H. R. 5052. A bill for the relief of Dionis Moldowan; to the Committee on Immigration and Naturalization.

By Mr. LEWIS of Ohio:

H. R. 5053 (by request). A bill for the relief of Fred Walter; to the Committee on Claims.

H. R. 5054. A bill for the relief of Verdie Barker; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. McANDREWS:

H. R. 5055. A bill for the relief of William Theodore Herbert; to the Committee on Naval Affairs.

By Mr. McLEOD:

H. R. 5056. A bill for the relief of Nicholas Contopoulos; to the Committee on Immigration and Naturalization.

By Mr. MAHON:

H. R. 5057. A bill to relieve R. J. Murray, of Dallas, Tex., of all liability for the balance due on a claim of the United States against him arising from a contract for the lease of post-office quarters at Slaton, Tex.; to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. MUNDT:

H. R. 5058. A bill granting an increase of pension to Mary J. Loveland; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. OSMERS:

H. R. 5059. A bill to authorize the presentation to Harry H. Weiss of a Distinguished Service Cross; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. SCHAFER of Wisconsin:

H. R. 5060. A bill granting a pension to Jane A. Baker; to the Committee on Invalid Pensions.

By Mr. THILL:

H. R. 5061. A bill for the relief of August H. Krueger; to the Committee on Military Affairs.

By Mr. THOMAS of Texas:

H. R. 5062. A bill for the relief of R. M. Derby; to the Committee on Claims.

PETITIONS, ETC.

Under clause 1 of rule XXII, petitions and papers were laid on the Clerk's desk and referred as follows:

1750. By Mr. ALLEN of Louisiana: Petition of numerous citizens of Winn Parish, La., urging the passage of House bill 1816, providing a direct Federal old-age pension of \$30 per month, beginning at the age of 60; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1751. By Mr. CONNERY: Petition of sundry citizens of Wakefield, Mass., urging that everything possible be done to bring to an end the war sustaining traffic between the United States and Japan, a traffic which is making the United States a partner of Japan in the far eastern conflict and which is so wantonly destroying the lives and property of the Chinese people; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1752. By Mr. CRAWFORD: Petition of Mildred Brookins and other residents, of Ovid, asking for the passage of the Ludlow peace amendment; to the Committee on the

Judiciary.

1753. Also, petition of the tricounty granges comprised of Gratiot, Clinton, and Montcalm Counties, Mich., grange organizations, asking that all welfare laws passed since 1930 be repealed and that welfare administration be returned to the counties; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1754. By Mr. KEEFE: Letter dated February 24, 1939, from John N. Reddin, of Manitowoc, Wis., setting forth a plan for the observance of Manitowoc County Citizenship

Day; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

1755. By Mr. MARTIN J. KENNEDY: Petition of Alexander Smith & Sons Carpet Co., concerning Senate bill 162, entitled "Wool Products Labeling Act of 1939," expressing opposition in connection with the manufacture of carpets and rugs; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

1756. Also, petition of the Nye-Wait Co., Inc., New York, expressing opposition to Senate bill 162, entitled "Wool Products Labeling Act of 1939," as applied to the manufacturers of carpets and rugs; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

1757. By Mr. KEOGH: Petition of the National Association of Manufacturers, New York City, with reference to the Barkley amendment to House bill 3791; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1758. Also, petition of the Yakima County Education Association, Yakima, Wash., concerning the Harrison-Thomas-

Larrabee bill; to the Committee on Education.

1759. By Mr. KRAMER: Resolution of the Board of Playground and Recreation Commissioners of the City of Los Angeles, relating to a proposition which, if enacted, would grant Reeves Field, now owned by the city of Los Angeles, to the United States Navy, etc.; to the Committee on the Public Lands.

1760. Also, resolution of the Los Angeles Central Labor Council, relating to the suspension of Dr. Towne Nylander from duty; to the Committee on Labor.

1761. Also, resolution of the District Council of Painters, No. 36, of Los Angeles, relating to appropriations for construction to be brought under the Public Works Administration, etc.; to the Committee on Appropriations.

1762. By Mr. LAMBERTSON: Petition of P. A. Walters and 174 other farmers, of Leavenworth County, Kans., urging that the 1938 Farm Act be repealed; to the Committee on

Agriculture.

1763. By Mr. LANDIS: Resolution of the Senate General Assembly of the State of Indiana, memorializing the Congress of the United States to enact suitable legislation providing for the general welfare of the Nation, as set out in House bill 2, now pending before the Congress of the United States; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1764. By Mr. MOTT: Petition signed by Amelia Wiseman and 13 other citizens, of Clackamas County, Oreg., urging the enactment of legislation which will diminish the advertising of alcoholic beverages by newspapers, magazines, billboards, and radio; to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce.

1765. By Mr. POLK: Petition signed by 69 citizens of Clermont County, members of the Bethel (Ohio) Church of Christ, petitioning against the repeal of that part of the original Social Security Act which exempts employees of religious organizations not for profit; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1766. By Mr. SCHAEFER of Illinois: Petition of Alton (Ill.) Lodge, No. 294, Bakery and Confectionery Workers' Union, Richard Bishop, secretary, urging Congress to amend the Wagner Labor Relations Act as suggested by the American Federation of Labor; to the Committee on Labor.

1767. By Mr. SCHIFFLER: Petition of Rev. Jesse J. Mc-Keny, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Wellsburg, W. Va., urging that ministers be excluded from social security; to

the Committee on Ways and Means.

1768. By Mr. SMITH of West Virginia: Resolution adopted by Monarch Local Union, No. 2197, United Mine Workers of America, Cedar Grove, W. Va., opposing any changes in the National Labor Relations Act; to the Committee on Labor.

1769. By Mr. THILL: Petition of Josephine N. Woolfolk, chairman of the government and foreign policy department, Milwaukee County League of Women Voters, relating to neutrality legislation; to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

1770. By the SPEAKER: Petition of Bessie Sachs, of Brooklyn, N. Y., and others, urging consideration of their resolution with reference to the Wagner Labor Relations Act; to the Committee on Labor.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 1939

The House met at 12 o'clock noon.
The Chaplain, Rev. James Shera Montgomery, D. D., offered the following prayer:

Lord God of heaven and earth, we praise Thee for Him who revealed the divine fatherhood of man. As we remember that He is the humanized heart of the Infinite One, may we banish fear, defeat, and despair. We pray that we may be