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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Ray Blachly of the Pittsfield Nazarene Church.

The journal of the previous session was read and approved.

The SPEAKER: At this time the Chair would like to recognize the presence in the gallery of the House of a group of Orono Hi-Y students accompanied by Clyde Hayward and Stanley Getchell. On behalf of the House the Chair extends to you young ladies and gentlemen a most cordial and hearty welcome and we hope you will enjoy and profit by your visit with us this morning. (Applause)

Papers from the Senate

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that no bills or resolves shall be transmitted by the Director of Legislative Research pursuant to Joint Order H. P. 43, after 1:00 p.m. Thursday, March 28, 1957 (S. P. 461)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

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

Mr. TOTMAN: Mr. Speaker, I would like to point out to the Members of the House the particular significance of this Joint Order, inasmuch as it is in effect a second and final cloture which means that although some Members may have bills that are prepared and in Mr. Slosberg's office, if, through oversight or neglect you fail to go down and sign the bills before one p.m. Thursday next, next week, you may very well inadvertently lose your bill. So I think this Order is particularly important; I think it is necessary to the conduct of the legislature, but I would call it to your specific attention, for it is of very serious importance.

In the House, the Order was read and passed in concurrence. The gentleman from Rockland, Mr. Stilphen, was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. STILPHEN: Mr. Speaker, under suspension of the rules and out of order, I would like to take up under Enactors Item four.

The SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the House that the House now at this time out of order and under suspension of the rules consider Item number four under Enactors? The Chair hears no objection.

Thereupon, the following bill on its passage to be enacted as an emergency measure was taken up out of order by unanimous consent.

Passed to Be Enacted Emergency Measure

An Act Providing Funds for the Promotion of Maine (H. P. 652) (L. D. 933)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a twothirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 102 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and, on further motion of Mr. Stilphen of Rockland by unanimous consent, the Bill was ordered sent forthwith to the Senate.

House at Ease

Called to order by the Speaker. The SPEAKER: At this time, the Chair would like to recognize the presence in the gallery of the House of the class in Problems of Democracy from Lewiston High School, accompanied by Mr. Gerald Cailler. Also the Junior American History Classes of St. Dominic's High School of Lewiston accompanied by Brother Matthew.

On behalf of the House the Chair extends to all you ladies and gentlemen a most sincere welcome and we hope that you will enjoy and profit by your visit with us today. (Applause)

Papers from the Senate (cont'd)

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Construction Reserve Fund in Department of Finance and Administration" (S. P. 442) (L. D. 1260)

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

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Creating a Hospital Lien Law" (S. P. 443) (L. D. 1261)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Business Legislation.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Business Legislation in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Providing for Nursing Education" (S. P. 444) (L. D. 1262)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Education.

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Open Season on Moose" (S. P. 445) (L. D. 1264)

Bill "An Act relating to Closed Season on Deer in Hancock and Washington Counties" (S. P. 446) (L. D. 1263)

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

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act Prohibiting Throwing, Depositing and Dumping of Rubbish in Certain Places" (S. P. 447) (L. D. 1266)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Medical Services under Workmen's Compensation Act" (S. P. 448) (L. D. 1267)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Labor.

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Group Life Insurance for Certain Former Members of State Police" (S. P. 449) (L. D. 1268)

Bill "An Act relating to Unclaimed Bodies" (S. P. 450) (L. D. 1265)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Retirements and Pensions.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Retirements and Pensions in concurrence.

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Fees of Registers of Deeds" (S. P. 451) (L. D. 1269)

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

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

From the Senate:

Bill "An Act relating to Lights on Rear of Trucks" (S. P. 452) (L. D. 1270)

Came from the Senate referred to the Committee on Transportation.

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

Senate Reports of Committees Leave to Withdraw

Report of the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Repealing Certain Laws Relating to Foreign Banking Corporations and Loan and Building Associations" (S. P. 52) (L. D. 111) reporting Leave to Withdraw.

Came from the Senate with the Report read and accepted.

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

Ought Not to Pass

Report of the Committee on Highways reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Authorizing County Commissioners to Act as Advisory Boards to the State Highway Commission" (S. P. 279) (L. D. 738) Came from the Senate read and accepted.

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

Ought to Pass

Report of the Committee on Agriculture reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to the Duties of the Commissioner of Agriculture re Sardine Canning Inspection Law and Standards of Contents of Cans" (S. P. 263) (L. D. 702)

Report of the Committee on Legal Affairs reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Purposes of Knox County General Hospital" (S. P. 346) (L. D. 926)

Report of the Committee on Towns and Counties reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Payments to County Law Libraries in Aroostook County" (S. P. 227) (L. D. 570)

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

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

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act Repealing Certain Game Preserves and Sanctuaries" (S. P. 195) (L. D. 540) 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, the 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. 195, L. D. 540, Bill, "An Act Repealing Certain Game Preserves and Sanctuaries."

