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Lewiston deserve such writings from a person who would write an editorial sitting behind his desk in New York City. I could write a couple of editorials about the "Big A" such as being told when I go out of the hotel by the porter, "get back in your room, lock your door and stay there" but I won't.

People of Lewiston are industrious people, they are hard-working people. We have had several very bad things happen to us lately, such as a dozen or more industries going out of business, over 2800 people thrown out of work and the calls I get at home, 75 percent of them are people not wanting welfare but wanting a job. We have in Lewiston the unbeatable ten skilled fingers of our people. We enjoy pleasant relationships with Bates College.

Bates College happens to be in my district. There is not a day that goes by that I don't talk to at least a dozen of the kids that jog around in front of my house. You never pick up a newspaper and see where the young ladies and gentlemen at Bates College have had any hassles. We welcome them to go on that campus.

As far as Bates College is concerned, the writer of this "cheap shot" editorial should recognize in his articles that as graduates of Bates College, we have such men who graduated as the former U.S. Secretary of State, Edmund S. Muskie; Erwin Cannon, internationally known editor of the Christian Science Monitor and, incidentally, Brian Gumbel of NBC fame, I knew him, he was a fine young man, very much respected and accepted among our people downtown and uptown in Lewiston; Dr. Charles Phillips, President Emeritus of Bates College, internationally known economist; the present President, T. Hedley Reynolds of Bates College, who travels throughout the country and does a fine job for the school. I might comment that my young friend who sat behind me, former Representative John Simon, last year decided to give up his teaching profession at Bates — he is now at Yale Law School not only as a student, mind you, but he was home last weekend and he teaches a course at Yale. Of course, he doesn't mind flashing his Phi Beta Kappa Key either on his vest or his lapel because he has earned it.

I want to thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the House, for having the patience to listen to me. I was born and brought up in Lewiston and I am proud of it and I am proud of Bates Mills, I am proud of Bates College and I am proud of the people in Lewiston. They have done me honor by sending me here on several occasions and it just irks me a little bit, and I am not easily aroused to lose my temper, but this kind of stuff, I don't think is right and I would like to commend the writer of our editorial in the Lewiston Daily Sun when he calls it a cheap shot, because that is exactly what it was.

By unanimous consent, unless previous notice was given to the Clerk of the House by some member of his or her intention to move reconsideration, the Clerk was authorized today to send to the Senate, thirty minutes after the House recessed, all matters that required Senate concurrence.

(Off Record Remarks)

On motion of Mr. Soule of Wiscasset,  
Recessed until four-thirty in the afternoon.

#### After Recess 4:30 P.M.

The House was called to order by the Speaker.

The following papers appearing on Supplement No. 1 were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

#### Passed to Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act to Provide for a Comprehensive Career and Occupational Information System" (H. P. 2015) (L. D. 1985)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in

the Second Reading, read the second time, passed to be engrossed and sent up for concurrence.

#### Second Reader Tabled and Assigned

Bill "An Act to Change the Corporate Limits of the Kittery Water District" (H. P. 1872) (L. D. 1866)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading and read the second time.

On motion of Mr. Higgins of Scarborough, tabled pending passage to be engrossed and specially assigned for Thursday, March 11.

#### Amended Bill

Bill "An Act Concerning Salaries of District Court Judges" (H. P. 1869) (L. D. 1863) (C. "A" H-633)

Was reported by the Committee on Bills in the Second Reading, read the second time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent up for concurrence.

The following papers appearing on Supplement No. 2 were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

#### Consent Calendar

##### First Day

(S. P. 817) (L. D. 1921) Bill "An Act Relating to Fuel Adjustment Clause of Natural Gas Utilities" — Committee on Public Utilities reporting "Ought to Pass"

(S. P. 839) (L. D. 1962) Bill "An Act Relating to the Installation of Utility Poles" — Committee on Public Utilities reporting "Ought to Pass"

(S. P. 868) (L. D. 2013) Bill "An Act to Amend the Terms of the Directors of the Auburn Water and Sewerage Districts" — Committee on Public Utilities reporting "Ought to Pass"

(S. P. 830) (L. D. 1938) Bill "An Act to Abolish the Mandatory Reporting of Alcoholism Section of the Board of Registration in Medicine Act" — Committee on Health and Institutional Services reporting "Ought to Pass"

(S. P. 785) (L. D. 1850) Bill "An Act to Raise the Annual Public Utilities Commission Regulatory Fund Assessments to \$1,300,000" — Committee on Public Utilities reporting "Ought to Pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" (S-402)

No objections having been noted, the above items were ordered to appear on the Consent Calendar of March 10, under the listing of Second Day.

The following paper appearing on Supplement No. 3 was taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

#### Ought to Pass in New Draft

Report of the Committee on Education on Bill "An Act to Revise the Education Laws" (Emergency) (S. P. 561) (L. D. 1554) reporting "Ought to Pass" in New Draft (Emergency) (S. P. 879) (L. D. 2042)

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

In the House, the Report was read.

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

Mr. CONNOLLY: Mr. Speaker and Members of the House: The bill that is before us is the recodification of Title 20, the Education Laws of the State.

So that no one will be confused or concerned about the legislation, the bill does not, to the best of the committee's knowledge, and we have spent a considerable amount of time preparing this legislation, contain any substantive changes whatsoever. It is merely a revision, a recodification and a reorganization of all the education laws.

When we developed this draft, all perspectives within the educational community were involved and had a chance to finally review it.

That included not only the Teachers Association but the Department of Education and the Maine School Management Association, which represents school boards and school superintendents. Everyone was satisfied that this new draft of the committee contains no substantive changes.

Whenever there was an issue that was identified which was of concern to any particular party, we left the law exactly as it was. We made no changes whatsoever.

I would simply call this to your attention, and I would hope that no one has any problems with it, but if they do, would they please get in touch with me or a member of the committee before we vote on it in second reading tomorrow.

Thereupon, the Report was accepted in concurrence, the New Draft read once and assigned for second reading tomorrow.

The following papers appearing on Supplement No. 4 were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

#### Passed to Be Enacted

An Act to Amend the Definition of Table Wine (S. P. 829) (L. D. 1937)

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

#### Enactor

##### Tabled and Assigned

An Act to Prohibit Public Drinking on School Premises Without Requiring Prior Warning by a Law Enforcement Officer (H. P. 1929) (L. D. 1912) (S. "A" S-400)

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

On motion of Mrs. Mitchell of Vassalboro, tabled pending passage to be enacted and tomorrow assigned.

An Act to Reduce Discrimination by Allowing Employees of Local Districts with Participate in the Social Security System the Option of Withdrawal from the Maine State Retirement System (H. P. 1990) (L. D. 1966)

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

The following papers appearing on Supplement No. 5 were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

#### Petitions, Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference

Bill "An Act to Remove Restrictions Preventing Persons Elected to the Legislature from Receiving Certain Benefits" (H. P. 2158) (Presented by Representative Walker of Skowhegan) (Approved for introduction by a Majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 27)

Was referred to the Committee on Aging, Retirement and Veterans, ordered printed and sent up for concurrence.

#### Later Today Assigned

RESOLVE, Authorizing the Commissioner of Marine Resources to Convey an Easement over Certain State Land (H. P. 2159) (Presented by Representative Livesay of Brunswick) (Co-sponsor: Representative Holloway of Edgecomb) (Approved for introduction by the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 26)

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources was suggested.

On motion of Mrs. Post of Owl's head, tabled pending reference and later today assigned.

The following papers appearing on Supplement No. 6 were taken up out of order by unanimous consent:

#### Petitions, Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference

Bill "An Act to Revise the Laws Pertaining