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**HOUSE**

Friday, January 29, 1960

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Robert L. Smith of Augusta.

The journal of yesterday was read and approved.

**Papers from the Senate  
Final Report**

Final Report of the Committee on Education.

Came from the Senate read and accepted.

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

**Non-Concurrent Matter**

House Joint Order relative to Amending Joint Rules to Add Rule 19B, re filing recommendations by departments (H. P. 1025) which was passed in the House on January 26.

Came from the Senate indefinitely postponed in non-concurrence.

In the House: On motion of Mr. Haughn of Bridgton, the House voted to recede and concur with the Senate.

**Non-Concurrent Matter**

House Joint Order relative to Amending Joint Rules to Add Rule 19C, re cloture (H. P. 1026) which was passed in the House on January 26.

Came from the Senate passed as amended by Senate Amendment "A" in non-concurrence.

In the House:

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

SENATE AMENDMENT "A" to H. P. 1026, "HOUSE JOINT ORDER relative to amending Joint Rules to add Rule 19C, re cloture."

Amend said Joint Order by striking out in the 2nd line the figures and letter "No. 19C" and inserting in place thereof the following figures and letter 'No. 19B'

Further amend said Joint Order by striking out all of the 3rd paragraph which reads as follows:

"Recommendations for legislation from departments, agencies and commissions must be filed not later

than 1 P. M. of the 2nd Friday of January."

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

Mr. JALBERT: Mr. Speaker, this is identical to the order that was to be presented in the House. This seems to meet this way the objections that many of the members had and I hope it has passage.

The SPEAKER: The question before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Lewiston, Mr. Jalbert, that this order receive passage as amended, or that the House recede and concur. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed.

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

**Passed to Be Enacted  
Emergency Measure**

An Act Appropriating Moneys to Maine Port Authority for Maine State Pier Operations (S. P. 521) (L. D. 1428)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had, 101 voted in favor of same and 12 against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

**Emergency Measure**

An Act Appropriating Moneys for Office of Director of Legislative Research (S. P. 522) (L. D. 1429)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had, 119 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 to Correct Errors and Inconsistencies in the Public Laws (S. P. 528) (L. D. 1435)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds 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.

**Emergency Measure**

An Act Providing for Supplemental Payments of the 1959 Education Subsidies to Certain Administrative Units and Payments for Various Education Subsidy Programs (H. P. 988) (L. D. 1397)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 123 voted in favor of same and 2 against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

**Emergency Measure**

An Act Imposing a Tax on the Unorganized Territory within the Maine Forestry District for Spruce Budworm Control (H. P. 1002) (L. D. 1411)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 124 voted in favor of same and 1 against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

**Emergency Measure**

An Act Appropriating Moneys to Maine Port Authority for a Survey at Long Island Plantation (H. P. 1027) (L. D. 1448)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-

thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 121 voted in favor of same and 2 against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

**Emergency Measure**

An Act Appropriating Moneys to Maine Port Authority for Ferry Service (H. P. 1014) (L. D. 1425)

Was reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed. This being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 116 voted in favor of same and 5 against, and accordingly the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

**Finally Passed  
Emergency Measure**

Resolve Appropriating Moneys for Spruce Budworm Control (H. P. 989) (L. D. 1398)

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Moscow, Mr. Cahill.

Mr. CAHILL: Mr. Speaker, I believe we just passed a bill here on this budworm control and now we come up with another one just like it. Would someone please explain why we are voting on the second one? We have already voted on one here I believe. To me this seems to be a little confusing.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Moscow, Mr. Cahill, has addressed a question through the Chair to anyone who may answer if he chooses. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pittsfield, Mr. Baxter.

Mr. BAXTER: I think the first measure which we passed was the tax upon the woodland owners and this is the matching money from the State funds.

The SPEAKER: Does the gentleman consider his question answered?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Falmouth, Mrs. Smith.

Mrs. SMITH: I was waiting for our chairman to explain it. This is the matching money where the private woodlands are taxed for a certain portion of it, and the State spends a certain portion of it, and I am not sure about this, but I think this is matched by Federal funds also, but that might be out of the question.

Thereupon, this being an emergency measure and a two-thirds vote of all the members elected to the House being necessary, a division was had. 123 voted in favor of same and two against, and accordingly the Resolve was finally passed, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

**Passed to Be Enacted**

An Act to Authorize the Maintenance and Operation of a Dam at the Outlet of Sebec Lake (S. P. 534) (L. D. 1441)

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

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Friendship, Mr. Winchenpaw.