Amend said Bill by striking out in the last and next to last lines the words "Swan Island Game Management Area" and inserting in place thereof the words 'Stockholm Game Preserve' Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the Bill assigned for third reading tomorrow.

Report of the Committee on Retirements and Pensions on Bill "An Act relating to Service Retirement under State Retirement System" (S. P. 184) (L. D. 463) 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, the 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. 184, L. D. 463, Bill, "An Act Relating to Service Retirement under State Retirement System."

Amend said Bill by striking out the underlined words "retroactive to the date on which such member retired" in the last and next to last lines and inserting in place thereof the underlined words and figures 'January 1, 1957'

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

Report of the Committee on Retirements and Pensions on Bill "An Act relating to Membership in Maine State Retirement System of Maine National Guard Employees" (S. P. 286) (L. D. 745) 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, the 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. 286, L. D. 745, Bill, "An Act Relating to Membership in Maine State Retirement System of Maine National Guard Employees."

Amend said Bill by adding at the end of the 6th line thereof the underlined word 'was'

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time would like to recognize the presence in the gallery of the House of a group of senior students from the Rockland High School accompanied by Mr. Cole and Mrs. Conners. On behalf of the House the Chair extends to you ladies and gentlemen a most sincere and hearty welcome and we hope that you will enjoy and profit by your visit with us here today. (Applause)

Petitions, Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference

The following 30 Bills (transmitted by the Director of Legislative Research pursuant to Joint Order H. P. 43) were received and, upon recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following Committees:

Business Legislation

Bill "An Act relating to Benefits on Lives of Children under Foreign Fraternal Beneficiary Association Law" (H. P. 929) (Presented by Mr. Earles of South Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Qualifications for Membership in Foreign Fraternal Beneficiary Associations" (H. P. 930) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Funds of Foreign Fraternal Beneficiary Associations" (H. P. 931) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act to Eliminate Discrimination Between Purchasers" (H. P. 932) (Presented by Mr. Earles of South Portland)

(1,000 copies Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Fair Trade Practices" (H. P. 933) (Presented by same gentleman)

(1,000 copies Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Tax Refund on Motor Fuel" (H. P. 934) (Presented by Mr. Saunders of Bethel)

(1,000 copies Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Coercive Practices in Retail Sale and Distribution of Gasoline" (H. P. 935) (Presented by same gentleman)

(1,000 copies Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Prohibiting Gasoline Suppliers from Engaging in Retail Sale of Gasoline" (H. P. 936) (Presented by same gentleman)

(1,000 copies Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Education

Bill "An Act to Discontinue Fort Kent State Normal School and to Use the Buildings for Other Educational Purposes" (H. P. 937) (Presented by Mr. LaCasce of Fryeburg)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Judiciary

Bill "An Act relating to False Report of Deposit of Bombs or Other Infernal Devices" (H. P. 938) (Presented by Mr. Broderick of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Equity Suit after Period of Redemption in the Collection of Taxes" (H. P. 939) (Presented by Mr. Earles of South Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Bail Provisions in Prosecutions under Liquor Law" (H. P. 940) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Appointment of Guardians for Adults Residing out of the State" (H. P. 941) (Presented by same gentleman) (Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Prohibiting Officers of Certain Private Institutions to Have Pecuniary Interest in Contracts" (H. P. 942) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Costs in Actions on Small Claims" (H. P. 943) (Presented by same gentleman) (Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Relating to Time for Recording Conditional Sale Agree-

ments" (H. P. 944) (Presented by Mr. Tevanian of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Date of State Convention" (H. P. 945) (Presented by Mr. Wade of Auburn)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

Bill "An Act Providing for Single Tax Assessor and Board of Assessment Review for City of Waterville' (H. P. 946) (Presented by Mr. Coyne of Waterville)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Disposition of Commissions on Pari Mutuel Pools" (H. P. 947) (Presented by Mr. Tarbox of Gouldsboro)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Off-Street Parking Facilities in City of Bangor" (H. P. 948) (Presented by Mr. Totman of Bangor)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Liquor Control

Bill "An Act relating to Renewals of Malt Beverage Licenses" (H. P. 949) (Presented by Mr. Smith of Portland by request) (Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Permitting Sunday Sales of Malt Liquor Not to be Cons med on Premises" (H. P. 950) (Presented by Mr. Tevanian of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Public Health

Bill "An Act Revising Law Relating to Pharmacists" (H. P. 951) (Presented by Mr. Emerson of Millinocket)

(750 copies Ordered Printed) Sent up for concurrence.

