50th

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

in

Extraordinary Session

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HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, DES MOINES, IOWA, JANUARY 26, 1944.

Pursuant to the proclamation of the Governor, convening the Fiftieth General Assembly in Extraordinary Session, the House was called to order at 10:00 o'clock a. m. by Honorable Henry W. Burma, Speaker of the House.

Prayer was offered by Doctor Will W. Orr, pastor of Westminster United Presbyterian Church, Des Moines, Iowa.

On motion of Judd of Clinton, A. C. Gustafson was made acting chief clerk.

Mr. Gustafson presented himself to the Speaker and subscribed to the following oath:

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Iowa, and that I will faithfully perform the duties of my office to the best of my ability, so help me God.

A. C. GUSTAFSON.

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR

Whereas, Under the present laws of the State of Iowa, it is doubtful if there is adequate provision for the eligible voters of the State who are serving in the armed forces in the present war, to vote, and the executive authority believes that the General Assembly should enact suitable legislation therefor.

Now, Therefore, I, Bourke B. Hickenlooper, Governor of the State of Iowa, do hereby proclaim that the 50th General Assembly shall convene in Extraordinary Session at the State House in the City of Des Moines, Iowa, at 10:00 a. m. o'clock, on the 26th day of January, A. D. 1944, and to that end I do call upon and direct the members of the House of Representatives, and of the Senate of the 50th General Assembly to convene in their respective chambers in the State House at Des Moines, Iowa, at 10:00 a. m. o'clock on January 26, 1944, for the purpose of receiving such communication from the executive pertaining to the purpose for which such assembly is convened, and to transact such legislative business in keeping therewith as may come before the Houses of the General Assembly.

(Great Seal of the State of Iowa)

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and caused to be affixed hereto the Great Seal of the State of Iowa, at the State House in Des Moines, Iowa, this 28th day of December, A. D. 1943.

> BOURKE B. HICKENLOOPER, Governor of the State of Iowa.

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ELECTION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

On motion of Steinberg of Story, Avery of Clay was unanimously elected speaker pro tempore for the Extraordinary Session.

The Speaker appointed the following committee to escort Mr. Avery to the desk: Fishbaugh of Page and Hicklin of Louisa. The committee escorted Mr. Avery to the desk and the oath of office was administered to him by Acting Chief Clerk Gustafson.

CREDENTIALS OF NEW MEMBERS

The following communication was received from the office of the Secretary of State:

To the Honorable, the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives:

I, WAYNE M. ROPES, Secretary of State of the State of Iowa, Custodian of the files and records pertaining to election in the State

Do HEREBY CERTIFY, That the following is a true and correct list of State Representatives (to fill vacancy), declared by the State Canvassing Board to have been elected in the Special Election of January 17, 1944.

Crawford County	E. A. Norelius
	Lloyd A. (Curly) Meyer
	Dick H. Vanderwilt
Marion County	Paul Harp
Tama County	Willard F. Russell
	Paul Parrish
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(Seal) IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Secretary of State at the Capitol, in Des Moines, this 24th day of January, A. D. 1944. WAYNE M. ROPES, Secretary of State.

Doud of Van Buren moved that a committee of five be appointed by the Speaker to determine the qualifications of the newly elected members of the House of Representatives and that the accredited list submitted by the Secretary of State be accepted.

Motion prevailed, and the Speaker appointed as such committee, Doud of Van Buren, Dodds of Des Moines, Shimanek of Jones, Miller of Humboldt, and Tatum of Harrison.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS

MR. SPEAKER: We, your committee on credentials, respectfully report that we find the following named persons duly elected to and entitled to seats in the House of Representatives of the Extraordinary Session of the Fiftieth General Assembly as shown by the duplicate copies of the certificates of election on file in the office of the Secretary of State, as certified to the House of Representatives by the Honorable Wayne M. Ropes, Secretary of State.

Crawford County	
	Lloyd A. Meyer
Mahaska County	Dick H. Vanderwilt
Marion County	Paul Harp
	Willard F. Russell
Taylor County	Paul Parrish

Respectfully submitted, • A. L. DOUD, JR. BERT E. DODDS. C. F. SHIMANEK. J. F. MILLER. WILLIAM M. TATUM, Committee.

Report adopted.

The newly elected members presented themselves at the desk of the Acting Chief Clerk and took and subscribed to the following oath of office:

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and of the State of Iowa, and that I will faithfully and impartially perform the duties of the office of representative in the General Assembly of Iowa according to law and to the best of my ability, so help me God.

PAUL W. HARP.	PAUL PARRISH.	
LLOYD A. MEYER.	WILLARD F. RUSSELL.	
E. A. NORELIUS.	DICK H. VANDERWILT.	

The Speaker announced the presence of a quorum.

PERMANENT CHIEF CLERK

Butterfield of Black Hawk moved that A. C. Gustafson be made permanent Chief Clerk of the House. Motion prevailed.

COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE GOVERNOR

Mills of Adair moved that a committee of three be appointed to notify the Governor that the House is duly organized and ready to receive any communication he may desire to transmit. Motion prevailed and the Speaker appointed Mills of Adair, Meyer of Jackson, and Knippling of Howard.

COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE SENATE

Knowlton of Winneshiek moved that a committee of three be appointed to notify the Senate that the House is duly organized and ready to receive any communication it may desire to transmit. Motion prevailed and the Speaker appointed Knowlton of Winneshiek, Russell of Tama, and Yager of Dickinson.

COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE

Nelson of Woodbury moved that a committee of three be appointed to ascertain the mileage due each member and report to the House. Motion prevailed and the Speaker appointed Nelson of Woodbury, Donohue of Cedar, and Lynch of Pocahontas.

COMMITTEE TO ARRANGE FOR MINISTERS

Mills of Adair moved that a committee of one be appointed to arrange for ministers to open the House sessions with prayer. Motion prevailed and the Speaker appointed Mills of Adair.

SEATING OF MEMBERS

Felton of Warren moved that the members of the House occupy the same seats held by them during the last regular session and that the newly elected members occupy the seats held by their respective predecessors. Motion prevailed.

PERMANENT OFFICERS OF THE HOUSE

Martin of Appanoose moved that the following named persons be elected permanent officers of the House:

Assistant Chief Clerk—Hughes J. Bryant, Mason City. Reading Clerk—H. L. Peyton, Logan. Journal Clerk—Jean Olson, Story City. Engrossing Clerk—Gretchen Stockham, Des Moines. Enrolling Clerk—Lillian Kanealy, Ames. Pay Roll Clerk—Eva Gyldenvand, Des Moines. General Clerk—Lillian Leffert, Des Moines. Bill Clerk—Howard Erbe, McGregor. Postmistress—Sarah Jett, Des Moines. Sergeant-at-Arms—William Cree, Bloomfield. Doorkeepers—John Tietjen, New Hampton; Fred Watkins, Des Moines; Leonard Parkins, Winterset; Lawrence Gustafson, Des Moines; W. H. Vance, Winterset; J. A. Armstrong, Ames.

Supply Clerk-Katharine Crosby, Des Moines.

Assistant Electrician-Frank Bryant, Sabula.

Pages-Truman Rue, Des Moines; Earl McComb, Blairsburg; Fred Kuhlman, Jr., Des Moines; Hutchason Beshears, Des Moines.

Porters-Horace Coles, Colfax; J. G. Browne, Des Moines; J. H. Harrison, Adel.

Matrons-Mrs. Charles Blank, Perry; Mrs. Katharine Shelton, Des Moines.

General Clerks-Gladys M. Astley, Agnes Brennan, Rhea Cloe, Hettie Coffey, Mrs. Jackie Day, Mrs. Jean Daughrity, Helen Eastman, Mrs. George N. Edwards, Doris Huff, Elizabeth Martin, Lillian Miles, Margaret Rader, Laura Smith, Marvyl Stevens, Mrs. John Tjaden, Mrs. Arnold Utzig.

Knowlton of Winneshiek, chairman of the committee to notify the Senate that the House was duly organized and ready to receive any communications it might desire to transmit, reported that the committee had performed its duty. Report accepted and the committee discharged.

Mills of Adair, chairman of the committee to notify the Governor that the House was duly organized and ready to receive any communications he might desire to transmit, reported that the committee had performed its duty. Report accepted and the committee discharged.

