

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Wednesday, February 1, 2017.

Met according to adjournment at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Prayer.

Prayer was offered by Father Rick Walsh of the Paulist Center of Boston, Chaplain of the House, as follows:

God of Wisdom and Strength, Whose grace enables us to be a people of hope no matter what circumstances may be upon us, grant Your Holy Wisdom to rest upon the membership of our House. May the meetings that take place this week in various committee rooms and hearing rooms succeed in fostering a spirit of co-operation and mindfulness. Prayer.

Today we gratefully acknowledge the birth anniversaries of two men from central and western Massachusetts who shared a connection with an important institution in Worcester.

On this day in 1815 Jonas Gilman Clark was born in Hubbardston of Worcester County. Achieving success in furniture manufacturing, in 1889 he founded his namesake Clark University in Worcester.

To lead the school he picked the man who shares his birthday of the first of February, Granville Stanley Hall.

Born in Ashfield of Franklin County in 1844, G. Stanley Hall is called the "Father of psychology in America".

At Harvard University, Hall became the first American to earn a Ph.D. in the then-brand new field of psychology.

Teaching at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore, Dr. Hall founded the American Psychological Association and the American Journal of Psychology. He went on to become the first president of Clark University; a position he held for 30 years. He organized a conference at Clark in 1909 that brought together 175 of the world's leading psychologists including Sigmund Freud and Carl Jung. Freud gave his only American lecture at that time.

Clark University continues to be a recognized as a prominent educational institution valued for its research and entrepreneurial spirit.

May God continue to bless our Commonwealth.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag. Pledge of allegiance.

Order.

An Order (filed this day by Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop) relative to the adoption of permanent rules for the House of Representatives for the 190th General Court governing the years 2017 and 2018 (House, No. 2017), was referred, under Rule 24, to the temporary committee on Rules. House Rules.

Recess.

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At seven minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mrs. Poirier of North Attleborough (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House recessed until the hour of one o'clock P.M.; and at two minutes after one o'clock the House was called to order with the Mr. Kafka of Stoughton in the Chair.

*Report of a Committee.*Valencia
Hadley,—
sick leave.

By Mr. Dempsey of Haverhill, for the temporary committee on Ways and Means, on House, No. 67, a Bill establishing a sick leave bank for Valencia Hadley, an employee of the Department of Transitional Assistance (House, No. 70), was read.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Galvin of Canton, the bill was read a second time forthwith; and it was ordered to a third reading.

*Order.*Next
sitting.

On motion of Mr. DeLeo of Winthrop,—
Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet tomorrow at eleven o'clock A.M.

At twenty-four minutes after one o'clock P.M., on motion of Mr. Wong of Saugus (Mr. Kafka of Stoughton being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet the following day at eleven o'clock A.M.