State Government

Bill "An Act relating to the Practice of Public Accountancy" (H. P. 952) (Presented by Mr. Allen of Chelsea)

(1,000 copies Ordered Printed) Sent up for concurrence.

Taxation

Bill "An Act Refunding Gasoline and Use Fuel Taxes to Local Transit Operators'' (H. P. 953) (Presented by Mr. Carey of Augusta)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Towns and Counties

Bill "An Act relating to Compensation of Medical Examiners for View and Autopsy" (H. P. 954) (Presented by Mr. Earles of South Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act Increasing Salaries of County Attorney and Assistant County Attorney of Cumberland County" (H. P. 955) (Presented by Mr. Tevanian of Portland)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

Transportation

Bill "An Act relating to Operation of School Buses" (H. P. 956) (Presented by Mr. Maynard of Portland) (Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Initial Motor Vehicle Number Plates" (H. P. 957) (Presented by Mr. Totman of Bangor)

(Ordered Printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Record of Contents of Motor Trucks" (H. P. 958) (Presented by same gentleman)

(Ordered Printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: At this time the Chair will request the Sergeant-at-Arms to escort to the rostrum the gentleman from Bingham, Mr. Shaw, to serve as Speaker pro tem.

Thereupon, Mr. Shaw assumed the Chair as Speaker pro tem amid the applause of the House and Speaker Edgar retired from the Hall.

Orders

On motion of the gentlewoman from Paris, Mrs. Mann, House Rule 25 was suspended for the remainder of today's session in order to permit smoking.

Reports of Committees Ought to Pass in New Draft New Draft Printed

Mr. Cote from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to Definitions and Installations under Oil Burner Law" (H. P. 33) (L. D. 46) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 959) (L. D. 1318) under title of "An Act relating to Installation of Certain Gas Burning Appliances" and that it "Ought to pass"

Mr. Maxwell from same Committee on Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the City of Rockland" (H. P. 426) (L. D. 602) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 960) (L. D. 1319) under title of "An Act to Amend and Supplement the Charter of the Rockland Port District and the Charter of the City of Rockland" and that it "Ought to pass"

Reports were read and accepted, the New Drafts read twice and tomorrow assigned.

Ought to Pass Printed Bills

Mr. Porell from the Committee on T o w n s and Counties reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to Change the Name of the Town of North Kennebunkport, York County, to Arundel" (H. P. 576) (L. D. 886)

Mr. Prue from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to the Disposition of Fees of the Auburn Municipal Court" (H. P. 577) (L. D. 887)

Reports were read and accepted, the Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned.

Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Mr. Hughes from the Committee on Business Legislation on Bill "An Act relating to Adjustment of Losses by Certain Nonresident Insurance Adjusters" (H. P. 679) (L. D. 968) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 679, L. D. 968, Bill, "An Act Relating to Adjustment of Losses by Certain Nonresident Insurance Adjusters."

Amend said Bill in the next to last line by striking out the underlined words "duly licensed in" and inserting in place thereof the underlined word 'from'

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

Mr. Kinch from the Committee on Business Legislation on Bill "An Act relating to Partial Closing of Banks on Saturdays" (H. P. 589) (L. D. 838) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read twice.

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

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 589, L. D. 838, Bill, "An Act Relating to Partial Closing of Banks on Saturdays."

Amend said Bill by striking out the single quotation mark at the end thereof.

Further amend said Bill by adding thereto a new underlined paragraph to read as follows:

'Nothing in any law of this State shall in any manner whatsoever affect the validity of, or render void or voidable, the payment certification or acceptance of a check or other negotiable instrument or any other transaction by a bank or trust company in this State, because done or performed on a Saturday.'

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

Tabled

Mr. Hoyt from the Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Town of Moose River" (H. P. 61) (L. D. 63) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read once.

(On motion of Mr. Totman of Bangor, tabled pending second reading and unassigned.)

Tabled

Mr. Prue from the Committee on Towns and Counties on Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Town of Jackman" (H. P. 60) (L. D. 64) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted and the Bill read once.

(On motion of Mr. Totman of Bangor, tabled pending second reading and unassigned.)

The SPEAKER pro tem: Each year the Fryeburg Business and Professional Woman's Club plans and carries out a "Career Day" for the Senior girls of Fryeburg Academy. Under this plan one young lady who aspires to a position in the diplomatic service of her country is visiting us to see democracy in action. Miss Yesha Taffassa, whose home city is Addis Ababa, Ethiopia is with us today. Her father is presently a Minister in His Majesty's government, which position would correspond to our Postmaster General. Her father has served as Ambassador to France, Egypt, Belgium, and Syria. There are three Ethiopian students currently studying in Maine-one at the University of Maine and two at Fryeburg Academv.

