senate (Out of Order)

The following papers from the Senate were taken up out of order and under suspension of the rules:

From the Senate: The following Orders:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the department of Health and Welfare revise its rules and regulations relating to the ability of specified responsible relatives to support applicants or recipients of Old Age Assistance and Aid to the Blind.

It is the desire of the Legislature that some inequities will be corrected and a more liberal and flexible measure of ability to support be adopted by the department. Such measure of ability to support should be based upon the theory of assuming income to be received by an applicant or recipient from such responsible relative. If the program of Aid to the Disabled is enacted, it is intended that the same method of determining ability of legally responsible relatives to support shall be used (S. P. 645)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that all excess copies of the paper bound 1954 revision be turned over to the Director of Legislative Research for research purposes (S. P. 643)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, read and passed in concurrence.

Senate Reports of Committees Ought to Pass with Senate Amendment

Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reporting "Ought to pass" on Resolve Providing for Emergency Repairs and Construction at Pownal State School (S. P. 625) (L. D. 1556)

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

In the House, Report was read and accepted in concurrence, and the Resolve read once.

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

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 625, L. D. 1556, Resolve Providing for Emergency Repairs and Construction at Pownal State School.

Amend said Resolve by adding at the end thereof before the Statement of Facts, the following:

'Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the pre-

amble, this resolve shall take effect when approved.'

On motion of Mr. Cates of East Machias, Senate Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence.

Thereupon, the Resolve as amended by Senate Amendment "A" was given its second reading under suspension of the rules, passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Report of the Committee on Liquor Control on Resolve Providing for Additional Funds for the State Liquor Warehouse (S. P. 635) (L. D. 1567) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

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

In the House, Report was read.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg.

Mr. FOGG: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I am beginning to believe that money is something that we scoop up out of a gravel pit and everybody has his own shovel. On this extra \$100,000 here, I can't see the reason why they should have that extra money for that Liquor Warehouse. I understand it is for grading the place and some other things like that. I think that the money which is in the original resolve would be entirely sufficient to start the thing off. Now, we do have another session of the Legislature coming up in three months and it doesn't seem to me that they are going to take and go too far on this building by the first of January. It seems to me that we should leave a little something up to the incoming Legislature about raising some of these additional funds.

We are beginning to go through money here now in such a way that it almost smacks of irresponsibility. I certainly believe that

this amendment should not be included in this resolve and it is difficult for me to see why we have to have the resolve anyway so I move that the original resolve be substituted for the resolve with the amendment.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will inform the gentleman that it would be happy to entertain the motion after the report of the committee has been accepted.

The matter before the House at this time is the acceptance of the report of the committee, which report was "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A". Is this the pleasure of the House?

Thereupon, the report was accepted in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg.

Mr. FOGG: Mr. Speaker, I am a little balled up on procedure here now.

I move that Committee Amendment "A" be indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg, moves that Committee Amendment "A" be indefinitely postponed. At this time for the purpose of clarification, the Clerk will read Committee Amendment "A".

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 635, L. D. 1567, Resolve Providing for Additional Funds for the State Liquor Warehouse.

Amend said Resolve by striking out, in the 3rd line thereof, the figures \$90,000 and inserting in place thereof the figures \$180,000.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Albert.

Mr. ALBERT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I think at this time clarification is in order. The last Legislature appropriated \$325,000 to move the Liquor Warehouse from Portland to a point in or near Augusta. Since that time, some \$20,000 has been spent on plans and architectural

fees. Last summer, or this summer, rather, during the month of July bids were requested by the Commission. The lowest bid at that time totalled \$429,000. The Commission, aware that it had insufficient funds to build the new Liquor Warehouse, went into a huddle with the architects and they revised their plans hoping to cut down the cost of the building. This morning, the Liquor Commission, jointly with the Governor's Council, received a second set of bids for construction of the Liquor Warehouse. The lowest bid, I am informed by the Chairman of the Liquor Commission, totalled \$413,000 for a 52,000 square foot building. Now, then, we have \$325,000 to start with. We have spent \$20,000 of that money, leaving us a total of some \$305,000. The building itself will cost \$413,000 according to the lowest bid submitted. In addition to the building, a railroad siding is necessitated at a cost of \$16,000, which price was submitted by the Maine Central Railroad. Another item of \$25,000 is to include the electrical conveyors in the building to cut down on the number of personnel employed there, and there is \$10,000 worth of grading and finishing of the yards plus the cost of \$17,000, which was the original cost of the land. This gives us an additional \$74,500 over and above the low figure submitted by contractors this morning which, for all practical purposes and for the sake of discussion, gives us a total figure of \$487,000 and, since we have \$300,000 to work with, we need another \$180,000. The question of the additional \$90,000 is not a question of: Shall we have a warehouse now or later. We have to accept these bids, at least the Council has, within 30 days after they are submitted so we can not sublet or let a contract for \$400,000 at this time with only \$300,000 to work with. We have to have the whole amount.

With the conveyors and siding and so on in this new warehouse, the Commission feels that it can get by with ten men in the ware-

house instead of the present twenty-two and I think that investment alone is well worth the amount of money involved. That about covers it. I want to point out that this resolve came out of the committee unanimous, the members of both parties went along with it after it was explained to them.

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

Mr. FULLER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: In reading the statement of facts at the foot of this Document 1567, it appears to me that something has been added that was not contemplated when we made the original appropriation and if that addition is advisable, we probably do need to provide some more funds but I wonder if some other member of the House who knows more about that could answer that for me.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Greenville, Mr. Anderson.

Mr. ANDERSON: Mr. Speaker, I think there is one thing that should be mentioned that hasn't been mentioned so far, and that is this: That under the present plans for the new office building there are going to be more office facilities for the State Liquor Commission. There are absolutely none in the building. It is going to be necessary to provide facilities for the Commission somewhere and it was the thought and intention that these facilities should be provided in the current warehouse building without going to any great additional expense of keeping the so-called Vickery & Hill building intact as it now is. I think probably that was one of the reasons why the additional funds are required and I think probably the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Albert, has explained the fact that the bids are in excess of anticipated bids and that would account for one of the other reasons.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cumberland, Mr. Call.

Mr. CALL: Mr. Speaker, if you remember the last session I was the only one, I think, who spoke in favor of not having the warehouse moved from Portland to Augusta. Now, today, in the matter of economy, the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Albert, says with a siding and sliding and using all this modern equipment in a warehouse they will be able to dispense with ten employees in the warehouse and he uses the figure of 20. Now, I brought that up in the last session but the rent was \$20,000 and now we have a proposition, 20 times 20 is \$400,000. If we could stay in the present warehouse in Portland for twenty more years and not have any insurance to pay on it and if my memory is correct that was one of the bugaboos about it that they wanted to bring it up here so that they could have the Liquor Commission all under one housing.

Now, another matter of economy that the good gentleman brought up was to dispense with ten employees, if I remember correctly. I just read somewhere that they were going to use in the heavily populated district, and we refer to Portland, of course, where 65 per cent of the liquor is brought in, that would include York County, Oxford County, Androscoggin County, they have still got to, remember this, members, I brought it out at the last session, they have still got to have some warehouses in that territory. Now, is that true? I will ask the gentleman from Augusta (Mr. Albert) if that is true to confirm my statement before I sit down.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Cumberland, Mr. Call, addresses a question to the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Albert, and the gentleman from Augusta may answer if he so desires.

Mr. ALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I do not want to answer the question "yes" or "no". I wish to qualify the answer. May I proceed?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may proceed.

Mr. ALBERT: First of all, there is a question of rent which was brought up and I want to point out to you that the rent in Portland, at present, is \$15,000 a year. That is going to be one of the savings. Another of the savings is going to be \$20,000 savings in personnel wages. A third saving will be \$3,000 in freight. A fourth saving will be \$14,000 that will be saved if the Commission moves into the new building and abandons the Vickery & Hill building. This \$14,000 includes rent, heat, light, janitor service and other related items. That is a total saving of \$52,000 a year and in my opinion you can certainly amortize a loan of \$500,000 at \$52,000 a year.

The question of a warehouse in Portland: With the new warehouse located here in Hallowell there will be no warehouse in Portland. However, there will be a wholesale outlet in the City of Portland in one of the present retail outlets. The Chairman of the Commission has assured us that there is sufficient room in one of the retail outlets to establish and maintain a wholesale outlet for hotels and clubs in the southern Maine area.

Also, that all merchandise coming into the State by rail will come directly to the new warehouse and any shipping out of the new warehouse south can be made at a saving because, as was pointed out to us, the truckers return to Portland and other southern points empty and they will be very happy to take a cartload down.

The SPEAKER: The pending question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg, that Committee Amendment "A" be indefinitely postponed.

At this time, the Chair will state that it is necessary for the Resolve to be given its first reading. The Clerk will read the Resolve.

Thereupon, the Resolve was given its first reading.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk.

A viva voce vote on the motion of the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg, that Committee Amendment "A" to Resolve Providing for Additional Funds for the State Liquor Warehouse, Senate Paper 635, Legislative Document 1567, be indefinitely postponed being doubted,

A division of the House was had.

Thirty-eight having voted in the affirmative and seventy-four having voted in the negative, the motion to indefinitely postpone Committee Amendment "A" did not prevail.

Thereupon, Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: Is it now the pleasure of the House, under suspension of the rules, that the Resolve as amended by Committee Amendment "A" be given its second reading?

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

Mr. DICKEY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I move that the resolve as amended be indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey, moves that Resolve Providing for Additional Funds for the State Liquor Warehouse, Senate Paper 635, Legislative Document 1567, as amended by Committee Amendment "A" be indefinitely postponed. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne.