COMMITTEE FROM THE SENATE

A committee from the Senate appeared and notified the House that the Senate was duly organized and ready to receive any communications that the House might desire to transmit.

Hutchison of Kossuth offered the following concurrent resolution:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1

Be It Resolved by the House, the Senate Concurring: That a joint convention of the two Houses of the Extraordinary Session of the Fiftieth General Assembly be held on January 26, 1944, at 11:00 a.m.

Be It Further Resolved: That Governor Hickenlooper be invited to read his message at this joint meeting of the two Houses of the General Assembly and that the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House be designated to deliver the invitation to him.

Unanimous consent having been given for the immediate consideration of the resolution, Hutchison of Kossuth moved its adoption. Motion prevailed and the concurrent resolution was adopted.

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APPOINTMENT OF CLERK

The Chief Clerk announced the appointment of Vera Bradshaw as his clerk.

APPOINTMENT OF PAGE

The Chief Clerk announced the appointment of Frank Gibson as his page.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

The following message was received from the Senate:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted the following House concurrent resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate was asked:

House Concurrent Resolution 1, pertaining to Joint Convention at 11 o'clock, January 26, 1944. W. J. SCARBOROUGH, Secretary.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RULES

Avery of Clay, chairman of the Committee on Rules, presented the following report:

The rules of the regular session of the House of Representatives of the Fiftieth General Assembly shall apply to and be in full force and effect for the Extraordinary Session of the Fiftieth General Assembly with the following exceptions:

Rules 28, 30, 40, 44, 47, 54, 56, 57, 60, 65 and 75 are to be omitted entirely.

The first paragraph of rule 45 is to be omitted.

The following portion of rule 24 is to be omitted from lines 5 and 6: ": a standing committee: a select committee"

The following special rules are to be adopted:

"Special Rule 1. No bill shall be filed in or received by the House except a bill or bills produced and filed by a committee of the whole House and/or both bills or resolutions passed by the Senate.

"Special Rule 2. The only bills that shall be considered by the House shall be a bill or bills produced and filed by a committee of the whole or passed by the Senate and the subject matter of which is confined to legislation pertaining to absent voting in 1944 by members of the armed forces of the United States of America and other qualified voters of the State of Iowa, and such other necessary bills and resolutions as may be needed to provide for the convening, organization, conduct, expense, and adjournment of this Extraordinary Session, and such bills and resolutions shall likewise be introduced only by a committee of the whole, or messaged from the Senate. A. H. AVERY, Chairman.

Mr. Avery moved the adoption of the report.

Judd of Clinton moved that Special Rule No. 2 be amended

so as to permit consideration of legislation for the cancellation of the balance of the 1943 state income tax.

Roll call was demanded.

Steinberg of Story raised the point of order that until such time as the rules for the Extraordinary Session were adopted, the House would be governed, according to statute, by Roberts Rules of Order, and that said rules provide that a roll call may be ordered only by a majority of the House.

The Speaker ruled the point of order well taken.

Nielsen of Pottawattamie moved that the House order a roll call on the adoption of the amendment. Motion lost.

Amendment to the rules lost.

Avery of Clay moved the adoption of the report of the committee on rules. Motion prevailed, and the report was adopted.

COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE SENATE

Whitehead of Dallas moved that a committee of three be appointed to notify the Senate that the House was ready to receive it in joint convention. Motion prevailed, and the Speaker appointed as such committee Whitehead of Dallas, Vanderwilt of Mahaska, and Swaner of Johnson.

The committee appointed to notify the Senate that the House was ready to receive it in joint convention reported that it had performed its duty. The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

The sergeant-at-arms announced the arrival of the President of the Senate and the honorable body of the Senate.

The President was escorted to the speaker's station; the secretary to the chief clerk's desk; and the members of the Senate took seats in the west side of the chamber.

JOINT CONVENTION

In accordance with concurrent resolution duly adopted, the joint convention was called to order, President Blue presiding.

Senator Hunt moved that roll call be dispensed with. Motion prevailed.

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Gardner of Linn moved that a committee of two, consisting of one member from the Senate and one member from the House, be appointed to notify the Governor that the convention was ready to receive him. Motion prevailed. The President appointed Senator Henningsen of Clinton on the part of the Senate and Representative Gardner of Linn on the part of the House.

The committee waited upon the Governor and escorted him to the speaker's station.

President Blue then presented Governor Bourke B. Hickenlooper who delivered the following message:

MESSAGE TO SPECIAL SESSION OF FIFTIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

MR. PRESIDENT, MR. SPEAKER,

THE HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY:

On December 28, 1943, I issued a proclamation convening your honorable body in Extraordinary Session on this date and you have convened in response thereto. The Constitution and the laws of the State of Iowa provide that there shall be a regular session of the legislature each two years beginning in January following the general election in November, but provision is made for special meetings when emergency matters of vital interest and necessity occur. Our laws further provide that when such special or emergency sessions are deemed necessary by the executive, he shall state to the legislature, when it is assembled, the purpose for which the call was issued. I do that now and state to you that the purpose for which this extraordinary or special session of the 50th General Assembly was convened by me is the necessity, in my opinion, of altering our election laws so that our citizens who are qualified voters in the armed forces of our country may be given every reasonable opportunity to vote in the primary and in the general election of 1944; and for the enactment of such necessary legislation as will accomplish this purpose and make any reasonably necessary or proper changes in our laws regarding elections as may facilitate or contribute to the accomplishment of this purpose.

Under existing law, with respect to absent voters and the casting of their ballots, there is but a twenty day period prior to any election, during which the absent voter must request an application for ballot, receive such application, return it to the county auditor, receive a ballot from the auditor, vote and return it to the auditor. Heretofore, this time has been found sufficient for ordinary use by absent voters within the territorial limits of the 48 states and is still ample within this country. Manifestly, however, with thousands of our citizens in remote parts of the world, this length of time is not sufficient for them to vote from overseas by absent voter's ballot. There is no question involved as to the right of the voter in the armed forces to vote regardless of where he may be, but the question involved is one of opportunity and time within which he may exercise this right. Any legislation touching this right should be extended to all persons in the armed forces without any attempt to differentiate between those within the United States and those in foreign lands; because, with the rapidity of movement and uncertainty of location, there is no assurance that any of such voters may remain for any length of time either within or without our territorial limits.

There has been much discussion in recent weeks concerning action by the national congress in connection with such voting. At no time in such discussion has there appeared any serious or feasible program under which the absent voter in the armed forces could be provided with any opportunity to vote for other than presidential and vice presidential electors and for members of the congress. No feasible or practical suggestion has been offered in connection with such national action that would in any way offer any opportunity for those who are defending their homes, their states as well as their nation, to register any opinion or cast any ballot with reference to the local county or state offices in their home counties and home states.

The Constitution of the United States places the power and the duty of providing for and regulating elections for national and state office primarily and in some instances exclusively with the legislatures of the respective states.

The first paragraph of section four, or article one of the Federal Constitution provides as follows:

"The times, places and manner of holding elections for senators and representatives, shall be prescribed in each state by the legislature thereof; but the Congress may at any time by law make or alter such regulations, except as to the places of choosing senators."

The first two paragraphs of section one of article two of the Federal Constitution with respect to the president and vice president and their election are as follows:

"The executive power shall be vested in a President of the United States of America. He shall hold his office during the term of four years, and, together with the vice president, chosen for the same term, be elected as follows:

"Each state shall appoint, in such manner as the legislature thereof may direct, a number of electors, equal to the whole number of senators and representatives to which the state may be entitled in the congress: but no senator or representative, or person holding an office of trust or profit under the United States, shall be appointed an elector."

These two sections of the federal constitution provide the basis for the very serious doubt that exists as to the ability or the right of the national congress to enact such legislation. By the same provisions, however, it does clearly and affirmatively appear that the responsibility and the obligation does rest upon the legislatures of the various states to provide for and protect the franchise of its citizens. It is because of this responsibility and obligation and under the existing circumstances in which our laws, adequate for normal peace-time service, are not adequate under these war-time conditions for the exercise of the franchise by members of our armed forces, especially in foreign lands, that I believe it to be the duty of the legislature to meet these responsibilities fully and promptly. May I add that, through letters and personal conversation with most of you heretofore, and especially since the date of the call for this session, I am convinced that you are unanimously of the opinion that this is a duty and an obligation to be met and performed.

