

Congress of the United States assembled in this building, in the City of Annapolis, on the twenty-third day of December, 1783. [*Which was read and adopted.*]

The Senate adjourned until Wednesday, February 23, at 12 o'clock noon.

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ANNAPOLIS, Wednesday, February 23, 1916.

The Senate met at 12 o'clock noon.

Prayer by Rev. Julius Hofmann.

Present at roll call the following Senators:

Messrs.—

President	Chesley	Holmead	Mudd	Warfield
Allen	Collier	Johnson	Norris	Williams
Archer	Cooper	Jones	Ogden	Zihlman
Bennett	Duvall	Joy	Parsons	
Bomberger	Frick	Kaufman	Shepherd	
Brown	Harrison	Legg	Speicher	—27

The Journal of Tuesday, February 22, 1916, was read and approved.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND OTHER PAPERS.

By the President: Petition of the Baltimore Preachers' Meeting of the Methodist Episcopal Church, urging upon the Senate of Maryland the passage of the State-wide Prohibition Bill. [*Which was read and referred to the Committee on Temperance.*]

Also a petition of the Park Approach Protective Association of Baltimore city, favoring the passage of the Bill providing for the right of initiative in our State Constitution. [*Which was read and referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.*]

By Mr. Collier:

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Maryland Agricultural Society for the Eastern Shore, held on Friday the 18th day of February, A. D. 1916, Matthew Tilghman Golds-