Mr. OSBORNE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I am somewhat reluctant to speak on this issue but at the same time I think there is something here that needs a little further explanation. I had this resolve tabled in the last session of the Legislature, as some of you will recall. I was accused of many things for

which I was not to blame for tabling it. I made some study of the matter at the time. I was assured that one of the economies in the original planning was to have these offices included so that they could do away with the old offices over at the Vickery & Hill Building and they would be included in the original architecture, that there would be no additional funds needed in order to build this building, that the estimates were sufficient to carry over and handle everything that was necessary and I rather concur with the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg, in his statement that we should be a little bit cautious in approving throwing out money right and left until we know just where it is going and what for. I feel, myself, that if there is a mistake, if there has been poor planning here, we should be very cautious about approving it by trying to erase it with additional funds.

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

Mr. DICKEY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I am very happy that the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne, rose in support of my motion. I well remember the last session when they sold this bill of goods and we voted on it. \$325,000 was going to be sufficient. Now, we are meeting here in a special session which involves around \$100,000. If they need it, I would suggest that they talk it over with the next Legislature. I think I am right and I think I am just in making my motion to indefinitely postpone this resolve. It isn't a matter of \$20,000 or perhaps some error of \$30,000. It is \$100,000 and I think that in your voting you should take this into consideration.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bridgewater, Mr. Finemore.

Mr. FINEMORE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I don't know as you realize it or not but last year we voted for

\$325,000. That is what they asked for to build this warehouse and today they are asking for an additional \$180,000. In other words, far over a third more. In other words, over 50 per cent more than the original quotation on the cost of building this warehouse. It seems to me that along the line somewhere someone has slipped a considerable amount and I would like to go on record as being along with the gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey, and the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne, in favoring indefinite postponement of this resolve.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey, that the resolve and accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed.

As many as are in favor of the motion to indefinitely postpone will kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

Forty-seven having voted in the affirmative and fifty-nine having voted in the negative, the motion did not prevail.

Thereupon, the Resolve as amended by Committee Amendment "A" was given its second reading under suspension of the rules and passed to be engrossed as amended in concurrence.

Ought to Pass

Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs reporting "Ought to pass" on Resolve relating to the Revision Committee (S. P. 628) (L. D. 1559)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Resolve relating to Wages and Work-Week of State Employees (S. P. 624) (L. D. 1555)

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

In the House, Reports were read and accepted in concurrence

and the Resolves given their two several readings under suspension of the rules and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to Repeal the Acts Consolidated in the Revised Statutes of the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty-four" (S. P. 641) (L. D. 1564)

Report of the same Committee reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Distribution of Revised Statutes and Session Laws" (S. P. 640) (L. D. 1563)

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, the Bills given their three several readings under suspension of the rules and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to Revise and Consolidate the Public Laws of the State" (S. P. 642)

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed.

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

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

Mr. McGLAUFFIN: Mr. Speaker, I would like to report briefly what the Committee on this revision did. The Legislature appropriated \$125,000 for us to work with. We called in five different companies. The West Publishing Company wasn't interested. The Lefaver Tower Company of Portland, the Kennebec Journal of Augusta, The Lawyers Cooperative Association and the Michie Company of Charlottesville, Virginia, submitted bids. We found that the cost of paper and printing have greatly increased since ten years ago. The Lefaver Tower Company and the Kennebec Journal submitted bids

for paper and printing, but we wanted something more than that. We wanted the statutes annotated.

Now, for those of you who do not understand what annotation means, it is when a statute is passed and you do not definitely know what that statute means until it is passed upon by a decision in the Supreme Judicial Court. That is found in our Law Report. Under the statute as it now exists there are annotations but many of those annotations have been made by persons who apparently did not understand the job. I, myself, have repeatedly found cases under certain statutes that have nothing at all to do with the statute.

We finally found that there were two companies who would do the work that we wanted done. I might say, also, that our index, the present index, is very poor and very unsatisfactory. Your committee wanted to get an index that was a big improvement over the present one. The Lawyers Cooperative Association wanted this job very much but their figures were something that we could not meet. We finally negotiated with the Michie Company of Virginia to use Maine paper to prepare this new set in five volumes instead of two, making it much less cumbersome to handle. They were to annotate these statutes and for that purpose they were to ignore the annotations that we had before and start in with experts to take the Maine cases from Volume 1 to 147 and get every case that applied to a particular statute. In addition to that, we had experts to draft the index which we believe will be vastly more satisfactory than that in the past.

Ten years ago the State printed 5500 copies of the laws. There were at the time of the last session, as I understand it, about 1500 of those copies still on hand. The State at the present time is trying to get rid of them at a dollar a set. So we concluded

that we didn't need any such number of copies of the statutes but we needed more volumes and better results.

We contracted with the Michie Company to print 2000 copies at a cost of \$115,000, using Maine paper, having experts annotate the statutes and this improved index. We had to dicker some with Michie Company to get them down to the \$115,000 and in doing so they made some concession to us on our promise to introduce into this Legislature a bill that would authorize Michie Company to sell copies of the statutes outside of the State of Maine but not to sell any at a less price than we sold them here in Maine.

Of this 2,000 copies we have provided that some 650 copies shall be marked as public copies. The rest will not be marked and they will be sold to the general public.

Another thing that we have decided upon and hope you will go along with us in is in the future unless there is some special act of the Legislature, only members of the Legislature will get free copies. Every member of the Legislature will get free copies. Everybody else, the towns, the counties, the Supreme Court Justices, the Governor himself, the members of the Council, the courts and all of those that have in the past been getting free volumes will have to pay one-half price to get these volumes. In the past, the State has given free volumes to every town, to the counties, almost everybody who held an office got a copy of these statutes for nothing. In the interest of economy and in the interest of saving waste, we believe this measure to be wise that will come before you before the session is over. The price of these volumes is to be set by the Librarian with the approval of the Governor and Council.

Out of this \$115,000, we have paid the Michie Company, up to the present time, \$60,000 on ac-

count. We still owe this company when they complete the job \$50,000. We have incurred expenses amounting to \$6,470.48. That leaves a balance from the amount that you appropriated to be turned back, \$3,529.52. The committee has been paid nothing for their services up to the present time, but I understand that a bill has already been passed to take care of that.

I want to briefly look over some of these notes to see if I have left out anything I want to tell you. I think that covers the ground but I want to say to you that we have had wonderful assistance from Samuel Slosberg, whom we authorized to employ two full-time stenographers for the month that this work has been going on. We are promised definitely that these statutes will be delivered about the 15th of December.

Now, the books that you have on your desks are the statutes only. There are no annotations and there is no index. Those will be printed and come out later, as I have stated. These new statutes will consist of five volumes containing 4,300 pages. We feel that the Michie Company has used us very well. They found that this work required 700 more pages than they figured on in the first place yet they have kept their contract to the letter. They have not only given us annotations from the State of Maine but, here again, they have given us annotations from other states and they have also given us notes in places almost amounting to a brief which are of great value to a lawyer. We believe that this new set of statutes will be up to date, that it will be the best set of statutes that ever came out of the State of Maine. Thank you. (Applause)

Thereupon, the Bill was given its three several readings under suspension of the rules and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Non-Concurrent Matter

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Tax on Cigars and Tobacco Products" (H. P. 1311) (L. D. 1580)

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 earlier in the day whereby the Bill was passed to be engrossed without amendment.

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

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1311, L. D. 1580, Bill "An Act to Repeal the Tax on Cigars and Tobacco Products."

Amend said Bill by inserting after section 15 thereof a new section to be numbered 15-A, to read as follows:

'Sec. 15-A. Repeal of exemption of cigars and tobacco products under sales and use tax law. No tax on sales, storage or use shall be collected upon or in connection with sales of cigarettes.'

Further amend said Bill by adding at the end thereof the following section:

'Sec. 18. Intention. It is the intention of the legislature to repeal any law or part thereof which taxes cigars or tobacco products; and that after January 1, 1955 there will be no tax on cigars and tobacco products, except under the provisions of the sales and use tax law.'

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

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to Elderly Teachers' Pensions" (S. P. 629) (L. D. 1554) 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. 629, L. D. 1554, Bill "An Act relating to Elderly Teachers' Pensions."

Amend said Bill by adding at the end thereof the 2 following sections:

'Sec. 6. Application. The increase in pensions hereinbefore authorized shall apply to all teachers who have heretofore or shall hereafter retire under the provisions of sections 1, 2 and 3.

Sec. 7. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated from the unappropriated surplus of the general fund the sum of \$38,600 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1955 to carry out the provisions of this act.'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill as amended was given its third reading under suspension of the rules and passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" in concurrence.

Divided Report

Majority Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Resolve Providing Additional Funds for the Maine State Office Building (S. P. 627) (L. D. 1558) reporting "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was signed by the following members:

Messrs. HASKELL of Penobscot
COLLINS of Aroostook
SINCLAIR of Somerset
—of the Senate
SENER of Brunswick
CAMPBELL of Guilford
CATES of East Machias

BURGESS of Limestone
 COLE of Liberty

—of the House

Minority Report of same Committee reporting "Ought not to pass" on same Resolve.

Report was signed by the following member:

Mr. JALBERT of Lewiston
 —of the House

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

In the House, Reports were read.

On motion of Mr. Cole of Liberty, the Majority Report of the Committee "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" was accepted in concurrence and the Resolve was given its first reading.

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

Committee Amendment "A" to S. P. 627, L. D. 1558, Resolve Providing Additional Funds for the Maine State Office Building.

Amend said Resolve by striking out all of the Emergency Preamble and all of the Emergency Clause.

On motion of Mr. Cole of Liberty, Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg.

Mr. FOGG: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I have been somewhat associated with this State office building addition here. I was selected to serve on the advisory committee. It sort of puzzles me as to how this bill happened to find its way into this Legislature.

As we all recall, two years ago we appropriated three million dollars to build a new State House office building. Last spring the bids were let out and this summer the contractor started on it. Now as you can see, all we have got so far is just a hole in the ground, and I presume that we have most of the three million

dollars to go yet. I did understand some time ago that we were going to have to ask the next legislature for an appropriation to buy movable partitions for this new State office building. But I understand also that the work on this new State office building is already around sixty days behind schedule. Now I do not know just what the time schedule is going to be on this, but I think it is safe to say that the building isn't going to be ready to put new partitions in for a good part of another year at least. I cannot see why we have to take this matter up in this special session of the Legislature to raise another half million dollars for this office building. I think it is completely untimely; I think it should be left to the next session of the Legislature, because you don't know just how much money you are going to have to have for those partitions.

