

Messrs. Cryan of Lancaster, Ashley of Lebanon and Cahalan of Claremont were granted leaves of absence for the week on account of illness.

Mr. Tibbetts of Concord was granted leave of absence for the week on account of jury duty.

### Message from His Excellency the Governor

The Honorable Secretary of State appeared and delivered the following message:

April 1, 1947.

*To the Honorable Members of the  
House of Representatives:*

I have the honor to transmit for such action as you may care to take a certified copy of a resolution of Congress entitled "Joint Resolution Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to the terms of office of the President," passed during the first session of the Eightieth Congress of the United States.

CHARLES M. DALE,  
*Governor.*

### DEPARTMENT OF STATE

*To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:*

I certify that the copy hereto attached is a true copy of a resolution of Congress entitled "Joint Resolution Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to the terms of office of the President," the original of which is on file in this Department.

In testimony whereof, I Dean Acheson, Acting Secretary of State, have hereunto caused the seal of the Department of State to be affixed and my name subscribed by the Authentication Officer of the said De-

partment, at the city of Washington, in the District of Columbia, this twenty-fifth day of March, 1947.

DEAN ACHESON,  
*Acting Secretary of State.*

M. P. CHAUVIN,  
*Authentication Officer, Department of State.*

**Eightieth Congress of the United States of America  
At the First Session**

Begun and held at the City of Washington on Friday, the third day of January, one thousand nine hundred and forty-seven.

**JOINT RESOLUTION**

Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States relating to the terms of office of the President.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled ( two-thirds of each House concurring therein), That the following article is hereby proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States:*

**"ARTICLE —**

**"SECTION 1.** No person shall be elected to the office of the President more than twice, and no person who has held the office of President, or acted as President, for more than two years of a term to which some other person was elected President shall be elected to the office of the President more than once. But this Article shall not apply to any person holding the office of President when this Article was proposed by the Congress, and shall not prevent any person who may

be holding the office of President, or acting as President, during the term within which this Article becomes operative from holding the office of President or acting as President during the remainder of such term.

“SEC. 2. This article shall be inoperative unless it shall have been ratified as an amendment to the Constitution by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States within seven years from the date of its submission to the States by the Congress.”

JOSEPH W. MARTIN, Jr.,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

WILLIAM F. KNOWLAND,  
*Acting President of the Senate pro tempore.*

#### Committee Reports

Mr. Henderson of Durham, for the Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred House Bill No. 372, An act relating to the appeal tribunals of the unemployment compensation division, reported the same with the recommendation that the bill ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Hough of Lebanon, for the Committee on Claims, to whom was referred House Joint Resolution No. 17, Joint resolution in favor of the estate of Stanley F. Rice, reported the same with the recommendation that the joint resolution ought to pass.

The report was accepted and the joint resolution referred to the Committee on Appropriations under the rules.

Mr. Saltmarsh of Concord, for the Committee on Education, to whom was referred House Bill No. 95, An act relating to the state teachers' retirement sys-