

Speaker at 3 o'clock and 30 minutes p.m.

§ 5. —Patriotic Observances Of Another Country

§ 5.1 Concurrent resolution extending best wishes of Congress to the Norwegian parliament on occasion of the 150th anniversary of the Norwegian constitution.

On May 14, 1964,⁽¹⁾ Donald Fraser of Minnesota, offered the following concurrent resolution.

THE 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF NORWEGIAN CONSTITUTION

Mr. FRASER. Mr. Speaker, I offer a concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 302) and ask unanimous consent for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER.⁽²⁾ Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Minnesota?

There was no objection.

The Clerk read the concurrent resolution, as follows:

Whereas one hundred and fifty years ago, on May 17, 1814, the Norwegian Constitution was adopted at Eidsvoll, Norway; and

Whereas through the years the Kingdom of Norway has dem-

onstrated its firm dedication to the high ideals of representative democracy, individual freedom, and social justice; and

Whereas the peoples of Norway and the United States are joined in warm and binding friendship bred of common purpose and shared ancestry; and

Whereas the Congress of the United States recognizes the significant contributions made by Norway to the achievement of closer cooperation among the countries in the Atlantic partnership: Therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the congratulations and best wishes of Congress of the United States are hereby cordially extended to the Norwegian Storting, upon the occasion of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the adoption of the Norwegian Constitution.

SEC. 2. The Clerk of the House shall transmit a copy of this resolution, through the Department of State, to the President of the Norwegian Storting.

The concurrent resolution was concurred in.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

§ 5.2 Unanimous-consent request providing a one-hour period as the second order of business for the purpose of observing the 42d anniversary of Lithuanian independence.

On Jan. 18, 1960,⁽¹⁾ the following proceedings occurred:

Mr. [William T.] MURPHY [of Illinois]. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous

1. 110 CONG. REC. 10962, 88th Cong. 2d Sess.

2. John W. McCormack (MA).

1. 106 CONG. REC. 670, 86th Cong. 2d Sess.

consent that on February 16, on the occasion of the 42d observance of the independence of Lithuania, that after the reading and approval of the Journal, and prior to any legislative business for that day, I may have permission to address the House for 1 hour and to yield time to other Members.

The SPEAKER.⁽²⁾ Without objection, it is so ordered.

There was no objection.

§ 5.3 Form of concurrent resolution providing for a joint session to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the liberation of Cuba.

On Apr. 19, 1948,⁽³⁾ the President of the United States⁽⁴⁾ addressed the joint session of Congress commemorating the 50th anniversary of the liberation of Cuba. The proceedings were as follows:

2. Sam Rayburn (TX).
3. 94 CONG. REC. 4568-70, 80th Cong. 2d Sess.
4. Harry S Truman (MO).

JOINT SESSION OF THE HOUSE AND SENATE (HELD PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF H. CON. RES. 184)

COMMEMORATION CEREMONY UPON THE OCCASION OF THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LIBERATION OF CUBA, 1898-1948, AT A JOINT SESSION OF CONGRESS IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AT 12 O'CLOCK NOON, WASHINGTON, D.C., APRIL 19, 1948

THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS

EDWARD MARTIN, CHAIRMAN

For the Senate: EDWARD MARTIN, of Pennsylvania; C. WAYLAND BROOKS, of Illinois; TOM CONNALLY, of Texas; THEODORE FRANCIS GREEN, of Rhode Island.

For the House: EARL C. MICHENER, of Michigan; JAMES E. VAN ZANDT, of Pennsylvania; BERNARD W. KEARNEY, of New York; THOMAS J. LANE, of Massachusetts.

THE PROGRAM FOR THE JOINT SESSION

Prelude.....United States Marine Band Orchestra (Maj. William F. Santelmann, leader)

Presiding officer.....The Speaker Hon. JOSEPH W. MARTIN, JR.

Medlay of songs of the Spanish-American War period.

Presenting the colors.

Invocation.....Rev. James Shera Montgomery, D. D., the Chaplain of the House of Representatives.

Reading of joint resolution.....The Honorable EDWARD MARTIN, Chairman, Joint Committee on Arrangements.

The national anthem of the Republic of Cuba.....Miss Emma Otero Address.....The President of the Unites States

Response.....His Excellency Guillermo Belt, Ambassador of Cuba.

