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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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SENATE

Tuesday, March 1, 1955

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. Oliver W. Bell of Bath.

Journal of February 24 read and approved

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Somerset, Senator Carpenter, has called the attention of the Chair to the presence of the Junior High School Civics Class from Skowhegan, accompanied by their Principal, Wallace Cunningham. On behalf of the Senate, young men and young women, we welcome you here and hope you will enjoy your visit, and we also hope that some day some one or more of you youngsters will be sitting down here doing the things we are doing. Have a good time, please.

House Papers

Bill "An Act Relating to Additional Professional Work by Certified Teachers." (H. P. 812) (L. D. 904)

Bill "An Act Increasing Old Age Assistance." (H. P. 813) (L. D. 905)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Deposit of State Funds." (H. P. 814) (L. D. 906)

Bill "An Act Increasing the Salary of the State Auditor." (H. P. 815) (L. D. 907)

"Resolve Providing for Supplemental Appropriation for Office of Treasurer of State." (H. P. 816) (L. D. 908)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Making Insurance by Stock Companies." (H. P. 817) (L. D. 909)

Bill "An Act Relating to Rate of Interest of Small Loan Agencies." (H. P. 818) (L. D. 910)

Bill "An Act Prohibiting Issue of Tontine Dividend Life Insurance." (H. P. 819) (L. D. 911)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Business Legislation in concurrence.

"Resolve in Favor of Ray Philbrick of Caribou." (H. P. 820) (L. D. 912)

"Resolve in Favor of Marcus Mitchell of Temple." (H. P. 872)

"Resolve in Favor of Gunnar Sandstrom of Sinclair." (H. P. 873)

"Resolve in Favor of Gordon M. Andrews." (H. P. 874)

"Resolve to Reimburse Town of Benton for Support of Certain State Paupers." (H. P. 875)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Claims, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Joint Fund for State Aid Construction Used with Town Road Improvement Fund." (H. P. 821) (L. D. 913)

Bill "An Act to Authorize Construction of a Bridge Across the Passagassawaukeag River." (H. P. 822) (L. D. 914)

Bill "An Act Relating to Trees Within the Highway Limits." (H. P. 823) (L. D. 915)

"Resolve Providing for Construction of Road from Cutler to West Lubeck, Washington County." (H. P. 824) (L. D. 916)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Highways in concurrence.

"Resolve Regulating Fishing for Black Bass in Androscoggin County." (H. P. 825) (L. D. 917)

Which was referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to the Reporter of Decisions." (H. P. 826) (L. D. 918)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate Auto Finance Co." (H. P. 827) (L. D. 919)

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the 'Portland Thrift Company.'" (H. P. 828) (L. D. 920)

Bill "An Act Relating to Bar Harbor Property Owners Corporation." (H. P. 829) (L. D. 921)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Fifth Maine Regiment Memorial Society." (H. P. 831) (L. D. 922)

Bill "An Act Relating to Use of Photostatic Reproductions." (H. P. 832) (L. D. 923)

"Resolve Authorizing Ray Philbrick of Caribou to Sue the State of Maine." (H. P. 833) (L. D. 924)

"Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Changing the Tenure of Office of Sheriffs to Four-Year Terms." (H. P. 834) (L. D. 925)

"Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Providing for Two State Senators from Each County." (H. P. 835) (L. D. 926)

Bill "An Act Creating the Portland-South Portland Bridge Authority." (H. P. 830) (L. D. 946)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Judiciary in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Regulating Abandonment of Iceboxes, Refrigerators and other Airtight Containers." (H. P. 836) (L. D. 927)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Administration of the Water Department of the Town of Lisbon." (H. P. 843) (L. D. 933)

Which were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Hours of Sale of Liquor." (H. P. 838) (L. D. 928)

Bill "An Act Relating to Additional Appeal from Liquor Commission." (H. P. 839) (L. D. 929)

Bill "An Act Relating to Hours of Sale of Liquor." (H. P. 840) (L. D. 930)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Liquor Control in concurrence.