Mr. WINCHENPAW: Mr. Speaker, I would like to raise a question about this item nine and may I do it now?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman may state his question.

Mr. WINCHENPAW: This is not in my territory and I am not opposed to the bill, but there was a question that came to my mind whether there should not be some provision put in this thing for a fishway unless maybe some state department has authority to build a fishway in this dam, because it is a well-known fact that sea run salmon came up to the foot of this dam here in Augusta last spring, and they were unable to get any farther. Those of us who have been interested in this sea run salmon have talked more or less about that the last few days, and we have come to the conclusion that even though the pollution is to blame a great deal, those sea run salmon will come up a certain ways a certain time in the spring especially after there has been a big runoff when the pollution is at a low ebb. I don't know about this area, but I just thought that the

question should be raised whether there should be a fishway put in here to let the fish pass either out of the lake or in the lake.

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

Mr. HAUGHN: Mr. Speaker, as Chairman of the House Public Utilities Committee, I can assure the gentleman from Friendship, Mr. Winchenpaw, that that item was discussed in Committee. It was agreed upon by both sides that it possibly would be done, and that you also have it under the control of your Fish and Game Department who can authorize and insist that it be done, so I can assure him that that problem is all covered and he has no worries.

Thereupon, the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent forthwith to the Senate.

An Act to Reconstitute School Administrative District No. 2 (H. P. 1011) (L. D. 1420)

An Act relating to Juvenile Offenders in Certain Motor Vehicle Violations (H. P. 1016) (L. D. 1445)

An Act Appropriating Additional Funds for Certain Construction at Portland Municipal Airport (H. P. 1018) (L. D. 1426)

An Act to Reconstitute School Administrative District No. 3 (H. P. 1020) (L. D. 1421)

**Finally Passed**

Resolve in favor of the Town of Danforth for School Construction Aid (H. P. 990) (L. D. 1399)

Resolve Providing Matching Funds for Federal National Defense Education Act Allotments (H. P. 1012) (L. D. 1423)

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 forthwith to the Senate.

**House at Ease**

Called to order by the Speaker.

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

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that there be paid to the Of-

ficers of the Senate and House of Representatives for salaries for this Special Session, the amounts included in lists certified to the State Controller by the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House, respectively, subject to the approval of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs (S. P. 546)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, the Order received passage in concurrence.

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that there be created an interim joint committee to consist of 2 Senators and 3 Representatives, appointed respectively by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House, to study and report to the 100th Legislature on the need for an institution in the State of Maine for the housing and treatment of all offenders committed to the State Prison or correctional state institutions who are sex offenders or are suffering from other mental or personality disorders; and be it further

ORDERED, that the members of the committee serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for their expenses incurred in the performance of their duties under this order; and be it further

ORDERED, that there is appropriated to the committee from the legislative appropriation the sum of \$1,000 to carry out the purposes of this order (S. P. 548)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House:

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

Mr. TURNER: Mr. Speaker, it doesn't seem to me that this is anything that we ought to take up in special session, and I move indefinite postponement of the order.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Turner, moves that the House indefinitely postpone this order in non-concurrence.

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Rockland, Mr. Knight.

Mr. KNIGHT: Mr. Speaker, living in Rockland and being in the

same county and county seat with our state prison, I know that the situation is to say the least extremely bad, and any move in this direction is a move in the right direction, and I certainly hope that the motion to indefinitely postpone does not carry.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Milbridge, Mr. Kennedy.

Mr. KENNEDY: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I am a little bit disturbed over the wording of this order. I concur with the gentleman from Rockland, Mr. Knight, that a need does exist, but I notice here 'suffering from other mental or personality disorders', and it does seem to me that that is the duty and under the care of our mental institutions.

Now I can agree that probably a sex offender does have mental and personality disorders. Well, perhaps I am off of home base anyway, because this isn't really a study, so I will go against the motion for indefinite postponement.

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

Mr. WADE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: Particularly in view of the fact that our executive branch is now organized with the department whose title is specifically the Department of Mental Health and Correction, it seems to me that if this House simply made some reference to the problem, that it is essentially a job that lies in the province of that particular Department and I am going to vote with the gentleman from Auburn on his indefinite postponement motion.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Kennebunk, Mr. Emmons.