With regard to the method of voting and the necessary steps to be taken I have, of course, given some thought, and I have asked the Attorney General's office do some research. Whatever help or benefit may derive therefrom is available to you, not with the idea that any conclusions reached are final but rather from the standpoint of impartial research and opinion as to certain probable requirements in legislation to accomplish this purpose generally.

Based upon this thought and research, there are several factors that should be taken into consideration in connection with any legislation that may be enacted.

The right to vote being a fundamental principle of our system, the opportunity to vote at both the primary and the general election should be preserved to the greatest reasonable extent. It certainly is fundamental, under our party system of government, that the citizen shall have a right to choose his party and have a voice in the selection of his party candidates for office as well as the right to exercise his personal opinion in voting for officeholders in the general election.

In order that absent voters in remote places can have an opportunity to receive and return their ballots, it will be necessary to lengthen the time prior to each election during which such ballots may be forwarded and received. The newspapers indicate that it is the opinion of the war and navy departments that a minimum of 45 days is required, and I recommend that this time be increased by at least ten more days. Such lengthening of time will necessitate an earlier filing date for filing nomination papers by candidates and suggests that it will be necessary that primary candidates file their required nomination papers for county offices approximately 70 days prior to the primaries and for state and national offices at approximately 80 days prior to the primaries. This should occasion no hardship under the circumstances.

Care should be exercised so that technicalities of registration of absent voters in the armed forces be eliminated as far as possible, to facilitate voting.

The request for ballot on the part of the voter in the armed forces should be simplified, and, while I believe that the voter himself should make the request for ballot in the primaries because of the necessity for declaration of party affiliation, however, in the general election, adult members of his family should also be permitted to make application in his behalf if they or he so desire.

It also seems desirable that a voting or ballot commission be established for the purposes of the elections this year, and I recommend that such commission be established. It should have adequate, proper and uncontrolled representation from each of the two major parties in the state and such commission should have discretionary authority with respect to establishing uniformity in size, weight, and other matters in connection with the ballot. It should be authorized to make reasonable adjustments and provisions in connection with the transmittal of ballots, in keeping with any future regulations of the federal government, that may be helpful in connection with such absent voting.

There are, of course, many other items to be considered, but they are, largely, incidental, necessary alterations having to do with the mechanics of the legislation rather than the principle.

I recommend that the legislation herein contemplated be of a temporary nature, so far as this extraordinary session is concerned. It may be desirable, later, to make more permanent provision with respect to future elections, but any such permanent changes should be considered maturely by a regular session of the legislature, benefiting, no doubt, from the experience gained from temporary enactments.

An extraordinary session of the General Assembly is, of necessity, an emergency session. It is hastily called because of emergency demands. As a rule, no comprehensive planning has been made for its action, other than the needs of the particular emergency justifying its call. Such a session should, therefore, be most cautious with respect to considering or enacting permanent alterations or changes in established and operating statutes.

I know that you are busy people, and that you each have a multitude of duties in your own businesses and occupations, increased many times by the war effort, shortage of help and plans for greater individual and community effort for this year. I realize fully that you had little opportunity to make plans to come here and that it is a distinct effort on the part of each of you and a serious hardship for many. However, again may I say, and I am certain you agree, the importance of providing and protecting the opportunity of voting for our armed forces is one of the fundamental obligations of our state and of our citizens. Liberty has been preserved through the protection of the ballot—it is the bulwark of self-determination and our defense against autocracy. No more potent duty is placed upon public officials than to maintain that right to its greatest extent.

Your sons, your brothers, your loved ones are today fighting the greatest battle for the survival and future of freedom that the world has ever known. Your sisters and daughters are taking their parts. We, likewise, must meet the duties of home and society in this battle of freedom.

The state of Iowa is assuming its full share of responsibility in this war effort. With over 250,000 of our citizens in the armed forces, we are well above the national average in this field of the war. Our leadership in the purchase of bonds, in the production of food, in contribution to the various services, indicates that there is a deep appreciation of our responsibilities and a willingness to discharge them fully. The state legislature is the only body that can give the members of our armed forces the full opportunity to exercise all of their major rights of

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franchise, and we, as a state, would be derelict in our duty if we did not assume and discharge this responsibility, placed upon us by the federal constitution and gladly accepted by us. Our sons and daughters are citizens of our state as well as of the United States, and any voting opportunities that limit them to voting only for national officials would be a piece-meal approach to the discharge of the obligations we owe them and but partial recognition of the rights for which they are fighting.

Our citizens have a vital interest in their county officers and county government and in their state officers and state government as well as in national offices and national government. To limit their voting opportunities to national offices only would be to assume that there are no offices and there is no government worthy of consideration other than national. I do not agree with such an assumption or such philosophy.

May I assure you of my full confidence in your judgment in connection with the enactment of proper legislation on this subject and I offer every cooperation in connection with the action of this legislature to accomplish this purpose.

Morrissey of Jasper moved the joint convention be now dissolved. Motion prevailed.

The House reconvened, Speaker Burma in the chair.

INTRODUCTION OF JOINT RESOLUTION

House Joint Resolution 1, by Martin of Appanoose, a joint resolution fixing the compensation of officers and employees of the Extraordinary Session of the Fiftieth General Assembly, and making an appropriation for the payment of the miscellaneous expenses of said session.

Read first time and passed on file.

CONSIDERATION OF JOINT RESOLUTION

Martin of Appanoose asked and obtained unanimous consent for suspension of the rules prohibiting the first and last reading of a joint resolution on the same day, and for the immediate consideration of House Joint Resolution No. 1, a joint resolution fixing the compensation of officers and employees of the Extraordinary Session of the Fiftieth General Assembly, and making an appropriation for the payment of the miscellaneous expenses of said session.

Martin of Appanoose moved that the joint resolution be read a last time now and placed upon its passage, which motion prevailed and the joint resolution was read a last time.

On the question "Shall the joint resolution pass?"

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Anderson	Gardner of Linn	Martin	Shimanek
Avery	Getscher	McFarlane	Siefkas
Baldwin	Good	Meyer	Sloane
Blatti	Hall	Miller	Steinberg
Blewett	Harp	Mills	Stinemates
Bockwoldt	Hawkins	Morrissey	Swaner
Bonn	Hedin	Nelson	Tatum
Brindle	Heffner	Newsome	Te Paske
Bryson	Hicklin	Nielsen	Troeger
Butterfield	Hoeness	Noble	Tyrrell
Carlson	Huston	Norelius	Utzig
Carver	Hutchison	Norland	Vanderwilt
Colburn	Jessen	Orebaugh	Walter of
Cooper	Johannes	Parrish	Marshall
Cowan	Johnson	Peterson	Walter of
Cox	Judd	Pieper	Pottawattamie
Datisman	Klemesrud	Poston	Wamstad
Dodds	Knippling	Prentis	Weichman
Donohue	Knowlton	Pritchard	Wellington
Doud	Knudson	Reed	Whithead
Duffield	Kruse	Ritchie	Wichman
Edwards	Kuester	Robb	Wilson of
Farmer	Lage	Robinson	Calhoun
Felton	Lane	Russell	Wilson of Monroe
Fimmen	Latchaw	Scott of Fayette	Wormley
Fishbaugh	Less	Scott of Sac	Yager
Gardner of	Long	Seemann	Mr. Speaker
Bremer	Lynch	Sharp	

The nays were, none.