"Resolve Authorizing Forest Commissioner to Convey Certain Land in Augusta to City of Augusta." (H. P. 841) (L. D. 931)

"Resolve Authorizing Forest Commissioner to Convey Island in Three Mile Pond, Kennebec County." (H. P. 842) (L. D. 932)

Which were referred to the Committee on Natural Resources in concurrence.

Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Westbrook Sewerage District." (H. P. 844) (L. D. 947)

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Utilities in concurrence.

"Resolve Providing for an Increase in State Pension for Napoleon Breard of Waterville." (H. P. 934)

"Resolve Providing for State Pension for Lara Tyler of Oakland." (H. P. 935)

Which were referred to the Committee on Retirements and Pensions, in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Repealing the Law Closing Certain Clam Flats in Lubec, Washington County." (H. P. 848) (L. D. 934)

Bill "An Act Relating to Penalty for Taking Clams and Quahogs." (H. P. 849) (L. D. 935)

Bill "An Act Regulating the Taking of Alewives in the Town of Bristol." (H. P. 850) (L. D. 936)

Bill "An Act Regulating the Taking of Clams in the Town of Penobscot." (H. P. 851) (L. D. 937)

"Resolve Relating to Taking of Smelts from Georges River, Knox County." (H. P. 852) (L. D. 938)

"Resolve Regulating Digging of Marine Worms in the Town of Orland, Hancock County." (H. P. 853) (L. D. 939)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Donations of Gifts of Money to a Municipality." (H. P. 854) (L. D. 940)

Bill "An Act Exempting Foreign Charitable Corporations from Certain Fees." (H. P. 855) (L. D. 941)

Which were referred to the Committee on Taxation in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Increasing Salaries of Certain County Officials of Franklin County." (H. P. 856) (L. D. 942)

Bill "An Act to Increase the Salary of the Judge of Western Hancock Municipal Court." (H. P. 857) (L. D. 943)

Bill "An Act Relating to Payments to Knox County Law Library." (H. P. 858) (L. D. 944)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties in concurrence.

Bill "An Act Relating to Inspection of Certain Motor Vehicles." (H. P. 859) (L. D. 945)

Which was referred to the Committee on Transportation in concurrence.

House Committee Reports Leave to Withdraw

The Committee on Retirements and Pensions on "Resolve Providing for State Pension for Sadie Crush of Wilton." (H. P. 396) reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

The same Committee on "Resolve Providing for State Pension for Hazel M. Kimball of Etna." (H. P. 676) reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Which reports were read and accepted in concurrence.

Ought Not to Pass

The Committee on Claims on "Resolve in Favor of J. C. Haynes of Millinocket." (H. P. 249) (L. D. 237) reported that the same "Ought not to pass."

The same Committee on "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Oakfield." (H. P. 525) reported that the same "Ought not to pass."

The same Committee on "Resolve to Reimburse H. D. Stevens, D.O., Smyrna Mills, for Medical Aid to Certain Paupers." (H. P. 524) reported that the same "Ought not to pass."

The same Committee on "Resolve in Favor of Raoul Michaud of Soldier Pond." (H. P. 523) reported that the same "Ought not to pass."

The same Committee on "Resolve in Favor of Clarence Ricker of Clinton." (H. P. 465) (L. D. 510) reported that the same "Ought not to pass."

The Committee on Liquor Control on Bill "An Act Relating to Part-Time Liquor Licenses." (H. P. 492) (L. D. 536) reported that the same "Ought not to pass."

(On motion by Mr. Boucher of Androscoggin, tabled pending consideration of the report.)

The Committee on Retirements and Pensions on "Resolve in Favor of Thelma Lamb of Bath." (H. P. 25) reported that the same "Ought not to pass."