Mr. EMMONS: Mr. Speaker, reading this and partly in answer to the gentleman from Milbridge, what this is, a study for the need of an institution for the housing and treatment of all offenders committed to the state prison or correctional state institutions. That applies, as I read this, to people who have been before the Courts on criminal matters and have been committed. Therefore, I would think

it would not wholly come under the question of the Department of Health and Welfare.

The SPEAKER: Is the House ready for the question? The question before the House is the motion of the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Turner, that the House indefinitely postpone this order in non-concurrence.

Will those who favor the motion to indefinitely postpone please say aye; those opposed, no.

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

Sixty-one having voted in the affirmative and sixty-one having voted in the negative, the Speaker voted in the negative and the motion did not prevail.

Thereupon, the Order received passage in concurrence.

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Interim Joint Committee, created by the 99th Legislature in regular session to study the problems of school construction aid to municipalities (S. P. 517), be ordered to study the Revised Statutes, chapter 41, section 111-P regarding the withdrawal of municipalities from School Administrative Units to determine the need for changes, if any, to facilitate the operations of School Administrative Units; and be it further

ORDERED, that there be appropriated to the committee, from the legislative appropriation, the sum of \$5,000 to carry out the purposes of the committee (S. P. 549)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, the Order received passage in concurrence.

From the Senate: The following Report:

Report of the Committee on Judiciary on Petition of Robert H. Mottram to the 99th Maine State Legislature in Special Session, asking that his Petition filed one year ago under Article 1, Section 15, of the State Constitution, be brought forth and examined (S. P. 545) reporting that this Legislature recognizes the right of the petitioner in presenting his petition. Under our

Constitution our Government is divided in three branches, the Executive, the Legislative and the Judicial. The lack or want of due process of law is entirely within the province of the judicial branch of our Government. Until that branch has adjudicated a lack or want of due process, it is unconstitutional for the Legislative branch to either accept or reject the prayer called for in the petition. Accordingly the petition is declined.

Came from the Senate read and accepted.

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

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, in order to facilitate the renovation and improvement of the Senate Chambers, that for the interim period between the 99th and 100th sessions of the Legislature, general oversight and control of the Senate Chambers be placed in the Secretary of the Senate, who shall also approve accounts for payment for such renovation and improvement (S. P. 547)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, the Order was read and passed in concurrence.

(Off Record)

#### House at Ease

Called to order by the Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Wade of Auburn,

Recessed until one o'clock this afternoon.

#### After Recess

1:00 P. M.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

(Off Record Remarks)

#### Papers from the Senate

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

From the Senate. The following Orders:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that there be paid to the Chaplains of the Senate and House of Representatives for this Special

Session, the sum of five dollars (\$5.00) per diem, in accordance with lists certified to the State Controller by the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House, respectively (S. P. 551)

ORDERED, the House concurring, that there be paid to the Clerks and Clerical Assistants of the Committees the amounts included in lists certified to the State Controller by the several Committee Chairmen, and bearing the approval of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs (S. P. 550)

Came from the Senate read and passed.

In the House, the Orders were read and passed in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: At this time, pursuant to the Senate Order passed this morning, Senate Paper 548, relative to the appointment of a committee to study and report to the 100th Legislature on the need for an institution in the State of Maine for the housing and treatment of all offenders committed to the State Prison etc., the Chair will appoint the following committee on the part of the House: the gentleman from Rockland, Mr. Knight; the gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Earles; and the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Kellam.

Mr. Dumaine of Readfield was granted unanimous consent out of order to briefly address the House.

Mr. DUMAINE: Ladies and Gentlemen of the Legislature: We just got through putting aside a bill on control of rocket program. During the ups and downs of the bill I had the opportunity to talk with the head of Civil Defense, and they have prepared what they call a State Rocket Problem. This is to let you know that this bill is not actually dead as far as safety is concerned, that the Civil Defense Department will continue to bring something forth for the 1961 Legislature, the 100th Legislature. I would like to put this on record.

State Rocket Problem: The State Office of Civil Defense and Public Safety has an overall interest in the problem of rocket launching in the State.

Such State legislation as is now available in this new field from a safety point of view is rather limited. The overall problem involves: (1) Fire damage potential; (2) Explosives hazard; (3) Projectile hazard. Fire damage potential is a matter of concern to the State Forestry Service. Explosives hazard involves the normal day to day routine of the State fire inspection service. Projectile hazard is a new element introduced by virtue of launching a material object into the atmosphere which will return to the ground somewhere.