The national anthem of the United States.....Miss Hollace Shaw, Columbia Concerts

Benediction.....Very Rev. Ignatius Smith, O. P., dean of School of Philosophy, Catholic University.

Retiring of the colors.

The SPEAKER of the House of Representatives presided. . . .

INVOCATION

Rev. James Shera Montgomery, D. D., the Chaplain of the House of Representatives, offered the . . . invocation[.] . . .

READING OF THE JOINT RESOLUTION

The SPEAKER.⁽⁵⁾ The Chair recognizes the Honorable Edwin Martin, Senator from the State of Pennsylvania and chairman of the Joint Committee on Arrangements.

Senator MARTIN. Mr. President, Mr. Speaker, Mr. President pro tempore, Mr. Ambassador, distinguished guests:

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the victory over Spain, resulting in the liberation of Cuba, the two Houses of Congress shall assemble in the Hall of the House of Representatives at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, on Monday, April 19, 1948.

That the joint committee created by House Concurrent Resolution 108, Eightieth Congress, is empowered to make suitable arrangements for fitting and proper exercises for the joint session of Congress herein authorized.

That invitations to attend the exercises be extended to the President

of the United States and the members of his Cabinet, the Chief Justice and Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States, the Diplomatic Corps (through the Secretary of State), the General of the Armies, the Chief of Staff to the Commander in Chief, the Chief of Staff, United States Army, the Chief of Naval Operations, the Chief of Staff, United States Air Force, the Commandant of the Marine Corps, and the Commandant of the Coast Guard, and such other persons as the joint committee shall deem proper.

That the President of the United States is hereby invited to address the American people at the joint session of the Congress in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the victory over Spain.

MEDLEY OF SONGS

The Marine Band Orchestra played a medley of songs.

PRESENTATION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

The SPEAKER. I have the honor to present the President of the United States. [Applause, the Members rising.]

ADDRESS BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES.

The PRESIDENT. Mr. Speaker, Mr. President pro tempore, Mr. Ambassador, Mr. Chairman, Members of the Congress, and distinguished guests, it is eminently fitting that we should assemble here today to pay solemn tribute to the heroic champions of human freedom who brought about the liberation of Cuba. The commemoration of half a century of Cuban independence recalls the valor of the Cuban patriots and American soldiers and sailors who

5. Joseph W. Martin, Jr. (MA).

gave liberally of their strength and their blood that Cuba might be free. From that chapter in man's age-old struggle for freedom we can draw inspiration for the hard tasks that confront us in our own time. . . .

Let us avail ourselves of this occasion to refresh our faith in freedom and to rededicate this Nation and ourselves to the principles of liberty, justice, and peace. [Applause, the Members rising.]

PRESENTATION OF THE AMBASSADOR OF CUBA

The SPEAKER. I have the honor to present His Excellency Guillermo Belt, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Cuba. [Applause, the Members rising.]

ADDRESS OF RESPONSE BY THE AMBASSADOR OF CUBA

His Excellency GUILLERMO BELT, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of Cuba. Mr. President, Mr. President pro tempore of the Senate, Mr. Speaker, Members of the Congress, distinguished guests, it is with the deepest emotion that I appear before the Congress of the United States on the fiftieth anniversary of the joint resolution to express once more the undying gratitude, the warm affection, and the sincere friendship of my people for the American people. [Applause.] . . .

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM OF THE UNITED STATES

Miss Hollace Shaw, accompanied by the Marine Band Orchestra, sang the national anthem of the United States.

BENEDICTION

Very Rev. Ignatius Smith, O. P., dean of the school of philosophy of the

Catholic University, pronounced the . . . benediction[.] . . .

RETIREMENT

The SPEAKER. The colors of the United States and the Republic of Cuba will be retired. . . .

JOINT SESSION DISSOLVED

The SPEAKER. The purposes of the joint session having been accomplished, the Chair declares the joint session of the two Houses now dissolved.

Thereupon, at 12 o'clock and 40 minutes p. m., the joint session of the two Houses was dissolved.

The Members of the Senate retired to their Chamber.

PROCEEDINGS OF JOINT SESSION ORDERED PRINTED

The SPEAKER. Without objection, the proceedings of the joint session will be printed as part of the RECORD of the day.

There was no objection.

§ 6. —Religious Observances

National Day of Reconciliation

§ 6.1 The House suspended the rules and agreed to an unreported concurrent resolution (discharged from the Committee on House Administration) authorizing use of the House Chamber for an assembly of House and Senate