Absent or not voting, 1:

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The joint resolution having received a constitutional majority was declared to have passed the House and the title was agreed to.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE

Nelson of Woodbury, from the committee on mileage, submitted the following report:

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee appointed to fix the mileage due each member begs leave to submit the following report:

Anderson, Carl A140	Butterfield, Dewey S122
Avery, A. H190	Carlson, Robert
Baldwin, C. E 78	Carver, Glenn J175
Blatti, Arthur C150	Colburn, Jay C
Blewett, H. B	Cooper, Elmer E
Bockwoldt, M. F156	Cowan, James A 82
Bonn, Walter H 80	Cox, Harry E100
Brindle, J. P 75	Datisman, B. I
Bryson, C. A 75	Dodds, Bert E155
Burk, I. J 50	Donohue, D. A160
Burma, Henry W113	Doud, Jr., A. L

Duffield, R. E 52	Nielsen, Andrew J140
Edwards, E. L	Noble, Kenneth C200
Farmer, George E120	Norelius, E. A
Felton, Harold 17	Norland, Norman
Fimmen, W. R110	Orebaugh, Sam 6
Fishbaugh, Jr., Earl C145	Parrish, Paul120
Gardner, Joe F142	Peterson, Oscar165
Gardner, John R150	Pieper, Elmer
Getscher, Edwin A175	Poston, Gene 72
Good, C. G	Prentis, X. T. 88 Pritchard, W. S. 110
Hall, J. R140	Pritchard, W. S110
Harp, Paul W 35	Reed, Wilson
Hawkins, R. B. 65	Ritchie, Fred J192
Hedin, Philip T184	Robb, George H200
Heffner, John S 72	Robinson, Glenn E200
Hicklin, M. F158	Russell, Willard F 81
Hoeness, S. G 50	Scott, E. W135
Huston, T. H	Scott, Geo. L
Hutchison, Theo. C	Seemann, Herbert G
Jessen, Peter A	Sharp, F. E
Johannes, W. J	Shimanek, C. F
Johnson, A. J	Siefkes Henry 58
Judd, William	Siefkas, Henry
Klemesrud, Theo	Steinberg, Albert
Kninnling John 910	
Knippling, John	Stinemates, George W105 Swaner, John J140
Knudson, Herman M	Tatum, William N125
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Kruse, William	Te Paske, Anthony
Kuester, G. T	Troeger, Paul
Lage, Alfred F185	Tyrrell, Jr., W. C
Lane, Carroll A100	Utzig, Arnold
Latchaw, F. A	Vanderwilt, Dick H 60
Less, Frank W200	Walter, H. W140
Long, Harvey J225	Walter, W. Eldon 70
Lynch, Mae A135	Wamstad, Brede
Martin, S. A 85	Weichman, Harry E110
McFarlane, Arch W122	Wellington, Thomas W185
Meyer, Lloyd A255	Whitehead, G. E 42
Miller, J. F110	Wichman, Henry 65
Mills, Ivan R	Wilson, A. M 65
Morrissey, Edward J 25	Wilson, Melvin
Nelson, Harold F204	Wormley, Henry W
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NELSON of Woodbury, Chairman. DONOHUE of Cedar. LYNCH of Pocahontas.

Dodds of Des Moines moved that the House adjourn until 2 p. m.

McFarlane of Black Hawk moved to amend the motion to include the provision that when the House reconvenes it resolve itself into a committee of the whole for consideration of proposed amendment to the election laws to permit absentee voting by members of the armed forces, and that Floyd Philbrick, first assistant attorney general, be requested to appear at that time for

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the purpose of explaining the necessary legislation to bring about this change.

Amendment adopted.

The motion as amended was adopted.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The House reconvened, Speaker Burma in the chair.

RECOGNITION OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICE

Reed of Jefferson called the attention of the members of the House to the fact that with the convening of the Extraordinary Session today, the Honorable Arch W. McFarlane, member of the House from Black Hawk County, had served in the General Assembly of Iowa for more sessions and for a longer period of time than any other person in the history of the state and, on behalf of the House membership, offered his felicitations and congratulations.

Mr. McFarlane responded with thanks to the membership for this recognition of his long service in the Legislature of Iowa and his appreciation for the many friends of his own county who have made it possible for him to serve the state in this capacity, as well as for the many friends throughout the state with whom he has served in the General Assembly.

Martin of Appanoose offered the following concurrent resolution:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 2

Be It Resolved by the House, the Senate Concurring: That the following named persons be selected as extra legislative help and assigned to the office of the State House Custodian, and that their compensation be the same as paid for like services in the Fiftieth General Assembly:

Nellie Griffin—Elevator operator. John A. Baker—Janitor. Tom Darby, Janitor. John A. Gordon—Janitor.

Unanimous consent having been given for the immediate consideration of the resolution, Martin of Appanoose moved its adoption. Motion prevailed and the concurrent resolution was adopted.

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STANDING COMMITTEES

The Chair announced that the standing committees of the regular session would be reappointed for the Extraordinary Session and that the newly elected members would take the places of their predecessors as members of the several committees. Where a former member of the House of Representatives of the Fiftieth General Assembly was a chairman of a committee, his place as chairman will be taken by the ranking member of such committee.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Weichman of Benton moved that the House resolve itself into a committee of the whole to consider such bills as may, under the rules, properly come before it, and that the Hon. Henry Burma act as chairman and the Chief Clerk act as secretary with such clerical assistance as he may desire. Motion prevailed.

The House resolved itself in a committee of the whole.

The House resumed regular session, Speaker Burma in the chair.

The Speaker as chairman of the committee of the whole submitted the report of that committee to the House which recommended the introduction of two bills covering the general subject matter of voting through absent ballots by the members of the armed forces.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

House File 1, by committee of the whole, a bill for an act to provide facilities for qualified electors of the State of Iowa serving in the armed forces of the United States to vote at the Primary and General Elections in the year 1944 by casting absent voter's ballots and to that end to advance the dates for filing nomination papers, affidavits of candidacy, certificates of candidacies and nominations by modifying the provisions of Sections Five Hundred Thirty-seven (537), Five Hundred Thirtynine (539), Five Hundred Forty-seven (547), Five Hundred Forty-eight (548), Six Hundred One (601) and Six Hundred Seventeen (617), Code 1939, to modify the provisions of Chapters 37.1 and 37.2, Code 1939, as to time of filing nominations and candidacies, objections, withdrawals, making certifications which are provided for in Sections Six Hundred Fifty-five and Four-hundredths (655.04), Six Hundred Fifty-five and Ninehundredths (655.09), and Six Hundred Fifty-five and Fourteen hundredths (655.14), Code 1939, to modify the provisions as to registration and absent voting insofar as it shall apply to voters in the armed forces of the United States by making Sections Nine Hundred Twenty-eight (928), Nine Hundred Thirty (930), and Nine Hundred Thirty-one (931), Code 1939, inapplicable to such voting and providing the method of obtaining ballots and authorizing specially printed War Ballots; creating and prescribing the duties and powers of the Iowa War Ballot Commission; providing for obtaining and distributing by the State Printing Board of specially required materials, and making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of this act.

Read first time and passed on file.

House File 2, by committee of the whole, a bill for an act to amend Section Nine hundred thirty-nine (939), Code, 1939, relating to the form of the affidavit for the envelope for the absent voter's ballot.

Read first time and passed on file.

Hutchison of Kossuth asked and obtained unanimous consent to extend an invitation to Sergeant Koons, first Iowan to fire a shot on foreign soil, to talk briefly to the House on Thursday morning.

On the motion of Wormley of Plymouth the House adjourned until 10:00 a. m. Thursday.

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HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, DES MOINES, IOWA, JANUARY 27, 1944.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, Speaker Burma in the chair.

Prayer was offered by Dr. Louis Watson, pastor of Broadway Methodist church, Council Bluffs, Iowa.

Journal of January 26 corrected and approved.

Pritchard of Hancock presented Robert Denny of Garner, veteran of Guadalcanal.

Hutchison of Kossuth presented First Sergeant Koons, Swea City, of the Rangers, U. S. Army, who talked briefly to the House.

Hutchison of Kossuth presented Dorothy Koons and June Anderson, sister and fiancee, respectively, of Sergeant Koons.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following messages were received from the Senate:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has passed the following joint resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate was asked:

House Joint Resolution 1, fixing the compensation of officers and employees of the Extraordinary Session of the Fiftieth General Assembly, and making an appropriation for the payment of the miscellaneous expenses of said session.

Also: That the Senate has concurred in the following concurrent resolution in which the concurrence of the Senate was asked:

House Concurrent Resolution 2, relative to persons selected as extra legislative help.

Also: That the Senate has adopted the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of the Fiftieth General Assembly as the Joint Rules of the Senate and House for the Extraordinary Session of the Fiftieth General Assembly. W. J. SCARBOROUGH, Secretary.

ADOPTION OF JOINT RULES

Avery of Clay moved that the House adopt the joint rules of the Fiftieth General Assembly as the joint rules for the Extraordinary Session of the Fiftieth General Assembly.

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE FILE 1 DEFERRED

Latchaw of Muscatine moved that action on House File 1 be deferred until 1:00 p. m. today. Motion prevailed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE ADOPTED

Nelson of Woodbury moved that the report of the committee on mileage be adopted. Motion prevailed, and the report was adopted.