Full recognition by the State Legislature of a new era in the social structure of mankind is necessary, whereby the age of science is here to stay, and all of us must learn to live with it. In no way should the progress of science be hindered in legislative action, either by failure to recognize change as inevitable, or to deny the force of youth in accepting the challenge which is offered in the world today.

Launching sites for rockets of any capability can be predetermined and utilized by people with knowledge of the forces involved. Such sites are presently in being in this State for the Snark Intercontinental missile, the Bomarc anti aircraft missile and the Nike Ajax anti aircraft missile. These latter sites, under military control, are well regulated and organized for the best possible national defensive system with public safety fully considered. It will take some study to prepare and develop such sites in the State for use of scientific agencies seeking to test rocket equipment and materials for scientific purposes.

It is urged that rules and regulations governing launching sites for rocket tests be adopted by the State without further delay. It is suggested that the Legislative Research Committee be requested to undertake the development of such rules and regulations as are necessary to insure that all reasonable safety measures be provided for introduction for legislative action at the next session of the Legislature. And I would like to insert here that the Legislative Research Committee feels that they are over-



burdened at the present time, so aside from this one paragraph we will come up with an answer somewhere by next spring.

Encouragement should be provided for all suitably qualified scientists and student scientists utilizing qualified materials of rocketry to further the local and national effort in this field. Pseudo-scientists, headline hunters, glory seekers, etc. should be held in check for the best interests of the State.

Thank you very much for listening to me.

Mr. Jewell of Monticello was granted unanimous consent to briefly address the House.

Mr. JEWELL: Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: I have been asked to read a Resolution officially adopted by the Mars Hill Junior Chamber of Commerce. I will now read the Resolution.

WHEREAS: The Great State of Maine, and in particular, the peak of Mars Hill is the first point in these United States to receive the light of day on July Fourth, 1960; and

WHEREAS: At dawn on July 4, 1960, occurs the first moment that the new 50-star flag of the United States of America can officially be flown in this great Union, and

WHEREAS: The admittance of our sister State, Hawaii, to this Union is cause for great celebration, and

WHEREAS: These Great United States of America span an area of the globe stretching from the Great State of Maine in the East to the State of Hawaii in the West, it is fitting, therefore, that the State of Maine be the first to honor and commemorate this historical occasion.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the Mars Hill Jaycees be the first, by the reason of natural geographic advantage, to raise the new flag and celebrate this momentous occasion first in the State of Maine with all the pomp and circumstance attendant thereto:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT KNOWN to you as representatives of the people of the State of Maine, both in the House and in the Senate, that we, the Mars Hill Jay-

cees, extend to you the most cordial invitation, each and every one, to assemble with us and be our honored guests and participate in this historic event.

In connection with this observance a firework display starting at 12:01, interspersed with a bonfire until dawn. At dawn, at the peak of Mars Hill Mountain, a new flag will be raised for the first time in the United States of America legally and officially. A duplicate flag is anticipated to be flown by the U. S. Air Force to Hawaii, to be flown to the capitol of the fiftieth state, to be raised there at dawn there on the fourth of July, if it prove feasible to establish this speed record. I think the Army is interested in this too. A Hawaiian breakfast will be served in the morning and at noon a parade of fifty bands, each carrying the flag of the State of the Union, will parade to the peak of Mars Hill. In the late afternoon another Hawaiian meal will be served. This event will receive magazine, radio, TV and movie coverage. It will give the State of Maine a vast amount of publicity in tourist season. It is anticipated that a stamp will be sold in the United States postoffice commemorating this event at Mars Hill. Thank you.

Mr. Rankin of Southport presented the following Order out of order and moved its passage:

WHEREAS, the passage in this Special Session of changes in the joint rules regarding the prefling of bills 45 days prior to the beginning of the next regular session has added to the duties and responsibilities of the Clerk of the House, therefore be it

ORDERED, that the Clerk of the House shall receive additional compensation in the amount of \$500 over and above payment of his regular salary to reimburse him for the performance of those additional duties.

The Order received passage.

On motion of Mr. Wade of Auburn,

Recessed until the sound of the gong.

**After Recess**

Called to order by the Speaker.  
The following Report from the Senate was taken up out of order and under suspension of the rules:

From the Senate: The following Report:

Final Report of the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

Came from the Senate read and accepted.

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

Mr. Haughn of Bridgton was granted unanimous consent to briefly address the House.