The same Committee on "Resolve Providing for State Pension for Harland R. Mace of Orrington." (H. P. 16) reported that the same "Ought not to pass."

The same Committee on "Resolve Providing for State Pension for

Gladys Leask." (H. P. 24) reported that the same "Ought not to pass."

The same Committee on "Resolve Providing a State Pension for Marion L. Gallagher of Randolph." (H. P. 71) reported that the same "Ought not to pass."

Which reports were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

The Committee on Claims on "Resolve in Favor of the Town of Palermo." (H. P. 181) (L. D. 188) reported that the same "Ought not to pass."

Comes from the House, recommitted to the Committee on Claims.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Low of Knox, recommitted to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Majority — ONTP Minority — OTP

The Majority of the Committee on Liquor Control on Bill "An Act Relating to Retail Licenses for Sale of Malt Liquor." (H. P. 493) (L. D. 537) reported that the same "Ought not to pass."

(Signed)

Senators:

CRABTREE of Aroostook
CARPENTER of Somerset
BOUCHER of Androscoggin

Representatives:

ANTHOINE of Windham
CHARLES of Portland
DOSTIE of Winslow
PIERCE of Bucksport
COTE of Lewiston

The Minority of the Same Committee on the same subject matter, reported that the same "Ought to pass."

(Signed)

Representatives:

CHRISTIE of Presque Isle
RICH of Charleston

Comes from the House, Majority Report read and accepted.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Boucher of Androscoggin, the Majority Report "Ought not to pass" was accepted in concurrence.

Ought to Pass

The Committee on Public Health on Bill "An Act Relating to License Fees for Barber Shops and Beauty Shops." (H. P. 376) (L. D. 411) re-

ported that the same "Ought to pass."

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to the Practice of Optometry." (H. P. 442) (L. D. 488) reported that the same "Ought to pass."

The Committee on Public Utilities on Bill "An Act Relating to Record of Proceedings before Public Utilities Commission." (H. P. 205) (L. D. 210) reported that the same "Ought to pass."

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Repealing Lighting of Railroad Cars by Naphtha." (H. P. 379) (L. D. 414) reported that the same "Ought to pass."

The Committee on Transportation on Bill "An Act Relating to Definition of Motor Truck." (H. P. 238) (L. D. 217) reported that the same "Ought to pass."

Which reports were read and accepted in concurrence, the bills read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Ought to Pass as Amended

The Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the City of Auburn re Compensation of Members of the Council." (H. P. 201) (L. D. 206) reported that the same "Ought to pass", as Amended by Committee Amendment A.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the City of Westbrook." (H. P. 278) (L. D. 262) reported that the same "Ought to pass", as Amended by Committee Amendment A.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Duties of Building Committees and District Trustees Re Schoolhouses." (H. P. 371) (L. D. 406) reported that the same "Ought to pass", as Amended by Committee Amendment A.

Which reports were severally read and accepted in concurrence and the bills read once. Committee Amendments A were severally read and adopted in concurrence, and the bills as amended were tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Ought to Pass in New Draft

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Regulating Advertising

Relative to Sale or Offering for Sale of Merchandise, Commodities, and Service." (H. P. 190) (L. D. 195) reported the same in a new draft (H. P. 860) (L. D. 880) under the same title, and that it "Ought to pass."

Which report was read and accepted in concurrence, the bill in new draft read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Ought to Pass in New Draft

The Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to Boilers and Unfired Steam Pressure Vessels." (H. P. 21) (L. D. 36) reported the same in a new draft (H. P. 727) (L. D. 764) and under a new title: Bill "An Act Relating to Definition of Schoolhouses in Laws Relating to Boilers and Unfired Steam Pressure Vessels."