I notice in the bill it includes the cost of facing it with granite and a steam heating plant. That is a new development since I was told about it last. I had understood that the three million dollars would carry the cost of facing it with granite and digging the tunnel. I do know that they have run into some extra costs out here as far as rock and other complications are concerned, but I still think that the appropriation that we have now, already, is enough to continue this building and carry it on satisfactorily so that this additional appropriation can be taken up in the next session of the Legislature, and then it can be given more consideration. Right now it has not been given any consideration. It is just being raced right through like a greased pig.

I therefore move that this bill and all the accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg, moves that the Resolve and accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Liberty, Mr. Cole.

Mr. COLE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: This bill was also considered quite seriously by the Appropriations Committee, and some of the facts that the gentleman from Madison (Mr. Fogg) has brought out are a fact. It has been decided that the facing should be granite, which runs into additional money, and the old plans that were advertised at first did not include this facing and did not include the central heating system which they recommend now. The original plans called for an addition to the present heating system that heats this building. It was found that this was inadequate and that it was advisable to have an entirely new separate central heating system which of course runs into money. Also we should have more money for the tunnel and many other things stated in the bill: the removable partitions and all those things. In letting the contracts, I think that those things should be decided upon right now.

I certainly hope that we go along with the committee report.

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

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, I attended the bid opening. As I recall it, they had not decided what they would have for facing, but I very definitely recall that there were some funds that had been set aside for it, also funds to the tune of \$341,000—I remember that figure well—set aside for heating and plumbing. That was a sub-contractor affair, and the contract was given to a gentleman from Biddeford, I have forgotten his name now. Also last Friday I spoke with the general manager for Mr. Rugo who is building the State office building. He told me that they were sixty days behind time. I believe that the contract calls for 220 working days, so consequently if they are sixty days behind on the contract it certainly

will be quite a while before they can even use this sum of money.

This morning at the hearing I asked the sponsor of the measure, who couldn't answer me, how much money the State had already paid the contractor or contractors, whether they be the major contractor or subcontractors, and he told me that the State had to his knowledge paid some thirty thousand dollars, leaving \$2,970,000 to spend. On that basis it certainly seems logical that we could very well wait and leave that \$500,000 where it is. Everyone knows that if additional funds are needed they will have to be provided for, they won't leave the building two-thirds done.

Also, if you will look at the original bill you will see that there was an emergency preamble attached to the bill. This amendment strikes out the emergency preamble, which is conclusive proof that even the committee itself that signed the majority report admits that there is no hurry.

I am not going into the story that we might hear more times but I might myself tell you about the hurry of spending funds. I think in the interests of good government and certainly in fair play I am willing to stand here and debate the issue of whether or not there is any hurry about this; and in the interests of good government I certainly hope that the motion of the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg, will prevail. There is absolutely no need for this being passed at this special session.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from North-east Harbor, Mr. Reynolds.

Mr. REYNOLDS: Mr. Speaker and Members of this House: When the bids were opened up, it is my understanding, and I was present for the bid openings, that the tunnel was included, the granite facing was included, and also the bid was set up for a reinforced concrete building. There was an alternate in the specifications and in the plans to go to steel framing which I understand has been

adopted and the building will be built with steel frame construction. At that time, with those alternates, with the money available, with all of the alternates, all of the money, with all these extra clauses, Mr. Rugo's bid was under the three million, and as a member of that committee I do not understand at this time why they are coming in and asking for more money for a tunnel and more money for these incidentals. We knew at the time there would be movable partitions. At the rate of progress on this building out here now—Mr. Rugo's superintendent, or his key man, at the meeting told the committee, the Governor and the Council, that he could build the building in less than a year or close to that time. As we look out across there now we see just a hole in the ground, and at the rate of progress he is making it will be at least two years. I personally cannot see any reason why we should appropriate one more nickel. I think we should leave it up to the incoming legislature, and I hope that is what we will do, sir.

The SPEAKER: The pending motion before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg, that L. D. 1558 with accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

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

Mr. BURGESS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I am somewhat reluctant to make any remarks and I assure you that I will confine them to one thing only and that is explaining to you as best I can the information that was given to the committee that acted upon the measure and their reasons, as I understand them, at least the majority report, for recommending it as we did.

The information was given to us that additional money was necessary in order to provide the tunnel, to provide the granite facing, to keep the new building

in dignity with the present State House and what we believe and the Governor believes and the Governor's Council believes would be the proper thing to do; to build a building that you would be proud of and that every citizen of the State would be proud of.

The matter of folding doors is also included in the items covered by this appropriation.

Now I can assure you, and I believe it myself, that you are not going to lose the office building if you do not appropriate the money at this time, but let me remind you that at the regular session when the three million dollars was appropriated we picked the figure out of the air. There were no plans, there were no architectural designs that were usable, and frankly your Committee on Appropriations in recommending to you the three million dollars said in effect, "Here is three million dollars. That will get the thing going and then whatever is necessary from there on can be provided as it is needed." You adopted the recommendation and did appropriate the three million dollars, and I believe that you understood at the time, I hope that you did, that that was a figure, that there was nothing to base that estimate on, but it would get the wheels in motion. The old plans that were drawn up at one time by the Authority were not usable, and all of these things have gone into additional expense.

The purpose of appropriating the money at this time is to allow the altering and somewhat changing the design necessary because of a central heating plant. If you leave them as they are and you install a heating plant for the building itself you will be using up space in the building itself.

Now whether you appropriate the funds or not is not going to stop you from eventually having the building; you have the money and I can see no point in not

making the appropriation, and I for one am firmly convinced that if there is one cent of it not needed that your Governor and Council will have it left over and will return it to your unappropriated surplus. The Governor and Council have the complete authority to go ahead with the construction of this building. We conveyed it to them at the last session. I for one have confidence in that group; they know what they need when they are asking for this, they know that they need it at this time and they will not unwisely expend one cent.

I hope that the committee report will be accepted and that you will eventually appropriate the funds at this time. No harm will be done.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Warren, Mr. McCluskey.

Mr. McCLUSKEY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I am a little confused. Mr. Reynolds says that he was on the building committee and the original bids called for a tunnel which the contractor agreed to build. This resolve calls for additional funds. I would like to have that clarified by one of these gentlemen.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Warren, Mr. McCluskey, requests information from the gentleman from Northeast Harbor, Mr. Reynolds. The gentleman from Northeast Harbor may answer if he so desires.

Mr. REYNOLDS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: The original plans as submitted to the contractors for figures did include the central heating plant; they also included the tunnel. I do not know where the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess, is getting his information, but to me it is just not so. I think there is a nigger in the woodpile. I think there is no hurry about it. In other words, the contract, as I understand, was let with the central heating plant,

the contract was let for the tunnel, and if you will go and view the plans that were submitted to the committee and the Governor and Council with all the alternates that came in you will find that there were quite a few bids within the three million dollar limit. The matter of ledge was very distinctly noted by the borings, the contractor knew exactly how many cubic yards of ledge there was to be taken out. I do not see any reason myself, being on that committee, why we should be hasty in appropriating any money at this time. I think the incoming legislature has plenty time enough to give it the consideration that it merits. We know that the movable partitions were not in the contract. The granite facing was in the contract. It was an alternate to carry the granite facing up to the first belt course. There was also another alternate in the specifications to carry the granite completely on the face of the building all around on four sides. As a member of the committee, I personally cannot see any need of any money at this time because if we wait until the next incoming legislature there will be sufficient time so we can tell whether we really need that amount or more.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne.

Mr. OSBORNE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I feel that Mr. Reynolds speaks with some authority. He certainly should, it is in his line of business and he was a member of the committee. I, like the rest of you, am interested in getting the most for the taxpayers' money for the State of Maine. I wasn't present at the opening of the bids, but I do recall reading the newspaper account of it and it mentioned how pleased they were that the granite facing which they had desired came within the scope of the three million dollars which they had

not anticipated or were fearful that it would not.

I do not believe that it is beyond the province of this body to ask that they receive a copy of the bids taken and of the various alternates, even though it be summarized, so that they can judge for themselves what is included, and in addition to that to have noted what has been accepted and planned for and what additional funds are available under the original three million dollars.

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

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess, is correct when he states that at the last session the Appropriations Committee somewhat picked the figure of three million dollars out of the air. He is also correct when he states that engineers or architects had not drawn up any plans or been hired. However, when the bids were opened both for the major and subcontracts, engineers had been hired, the architects had drawn full plans. The bid came up and was granted to Rugo of Boston for \$2,417,000. The gentleman from Northeast Harbor, Mr. Reynolds, is absolutely correct. I sat next to him at the bid openings. We also moved over to the council room after the bids were opened, when Mr. Rugo explained some of the details and some of the details were explained to him. I know that he will bear me out when I state that Mr. Rugo made the statement, "We will give you and build you a good building."

Speaking about the central heating plant, assuming that it was not in the contract, which it was, it will be at least one year before you can even install it if you just gaze across the way and see what is going on. There is absolutely no need for this measure to pass. We are just going to leave five hundred thousand dollars dormant. We have got it

now; we will have it later on, and very definitely this resolve should be indefinitely postponed.

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

Mr. FULLER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I do not wish to disagree with the gentleman from Northeast Harbor, Mr. Reynolds, or with the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, but it has been explained to me that there would be three very important things missing under the present appropriation, namely that instead of having Maine granite facing we would have Pennsylvania brick or brick from some other state, and we would be without the tunnel and we would also be without central heating. That practically comes from the horse's mouth. I certainly hope that the motion of the gentleman from Madison (Mr. Fogg) does not prevail. I have faith in the members of the Appropriations Committee and I am sure that they went over this thing very carefully before they reported it out of committee.