On this occasion in behalf of the permanent Speaker, the Honorable Joseph T. Edgar of Bar Harbor, it gives me great pleasure to welcome Miss Yesha Taffassa. (Applause)

Passed to Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act relating to Union Highway Districts" (S. P. 104) (L. D. 234)

Bill "An Act Creating a School District for Kingman Township, the Plantations of Prentiss, Webster and Others" (S. P. 425) (L. D. 1229)

Bill "An Act relating to Depositions in Probate Courts" (H. P. 279) (L. D. 375)

Bill "An Act relating to the Appointment of the State Humane Agents" (H. P. 392) (L. D. 523)

Bill "An Act relating to Payment of Premium of Insurance Policies under Franchise Plan" (H. P. 591) (L. D. 840)

Bill "An Act Defining Dependent Child in Aid to Dependent Children" (H. P. 649) (L. D. 915)

Bill "An Act relating to Old Age Assistance" (H. P. 673) (L. D. 954)

Bill "An Act relating to Applications for Aid to the Disabled" (H. P. 674) (L. D. 955)

Bill "An Act relating to Coercion in Placing Insurance on Real and Personal Property" (H. P. 678) (L. D. 967) Bill "An Act relating to Par Value of Trust Company Stock" (H. P. 699) (L. D. 1006)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in West Branch Ponds and Tributaries, Piscataquis County (H. P. 275) (L. D. 371)

Resolve in favor of Alvin W. Coss of Bath (H. P. 533) (L. D. 1271)

Resolve to Reimburse Wilson C. Ryder of Dresden (H. P. 704) (L. D. 1272)

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

Amended Bills

Bill "An Act relating to Military Leave Credits under Maine State Police Retirement System" (S. P. 134) (L. D. 273)

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

Third Reader Tabled and Assigned

Bill "An Act relating to Branding of Potatoes" (S. P. 273) (L. D. 731)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading

(On motion of Mr. Edwards of Raymond, t a b l e d pending third reading and specially assigned for Tuesday, March 26.)

Bill "An Act Repealing Laws Relating to Street Railroads" (S. P. 310) (L. D. 807)

Bill "An Act relating to Open Season on Muskrat in Parts of Oxford County" (H. P. 208) (L. D. 292)

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

Third Reader Tabled and Assigned

Bill "An Act relating to the Wells and York Game Preserve" (H. P. 273) (L. D. 369)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading. (On motion of Mr. Hancock of York, tabled pending third reading and specially assigned for Tuesday, March 26.)

Resolve in favor of Everett L. Scott of Calais (H. P. 809) (L. D. 1274)

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

At this point, Speaker Edgar returned to the rostrum.

SPEAKER EDGAR: The Chair would like to thank the gentleman from Bingham, Mr. Shaw, for his excellent services as Speaker pro tem.

Thereupon, the Sergeant-at-Arms conducted the gentleman from Bingham, Mr. Shaw, to his seat on the Floor, amid the applause of the House, and Speaker Edgar resumed the Chair.

The SPEAKER: At this time the Chair would like to recognize the presence in the gallery of the House of a Class in American History from Strong High School accompanied by Mr. Gulezian and Mr. Dodge, who is a former member of this House.

On behalf of the House the Chair extends to you all a most hearty and cordial welcome and we hope that you will enjoy and profit by your visit with us today. (Applause)

Passed to Be Enacted Emergency Measure

An Act Increasing Indebtedness of George H. Robertson School District of Belfast (H. P. 287) (L. D. 383)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a twothirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 121 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

An Act relating to Indebtedness of West Gardiner School District (H. P. 427) (L. D. 603)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a twothirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 124 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER: At this time the Chair would like to recognize the presence in the gallery of the House, the Civics Class of the Hollis High School, accompanied by Mary M. Davis.

On behalf of the House the Chair extends to you ladies and gentlemen a most cordial welcome and we hope that you will enjoy and profit by your visit with us today. (Applause)

Emergency Measure

An Act relating to Permit Before Examination for Applicant to Practice Hairdressing and Beauty Culture (H. P. 548) (L. D. 775)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a twothirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 122 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER: The Chair notices there are some Members of the House who are not voting. The Chair would like to point out that under the rules of the House every Member of the House is required to vote on these issues.

Emergency Measure Tabled

Resolve Providing Funds for Conservation Education (S. P. 332) (L. D. 898)

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

(On motion of Mr. Carville of Eustis, tabled pending final passage and unassigned.)