Mr. HAUGHN: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House: On behalf of Cumberland County I want to cordially invite you all to the 200th Anniversary Celebration, which we celebrate for a period of ten weeks starting in June. There will be activity all over the County and the final events will be held in Portland in August. But for a kickoff in advance of the entire program, in my own town of Bridgton, we are having a three day winter carnival consisting of a midnight torchlight parade from Pleasant Mountain with ski events the following day during the day, an old fashioned Klondike night in the town hall at Bridgton, and the following day an old fashioned clam bake, which is an unusual event in winter time but is being done in Bridgton. And I cordially invite each and every one of you to attend.

A message came from the Senate borne by Senator Woodcock of that body informing the House that the Senate had transacted all business before it and was ready to adjourn.

On motion of Mr. Emmons of Kennebunk, the gentleman from Auburn, Mr. Wade, was charged with and conveyed a message to the Senate informing that body that the House had acted on all matters before it and was ready to adjourn.

**House at Ease**

Called to order by the Speaker.

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that a Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to wait upon his Excellency, the Governor, and inform him that both branches of the Legislature have acted on all matters before them and are ready to receive any further communications he may be pleased to make. (S. P. 552)

Comes from the Senate in that body read and passed with the following members appointed on its part:

Senators:

CHARLES of Cumberland

DOW of Lincoln

BOUCHER of Androscoggin

In the House: The Order was read and passed in concurrence.

The Speaker appointed the following members on the part of the House:

Messrs. WADE of Auburn

EMMONS of Kennebunk

Miss CORMIER of Rumford

Mrs. CHRISTIE

of Presque Isle

Messrs. TARDIFF of Lewiston

WALSH of Verona

KENNEDY of Milbridge

Subsequently Mr. Wade, for the Committee, reported that the Committee had delivered the message with which it was charged.

(Off Record Remarks by the Speaker)

**House at Ease**

Called to order by the Speaker.

Thereupon, His Excellency John H. Reed, Governor, entered the Hall of the House of Representatives amid applause, the members rising, and the Governor addressed the House as follows:

Mr. Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives of the 99th Legislature:

I accept with pleasure this invitation to address you and to express appreciation for your consideration of the various measures which have been given Legislative attention. The results of the action of this Special Session of the 99th Legislature are as follows:

There were 41 Acts approved.

There were 4 Resolves approved. No vetoes were presented.

The 99th Legislature has earned the gratitude of the people of Maine for its considered approach to the matters which have been presented for its consideration.

I doubt if any Legislative Session has been called upon to face as perplexing a problem as was yours. You faced that problem squarely and in reaching a majority opinion you held above all other considerations what you believed to be best for the people of the State of Maine.

In the matter of School Administrative Districts your judgment was again temperately and fairly arrived at.

You recognized the hardship that has fallen upon many of our municipalities when the formula for school subsidies was changed, and you made possible the restitution of these losses.

You wisely supported with appropriations those State-sponsored enterprises having a dire need for help, including the Maine Ferry Service and the Maine State Pier.

All of the projects which were presented for your consideration had merit. Those which were essential and which contributed to the progress of our State received your thoughtful and favorable consideration.

The true value of what you have accomplished will not be fully known and appreciated for some time to come, but we can note with satisfaction that the 99th Legislature was not lacking in courage and was willing to grapple with problems, once they were placed before it.

I desire to assure you that the enactments which have been made, as well as the body of law that has been created by those who

came before you, I shall administer with all fairness and to the very best of my ability.

There is no certainty that we shall meet again under these circumstances. I should therefore wish to express the hope that in the months which follow you will give me the benefit of your ideas and viewpoints. I ask that each of you keep constantly in touch with me for it is only through this communication — whatever political party is honored with your loyalty — that we can give the State the wise executive administration to which it is entitled.

It has been a great privilege for me to work with the 99th Legislature, both as the President of the Senate and now as Governor. You have my sincere thanks for a difficult task, accomplished with much thought and with much good will.

For this unselfish service in the general public interest, I extend my most sincere thanks on behalf of all of the citizens of the State of Maine.

Governor Reed then retired amid the applause of the House, the members rising.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Brewer, Mr. Lindsay.

Mr. LINDSAY: Mr. Speaker and Ladies and Gentlemen of the House, the business for which this special session of the 99th Legislature being concluded, I now move that we adjourn sine die.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Brewer, Mr. Lindsay, now moves that the House adjourn without day at 2:55 P. M. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the House so adjourned.