Mr. REYNOLDS of Northeast Harbor: Mr. Speaker, may I speak again?

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state that the gentleman has spoken once and has answered a question once and the gentleman is within his privilege to speak a second time.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Northeast Harbor, Mr. Reynolds.

Mr. REYNOLDS: Mr. Speaker, I feel that there is a question involved here. The statement has been made that we do not include the Maine granite, the central heating plant is not included, or the tunnel. I really feel that we could clarify that by just calling in the Building Authority and asking them what kind of a contract do we have with Rugo; is Maine granite included? It was in the specifications an alternate, and specifically Maine granite, not other granite from outside the State but Maine granite. The

central heating plant was on the plans and the bid. I do not recall any part of the specifications or alternates where they were to leave the central heating plant out. As far as the tunnel was concerned, that was all designed. It comes up through from the building into the central part of the State House all through ledge. The ledge was very distinctly defined by borings and other conditions. It seems to me when statements like that are made we could very easily defer the matter for the moment and find out from the powers that be what kind of a contract we have with Rugo.

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

Mr. DICKEY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I think we are indeed fortunate in having in our midst a registered architect and engineer, the gentleman from Northeast Harbor, Mr. Reynolds. I am sure that he knows what he is talking about. To further confuse the issue, there is the question of the Maine granite. Even in this resolve presented to us it doesn't mention Maine granite, and yet the members who propose this bring that up as an issue in a resolve that mentions that we need more funds for movable partitions, and, as I understand it, they wouldn't use those for two years anyway. It mentions a central heating system and the tunnel. There is no mention of Maine granite. This is another one of these building programs where you ask for a little and you end up by asking for a lot.

I could ask a question of the Appropriations Committee. I wouldn't expect them to answer it; I do not think that it is in their province. I could ask: "Would this \$500,000 complete that building? They don't know and I don't know. If it was such an emergency that the Governor and Council should need counsel on this I think it should have

been issued in our proclamation. That wasn't in there. I do not believe that it is necessary at this time. I think, the gentleman from Northeast Harbor, Mr. Reynolds, who was on that committee, has given you a clear picture, and I go along with the gentleman in the indefinite postponement of this resolve.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne.

Mr. OSBORNE: Mr. Speaker, this should settle it so far as I am concerned because this is the second time I am on my feet, but I feel that we are entitled to know just what was in the original contract. Someone says this; someone says that. I do not know just what legislative procedure I would have to take, and I would inquire from the Chair, but I believe that we should be furnished with the facts and figures so that, as the gentleman from Northeast Harbor, Mr. Reynolds, has said, we will know what kind of a contract we have with Mr. Rugo.

I have had considerable experience with construction work myself, and I know for a fact that if you get into extras you get into a lot of needless expenditures at times. If we can get something under an alternate that is already bid upon it is far more acceptable than it is as an extra. I distinctly recall that Maine granite was mentioned as an alternate, and I certainly inferred from reading the articles in the newspapers that it was intended to accept that alternate. I do see where there is a possibility that before the basement walls are completed they will need to know whether they are going to have a tunnel or not, and that may be one reason why we should act upon it at this special session. But I do feel that we are entitled to know what the bids were and what the items were, and I would ask from the Chair what procedure is necessary in order to obtain those figures and facts.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne, has requested information. It appears to the Chair that there is a scarce amount of information in regard to certain factors involved here.

(Off Record)

On motion of Mr. Osborne of Fairfield,

The House recessed until 7:00 P.M., E.S.T.

Recess

After Recess, the House was called to order by the Speaker at 7:00 P. M., E. S. T.

The SPEAKER: The pending motion before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg, that legislative Document number 1558, Resolve Providing Additional Funds for the Maine State Office Building, and accompanying papers, be indefinitely postponed.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne.

Mr. OSBORNE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I offer House Amendment "A" to Legislative Document 1558.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne, presents House Amendment "A" and moves its adoption. The Clerk will read House Amendment "A".

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 627, L. D. 1558, Resolve Providing Additional Funds for the Maine State Office Building.

Amend said Resolve by adding at the end of the paragraph beginning "Additional appropriation for new office building" after the word "Augusta" and before the period, the following:

'and to remodel State House offices, Library and Highway Building'

Further amend said Resolve by striking out the last sentence of the Statement of Facts and inserting in place thereof, the following:

'More funds are needed for movable partitions and equipment in the new office building and remodeling State House offices, Library and Highway Building.'

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the same gentleman.

Mr. OSBORNE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: It is indeed unfortunate that apparently there has been a serious misunderstanding about this resolve, but I feel that this Amendment "A" will clarify the issue. It seems in the writing up of the original resolve someone got hold of the wrong information and unfortunately it came before us in the form that we considered this afternoon. I certainly didn't buy that bill of goods as you well know. I can see good reason, in my considered judgment, as a professional engineer, where it is expedient to present different items such as equipment and other structural necessities for bids in advance in order to get the most for the people's money in this building program. I could not see any necessity for funds for something that was already covered, but I believe that the people of this State are entitled to a good office building. I believe they are entitled to good office facilities throughout the state buildings. I know that it will be necessary to do some serious remodeling here in the State House after some of these offices are vacated in order to put them even in a standard condition. They certainly are sub-standard at the present time, some of them have already been vacated because of that. They are unusable and unfit for tenure. I feel that this Amendment "A" takes care of the situation and I believe that the people will be protected and get their money's worth. In my considered judgment I believe that you fellow members of the House should concur in adopting Amendment "A". I would call your attention to the fact

that we also have struck out the emergency preamble, that is, we will concur with the Senate in striking out the emergency preamble, I trust.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg.

Mr. FOGG: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Well, I see this bill has had a new hair-do; it still doesn't appeal to me. Now they start telling about they are going to have to remodel the State House offices after we move out. I don't know, I still cannot understand it because they are not going to move out of the State House until after they get the new building finished. They are not going to get the new building finished for over a year. They are not going to move into it probably for close onto two years. Now I still don't see why we are going to have to have five hundred thousand dollars added at this special session of the Legislature and hastily conceive this bill and push it through to get five hundred thousand dollars which now they claim they are going to use probably a couple of years from now. Now the Legislature when they put through this bill to appropriate three million dollars for this new State House, they created an advisory committee. Well, I happened to be one of those selected to serve on it. We met a few times but we have not been called together again in three months, the last three months. Now if they were expecting to have to call upon this special session of the Legislature for five hundred thousand dollars, a half million dollars, and that's a lot of folding money in any man's language, why didn't we hear something about it? Why didn't the members of that committee hear something said that they were going to have to go to the special session of the Legislature to ask for more money? And why wasn't more care put into drawing up this bill? And I think that the whole thing should be

cast aside and put into the next session of the Legislature; I just do not go for this at all. I think it is absolutely unnecessary, I think that this thing should go through its proper procedure in the regular session of the Legislature. And I will not vote for this resolve at all. My motion still stands.

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

Mr. CHILDS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: About eighteen months ago when we convened here, we, the Governor and the Council and a great many people in Maine were of the opinion that we needed a new state office building. At that time there was no idea how much it would cost. We got together and it was the opinion it would be somewhere around three million dollars. But the important thing was we needed a new building, a new state office building. Subsequent to that time, the original contract was drawn up which included the building itself, which was for over \$2,728,000. Since then a great many things have come up. Money is needed for office division partitions, money is needed now for additional floor coverings, money is needed to put the cafeteria there, with certain architects' fees having to be taken care of. The important thing is that more money is needed. Now this particular thing was started by the 96th Legislature and by this administration. It is our baby and I think we should finish it. I hope that the amendment of the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne, will go through.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Augusta, Mr. Albert.

Mr. ALBERT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: In this new amendment I notice that there is a clause in there appropriating moneys for repairs and remodeling to the State House. I want to point out this. Earlier this evening it was told to us

that the contract for the tunnel from the new building to the present State House had already been let. I am assuming that it has been let. Now then, when the contractor puts the tunnel through, and I assure you that it will be a winter's job because it's all ledge and you can work ledge in the winter, they are going to come through the IBM room downstairs by the cafeteria. We have got to do something with our IBM room. We can't leave them out there at the mouth of a tunnel with the cold and so on coming in. Facilities ought to be made for them and that is the reason for part of this appropriation.

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

Mr. JALBERT: I would like to start to go through the history of this measure. In the last session of the Legislature a bill was presented by the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Jacobs, asking that three million dollars be appropriated for a new state office building. At least one member of the Appropriations Committee, a member of this branch, stated that we pick the figure out of the air. The bill was passed, and rightly so, an advisory committee was named, and then the spending of the funds was left in the able hands of the Council. From there, architects were hired, engineers were hired, the contract was let at much less than three million dollars. From there we come to a special session of the Legislature. Nothing was in the call for it but out of a clear sky comes a bill asking for five hundred thousand dollars, for more money, for the Maine State office building. First, in the statement of facts, the 96th Legislature in regular session appropriated funds for additional state office space. More funds are needed for movable partitions, a central heating system and a tunnel between the State House and the proposed new building. It has now been admitted that that statement of facts was

in error, conclusive proof that not too much time was spent drawing up the bill. No more time was spent drawing up the bill than was spent in the Appropriations Committee room in executive session. In saying, "I move its passage," nine hands go up pro, one hand goes up against it. So now the bill comes out of committee and the emergency preamble is removed from it in the other branch. So it hits here, and after debating the thing for about an hour earlier this afternoon a move is made, and I know that it was a sincere move, to look into it and come up with more facts. If that move had not been made for recess we would have killed this thing deader than a mackerel. So now comes House Amendment "A". So House Amendment "A" states: Amend said Resolve by adding at the end of the paragraph beginning "additional appropriations for new office building", after the word "Augusta" and before the period, the following: 'and to remodel State House offices, Library and Highway Building'. So now we pass the three million dollar appropriation to build a new state office building, so we stick a rider onto this resolve here to fix this building up. And I would like to remind you that this is not Washington. In State government you just cannot put riders on bills for growing potatoes up against a bill that you should buy a new suit. Then we go further and further amend said resolve by striking out the last sentence of the statement of facts and inserting in place thereof the following: "More funds are needed for movable partitions and equipment in the new office building and remodeling State House offices, Library and Highway Building." So now we are back over on the other side. There is a deep hole in there and one speaker gets up and he says that the people who work in the IBM office are going to get cold when they build that tunnel. Well, that tunnel will not be built for a year and a half. The way they are going now it will be 1960. Another