Finally Passed Emergency Measure

Resolve Closing Waters near Grand Lake Stream Dam to Fishing (H. P. 359) (L. D. 489)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a twothirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 125 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Resolve was finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Emergency Measure

Resolve Prohibiting Taking of Smelts from Auburn Lake and Little Wilson Pond, Androscoggin County (H. P. 542) (L. D. 769)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a twothirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 125 voted in favor of same and none against, and accordingly the Resolve was finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Passed to Be Enacted

An Act relating to Agreements and Cooperative Arrangements by Commissioner of Agriculture (S. P. 31) (L. D. 33)

An Act relating to Transfer of Property in Public Assistance (S. P. 46) (L. D. 62)

An Act relating to the Taking of Alewives in the Town of Pembroke, Washington County (S. P. 147) (L. D. 345)

An Act relating to Rate of Premiums for Group Life Insurance (S. P. 174) (L. D. 453)

An Act relating to Accident Reports (S. P. 230) (L. D. 573)

An Act Creating the Oak Grove Management Area (S. P. 255) (L. (L. D. 692)

An Act Permitting South Berwick to Apply for Aid under the Bridge Act (S. P. 324) (L. D. 820) An Act Relating to Burning of Motor Vehicles and Aircraft (H. P. 31) (L. D. 44)

An Act Revising Law Relating to Dealer and Transit Motor Vehicle Registration (H. P. 41) (L. D. 54)

An Act to Amend the Charter of the City of Hallowell Relating to the Election of the City Marshal and Street Commissioner by the City Council (H. P. 226) (L. D. 321)

An Act relating to Taking and Use of Herring under Four Inches in Length (H. P. 238) (L. D. 331)

An Act relating to Legal Length of Scallops (H. P. 292) (L. D. 388)

An Act relating to Borrowing by Federal Employees' Credit Union of Maine (H. P. 340) (L. D. 513)

An Act relating to Clarification of Saving Bank Investments (H. P. 343) (L. D. 474)

An Act Establishing Poetry Day in Maine (H. P. 350) (L. D. 480) An Act relating to Taking of

All Act relating to Taking of Alewives in Tunk River in Town of Steuben (H. P. 442) (L. D. 618)

An Act Creating the Lake Christopher Game Management Area, Oxford County (H. P. 504) (L. D. 714)

An Act relating to Closing of Roads in Unorganized Territory by County Commissioners (H. P. 539) (L. D. 766)

An Act Amending the Charter of the Relief Association of the Portland Fire Department (H. P. 566) (L. D. 876)

An Act relating to Taking of Smelts in Certain Waters (H. P. 602) (L. D. 849)

An Act Closing Cranberry Isles to all Deer Hunting (H. P. 603) (L. D. 850)

An Act Excluding Employers of Certain Female Employees from Keeping a Record of Hours Worked (H. P. 685) (L. D. 974)

An Act relating to Limitations on Overtaking Motor Vehicles on the Left (H. P. 837) (L. D. 1173)

Finally Passed

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Howard Pond, Oxford County (S. P. 100) (L. D. 230)

Resolve in favor of Adrian Plouffe of Webster (S. P. 115) (L. D. 1174)

Resolve Opening Wentworth Pond, Somerset County to Ice Fishing (S. P. 196) (L. D. 541) Resolve to Reimburse Town of Franklin for Burial Expenses for Fred M. Robbins (S. P. 233) (L. D. 1175)

Resolve Repealing Law Relating to Taking of Herring in Town of Cutler (H. P. 241) (L. D. 334)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Grand Lake Stream, Washington County (H. P. 360) (L. D 490)

Resolve Regulating Ice Fishing in Pleasant Lake, Aroostook County (H. P. 412) (L. D. 589)

Resolve Opening Chemquasabamticook Lake, Piscataquis County, to Ice Fishing (H. P. 463) (L. D. 656)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Milliken's Mill Pond and Tributaries, York County (H. P. 464) (L. D. 657)

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

Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: Under Orders of the Day the Chair lays before the House the first tabled and today assigned matter, Bill, "An Act relating to Retirement Benefits for Members of City of Portland Police and Fire Departments", Senate Paper 179, Legislative Document 458, tabled on March 12 by the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Tevanian, pending third reading, and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Tevanian of Portland, the Bill was given its third reading, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER: The Chair now lays before the House the second tabled and today assigned matter, Resolve Regulating Fishing in Kokadjo, Piscataquis County, House Paper 123, Legislative Document 161, tabled on March 13 by the gentleman from North Haven, Mr. Baird, pending second reading.