Fimmen of Davis presented Captain Paul Brown of Bloomfield, veteran of fifteen months' service as a member of Clark's army.

On motion of Steinberg of Story, the House recessed until 1:00 p. m. today.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The House reconvened, Speaker Burma in the chair.

REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS

Edwards of Union, from the joint committee on enrolled bills, submitted the following report, and moved its adoption:

MR. SPEAKER: Your joint committee on enrolled bills respectfully reports that it has examined and finds correctly enrolled: House Joint Resolution 1.

> E. L. EDWARDS, Chairman House Committee. ROBERT C. REILLY, Chairman Senate Committee.

Report adopted.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker of the House announced that, as Speaker of the House, he had signed in the presence of the House, the following bill: House Joint Resolution 1.

BILLS SENT TO THE GOVERNOR

Edwards of Union, from the committee on enrolled bills submitted the following report:

MR. SPEAKER: Your committee on enrolled bills respectfully reports that it has, on this 27th day of January, 1944, sent to the governor for his approval: House Joint Resolution 1. E. L. EDWARDS, Chairman.

Report adopted.

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Hutchison of Kossuth presented Honorable Harold B. Claypool, Williamsburg, Iowa County, former member of the House.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

House File 1, a bill for an act to provide facilities for qualified electors of the State of Iowa serving in the armed forces of the United States to vote at the Primary and General Elections in the year 1944 by casting absent voter's ballots and to that end to advance the dates for filing nomination papers, affidavits of candidacy, certificates of candidacies and nominations by modifying the provisions of Sections Five Hundred Thirty-seven (537), Five Hundred Thirty-nine (539), Five Hundred Forty-seven (547), Five Hundred Forty-eight (548), Six Hundred One (601) and Six Hundred Seventeen (617), Code 1939, to modify the provisions of Chapters 37.1 and 37.2, Code 1939, as to time of filing nominations and candidacies, objections, withdrawals, making certifications which are provided for in Sections Six Hundred Fifty-five and Four-hundredths (655.04), Six Hundred Fifty-five and Nine-hundredths (655.09), and Six Hundred Fifty-five and Fourteen hundredths (655.14), Code 1939, to modify the provisions as to registration and absent voting insofar as it shall apply to voters in the armed forces of the United States by making Sections Nine Hundred Twenty-eight (928), Nine Hundred Thirty (930), and Nine Hundred Thirty-one (931), Code 1939, inapplicable to such voting, and providing the method of obtaining ballots and authorizing specially printed War Ballots; creating and prescribing the duties and powers of the Iowa War Ballot Commission; providing for obtaining and distributing by the State Printing Board of specially required materials, and making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of this act, was taken up for consideration.

Latchaw of Muscatine, Knowlton of Winneshiek, and Nelson of Woodbury offered the following amendments:

Amend House File 1 as follows:

1. Amend sections 1, 14, 15, 17, 18, 21, 24, and 26 by inserting after the phrase "in the armed forces of the United States" wherever said phrase appears in said sections the following: "or engaged abroad in any form of war work".

2. Amend section 16 as follows:

(a) Line 4, by inserting after the word "United States" the following: "or person engaged abroad in any form of war work".

(b) Line 8, by striking the following: "In the case of the General

Election" and by beginning the following word "such" with a capital letter.

(c) Line 11, by inserting after the word "United States" the following: "or engaged abroad in any form of war work".

(d) Line 25, by inserting after the word "voter" the following: "or by any such above-designated person for him".

(e) Line 43, by inserting after the word "voter" the following: "or by any such designated person for him".

3. Amend section 17 by striking all of said section following the word "election" in line 17 thereof and insert in lieu thereof the following: ", then and in that event the first state ballot received shall be the one which the county auditor shall deliver to the judges of election, and any other ballot or ballots received from or purporting to be from said elector shall be retained by the county auditor in his office and preserved for the period and under the conditions provided for in sections eight hundred fifty-one (851) to eight hundred fifty-four (854), inclusive, Code, 1939."

4. Amend section 18, line 3, by inserting after the word "United States" the following: "or who are engaged abroad in any form of war work."

5. Amend section 24 by inserting after the phrase "not members of the armed forces of the United States" in line 7 the following: "or not engaged abroad in any form of war work".

Latchaw of Muscatine moved the adoption of amendment No. 1.

Roll call was demanded.

McFarlane of Black Hawk raised the point of order that under the rules of the House for the 50th General Assembly Extraordinary Session a roll call could be demanded only by a majority vote of the members.

The Speaker ruled the point of order well taken.

McFarlane of Black Hawk asked and obtained unanimous consent for the suspension of the rules in order that a roll call might be taken on the amendment.

On the question "Shall amendment No. 1 be adopted?"

The ayes were, 32:

Blatti	Knowlton	Nelson	Te Paske
Cowan	Lage	Newsome	Troeger
Cox	Latchaw	Norland	Utzig
Good	Less	Orebaugh	Vanderwilt
Hedin	Long	Poston	Walter of
Hoeness	Lynch	Sharp	Marshall
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Edwards	Knudson		
Absent or not	voting, 4:		
Burk	Parrish	Scott of Fayette	Wilson of

The nays were, 72:

Amendment No. 1 lost.

Latchaw of Muscatine asked and obtained unanimous consent to withdraw paragraphs (a) and (c) of amendment 2, also amendments 4 and 5.

Nelson of Woodbury moved the adoption of paragraphs (b), (d), and (e) of amendment 2.

Amendments lost.

Nelson of Woodbury asked and obtained unanimous consent to withdraw amendment 3 and substitute therefor the following amendment offered by Knudson of Cerro Gordo:

Amend House File 1 by striking out all of section seventeen (17) following the comma after the words "particular election" in line seventeen (17) and substituting in lieu thereof the following: "all of said ballots so received shall be delivered to the judges of election who shall count only that state ballot as is contemplated by this act bearing the earliest date as shown by the date of the signing of the voter's affidavit on the ballot envelope, except that the failure to receive a state ballot shall not preclude the counting of any other qualified ballot. All such other ballots received from or purporting to be received from any one voter, but not counted, shall be returned to the county auditor who shall retain them in his office and preserve them for the period and under the conditions provided for in sections eight hundred fifty-one (851) to eight hundred fifty-four (854), inclusive, Code, 1939."

Prentis of Ringgold moved to amend by striking the remainder of the sentence after the word "envelope" in line 9.

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Amendment to the amendment lost.

Knudson of Cerro Gordo moved the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment lost.

Colburn of Shelby presented Olaf Johnson of Harlan.

Jessen of Audubon presented his son, Fred, of the U. S. Military academy.

Wormley of Plymouth offered the following amendment:

Amend House File 1 by inserting after the word "officer" in line seven (7) of section nineteen (19) the words "or person"; and further insert after the word "service" in line eight (8) of section nineteen (19) the words "or other legal qualifications".

Amendment adopted.

Wormley of Plymouth offered the following amendment:

Amend House File 1 by adding to section twenty-seven (27) the following: "Likewise, the provision or provisions of any other existing statute or any part of any other existing statutes which is not inconsistent with this act shall prevail."

Amendment adopted.

Hutchison of Kossuth moved that the House adjourn until 10:00 a. m. Friday.

Motion lost.

Orebaugh of Polk offered the following amendment:

Amend House File 1 by adding thereto the following as Section One (1), and by renumbering Section One (1) and succeeding sections as they now appear, in consecutive order:

"Notwithstanding the provisions of section five hundred thirty-three (533), Code, 1939, as to time of holding primary elections, in the year 1944 the primary election shall be held on Monday, July 10."

Lane of Carroll moved the previous question. Motion prevailed.

Orebaugh of Polk moved the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment lost.

Walter of Marshall moved that the House adjourn. Motion lost.

Orebaugh of Polk offered the following amendment:

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Amend House File 1 by adding thereto a new section to provide as follows:

"Notwithstanding the provisions of section five hundred sixty (560), Code, 1939, the compensation of clerks and judges for the primary and general elections of 1944 shall be fifty cents (50c) per hour."

Amendment lost.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following messages were received from the Senate:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has passed the following bill in which the concurrence of the House is asked:

Senate File 1, a bill for an act to provide facilities for qualified electors of the State of Iowa serving in the armed forces of the United States to vote in the Primary and General Elections in the year 1944 by casting absent voter ballots.