speaker gets up and he says they need more funds for a cafeteria over there, but I do not see that in here. But maybe the gentleman wants to put a House Amendment "B" on this thing to stick the cafeteria in here. Now I don't know whether he is talking about the cafeteria in this building or the cafeteria on the other side. I don't know whether the new state office building is over there or if it is over here. I don't know whether we are going to remodel the library before it is built over there or whether we are going to remodel the library that we have here. Now, I have seen in the last two or three days here, and it seems oftentime that a member of the minority unless he sometimes kowtows away from the majority could sometimes possibly be held in disfavor or probably a member of the minority sometimes cannot be right. Now, of all the monstrosities that you have ever come up with you can take the cake on this one. It is stuff like this that cost you the last election and it is passage of measures like this that is not only going to make us retain a Democratic Governor in the corner but bring us a victory in the House and in the Senate. Now, just because we are members of the minority, we are still citizens of the State of Maine and from one committee to another the minority has been completely ignored and I think it is high time that you realize that these funds are not Republican funds, these funds are not Democratic funds, these moneys and funds belong to the people of the State of Maine and I want to commend my minority floor leader for his stand on this thing. It is an honest stand. There has not been one thing that has been honest about this thing. Everything has been thrown in to make sure that you pass it. We appropriated three million dollars. Certainly, the building is going to be built but, as I told my good friend, the gentleman from Portland, Mr.

Roundy, a little earlier, and he said: "That is quite an example, Louis", this thing reminds me of saying: "I am going to eat six boiled potatoes within the next two weeks. I am going to boil the six of them now, put them in my pocket, eat one today, eat one tomorrow, decide I am going to have one next week but at least I will have them there if I want them." This is a stupid piece of legislation.

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

Mr. McGLAUFFLIN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I had hoped that I would not have to speak on this measure. I want to say that I am in favor of appropriating this money and I am going to tell you why.

I do not care if they have made a contract that covers the building. No matter what contract has been made, I understand that it is the province of the Governor and the Council to see that this building is constructed. We want an office building that we will be proud of. Now, it might well happen that the Governor and Council will find that some change that will cost some additional money should be made that would greatly increase the value of that building to the State. I think that they should have some leeway, something to work on. They ought to know at this time how far they can go and I think the time to appropriate the money for this purpose is when we have the money to appropriate and we have it now. This measure has been endorsed by the Governor, it has passed the Senate. I think this House should go along. If I understand the amendment presented by the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne, the whole matter is still in the hands of the Governor and Council. This appropriation of an additional \$500,000 does not mean that we have got to spend half of that or a third of that or any particular amount of it for

fixing up the State House and the Library. If there is any surplus left after completing the building, with this measure, if I understand it rightly, the Governor and Council have the authority to go ahead and not only complete that building but to do some additional repairs. I think that we should go along with this measure.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Saco, Mr. Fitanides.

Mr. FITANIDES: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would like to get home as soon as I can. I came up here with the understanding that we were going to pass our Revision Statutes, take care of the hurricane damage and a couple of other emergencies, and I have sat here without saying a word up until now. Last session, just before we closed, I think you will all remember what happened the last night when a lot of you walked out and didn't want to vote, you were ashamed to vote and I boiled and I am boiling to this day about that very matter. Now, I have sat here and I have listened to debate from members of the Appropriations Committee, who should have a pretty good reason as to why this matter should be passed, and the reason is foolish and stupid. It is an insult to a man's intelligence to sit here and listen to the arguments as to why this \$500,000 should be thrown in and then the majority leader of the House gets up and he gives an argument that I cannot understand. We take a recess and come back and they have changed the resolve. It is to remodel the State House. I have sat here and listened to the first appropriation that it would cost too much money to remodel this building and we should put up a new building. So we went on with it. We got the new building. Now, they want to come back and remodel this building. I do not know about the library. I do not

know if there is going to be a library in the new building or not. I would like to see the library fixed up a bit and I do not know any more about the highway building but they want a half a million dollars to play with. There is no need for it. There is no hurry. We are not going to have a building for a good year or two. I think that the whole bill has been submitted in bad faith and it should go out the same way. All the afternoon, we are throwing away \$180,000, \$700,000, but I remember killing bills in this House that would only cost \$2,000 that would do some good and they were killed because we didn't have the money, they didn't want to spend it and now we are throwing away millions as if it grows on trees. Well, you can do what you want. The Democrats can't stop you. I know we do not have enough but there is enough intelligence in this House to see and know what is going on and I think there is enough decency in here to put a stop to some of this throwing away of money. I hope that the motion of the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg, prevails.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Island Falls, Mr. Crabtree.

Mr. CRABTREE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I have not intended to speak on this measure but I think I would like to for just a moment. Earlier in the week, I have said that I would vote for this bill. This afternoon, I began to get a stomach ache and with me that is a very serious, large problem. (APPLAUSE) I am relieved of the stomach ache, thanks to the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne, and some conversation I have had in the last few minutes. I happen to know that when there is involved in this building project a matter of laboratory equipment and chemical equipment, or whatever it is, laboratory equipment, cafeteria equip-

ment, because I am rather closely interested in that industry, one has to place those orders from nine months to a year and a quarter ahead. That I know. That fact I know. I have learned some other things that make me feel very comfortable about this. I am still going to vote for this measure with a very clear conscience.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bridgewater, Mr. Finemore.

Mr. FINEMORE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I have been a lifelong Republican but I have been made awful sick here tonight. I have been real sick over this argument here and I believe I will side in with the Democrats. We have been told here today two different arguments with regard to the amount of money in the contract. We were told this afternoon that the contract was \$2,442,000. We were told here tonight by the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Childs, that the contract was \$2,728,000. In case either one is right, I would like to know what is going to be done with this \$558,000 if the \$2,442,000 is right; or the \$272,000 if the \$2,728,000 is right. I would also like to know, as my good friend, the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne — I say "good friend" because we get along very well—has said that this is an error. I would call it a clerical error and a real bad clerical error. Anyone who would make an error like that must have a good reason. And I cannot see—I am leaving the quarry, I suppose everybody is going to say—but I cannot see any sense in us tonight standing up here and spending a half a million dollars of the State of Maine's money and I mean the State of Maine's money because we need a reserve. Here we are today spending \$2,000,000, the total reserve of the Highway fund. We are going to spend about \$5,000,000 out of our \$7,000,000 State

reserve or savings fund. One member said to me here today that we saved it all during this past eighteen months. That is quite a statement. We have saved \$500,000 or less during these last eighteen months. I mean no harm against the administration. I might add here that my whole district, one among many, went all for Governor Cross. We are going to support him in every way but I cannot see here today in standing up just for political reasons and giving \$500,000 out of reserve which we do not need to spend. My good friend, the gentleman from Island Falls, Mr. Crabtree—and again I mean good friend because I would support him in every way, shape and form—says it takes one year to obtain cafeteria equipment. It would be quite an amount of cafeteria equipment today that it would take you that long to get, because I have had quite a bit of experience in buying this past year too. I do not mean any million dollars worth but a considerable amount and I have had no trouble getting it. Therefore, political party or not, I am going along with the indefinite postponement of this resolve.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Brunswick, Mr. Tondreau.

Mr. TONDREAU: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Originally this project of a State office building was begun by the 96th Legislature and if the project were along to such a degree where it seemed that we were ready for equipment for the building and so forth I would feel, personally, that it was a matter to be completed by this Legislature since it was begun by it. However, from listening to the conflict of facts about this matter that has been presented to us this evening, it seems to have been a very short conflict as to what the facts were, as to what the money was going to be used for. So much so that my

opinion has changed considerably since this afternoon. I think I would have gone along with the resolve this afternoon. However, I think now that we have injected into this resolve items that were not originally contemplated, that are not part of the project of building the State office building. We have here injected into this resolve now items to take care of the present State House which we are in this evening. I do not think that that was the original intent of this legislation. Therefore, I think that it ought to be considered separately and since this is not an emergency I would think that it would be a matter for the next Legislature to attend to.

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

Mr. BURGESS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I first very humbly want to apologize to each and every one of you for statements I made this afternoon. If you will recall, I prefaced my remarks by saying to you that I would briefly pass on to you the facts that were given to the Appropriations Committee. That I did and I found them to be wrong. I have taken the time and the opportunity along with several of my colleagues to get the absolute, actual facts and if you are interested in hearing those facts, I shall be very willing to give them to you as best I can. Regardless of the outcome of the resolve, I first want you to know that I was sincere in the remarks that I made this afternoon. The information which I gave you was wrong but I was sincere in giving it to you and I would now like to correct it and give you what I believe to be the facts and tell you the source from which they came and I believe that you will rely upon that source fully as much as I do. The source my figures and facts have come from is one of your very prominent Councilors. I find that the gentleman from Northeast Harbor,

Mr. Reynolds, was absolutely correct and that the matter of granite facing, tunnel, and central heating plant were provided in the contract, and that the correct figure on the contract is \$2,781,000. Now, there may be some odd dollars; that is in round figures. There has been nothing for architectural fees; there has been no consideration and no contract for the floors, by that I do not mean the basic floor I mean the finished floor, tile or whatever it will be. This partition business is designed so that if you need more space for this office next year than you are using now the partitions will be of a movable nature and this room can be made larger at the expense of cutting down some other room. Those partitions will cost in the neighborhood of \$175,000 to \$225,000.