Thereupon, the Resolve was given its second reading, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER: The Chair now lays before the House the third tabled and today assigned matter, Bill "An Act relating to Establishment of Game Management Areas", Senate Paper 192, Legislative Document 538, tabled on March 14 by the gentleman from Milo, Mr. Brockway, pending passage to be engrossed, and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

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

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to S. P. 192, L. D. 538, Bill, "An Act Relating to Establishment of Game Management Areas."

Amend said Bill by striking off therefrom, all of Section 3.

On motion of Mr. Dudley of Enfield, the Bill was tabled pending adoption of House Amendment "A" and tomorrow assigned.

The SPEAKER: The Chair now lays before the House the fourth tabled and today assigned matter, House Report "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act relating to Bounty on Bears", House Paper 159, Legislative Document 206, tabled on March 14 by the gentleman from Wilton, Mr. Blanchard, pending acceptance of the Committee Report, and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Mr. BLANCHARD: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I now wish to have House Paper 159, Legislative Document 206, recommitted to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game for further study. I have contacted several members of the Committee; also other interested persons who have amendments to this bill, and they so far as I know are all agreeable to have this bill recommitted.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Blanchard of Wilton, the Bill was recommitted to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair now lays before the House the fifth tabled and today assigned matter, Bill "An Act relating to Cutting of Christmas Trees", House Paper 921, tabled on March 19 by the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Childs.

pending the motion of the gentleman from Milo, Mr. Brockway, to refer this item to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

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

Mr. BROCKWAY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I now withdraw my motion.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Milo, Mr. Brockway, withdraws his motion that this Bill be referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

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

Mr. CHILDS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: When my very good colleague, the gentleman from Milo, Mr. Brockway, moved yesterday that this matter be referred to the Legal Affairs Committee, I was of the opinion that the Legal Affairs Committee was once again becoming the catch-all committee. But subsequent to the discussion yesterday I looked over the Bill, and I can see the Bill is a very involved legal matter and the title is quite a disguise to the actual Bill. So therefore, in order that the Bill be given its proper legal consideration, I move that the Bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

The SPEAKER: The motion before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Childs, that Item 5, Bill "An Act relating to Cutting of Christmas Trees, House Paper 921, be referred to the Judiciary Committee, that 750 copies be printed and that it be sent up for concurrence. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair now lays before the House the sixth tabled and today assigned matter, Bill "An Act relating to Applications for Aid to the Blind", House Paper 675, Legislative Document 956, tabled on March 19 by the gentlewoman from Presque Isle, Mrs. Christie, pending first reading, and the Chair recognizes that gentlewoman.

Thereupon, on motion of Mrs. Christie of Presque Isle, the Bill was given its first and second readings, and tomorrow assigned. The SPEAKER: The Chair now lays before the House the seventh tabled and today assigned matter, Bill "An Act Designating a Certain Road as 'Mt. Katahdin Trail'", Senate Paper 325, Legislative Document 821, tabled on March 19 by the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman, pending passage to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A", and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Totman of Bangor, the Bill, having had its three several readings in the House and the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading having reported that no further verbal amendments were necessary, was passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A" and sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER: The Chair now lays before the House the eighth tabled and today assigned matter, Bill "An Act relating to Penalty for Failure to File Use Fuel Dealer's Report", House Paper 490, Legislative Document 683, tabled on March 19 by the gentleman from Harrison, Mr. Morrill, pending passage to be enacted, and the Chair recognizes that gentleman.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Morrill of Harrison, the Bill, having had its three several readings in the House and having been passed to be engrossed, and having had its two several readings in the Senate and having been passed to be engrossed, and the Committee on Engrossed Bills having reported it as being truly and strictly engrossed, was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

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

Mr. MORWAY: Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask if the House is in possession of L. D. 944?

The SPEAKER: The House is in possession of that document.

Mr. MORWAY: Mr. Speaker, I move that we reconsider our action whereby this Bill was passed to be engrossed, for the purpose of presenting an amendment.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Fairfield, Mr. Morway, moves that the House reconsider its action whereby it passed to be engrossed Legislative Document 944, Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Town of Fairfield School District." Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the same gentleman.

Mr. MORWAY: Mr. Speaker, I now present House Amendment "A" and move its adoption.

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

HOUSE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 663, L. D. 944, Bill, "An Act to Incorporate the Town of Fairfield School District."

Amend said Bill by striking out the figure "3" in the 2nd line of section 2 and inserting in place thereof the figure '5'.

Further amend said Bill by striking out all of the 1st paragraph of section 3, including the headnote, and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:

'Sec. 3. Trustees: how elected. tenure of office: organization of board; officers; vacancies; compensation; reports. As soon as may be after the acceptance of this act as hereinafter provided, the municipal officers of the town of Fairfield shall appoint 5 trustees of said district. to hold office as follows respectively: one until the annual town meeting in 1958, one until the annual town meeting in 1959, one until the annual town meeting in 1960, one until the annual town meeting in 1961 and one until the annual town meeting in 1962. At each annual town meeting of the town of Fairfield, beginning with the annual town meeting in 1958, one trustee shall be elected to serve until the annual town meeting occurring 5 years thereafter and until another trustee is elected and qualified in his stead."