Comes from the House, report accepted and bill in new draft recommended to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

In the Senate, the report was read and accepted and the bill read once and recommended to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

Communication

STATE OF GEORGIA
Office of Secretary of State

February 14, 1955

I, Ben W. Fortson, Jr., Secretary of State of the State of Georgia, do hereby certify that the four pages of printed matter hereto attached contain a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 6 (H.R. No. 31-84a), approved by the Governor January 29, 1955, "Memorializing Congress to call a convention for the purpose of considering an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relative to the administration by the several states of their respective school systems, and for other purposes," as same appears on file and record in this office.

(Signed) BEN W. FORTSON
Secretary of State

On motion by Mr. Dunham of Hancock, tabled pending consideration.

Senate Papers Referred to Committees

The following Bills and Resolve were transmitted by the Director of

Legislative Research, Pursuant to Joint Order (S. P. 25)

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

Mr. Sinclair of Somerset presented: Bill "An Act Relating to Compensation of Members of Advisory Committee on Budget." (S. P. 365)

Which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Judiciary

Mr. Chapman of Cumberland presented "Resolve Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution Redefining 'Recess' of the Legislature." (S. P. 366)

The same Senator presented Bill "An Act Relating to Compulsory Commitment of Persons Infected with Tuberculosis." (S. P. 367)

Mr. Martin of Kennebec presented Bill "An Act to Revise the Laws Relating to Loan and Building Associations." (S. P. 368)

Mr. Reid of Kennebec presented Bill "An Act to Revise the Laws Relating to the State Library." (S. P. 369)

The same Senator presented Bill "An Act Relating to Assaults on Officers by Convicts." (S. P. 370)

The same Senator presented Bill "An Act Relating to Reserve List for Justices of Supreme Judicial and Superior Courts on Retirement." (S. P. 371)

Mr. Weeks of Cumberland presented Bill "An Act Relating to Rights and Stock Options of Stockholders." (S. P. 372)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Judiciary and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Labor

Mr. Cummings of Sagadahoc presented Bill "An Act Relating to Chiropractic Treatment Under Workmen's Compensation Law." (S. P. 373)

Mr. St. Pierre of Androscoggin presented Bill "An Act Relating to Compensation for Specific Injuries Under the Workmen's Compensation Act." (S. P. 374)

Which were referred to the Committee on Labor and ordered printed.
Sent down for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Mr. Brown of Washington presented Bill "An Act Relating to Wards and Their Boundaries in the City of Eastport." (S. P. 375)

The same Senator presented Bill "An Act Relating to Appointment of Collector and Assessors of Taxes and City Treasurer of City of Eastport." (S. P. 376)

Which were referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs and ordered printed.

Liquor Control

Mr. St. Pierre of Androscoggin presented Bill "An Act Relating to Definition of Tavern Under Liquor Laws." (S.P. 377)

Which was referred to the Committee on Liquor Control and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Public Utilities

Mr. Martin of Kennebec presented Bill "An Act Relating to Regulation of Railroads by Public Utilities Commission." (S. P. 378)

Which was referred to the Committee on Public Utilities and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Retirements and Pensions

Mr. Butler of Franklin presented Bill "An Act Relating to Occupational Death Benefit Under the Maine State Retirement System." (S. P. 379)

The same Senator presented Bill "An Act Relating to Disability Retirement Benefits Under the Maine State Retirement System." (S. P. 380)

Which were referred to the Committee on Retirements and Pensions and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Towns and Counties

Mr. Woodcock of Penobscot presented Bill "An Act Increasing Salaries of County Attorney and Assistant County Attorney of Penobscot County." (S. P. 381)

Mr. Brown of Washington presented Bill "An Act Increasing Salaries of the Judge and Recorder of Eastport Municipal Court." (S. P. 382)

Mr. Parker of Piscataquis presented Bill "An Act Increasing Salary of Register of Probate for Piscataquis County." (S. P. 383)

The same Senator presented Bill "An Act Increasing the Salary of Register of Deeds for Piscataquis County." (S. P. 384)

Which were severally referred to the Committee on Towns and Counties and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Transportation

Mr. Jamieson of Aroostook presented Bill "An Act Relating to Non-resident Owned Semi-Trailers." (S. P. 385)

Which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and ordered printed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Order

On motion by Mr. Collins of Aroostook

ORDERED, that the Reverend Ondon P. Stairs of Presque Isle, Maine, be invited to serve as Chaplain for the Senate on March 2, 1955.