There is the item of sewage disposal beyond the property line by reason of having disrupted the Augusta sewerage lines around the new building. It is planned for the cafeteria and kitchen to be installed and operated in the new building. There has been no arrangement made for that. I have been told that a conservative estimate for re-establishing the library in the new office building would be close to \$100,000.

On the question of reconditioning certain buildings, it is the plan to move the Welfare Department into the now Highway building. Whether or not that is an item that you should consider at this time, I am not prepared to answer because that is some time in the future.

I think that there are two very good and basic reasons for your giving serious consideration to this appropriation at this time.

1. We made the original. We, as a group, as a legislature, made the original appropriation of \$3,000,000, knowing full well that that was a figure picked out of the air but that it would start the ball rolling. Now, the question is whether or not you want

to appropriate the money to complete the job. I, for one, would like to see it done.

The second reason, I have been told by that same Councilor, is this: That in January they would like to place up for bids certain items which they know are not easily obtainable. Now, should you decide to leave it until the regular session, it could be passed as an emergency measure, I will admit, but usually appropriations are laid on the table here or in that other body that is unnamable and held until the first of May. Now it does not have to be done that way but it probably will be done that way so I have attempted to give you the facts as they have been given to me from a very reliable source. I do not hesitate at all to vote for the appropriation for the reason you are not going to deplete your unappropriated surplus, you are going to leave it in as good a shape as it was two years ago but the eggs have been laid during this present administration and you are not harming a single thing. Now, in all truthfulness, I repeat what I said this afternoon, if you decide not to make the appropriation, you are not going to lose the building, there is going to be no material harm done, it will be done later and it will be completed but I think in all fairness to those who are working on the building project that we should give serious consideration and appropriate the funds. Thank you.

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

Mr. DICKEY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I realize I am a "Lame Duck" but as long as it is my duty to serve my district here I hope you will bear with me while I quack a little.

I think that the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne, did a remarkable job when he raised certain questions. He feels now, according to his amendment, that everything is taken care of, but as we have heard various mem-

bers get up they have added to these different items. The amendment that we are speaking on now says that funds are needed for movable partitions and equipment in the new office building, remodeling the State House offices, Library and Highway building. Another gentleman got up and spoke about a cafeteria. It was also brought up about some laboratory equipment. That isn't in this amendment. There was also some mention before I came in here that they needed some floor covering. Now, I think this whole thing is confused. I said so before. I have great faith in the gentleman from Northeast Harbor, Mr. Reynolds. I know that he knows what he is talking about. I think he did his duty to you and you have been well informed. I realize that it took a lot of courage for the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess, to get up and make his apologies. If we had this matter and we had the time I think perhaps it would be proper to refer it back to the committee and then the results would have been different. Instead of nine to one, perhaps we would have had another vote.

One other item mentioned by the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess, was a sewer. If I would offer an amendment, I was thinking about a springboard for our swimming pool out here but he has brought up the matter of a sewer so that would not be right. But I am telling you right here and now that if you put up this \$500,000 you will be sending it down that drain that the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess, referred to. I move indefinite postponement of House Amendment "A".

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey, moves indefinite postponement of House Amendment "A".

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne.

Mr. OSBORNE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: It

is said that the difference between facts and figures is sometimes good girdles. I do not propose to split my girdle and lose my facts. I might have been a little agitated this afternoon but I was after information. I got the information. I feel that the facts are on the amendment. I feel that the people of this State are entitled to an office building that they can be proud of. I feel that they are entitled to office space in this building that they can be proud of. You who have visited other capitals and come back here, I think you will recognize the fact that there are some inadequacies. I believe that if the money is available at the present time that the work can go forward forthwith without any further delay. I feel that it is good business to get for the taxpayers of the State who are supplying the money the most that you can get for them for the money. If the administration can plan ahead, if those who are purchasing the material can plan ahead and know that they have funds available it is much more expedient for them in securing materials and the equipment necessary. I still hope that this amendment will be adopted.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Cumberland, Mr. Call.

Mr. CALL: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: We have sat here now for quite a while and listened to the pros and cons. My mother said to me when I left the farm when I was 16 years old, she said: "Son, you are going to meet a lot of stupid people in this world. Sometimes you are going to be awful stupid yourself." Now, this afternoon I was so stupid I would have voted against myself for the first time. We have listened tonight here to some oratory from different members of this House for whom I have the deepest respect. The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, I thought made his farewell address this afternoon and I

admired him for it and I respect his parliamentary ability, something that he has achieved that I probably never will have in my lifetime. As a member of the Republican party and being a fellow of doubt sometimes and sometimes of a very religious nature but I do not have to call on the Deity to affirm what I am going to say that I did vote a straight Republican ticket this time. (Applause). Sometimes a Republican is too modest and he isn't aggressive enough. He is too conservative. He wants to weigh the question before he puts it out before the gentlemen who are going to vote on it. Sometimes the members of the other party, we feed them material so they can be very, very aggressive and they take advantage of our stupidity.

Now, if you will just go along with me for a minute I have had four painters in my house for eight days. They cost me \$432 and I could have sworn to the gods that I could have done it in three days. The fact that I am bringing out here is that we have listened to a lot of stuff but the Governor and the Council and the members of that committee, the gentleman from Northeast Harbor, Mr. Reynolds, and some others have tried to give you their honest opinion of what we shall spend. The House appropriated \$3,000,000. Now this resolve asks for \$500,000. It does not say that we are going to spend the \$500,000. The money is there for those people, that committee, and the Governor and the Council, available, the same as putting it in a bank account, available. They are not going to spend it. You can listen to everything here, you can argue all night. I am getting tired and everybody else is. It is just like when I hear the rooster crow over at Burgess's house; I listen and it crows over at Callahan's. Now somebody else is going to crow after I get done and say that I am all wrong but I hope they don't. Just stress this one thing: Let's show a little ag-

gressiveness, us fellows on this side, if we will. Use some common sense. They are not going to spend the money if they do not need it. I can build a house tomorrow and change the plans the next day. I can tell a fellow to put a porch on and change it the next day. That is the problem that is confronting these people. They see probably some of the mistakes they have made. If we build a new building over there we have got to move somewhere else. I do not want to take up your time any more than I want you to take up mine. I wish somebody would ask for the question or either table it until we can get further information. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey, for the indefinite postponement of House Amendment "A" presented by the gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Osborne, to Resolve Providing Additional Funds for the Maine State Office Building, Senate Paper 627, Legislative Document 1558.

A many as are in favor of indefinite postponement of House Amendment "A" will kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

Thirty-six having voted in the affirmative and eighty-one having voted in the negative, the motion for indefinite postponement of House Amendment "A" did not prevail.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Osborne of Fairfield, House Amendment "A" was adopted in non-concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The question now before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg, that the Resolve and accompanying papers be indefinitely postponed.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg.

Mr. FOGG: Mr. Speaker, I move that this vote be by roll call.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg, has requested that when the vote is taken, it be taken by the yeas and nays. In order for the vote to be taken by the yeas and nays it requires the consent of one-fifth of the members present.

As many as are in favor of having the vote taken by the yeas and nays will kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

Twenty-four members arose.

The SPEAKER: Now, the monitors will kindly return to the Chair the number of members present in their respective sections.

The monitors reported a total of one hundred and twenty-three members present.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state that there are one hundred and twenty-three members present and that twenty-four have indicated their desire for a roll call. Twenty-four is not one-fifth of the members present and therefore the yeas and nays are not ordered.

The question before the House is on the motion of the gentleman from Madison, Mr. Fogg, for the indefinite postponement of Resolve Providing Additional Funds for the Maine State Office Building, Senate Paper 627, Legislative Document 1558, and accompanying papers.

As many as are in favor of the motion for indefinite postponement will please say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being doubted,

A division of the House was had.

Thirty-seven having voted in the affirmative and seventy-six having voted in the negative, the motion to indefinitely postpone the Resolve and accompanying papers did not prevail.

Thereupon, under suspension of the rules the Resolve as amended was given its second reading, passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A" and Committee Amendment "A" in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The House is proceeding under House Reports of Committees.

**House Reports of Committees
(Cont'd.)**

Place on File

Mr. Fuller from the Committee on Judiciary on Communication of the Chief Justice Submitting Revision of the State Constitution (H. P. 1330) reported that Communication and Revision be placed on file in the office of the Secretary of State.

Report was read and accepted and the Communication and Revision were ordered placed on file in the office of the Secretary of State, and sent up for concurrence.

**Ought to Pass
Printed Bills**

Mr. Martin from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Bangor Recreation Center" (H. P. 1326) (L. D. 1575)

Mr. Cianchette from the Committee on Judiciary reported same on Bill "An Act to Amend the Town of Palmyra School District" (H. P. 1320) (L. D. 1589)

Reports were read and accepted and the Bills, having already been printed, under suspension of the rules they were given their three several readings, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

**Ought to Pass
with Committee Amendment**

Mr. Trafton from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Bridgton Finance Company" (H. P. 1323) (L. D. 1574) 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. 1323, L. D. 1574, Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Bridgton Finance Company."

Amend said Bill by adding at the end thereof the following section:

'Sec. 7. Fees payable to secretary of state. The certificate mentioned in section 5 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes of 1944 shall not be received and filed by the secretary of state except upon payment to him for the use of the state of the sum of \$500 in addition to the fees prescribed by section 11 of said chapter 49.'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted and, under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its third reading, passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

**Ought to Pass
Printed Bill**

Mr. Watson from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Licenses to Hunt or Fish for Spouses and Children of Members of the Armed Forces of the United States" (H. P. 1322) (L. D. 1573)

Report was read and accepted.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Island Falls, Mr. Crabtree.

Mr. CRABTREE: Mr. Speaker, this is a little confusing to me: "An Act relating to Licenses to Hunt or Fish for Spouses and Children of Members of the Armed Forces". I do not see any daily bag limit on it. I realize full well that this has been the procedure in some areas, both day and night hunting but I think that it requires, Mr. Speaker, a little more information from its sponsor. It is unethical, I would say, as it is written, to say the least. There are young members in this House who belong to the Reserve Forces and they are contemplating joining again in the active forces and they are concerned as well they

might be. They have spouses and children and at least there should be a bag limit, a daily bag limit. I should like to ask for a little more information on this, please.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes a younger member of the House, the gentleman from Limestone, Mr. Burgess.