House Amendment "A" was adopted and, on motion of Mr. Morway of Fairfield, the Bill, having had its three several readings in the House and the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading having reported that no further verbal amendments were necessary, it was passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

The SPEAKER: The House is proceeding under Orders of the Day. On motion of the gentleman from Greenville, Mr. Harris, the House voted to take from the table the second tabled and unassigned matter, House Report "Ought to pass" of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Resolve Regulating Fishing in Moosehead Lake Tributaries, Somerset and Piscataquis Counties, House Paper 126, Legislative Document 164, tabled on February 27 by that gentleman pending acceptance of the Report.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Enfield, Mr. Dudley.

Mr. DUDLEY: Mr. Speaker, I now move the indefinite postponement of this Resolve, and I would like to speak briefly on the matter.

Almost everybody in the Town of Greenville is opposed to this Resolve, and I feel sure that all the members on the Fish and Game Committee will bear with me in indefinitely postponing this Resolve.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Enfield, Mr. Dudley, moves the indefinite postponement of the Resolve and the Report.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Greenville, Mr. Harris.

Mr. HARRIS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I introduced this Resolve by request. The request was by several camp owners up there, but the people themselves around the Town seem to be definitely against opening the tributaries to Moosehead Lake. So, I would like to second Mr. Dudley's motion.

The SPEAKER: The motion before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Enfield, Mr. Dudley, that the Resolve Regulating Fishing in Moosehead Lake Tributaries, Somerset and Piscataquis Counties, House Paper 126, Legislative Document 164, be indefinitely postponed. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the Resolve with accompanying papers was indefinitely postponed and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The House is proceeding under Orders of the Day. Mr. Wheaton of Princeton was granted unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. WHEATON: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Notwithstanding the cloture rule I would like to present a Resolve and an Act.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Princeton, Mr. Wheaton, requests unanimous consent to introduce a Resolve notwithstanding the cloture order. The Clerk will read the title of the Resolve.

The CLERK: Resolve Authorizing Use of Passamaquoddy Trust Funds for Housing.

The SPEAKER: Does the Chair hear objection to the introduction of this Resolve notwithstanding the cloture order?

The Chair hears none and the Resolve is admitted.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Wheaton of Princeton, the Resolve (H. P. 961) was referred to the Committee on Welfare, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Princeton, Mr. Wheaton, now requests unanimous consent to introduce a Bill notwithstanding the cloture order. The Clerk will read the title of the Bill.

The CLERK: Bill "An Act relating to Income from Sale of Timber on Indian Township."

The SPEAKER: Does the Chair hear objection to the introduction of this Bill notwithstanding the cloture order?

The Chair hears none and the Bill is admitted.

Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Wheaton of Princeton, the Bill (H. P. 962) was referred to the Committee on Welfare, ordered printed, and sent up for concurrence.

House at Ease

Called to order by the Speaker. Mr. Totman of Bangor presented the following Order and moved its passage:

Ordered, that it is the established policy of the House of Representatives that the hall of the House shall be used only for sessions of the House. The Order was received out of order and under suspension of the rules and read by the Clerk.

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

Mr. TOTMAN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: This very brief but quite vital order for your personal convenience has considerable history; it is a history which has evolved over the last two or three sessions, both from experience and from intent. I say experience because in past sessions recently, we have on various occasions opened the hall of the House after adjournment of the morning sessions to hearings. The consequence of this action is that you as members have been deprived of a place to work on your personal business, to talk with constituents, and simply and frankly, a place for all one hundred and fifty members to be seated.

It is the feeling, and I think I am not speaking without authority of the Clerk, who certainly has been around here much longer than most of us, and it is certainly my very strong feeling that once we were able to have the new office building the State House should be redesigned to provide at least one hearing room of sufficient size to remove the need for using this House as a hearing room. We now have that room in Room 228 on the floor where the Education Department used to have its headquarters.

Obviously, the passage of this Order is dependent solely upon your personal feeling. This in effect is your office, home, and room for consultation with constituents. If you do not feel there is any great harm in the opening of the hall of the House, if you want to sacrifice the opportunity to have what little office space you have. I am sure no one will feel disturbed. But I certainly feel that we would be remiss in not getting your opinion, in not calling to your attention what you may pass up if you lightly allow committees to go back to the former practice of using the House for a hearing room. I frankly can tell you I do not believe it is necessary. I think we have sufficient hearing rooms, sufficient large hearing

rooms, and I sincerely hope that this Order will receive passage.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Winterport, Mr. Bean.