Which was read and passed.

Senate Committee Report Leave to Withdraw

Mr. Dunham from the Committee on Retirements and Pensions on "Resolve in Favor of a Retirement Allowance for Vera A. Gordon of West Sullivan." (S. P. 135) (L. D. 328) reported that the same be granted Leave to Withdraw.

Ought Not to Pass

The same Senator from the same Committee on "Resolve Providing for State Pension for Irving Lear of Northport." (S. P. 168) reported that the same "Ought not to pass."

(On motion by Mr. Cole of Waldo, tabled pending acceptance of the report and especially assigned for tomorrow.)

Mr. Hillman from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on "Resolve Regulating Fishing in Coffee Pond in Cumberland County."

(S. P. 153) (L. D. 348) reported that the same "Ought not to pass," as it is Covered by Other Legislation.

Which reports were severally read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Ought to Pass

Mr. Carpenter from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act Relating to Possession of Gill Nets." (S. P. 185) (L. D. 437) reported that the same "Ought to pass."

The same Senator from the same Committee on "Resolve Regulating Fishing for Black Bass in Schoodic Lake in Washington County." (S. P. 154) (L. D. 347) reported that the same "Ought to pass."

Mr. Lessard from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to Appointment of Employees of Running Horse Racing Commission." (S. P. 112) (L. D. 273) reported that the same "Ought to pass."

Mr. Farley from the Committee on Natural Resources on Bill "An Act Relating to Public Reserved Lots in Baxter State Park." (S. P. 227) (L. D. 568) reported that the same "Ought to pass."

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

Ought to Pass—as Amended

Mr. Woodcock from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Town of Eddington School District." (S. P. 130) (L. D. 334) reported that the same Ought to pass, as amended by Committee Amendment A.

Which report was read and accepted and the bill read once.

The Secretary read Committee Amendment A.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 130, L. D. 334, An Act to Incorporate the Town of Eddington School District. (Emergency)

"Amend said bill by inserting after the word 'school' in the 3rd line of paragraph designated 'Sec. 2' the following punctuation and words: ', conveyance of pupils'."

Which amendment was adopted and the bill as amended tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Mr. Farley from the Committee on Natural Resources on Bill "An Act to Prevent the Pollution of the Waters of Sebago Lake." (S. P. 195) (L. D. 446) reported that the same ought to pass, as amended by Committee Amendment A.

Which report was read and accepted and the bill read once.

The Secretary read Committee Amendment A:

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT A to S. P. 195, L. D. 446, bill "An Act to Prevent the Pollution of the Waters of Sebago Lake."

"Amend said bill by inserting after the word 'craft' at the end of the 10th line the underlined words: 'equipped with toilet facilities of any kind'

Further amend said bill by inserting after the word 'receptacles' in the 11th line the underlined words and punctuation, 'to receive all waste and drainage from such toilet facilities.' "

Which amendment was adopted and the bill as amended tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Resolution

Mr. Parker from the Committee on JOINT ORDER, Relating to the Several Plans Presented Informally by the Highway Commission. (S. P. 105)

WHEREAS the Legislative Committee on Highways has carefully considered the report of the State Highway Commission made available to each member of the 97th Legislature wherein the Commission discusses five possible plans for the administration of the state aid highway system; and,

WHEREAS, the Committee has had to weigh the provisions contained in these five plans and the effect of the plans upon the municipalities of the State, and

WHEREAS the Committee believes that it is not desirable to increase the cost for maintenance or construction of highways at the local level; and

WHEREAS, the Committee believes that many municipalities could not undertake the needed improvement to rural highways under Plans 2, 3, 4, and 5;

Be it resolved that the Committee recommends to the 97th Legislature

the adoption of Plan 1 with the provision that any town which so desires may apply to the State Highway Commission for reclassification of any part of its state aid highway system.