Mr. BURGESS: Mr. Speaker, I concur with the remarks made by my colleague from Aroostook County, the gentleman from Island Falls, Mr. Crabtree, the way it is written, it is not only unethical but perhaps immoral. I have heard it said today that we didn't need a license for that sort of thing.

Now, Mr. Speaker, seriously, I would like to propose a verbal amendment to correct what appears to be a very serious mistake in the drafting and the typing of this measure. If it is in order, I would suggest that there should be a verbal amendment as to the title and the headnote of House Paper 1322, Legislative Document 1573, in both the title and headnote the words "to Hunt or Fish" should appear at the end of the title and headnote respectively.

The SPEAKER: The Chair thanks the gentleman and if there be no objection this verbal amendment becomes effective. The Chair hears no objection.

Thereupon, the verbal amendment was adopted and, under suspension of the rules, the Bill was given its three several readings, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Mr. FINEMORE (of Bridgewater): Mr. Speaker—

The SPEAKER: For what purpose does the gentleman desire recognition?

Mr. FINEMORE: Mr. Speaker, I did not get recognition. I am sorry. I put the microphone up. I would like to have that bill reconsidered. I would like to speak on that bill, if it is in order. If not, it is all right.

The SPEAKER: Does the Chair understand that the gentleman

wishes the House to reconsider its action on the bill just passed?

Mr. FINEMORE: Well, I would like to speak on it, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state that the gentleman will have an opportunity to speak to it tomorrow or he has the privilege of asking for reconsideration at this time.

Mr. FINEMORE: That is all right, Mr. Speaker. I will wait until tomorrow. Thank you.

Leave to Withdraw

Mr. Moulton from the Committee on Natural Resources on Resolve Permitting the Building of a Wharf in Maranacook Lake (H. P. 1328) (L. D. 1576) reported leave to withdraw.

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Ought Not to Pass

Mr. Travis from the Committee on Public Health reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Changing Name of Pownal State School to Maine Children's Center" (H. P. 1329) (L. D. 1577)

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

The following papers from the Senate were taken up out of order and under suspension of the rules:

Papers from the Senate

(Out of Order)

Senate Reports of Committees Refer to Next Legislature In Senate Resolve Substituted for Report

Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Resolve in favor of Maine Maritime Academy (S. P. 626) (L. D. 1557) reporting that it be referred to the next Legislature.

Came from the Senate with the Resolve substituted for the Report and passed to be engrossed.

In the House, on motion of Mr. Roundy of Portland, the House voted to concur with the Senate in substituting the Resolve for the

Report. The Resolve was then given its two several readings under suspension of the rules.

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

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: We have debated for about three hours on a bill that had a nine to one "Ought to pass" report. We have scrambled over many other bills that had unanimous "Ought to pass" reports without disturbing them. Here is a measure that was presented and came out of the Appropriations and Financial Affairs Committee and I do not want to be facetious towards my good friends on the Appropriations Committee but I thought there were seven of us from the House who reported that the committee was unanimously "Ought not to pass" and referred to the next session of the Legislature.

The gentleman who appeared before the committee on the resolve came up with an argument that was not very sound. It seemed that the boys at the Maritime Academy could not stay on the boat when they took these trips to New York, they had to stay at hotels and they found themselves, as they claimed, they could wind up in deficiency spending. The gentleman who appeared before the committee admitted that he knew nothing about this thing until last night. The bill read \$18,000 and he said it wasn't \$18,000, it was \$26,000.

Going back to the call of the Governor, certainly this was not in it and certainly I hardly see why we should open the door to one department in Maine that we subsidize, yet possibly having the door closed on the other departments. As the gentleman from Brooks, Mr. Dickey, has stated before, I am a "Lame Ducker" myself but my term does not expire until the first Wednesday of next year and I thank my friend, the gentleman from Cumberland, Mr. Call, for the fine remarks that he made but when I make my

swan song here and in politics it will be when they put me six feet under. I will assure you of that. I like to get into a good discussion. I have a great deal of respect for all of you here. If this were to be my swan song, I assure you of one thing, I am a good winner and I am a tough loser. I had one member of this branch who accosted me yesterday and he said: "Louis, I am rather sorry that I lost my election" and he had a face on him a mile and a half long and I knew he meant it. I said: "What are you beefing about? You lost one election and I lost three in one year. You beat that record. You are just an amateur. I am a wholesaler." (Laughter)

Seriously, this resolve has absolutely no business here. Now, it involves the Maine Maritime Academy. I do not know now what it is, no more than I know about the other bill, either eighteen or twenty - six thousand dollars. Now, if we must get down on bended knee, we will get down on bended knee but for Heaven's sake just how far can you go with these things. If you are going to go right down the line with your sixteen cylinder steamroller on all of your committee reports, why are you throwing a goblet into the faces of your own Republican members on the Appropriations Committee, six of them here and three of them on the other side, and a lonely Democrat who voted unanimously against this thing? It is all right to give and give and give. It is all right to argue for and against but, gosh, let's start using a little bit of common sense here. I am not going to talk for two hours on it but I have got the Saturday Evening Post here and for two cents I would pick it up and I would start reading it from one cover to the other. Now, you keep on with these things and I promise you one thing, there are going to be a few of us Democrats here. We will talk for days. We will keep you here until Christmas.

I move the indefinite postponement of this other stupid piece of legislation.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, moves the indefinite postponement of Resolve in favor of Maine Maritime Academy, Senate Paper 626, Legislative Document 1557. Is this the pleasure of the House?

As many as are in favor will please say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote was taken.

Mr. JALBERT (of Lewiston): Mr. Speaker, I ask for a roll call.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, has requested that when the vote is taken, it be taken by the yeas and nays. In order for the vote to be taken by the yeas and nays it requires the consent of one - fifth of the members present.

As many as are in favor of having the vote taken by the yeas and nays will kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

Twelve members arose.

The SPEAKER: Obviously less than one - fifth of the members present having expressed their desire, the yeas and nays are not ordered.

As many as are in favor of the motion of the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, that Legislative Document 1557 be indefinitely postponed will please say aye; those opposed, no.

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

Thereupon, under suspension of the rules, the Resolve was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Ought to Pass

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to the Fee for Stamping Beaver Skins" (S. P. 630) (L. D. 1560)

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting same on Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the City of Brewer High School

District" (S. P. 634) (L. D. 1566)

Report of the Committee on Natural Resources reporting same on Bill "An Act Authorizing the Building of a Footbridge across Tidewaters in Gilpatrick's Cove in the Town of Mount Desert" (S. P. 637) (L. D. 1569)

Report of the Committee on Veterans and Military Affairs reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to the Adjutant General" (S. P. 636) (L. D. 1568)

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 given their three several readings under suspension of the rules and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Report of the Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act Enabling County Commissioners of the County of Lincoln to Convey Real Estate" (S. P. 638) (L. D. 1570) 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. 638, L. D. 1570, Bill "An Act Enabling County Commissioners of the County of Lincoln to Convey Real Estate."

Amend said Bill by inserting after the 2nd paragraph of the Emergency Preamble the following:

'Whereas, The Old County Jail, so called, is badly in need of repairs and must be renovated in order to preserve the cultural and historical items which will be placed therein; and'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill was given its third reading under suspension of the rules and passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" in concurrence.

Ought to Pass in New Draft

Report of the Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act relating to Power of Counties to Borrow Money" (S. P. 639) (L. D. 1571) reporting same in a new draft (S. P. 644) under title of "An Act relating to Power of Androscoggin County to Borrow Money" and that it "Ought to pass"

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the New Draft passed to be engrossed.

In the House, Report was read and accepted in concurrence, and the Bill given its three several readings under suspension of the rules and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Refer to the 97th Legislature

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to Registers of Deeds" (S. P. 633) (L. D. 1565) reporting that it be referred to the 97th Legislature.

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted.

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

Ought Not to Pass In Senate Bill Substituted for Report

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Standard Time During the Month of October, 1954" (S. P. 632) (L. D. 1562)

Came from the Senate with the Bill substituted for the Report and passed to be engrossed.

In the House, Report was read.

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

Mr. TRAFTON: Mr. Speaker, I move that the Committee Report be accepted in non-concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Trafton, moves that the "Ought not to pass" report of the Committee be accepted in non-concurrence.

The Chair recognizes the same gentleman.

Mr. TRAFTON: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: The committee in its reasoning for its "Ought not to pass" report went this way. Our sister State of Massachusetts caused confusion by adopting daylight saving time in the month of October. Two other states, not all the rest of the New England States, have gone along, Rhode Island and New Hampshire. In so doing they added to the confusion because New York State is still going to be on standard time. In the field of transportation, we will perhaps run into confusion if we do not follow Massachusetts. In the field of radio and television communication we will make an even worse mess if we go along with Massachusetts and there it will cost one industry a considerable amount of money. As you doubtless realize, most of our programs on the networks originate in New York City. The timing there is such that the children's programs, for example, will come at 5:00 to 6:00 standard time. If we go over to daylight time, the networks and the programs that have already been arranged for the month of October will have to be cancelled because they cannot be obtained until an hour later. This industry will be hurt. The transportation industry so far as I can see might like the uniformity with the nearest state but will not financially suffer. As to us in general, personally I would like to see daylight saving time adopted through the entire eastern standard time zone together. We are faced with an unfortunate situation at best and I think that if we leave it as it is we are not going to seriously injure one of our own industries.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Westbrook, Mr. Travis.