Mr. BEAN: Mr. Speaker, I would like to ask a question of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman, through the Chair.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Winterport, Mr. Bean, requests permission to ask a question of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman, through the Chair. The gentleman from Bangor may answer if he so chooses.

Mr. BEAN: I would like to inquire of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman, if the passage of this Order would forbid the usage of this hall to any group between sessions of the Legislature?

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

Mr. TOTMAN: Mr. Speaker, I am very glad the gentleman raised that question because it is definitely not the intent to go beyond the present session. The policy for use of this room will be decided upon out of session by the front office.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the same gentleman.

Mr. BEAN: Mr. Speaker, and Members of the House: I would like to have the Order read again if we may, because I think there are some perhaps who didn't get the full gist of it.

(The Order was read by the Clerk) The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Winterport, Mr. Bean.

Mr. BEAN: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I can agree in part with the sentiment expressed by my colleague from Bangor, Mr. Totman, but I have seen occasions arise when this House was the only room in the State House large enough to accommodate the people of Maine who turned out for public hearings on certain measures. Therefore, I question the advisability of closing the door entirely on the use of this House for such hearings.

I sympathize, as I said before, to a certain extent, with the Order, because I sympathize with members who have been deprived from time to time of their seat so they might

work on their own personal matters or on matters of legislation pertaining to the welfare of the S t at e. But Room 228 will only hold around two hundred and twenty-five or thirty chairs, and I have seen the time, as I have said before, when considerably more than that number of people appeared here for public hearing, and after all, this State House does belong to the people of Maine. So I question the advisability of shutting the door permanently on the use of the House when the occasion might require otherwise.

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

Mr. CHILDS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I think the gentleman from Winterport, Mr. Bean, has brought up a very good point, but I still think that we should take into consideration that on any particular day if a certain group or organization desires to use the House, that by an order of that day the thing could be accomplished. I do think that the members will have control over who uses the House, Now, if on a particular day some committee believes that they are going to have such a large turnout they would like to use the House, on that day an order could be presented for the use of the House, and we the Members will decide how and when the House will be used. I hope that the House will support the Order of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman.

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

Mr. BEYER: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would second those motions but ask this House to consider seriously the possibility of making available this afternoon for the hearing on the Jacobs Report, this House. I do feel that most of us here will want to attend the hearing because we each have our problems in our own towns. Therefore as many of us are planning to attend and the many others which I know are coming, I do think it would be too bad to limit it by this Order today, and I think by judicial use and the discretion of this House in allowing it to be used we can curtail unnecessary use of it, but particularly

for this afternoon I would not like to shut the door on the possibility that if we can't get the people into that room to make available this House here.

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

Mr. CURTIS: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: I would like to go on record as supporting the Order of the gentleman from Bangor, Mr. Totman, and my good friend the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Childs, has said exactly what I think was in the minds of a great many of us that it could be easily accomplished if we wanted to have a hearing and let the legislature— House decide.

I trust this Order will go through, and then if it comes up that we want it for a hearing today, we can decide right after that if we want to have a hearing here today, and when the vote is taken I move it be taken by a division.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bridgton, Mr. Haughn.

Mr. HAUGHN: Mr. Speaker, I concur on all the remarks made here, and I will certainly go along with my colleague Mr. Beyer, the gentleman from Cape Elizabeth, so this would be possible for the Jacobs Report to be heard today, which we realize is of vital importance. I move that this Order be tabled and assigned especially for tomorrow, to make it available today for this Committee and then do what action the House wishes. and I certainly concur on the Report as it is written.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bridgton, Mr. Haughn, moves that this Order be placed on the table and specially assigned for tomorrow. Will those in favor of the tabling motion please say aye; those opposed, no.

A viva voce vote was taken.

The SPEAKER: The Chair is in doubt and orders a division.

Will all those in favor of the tabling motion kindly rise and remain standing until the monitors have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had. Seventy having voted in the affirmative and fifty-one having voted in the negative, the motion prevailed, and the Order was so tabled.

The SPEAKER: At this time the Chair would like to recognize the presence in the House of a group of ladies of Kiwanis of Portland, accompanied by their President Mrs. Arthur Charles. On behalf of the House the Chair extends to you a most hearty and cordial welcome and we are happy to have you adding so much to the appearance of the rear of the Hall. (Applause)

House at Ease

Called to order by the Speaker. On motion of Mr. Earles of South

Portland,

Adjourned until one o'clock tomorrow afternoon.