Mr. PARKER of Piscataquis: Mr. President and Members of the Senate, because of the importance of this order and because of the fact that in our previous session two years ago, there was a great deal of misunderstanding, and because of the fact that our committee has gone to great lengths to iron out some of this misunderstanding I move that this recommendation be accepted, that it be placed on file and that a copy be forwarded to the Highway Commission.

The motion prevailed.

Second Readers

The Committee on Bills in the Second Reading reported the following Bills and Resolves:

House

"Resolve Relating to the Deer Isle-Sedgwick Bridge." (H. P. 142) (L. D. 142)

Bill "An Act Relating to Boundaries of Stockholm Game Preserve." (H. P. 187) (L. D. 192)

Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the City of Auburn re the City Planning Board." (H. P. 200) (L. D. 205)

Bill "An Act Relating to Time of Report of Harness Racing Commission." (H. P. 276) (L. D. 260)

Bill "An Act Defining Vessel Under Public Utility Law." (H. P. 280) (L. D. 264)

Bill "An Act to Validate the Acts of the Lawndale Cemetery Corporation and to Authorize the Transfer to and Acceptance by the City of Old Town of that Corporation's Cemetery and Trust Funds." (H. P. 309) (L. D. 286)

Bill "An Act Relating to Compensation of Members of the Maine-New Hampshire Interstate Bridge Authority." (H. P. 293) (L. D. 305)

Bill "An Act to Ratify and Make Valid the Incorporation of the First Congregational Church of Millinocket." (H. P. 301) (L. D. 312)

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

House, as Amended

"Resolve Regulating Fishing in Squa Pan Lake in Aroostook County." (H. P. 188) (L. D. 193)

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

Senate

Bill "An Act Relating to Appropriation for Seed Potato Board." (S. P. 48) (L. D. 45)

Bill "An Act Relating to Definition of Retail Sale Under Sales Tax Law." (S. P. 138) (L. D. 330)

Bill "An Act Relating to Reimbursement of Towns for Transportation or Board of School Children." (S. P. 152) (L. D. 346)

Bill "An Act Relating to Minimum Salaries of Teachers." (S. P. 178) (L. D. 431)

Bill "An Act Relating to Suspension of Liquor Licenses Pending Appeal." (S. P. 207) (L. D. 501)

Bill "An Act Relating to Sales of Liquor by the Commission to Government Instrumentalities." (S. P. 208) (L. D. 502)

Which were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Senate, as Amended

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Act Creating the Bethel Village Corporation." (S. P. 96) (L. D. 227)

Which was read a second time and passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

Enactors

The Committee on Engrossed Bills reported as truly and strictly engrossed, the following Bills and Resolves:

Bill "An Act Repealing the Size of Smoked Herring Boxes in Fish Packing." (H. P. 3) (L. D. 3)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Closing of County Offices on Saturday." (H. P. 79) (L. D. 76)

(On motion by Mr. Butler of Franklin, tabled pending passage to be enacted.)

Bill "An Act Relating to Right of Way for Police and Fire Vehicles, and Ambulances." (H. P. 107) (L. D. 115)

(On motion by Mr. Silsby of Han-

cock, tabled pending passage to be enacted.)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Salary of the Judge and the Recorder of the Lincoln Municipal Court, Lincoln County." (H. P. 124) (L. D. 127)

Bill "An Act Clarifying the Definitions of 'Compact'." (H. P. 140) (L. D. 140)

Bill "An Act Relating to Transfer of Certain Property to Lincoln County Cultural and Historical Association." (S. P. 85) (L. D. 174)

"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." (S. P. 29) (L. D. 18)

(On motion by Mr. Collins of Aroostook, tabled pending final passage.)