Mr. TRAVIS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I move that we concur with the Senate and substitute the bill for the report. I recognize the objections which the radio and television people have raised but I do not consider them serious. I feel that we are here to represent the people of our communities. A local paper in Westbrook has conducted a poll in Westbrook and they reported that the sentiment of the people in Westbrook was overwhelmingly in favor of extending daylight time to October 31. With that vote, I cannot do otherwise than support the sentiment of Westbrook. I have checked several farmers in the vicinity of Westbrook. In June or July they would be against daylight saving but the majority of them are in favor of extending it at this time. In the transportation field, it will invoke serious inconveniences to the traveler if Massachusetts and New Hampshire are going to be on daylight time and Maine on standard. I do not think that we need to discuss the thing. I think most of you feel in your own minds October is a beautiful month in Maine and let's have that extra hour of daylight.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state for the purpose of clarification that the prevailing motion before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Trafton, that the report of the committee be accepted in non-concurrence.

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

Mr. MCGLAUFLIN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I wish to say that I was the only member of the Judiciary Committee to vote for the extension. I therefore want to go along with the gentleman from Westbrook, Mr. Travis, in supporting the bill.

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

Mr. ROUNDY: Mr. Speaker, as the result of the published call for this meeting here of this Legislature at this time, this is one of the items that came before the attention of the people in Portland and of all the matters that were spoken to me about it was that it would be convenient for these people who spoke to me that we extend this into October. Therefore, I shall go against the adverse report of the committee and follow the rule of the Senate.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Warren, Mr. McCluskey.

Mr. MCCLUSKEY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would just like to bring to your attention that this is for October this year only and maybe it will be straightened out in another year. I think that I agree with the gentleman from Westbrook, Mr. Travis, that we should have it through October.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Millinocket, Mr. Gates.

Mr. GATES: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: At our last annual town meeting in the Town of Millinocket, there were two articles in the warrant. One, to continue daylight saving time all the year round and another one to continue it until the last Sunday in November. The article to continue it all the year round was defeated. The article to continue it until the last Sunday in November received favorable passage. That would cause considerable confusion and I have got to go along with the gentleman from Westbrook, Mr. Travis, to defeat the motion of the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Trafton, to substitute the report for the reason that it would make it less confusing for the residents of the Town of Millinocket. Thank you.

The SPEAKER: As many as are in favor of the motion of the

gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Trafton, that the "Ought not to pass" report of the committee be accepted in non-concurrence will please say aye; those opposed, no.

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

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Travis of Westbrook, the House voted to substitute the Bill for the Report in concurrence. The Bill was then given its first two readings.

Mr. Brockway of Milo then presented House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 632, L. D. 1562, Bill "An Act Relating to Standard Time During the Month of October, 1954."

Amend said Bill by striking out in the 2nd line of Sec. 1 the word and figure "October 2" and inserting in place thereof the word and figures "September 26"

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Milo, Mr. Brockway, moves adoption of House Amendment "A". Is this the pleasure of the House?

(Cries of "No")

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Milo, Mr. Brockway.

Mr. BROCKWAY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I have offered this amendment to correct an error in the printing of the original bill. In the original bill, it was printed "beginning . . . on October 2". As the thing stands now daylight saving time ends on the 26th of September and the extension should be from that time and not from the 2nd of October which would be a week later.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Milo, Mr. Brockway, moves adoption of House Amendment "A". Is this the pleasure of the House?

Thereupon House Amendment "A" was adopted in non-concurrence. The Bill as amended was then given its third reading under suspension of the rules, passed to be engrossed as amend-

ed by House Amendment "A" in non-concurrence and sent up for concurrence.

Ought to Pass

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to the Fee for Stamping Beaver Skins" (S. P. 630) (L. D. 1560)

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed.

In the House, Report was read and accepted in concurrence and the Bill was given its three several readings under suspension of the rules and passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

Refer to the 97th Legislature

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act relating to Bartlett's Island as a Game Preserve" (S. P. 631) (L. D. 1561) reporting that it be referred to the 97th Legislature.

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted.

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

The SPEAKER: At this time, the House is proceeding under House Reports of Committees.

House Reports of Committees Place on File

Mr. Lord from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Petition of the Trustees of the City of Brewer High School District in favor of Amendment to Section 5 of Chapter 4 of the Private and Special Laws of 1925, as amended, to procure funds by issuing notes and bonds (H. P. 1325) reported that it be placed on file.

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Petition of the City Council of Brewer in favor of increasing the borrowing capacity of the City of Brewer High School District (H. P. 1324)

Mr. Martin from same Committee reported same on Petition of the Bangor City Council in

favor of changing the borrowing capacity of the Bangor Recreation Center from \$1,200,000 to \$1,400,000 (H. P. 1327)

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Refer to 97th Legislature

Mr. Campbell from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to the Salary of the Governor" (H. P. 1319) (L. D. 1588) reported that it be referred to the next Legislature.

Report was read.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Island Falls, Mr. Crabtree.

Mr. CRABTREE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: In spite of a very weary body and mind, it is still a pleasure to rise in support of a measure that certainly should not have any partisan politics connected with it whatever. In fact, yesterday morning when I presented this Bill and before I presented it, I was exceedingly careful not to talk about it in these corridors or in any other corridors because I did not want attached to this bill any measure whatever of politics. It should transcend partisan politics in every regard. I did not want it to be considered part of any package or movement or of any group. It is Crabtree's bill and it should ride on its merits.

During one of the recesses this afternoon, I heard from a member of the committee and without much enthusiasm from that member that it was referred to the next Legislature. At the same time, it was being circulated in the corridors and the afternoon papers, all of which said: "Proposal to raise Governor's salary gains support, no opposition to increasing the Governor's salary." I hope they are right. I have had a great many of the members of this House approach me this afternoon commending the bill. I was, of course, surprised at the report, a little bit disappointed but the mer-

its of this I want to bring to your attention in a few minutes and I somehow do not have very much fear that you will consider it in the proper light.

The Governor of the State of Maine, at the present time, receives a salary of \$10,000. There is at least one department head that gets possibly more, I am not sure of that, \$12,000. The Chief Justice receives twelve or thirteen thousand dollars but the Governor of the State of Maine is supposed to live on \$10,000. I am talking to you about the dignity of the office of the Governor of the State of Maine, not about any individual who may occupy the office. The man who happens to occupy the office is incidental, he may be a bachelor but that doesn't make any difference. I am not talking about the man. I do not care who the man is. I am saying to you members of this House that we should dignify the office of the Governor of the State of Maine by paying him a salary commensurate with the pressing duties and the honor that the citizens of this State have conferred on that individual, whomever he may be. In industry, can you imagine the president, the general manager, of a company receiving \$10,000 and the foreman of all the departments getting \$12,000? Does that seem good sense to you? Should it be necessary within the borders of the State of Maine or any other state that a man be a rich man to aspire to be Governor of the state? Should that be necessary? Should it be necessary that he have rich friends or that he has to pass the hat around to support himself during his incumbency? You will agree with me that it should not be necessary at all.

I do not think that we want to be little about this thing. Now, it is no emergency. It has been in my mind for some time. But if we have money to correct some of the inequities of the employees of this State, which should be corrected, and we have, then certainly the boss man should receive like

treatment now. I know it is late and I know you are tired and I am not going to argue this for a long time. But I am going to move you, Mr. Speaker, that we substitute the bill for the report.

The SPEAKER: The Gentleman from Island Falls, Mr. Crabtree, moves that the bill be substituted for the report of the committee.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis.

Mr. CURTIS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I have great esteem for my friend from the Garden of Maine because I was born and raised in the Garden of Maine. But how he gets so enthused over something which he does not seem to know too much about is just beyond me. Now, if my friend from the Garden of Maine will just get the statutes for 1953 on page 731 he will find there that the Governor of Maine besides the \$10,000 gets \$15,000 and Chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes which you will find on page 731 says: "This amount to be used at the Governor's discretion and shall not be subject to audit except as to the total amount paid." So that makes him \$25,000. Go down a little further and you will see that he has \$22,788 as expenses, which gives the Governor a salary at this date of \$47,788 and that is a matter of record. That would seem quite enough.

Now, you know what is going to happen if you hand out another \$6,000 and make him \$53,000. Why every head of every department is coming in to this next Legislature and ask for five or six thousand more. That is what is going to happen. There is not any common sense to it. Now, while we are on this toboggan ride of spending some money, let's save a little something.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Island Falls, Mr. Crabtree.

Mr. CRABTREE: Mr. Speaker, I can assure my colleague, the

gentleman from Bowdoinham, Mr. Curtis, that I am fully conversant with those facts. I just do not happen to believe that a man's salary should come through his expense account, whether he is working as a salesman for me or whether he is the Governor of the State of Maine. I believe that the Governor's salary should be fixed in the statutes and if he aspires to the office he should know that his salary absolutely going to himself will be a substantial amount and enough to live on. His unusual expenses while he is in office certainly have to be taken care of but it should be a matter of statute that his salary is adequate and I think \$16,000 is no more than adequate.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Brunswick, Mr. Senter.

Mr. SENTER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would just like to say that the members of the Legislature that provided the expense account for the Governor probably realized that the Governor would be better off with that arrangement because of the income tax saving.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House at this time is on the motion of the gentleman from Island Falls, Mr. Crabtree, that Bill "An Act relating to the Salary of the Governor", House Paper 1319, Legislative Document 1588, be substituted for the report of the committee.

All those in favor of that motion will please say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote being doubted,

A division of the House was had.

Thirty-nine having voted in the affirmative and fifty-two having voted in the negative the motion to substitute the Bill for the Report did not prevail.

Thereupon, the Committee Report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Refer to 97th Legislature

Mr. Burgess from the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs on Resolve in favor of Gordon M. Stewart of Paris, Administrator d.b.n.c.t.a. of the Estate of Eva M. Elliot, late of Otisfield, Deceased (H. P. 1321) (L. D. 1572) reported that it be referred to the next Legislature.

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

House at Ease

Called to order by the Speaker.
The SPEAKER: At this time, the Chair will announce the appointment of the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Jacobs, to the Budget Committee as provided in the statutes.

On motion of Mr. Fuller of South Portland,

Adjourned until 9:00 o'clock, E.S.T., tomorrow.