Also: That the Senate has passed the following bill in which the concurrence of the House is asked:

Senate File 2, a bill for an act relating to the form of affidavit for envelopes for absent voter ballots. W. J. SCARBOROUGH, Secretary.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

The House resumed consideration of House File 1.

Whitehead of Dallas offered the following amendment:

Amend House File 1 by adding at the end of paragraph two (2) of section twenty-one (21) in line eighteen (18) of said section the following: "and provided further that the provisions of section seven hundred seventy-four (774), Code, 1939, establishing the maximum cost of printing ballots, shall not govern as to the cost of any specially printed ballots authorized by this act, but the cost of printing any such specially printed ballots by the several counties shall not exceed an amount, per thousand such ballots or fraction thereof, which may be determined by the State Printing Board upon the basis of cost and weight of paper, size of ballots and type measurements;".

Amendment adopted.

Steinberg of Story offered the following amendments:

Amend House File 1 as follows:

(1) By adding immediately following section 17 the following as section 18:

"Notwithstanding the provision as to time found in section nine hundred thirty-seven (937), Code, 1939, in the year 1944, any qualified voter in the armed forces of the United States may personally appear in the office of the county auditor of the county of his residence and there vote an absent voter's ballot at any time not earlier than fifty-five (55) days before the primary or general election, as the case may be."

(2) Further amend by renumbering the succeeding sections.

Amendments adopted.

SENATE MESSAGES CONSIDERED

Senate File 1, a bill for an act to provide facilities for qualified electors of the State of Iowa serving in the armed forces of the United States to vote at the Primary and General Elections in the year 1944 by casting absent voter's ballots and to that end to advance the dates for filing nomination papers, affidavits of candidacy, certificates of candidacies and nominations by modifying the provisions of Sections Five Hundred Thirty-seven (537), Five Hundred Thirty-nine (539), Five Hundred Forty-seven (547), Five Hundred Forty-eight (548), Six Hundred One (601) and Six Hundred Seventeen (617), Code 1939, to modify the provisions of Chapters 37.1 and 37.2, Code 1939, as to time of filing nominations and candidacies, objections, withdrawals, making certifications which are provided for in Sections Six Hundred Fifty-five and Four-hundredths (655.04), Six Hundred Fifty-five and Ninehundredths (655.09), and Six Hundred Fifty-five and Fourteen hundredths (655.14), Code 1939, also amending Section Seven Hundred Seventy-four (774), Code 1939, relating to cost of printing absent voters ballots; also amending Section Nine Hundred Thirty-seven (937), Code 1939, relating to time when qualified voters in the armed forces may vote personally, to modify the provisions as to registration and absent voting insofar as it shall apply to voters in the armed forces of the United States by making Sections Nine Hundred Twenty-eight (928), Nine Hundred Thirty (930), and Nine Hundred Thirty-one (931), Code 1939, inapplicable to such voting, and providing the method of obtaining ballots and authorizing specially printed War Ballots; creating and prescribing the duties and powers of the Iowa War Ballot Commission; providing for obtaining and distributing by the State Printing Board of specially required materials, and making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of this act.

Read first time and passed on file.

Senate File 2, a bill for an act to amend Section Nine Hundred Thirty-nine (939), Code 1939, relating to the form of the affidavit for the envelope for the absent voter's ballot.

Read first time and passed on file.

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CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

The House resumed consideration of House File 1.

Steinberg of Story moved that Senate File 1 be substituted for House File 1, exempting amendments already adopted.

Motion prevailed.

Steinberg of Story moved that Senate File 2 be substituted for House File 2.

Motion prevailed.

Wormley of Plymouth presented Honorable Raphael R. R. Dvorak of Toledo, former Representative from Tama county.

On motion of Dodds of Des Moines the House adjourned until 10:00 a. m. Friday.

MOTION FILED

The following motion was filed:

Whereas, Section 5008.26 of the 1939 Code of Iowa provides that unregistered motor vehicles in storage during a preceding registration year shall be taxed as personal property, and such tax in most instances is far in excess of the normal registration fee for such motor vehicle, and

Whereas, other personal property of many members of the military forces of the United States are the owners of motor vehicles and other personal property now in storage or not in use which is subject to a personal property tax,

Now, Therefore, I move that the rules be suspended for the purpose of permitting the introduction of a bill to this House exempting members of the military forces of the United States of America from the personal property tax on motor vehicles and other personal property in storage or not in use during the present war emergency.

> NORMAN NORLAND. HENRY SIEFKAS. GLENN J. CARVER. MELVIN WILSON. J. F. MILLER. WILLARD RUSSELL. H. F. NELSON. JOHN KNIPPLING. CARROLL A. LANE. TED SLOANE.

SAM OREBAUGH. LLOYD A. MEYER. HARVEY J. LONG. A. J. NIELSEN. A. M. WILSON. WILLIAM N. JUDD. HARRY COX. ARNOLD UTZIG. FRANK W. LESS

AMENDMENTS FILED

Knowlton of Winneshiek filed the following amendment to Senate File 1:

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Amend section 16, line 42, by striking the period following the word "honored" and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "; provided that a request which states the age and the city or town, including street address, if any, or township, and county wherein the voter resides, and which shows a sufficient period of residence, shall be sufficient to show that he is such a qualified voter."

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE

HALL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, DES MOINES, IOWA, JANUARY 28, 1944.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, Speaker Burma in the chair.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. Paul Hicks, pastor of Methodist church, Harlan, Iowa.

Journal of January 27 corrected and approved.

Wamstad of Mitchell presented Honorable Carolyn C. Pendray, former Senator and Representative from Jackson county.

Sloane of Polk introduced 18 members from the civics and government class of the Mitchellville schools, together with their teacher, Keith Van Horn.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS

Steinberg of Story asked and obtained unanimous consent to take up Senate File 2 prior to consideration of Senate File 1.

Senate File 2, a bill for an act to amend Section Nine Hundred Thirty-nine (939), Code 1939, relating to the form of the affidavit for the envelope for the absent voter's ballot, was taken up for consideration.

Steinberg of Story moved that the bill be read a last time now and placed upon its passage, which motion prevailed and the bill was read a last time.

On the question "Shall the bill pass?"

The ayes were, 99:

Anderson	Cowan	Gardner of	Johnson
Avery	Cox	Bremer	Judd
Baldwin	Datisman	Gardner of Linn	Klemesrud
Blatti	Dodds	Good	Knippling
Blewett	Donohue	Harp	Knowlton
Bockwoldt	Doud	Hawkins	Knudson
Bonn	Duffield	Hedin	Kruse
Brindle	Edwards	Heffner	Kuester
Burk	Farmer	Hoeness	Lage
Butterfield	Felton	Huston	Lane
Carlson	Fimmen	Hutchison	Less
Carver	Fishbaugh	Jessen	Long
Cooper		Johannes	Lynch

Martin	Peterson	Sharp	Walter of
McFarlane	Pieper	Shimanek	Pottawattamie
Meyer	Poston	Siefkas	Wamstad
Miller	Prentis	Sloane	Weichman
Mills	Pritchard	Steinberg	Wellington
Morrissey	Reed	Stinemates	Whitehead
Newsome	Ritchie	Tatum	Wichman
Nielsen	Robb	Te Paske	Wilson of
Noble	Robinson	Troeger	Calhoun
Norelius	Russell	Utzig	Wilson of Monroe
Norland	Scott of Fayette	Vanderwilt	Wormley
Orebaugh	Scott of Sac	Walter of	Yager
Parrish	Seemann	Marshall	Mr. Speaker

The nays were, none.

Absent or not voting, 9:

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Bryson Colburn Getscher	Hall Hicklin	Latchaw Nelson	Swaner Tyrrell

The bill having received a constitutional majority was declared to have passed the House and the title was agreed to.