Which bills were severally passed to be enacted.

Emergency

Bill "An Act to Allocate Money from the General Highway Fund for State Aid Construction." (S. P. 63) (L. D. 90)

Which resolve being an emergency measure, and having received the affirmative vote of 29 members of the Senate and none opposed was finally passed.

Emergency

"Resolve Providing for Motor Vehicle Registration Plates." (S. P. 44) (L. D. 33)

(Comes from the House, Engrossing reconsidered, resolve recommitted to the Committee on Highways.)

In the Senate, that Body voted to reconsider its former action whereby the resolve was passed to be engrossed and the resolve was then recommitted to the Committee on Highways in concurrence.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Hillman of Penobscot it was voted to take from the table H. P. 101, L. D. 109, Bill "An Act Relating to Free Fishing Licenses to Residents 75 Years of Age." tabled by that Senator on February 16th pending passage to be engrossed.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Hillman.

Mr. HILLMAN: Mr. President, I move that H. P. 101, L. D. 279, Bill "An Act Relating to Free Fishing Licenses to Residents 75 Years of Age" be indefinitely postponed.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Penobscot, Senator Hillman, moves that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

The Chair recognizes the Senator from Somerset, Senator Carpenter.

Mr. CARPENTER: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: I feel that I must defend my position of this bill.

This bill was originally intended to permit free fishing and hunting licenses and it was made to read "free fishing licenses." I still think the bill is a good one. It will not in any way affect the economy of the Fish and Game Department. We have few people seventy-five years of age and over who will actually take out a license, and I think personally it is a nice little gesture to pass on to the people who are on the very eve of their lives. I hope that the motion of the gentleman from Penobscot, Senator Hillman, does not prevail.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator from Oxford, Boyker.

Mr. BOYKER: Mr. President and Members of the Senate: Do we feel that in denying a hunting license to those citizens of our State seventy-five years of age that we fear that a man seventy-five years of age in the woods with a gun in his hand will be a nuisance and a hazard to life and property? We have in the State of Maine today around 300 Spanish - American War veterans seventy-five years of age. Now the Spanish - American War Veterans may have used arrows and the spear but I know that they used guns because I was there. We have in our State also around four thousand veterans seventy-five years of age and they may have used shot-guns but I know some of them who used rifles. And so I say that these men in the woods with one gun or two in their hands are not a menace or hazard to life and property, and the same is true of other citizens seventy-five years of age whose hobby has been hunting throughout their lives. I say

that in giving those men a free hunting license we show them our appreciation for the part which they have paid through their lives in building up the good that is in our State today.

The Secretary read House Amendment A which had been previously read and adopted in the House, and read and adopted in concurrence in the Senate.

Mr. CARPENTER of Somerset: Mr. President, when the vote is taken I request a division.

Mr. DOW of Lincoln: Mr. President I would like to inquire of the Senator from Somerset, Senator Carpenter, whether this free fishing license would include fishing for lobsters and digging for clams. In my county I have quite a number of people seventy-five years of age, fishermen who would like to catch lobsters and dig clams for the sport of it. If this does not cover them also, I should feel that this is class legislation and I would have to concur with the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Hillman in the indefinite postponement.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator has heard the question and may answer if he wishes.

Mr. CARPENTER: Mr. President I would like to inform the Senator from Lincoln, Senator Dow, that this does not include fishing for lobsters but if he feels free to go along with the bill and not vote for indefinite postponement, I will gladly offer an amendment tomorrow.

The PRESIDENT: The question before the Senate is on the motion of the Senator from Penobscot, Senator Hillman, that the bill be indefinitely postponed and the Senator from Somerset, Senator Carpenter has asked for a division.

Is the Senate ready for the question?

A division of the Senate was had.

Nineteen having voted in the affirmative and ten opposed, the bill was indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Hillman of Penobscot

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.