Senate File 1, a bill for an act to provide facilities for qualified electors of the State of Iowa serving in the armed forces of the United States to vote at the Primary and General Elections in the year 1944 by casting absent voter's ballots and to that end to advance the dates for filing nomination papers, affidavits of candidacy, certificates of candidacies and nominations by modifying the provisions of Sections Five Hundred Thirty-seven (537), Five Hundred Thirty-nine (539), Five Hundred Forty-seven (547), Five Hundred Forty-eight (548), Six Hundred One (601) and Six Hundred Seventeen (617), Code 1939, to modify the provisions of Chapters 37.1 and 37.2, Code 1939, as to time of filing nominations and candidacies, objections, withdrawals, making certifications which are provided for in Sections Six Hundred Fifty-five and Four-hundredths (655.04), Six Hundred Fiftyfive and Nine-hundredths (655.09), and Six Hundred Fifty-five and Fourteen-hundredths (655.14), Code 1939, also amending Section Seven Hundred Seventy-four (774), Code 1939, relating to cost of printing absent voters ballots; also amending Section Nine Hundred Thirty-seven (937), Code 1939, relating to time when qualified voters in the armed forces may vote personally; to modify the provisions as to registration and absent voting insofar as it shall apply to voters in the armed forces of the United States by making Sections Nine Hundred Twenty-eight (928), Nine Hundred Thirty (930), and Nine Hundred Thirty-one (931), Code 1939, inapplicable to such voting, and providing the method of obtaining ballots and authorizing specially printed War Ballots; creating and prescribing the duties and powers of the Iowa War Ballot Commission; providing for obtaining and distributing by the State Printing Board of specially required materials, and making appropriations for carrying out the provisions of this act, was taken up for consideration.

Wormley of Plymouth offered the following amendments:

Amend section 20, line 7, by inserting after the word "officer" the words "or person".

Further amend section 20, line 8, by inserting after the word "service" the words "or other legal qualifications".

Amend section 28 by adding thereto the following:

"Likewise, the provision or provisions of any other existing statute or any part of any other existing statute, which is not inconsistent with this act, shall prevail."

Amendments adopted.

Whitehead of Dallas offered the following amendment:

Amend Senate File 1, section 22, line 18, by inserting after the semicolon following the word "state" the following: "and provided further that".

Amendment adopted.

Knowlton of Winneshiek called up the amendment filed by him and found on pages 26 and 27 of the Journal of January 27th, and moved its adoption.

Amendment adopted.

Carlson of Woodbury offered the following amendment:

Amend section 29 by striking from line 4 the words "Plain Talk" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Perry Daily Chief", and by striking from line 5 the word "Des Moines" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "Perry".

Amendment adopted.

Fishbaugh of Page in the chair.

Steinberg of Story moved that the bill be read a last time now and placed upon its passage, which motion prevailed and the bill was read a last time.

On the question "Shall the bill pass?"

Anderson Avery	Gardner of Bremer	Lynch Martin	Sharp Shimanek
Baldwin	Gardner of Linn		Siefkas
Blatti	Getscher	Meyer	Sloane
Blewett	Good	Miller	Steinberg
Bockwoldt	Hall	Mills	Stinemates
Bonn	Harp	Morrissey	Swaner
Brindle	Hedin	Nelson	Tatum
Bryson	Heffner	Newsome	Te Paske
Burk	Hicklin	Nielsen	Troeger
Butterfield	Hoeness	Noble	Tyrrell
Carlson	Huston	Norelius	Utzig
· Carver	Hutchison	Norland	Vanderwilt
Colburn	Jessen	Orebaugh	Walter of
Cooper	Johannes	Parrish	Marshall
Cowan	Johnson	Peterson	Walter of
Cox	Judd	Pieper	Pottawattamie
Datisman	Klemesrud	Poston '	Wamstad
Dodds	Knippling	Prentis	Weichman
Donohue	Knowlton	Pritchard	Wellington
Doud	Knudson	Reed	Whitehead
Duffield	Kruse	Ritchie	Wichman
Edwards	Kuester	Robb	Wilson of
Farmer	Lage	Robinson	Calhoun
Felton	Lane	Russell	Wilson of Monroe
Fimmen	Latchaw	Scott of Fayette	Wormley
Fishbaugh	Less	Scott of Sac	Yager
	Long	Seemann	Mr. Speaker

The ayes were, 107:

The nays were, none.

Absent or not voting, 1:

Hawkins

The bill having received a constitutional majority was declared to have passed the House and the title was agreed to.

Reed of Jefferson moved that the vote by which Senate File 1 passed the House be reconsidered and that the vote to reconsider be laid on the table. Motion prevailed.

Speaker Burma in the chair.

MOTION TO SUSPEND RULES

Orebaugh of Polk called up the motion filed on January 27th and found on page 26 of the Journal, and moved its adoption.

Motion lost.

The House recessed until the fall of the gavel.

The House reconvened, Avery of Clay in the chair.

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MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The following messages were received from the Senate:

MR. SPEAKER: I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has concurred in House amendments to Senate File 1.

Also: That the Senate has adopted the following Concurrent Resolution in which the concurrence of the House is asked:

Senate Concurrent Resolution 1 relative to adjournment sine die at 4 o'clock p. m., Friday, January 28, 1944.

Also: That the Senate has adopted the following Concurrent Resolution in which the concurrence of the House is asked:

Senate Concurrent Resolution 2 providing for the printing of the House and Senate Journals of the Fiftieth General Assembly in Extraordinary Session in the Journals of the Fifty-first General Assembly.

W. J. SCARBOROUGH, Secretary.

SENATE MESSAGES CONSIDERED

Steinberg of Story called up Senate Concurrent Resolution 1 and asked and obtained unanimous consent for its immediate consideration.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 1

Be It Resolved by the Senate, the House Concurring: That the Fiftieth General Assembly in Extraordinary Session adjourn sine die at four o'clock p. m., Friday, January 28, 1944.

Steinberg of Story moved that the resolution be adopted. Motion prevailed and Senate Concurrent Resolution 1 was adopted.

Steinberg of Story called up Senate Concurrent Resolution 2 and asked and obtained unanimous consent for its immediate consideration.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 2

Be It Resolved by the Senate, the House Concurring: That the Journals of the House and of the Senate for the Fiftieth General Assembly in Extraordinary Session be included in the Senate and House Journals of the Fifty-first General Assembly of Iowa.

Steinberg of Story moved that the resolution be adopted. Motion prevailed and Senate Concurrent Resolution 2 was adopted.

Walter of Marshall asked and obtained unanimous consent for the printing in the Journal of the following report on the illumination of the House and Senate chambers:

Des Moines, Iowa January 28, 1944.

MEMBERS OF THE FIFTIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF IOWA IN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION: GENTLEMEN:

In response to a request by the Honorable W. Eldon Walter of Marshall county and Mr. Speaker, the undersigned, in collaboration with Miss Louise A. Weston, Illumination Counselor, has made a survey of the lighting conditions in the House Chamber and is pleased to present the accompanying report.

> Yours respectfully, SHELDON GLADSTONE.

REPORT TO HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ON ILLUMINATION OF HOUSE CHAMBER by W. Sheldon Gladstone, Optometrist Louise A. Weston, Illumination Counselor

On the evening of January 27th, after sundown, with shades and drapes drawn and with all electric lights on, the illumination on each desk top in the House Chamber was carefully measured in foot candles by use of accurate professional instruments.

The lowest illumination was found to be 2 foot candles on desks Nos. 50, 60, 61, 62, and 64. The highest illumination was found to be 6 foot candles on desks Nos. 2, 4, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38 and 46. The average desk top illumination was found to be 4.1 foot candles, which is only one third of the present average illumination in the Senate.

It is the opinion of those making this survey, that in the House Chamber, the illumination, both general and specific, is wholly inadequate in every respect. The specific illumination at the desk top would be tolerable at 15 foot candles. Twenty foot candles are recommended as adequate and desirable.

The ultimate goal should be a complete revision of the electric lighting facilities and installation of Venetian blinds at the east and west windows.

In view of the fact that almost all electric fixtures are out of manufacture for the duration and because of the rumored improvements in the fluorescent field, which will be made available after the war, it would seem inadvisable to undertake any extensive remodeling of illumination facilities at the present time. When the time comes, the five candelabras can be re-designed, using newly developed light sources, without losing any of their present intrinsic beauty. The balance of the illumination facilities can be stepped up or augmented by additional lighting units.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMMEDIATE RELIEF

Due to lightness of weight, wood slat Venetian blinds, for the large windows in public buildings, are still to be recommended over the steel slat varieties. The manufacture of wood slat Venetian blinds is still permitted under ceiling price regulations. In view of these facts, there is apparently nothing to be lost by installing the Venetian blinds as soon as funds can be appropriated. This seems especially true since the drapes now at the windows are all but worn out.

The Venetian blinds should be finished in a dark color, harmonious with the general architecture of the Chamber and installed in line with the inner edges of the casements to allow room for the windows to be opened behind them for ventilation. Adjustment of the angle of the slats in the blinds will divert the natural daylight to the ceiling, from where it will be reflected to the floor. This action will properly diffuse the light and improve the general illumination by at least 100% during daylight hours. The specific illumination on the desk tops should be improved by an average 5 foot candles during daylight hours of medium brightness. On days when the sun is shining, the increase in desk top illumination would be more than adequate. This blending of natural and artificial light is highly desirable.

The Venetian blinds could be securely anchored at the bottom so that they could be manipulated easily and would not vibrate if the windows were open allowing air currents to pass through.

The wattage of the incandescent lamps in all sockets in the Chamber should be increased materially—doubled if the wiring circuits will permit. If no increase in wattage is possible with the present circuits, then additional circuits should be installed wherever practicable. It would seem that the addition of one or two new circuits in each of the five candelabra would be reasonably simple. The addition of these new circuits alone should increase the desk top illumination by 3 or 4 foot candles in most parts of the Chamber.

One estimate on the cost of Venetian blinds was obtained for informative purposes. This estimate was 50c per square foot of window area or about \$75 per window, plus the cost of installation, which would not be over \$10 per window.

The cost of installing new lighting circuits, to permit an increase in wattage would depend upon the distance from the House ceiling to the trunk lines and the difficulties encountered en route. In no event, should this electrical work cost as much as the Venetian blinds. Even if the cost was equal, the total cost of these recommendations would be less than \$2,000, which does not seem unreasonable in view of the average daily attendance of about 300 people during a regular session.

Respectfully submitted,

W. SHELDON GLADSTONE, Optometrist. LOUISE A. WESTON, Illumination Counselor.

REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE SENATE ON THE ILLUMINATION IN THE SENATE CHAMBER

by

W. Sheldon Gladstone, Optometrist Louise A. Weston, Illumination Counselor

On the evening of January 27th, after sundown and with shades and drapes drawn and all electric lights on, the desk top illumination of each desk in the Senate Chamber was carefully measured in foot candles by use of accurate professional instruments. The lowest illumination was found to be 8 foot candles on desks Nos. 41 and 42.

The highest illumination was found to be 18 foot candles on desks Nos. 1, 2, 19, 20, 21.

The average desk top illumination was found to be 14.4 foot candles. It is the opinion of those making this survey that the general and specific illumination in the Senate Chamber could be improved upon.

In view of the fact that almost all electric fixtures are out of manufacture for the duration and since the electric illumination facilities in the Senate Chamber are at least tolerable, it would seem inadvisable to undertake any extensive remodeling of the equipment at this time. At the proper time, the five candelabras can be re-designed, using newly developed light sources, without losing any of their present intrinsic beauty. The balance of the illumination facilities can be stepped up or augmented by additional lighting units.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMMEDIATE RELIEF

The principal recommendation for the Senate Chamber is the installation of Venetian blinds. Due to lightness of weight, wood slat Venetian blinds in the large windows of public buildings are still to be recommended over the steel slat varieties. The manufacture of wood slat Venetian blinds is still permitted under ceiling price regulations. In view of these facts, there apparently is nothing to be lost by installing the Venetian blinds as soon as funds can be appropriated. This seems especially true since the drapes at the windows, are in bad repair. Whether or not Venetian blinds are installed in the House Chamber, would, of course, influence decision in this matter.

The Venetian blinds should be finished in a color harmonious with the general architecture of the Chamber, and installed in line with the inner edges of the casements to allow room for the windows to be opened behind them for ventilation. Adjustment of the angle of the slats in the blinds will divert the natural daylight to the ceiling, from where it will be reflected to the floor. This action will properly diffuse the light and improve the general illumination by at least 50% during daylight hours. The specific illumination on the desk tops should be improved by an average of 5 foot candles during daylight hours of medium brightness. On days when the sun is shining, the increase in desk top illumination would be more than adequate. This blending of natural and artificial light is highly desirable.

The Venetian blinds could be securely anchored at the bottom so that they could be manipulated easily and would not vibrate if the windows were open allowing air currents to pass through.

One estimate on the cost of Venetian blinds was obtained for informative purposes. This estimate was 50c per square foot of window area or about \$75 per window, plus the cost of installation, which should not be over \$10 per window.

The wattage of the incandescent lamps used in the ceiling molding should be materially increased if the wiring circuits will permit an increase in the load. Only the cost of the lamps would be involved in changing present electric lighting.

Respectfully submitted,

W. SHELDON GLADSTONE, Optometrist. LOUISE A. WESTON, Illumination Counselor.

REPRESENTATIVE FISHBAUGH CLAIMS NO COMPENSATION

Fishbaugh of Page, as a member of the armed forces of the United States of America, returned to the chief clerk the state warrant issued to him as a member of the General Assembly, covering the mileage to which he is entitled under the laws of the state of Iowa, with the instructions that the same be returned to the state comptroller for cancellation. He further instructed the chief clerk to record the fact that he made no claim and would accept no compensation as member of the House of Representatives for his services in the Extraordinary Session of the Fiftieth General Assembly.

PETITIONS AND REMONSTRANCES

Doud of Van Buren presented a resolution adopted by the Van Buren Post of the American Legion, favoring the freezing of any surplus in the state treasury for the purpose of assisting veterans of World War II in the post-war period.

Passed on file.

Gardner of Linn moved that the House recess until 3:00 p.m. Motion prevailed.

The House reconvened, Speaker Burma in the chair.

REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS

Edwards of Union, from the joint committee on enrolled bills, submitted the following report and moved its adoption:

MR. SPEAKER: Your joint committee on enrolled bills respectfully reports that it has examined and finds correctly enrolled: Senate Files 1 and 2.

> E. L. EDWARDS, Chairman House Committee. ROBERT C. REILLY, Chairman Senate Committee.

Report adopted.

BILLS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker of the House announced that, as Speaker of the House, he had signed in the presence of the House, the following bills: Senate Files 1 and 2.

COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE SENATE

Steinberg of Story moved that a committee be appointed to notify the Senate that the House was ready to adjourn sine die. Motion prevailed and the Speaker appointed as such committee the following: Klemesrud of Winnebago, Brindle of Grundy, and Miller of Humboldt.

COMMITTEE TO NOTIFY THE GOVERNOR

Whitehead of Dallas moved that a committee be appointed to notify the Governor that the House was ready to adjourn sine die. Motion prevailed and the Speaker appointed as members of such committee the following: Jessen of Audubon, Kruse of Floyd, and Johnson of Monona.

The committee from the Senate appeared and notified the House that the Senate was ready to adjourn sine die.

The committee appointed to notify the Senate returned and reported it had performed its duties. The report was received and the committee was discharged.

The committee appointed to notify the governor that the House was ready to adjourn sine die reported that it had performed its duty and that the governor requested the committee to deliver the following communication to the House:

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR

January 28, 1944.

HONORABLE HENRY W. BURMA, Speaker of the House, and HONORABLE MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

You have just completed a most important and vital legislative session with dispatch and statesmanship.

No more fundamental issue can possibly concern any public official . than the preservation and the integrity of the right to a full ballot, and you have met the responsibility to the members of the armed forces in this respect amply.

Again may I state to you my sentiments with regard to the ballot for those in service as contained in my message at the beginning of this session, as follows: "Our citizens have a vital interest in their county officers and county government and in their state officers and state government as well as in national offices and national government. To limit their voting opportunities to national offices only would be to assume there are no offices and there is no government worthy of consideration other than national. I do not agree with such an assumption or such philosophy."

You have enlarged the opportunity for absent voting to the members of our armed forces to include state and county candidates as well as national candidates. I am certain that our service men and women will appreciate the fact that you have not attempted to limit them in their voting to national offices only.

I thank you for your splendid cooperation and for your unanimous approval and enactment of this legislation. May good fortune attend you as you leave for your respective homes.

Yours very truly,

B. B. HICKENLOOPER, Governor.

The report was received and the committee was discharged.

By virtue of concurrent resolution duly adopted, and the hour of four o'clock p. m. having arrived, the Speaker of the House declared the House of Representatives of the Fiftieth General Assembly in Extraordinary Session adjourned sine die.

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