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holders of such guaranty capital may receive dividends for the like amount provided for the guaranty capital of mutual fire insurance companies in section fifty-six, and said guaranty capital may be retired in the same manner as provided in said section and amendments thereto.'

Approved March 29, 1917.

Chapter 111.

An Act Additional to Chapter Fifty-two of the Revised Statutes, Providing a Penalty for Copying the Records of Banking Institutions.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Officers or employees of trust companies, savings banks and institutions for savings, not to make copy of records for personal use. Any officer or employee of any savings bank, institution for savings, trust company, loan company, or loan and building association, making copies of any of the books, papers, records or documents belonging to or in the custody of any of the before named institutions, either for his own use or for the use of any other person other than in the ordinary and regular course of his duties as such officer or employee, shall be subject to a penalty of a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or by imprisonment not exceeding one year or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Approved March 29, 1917.

Chapter 112.

An Act Relating to the Registration of Information Concerning Aliens.

Preamble. Whereas in the event of a state of war existing or imminent between the United States of America and any foreign country full information concerning the activities of aliens who are subjects of such foreign country is necessary for the preservation of the public peace and safety, and whereas such state of war may be imminent before the expiration of ninety days after the adjournment of this legislature, and whereas unless this act is passed as an emergency act it cannot take effect until approximately July one, nineteen hundred and seventeen, and whereas therefore an emergency exists within the contemplation of the constitution of the State of Maine and the public peace and safety will be preserved by the enactment of the following act, now therefore,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. Subjects of foreign countries at war with United States to register. Governor to issue proclamation. Duty imposed on hotel managers, etc. Penalty for violation. Whenever between the United States of America and any foreign country a state of war shall exist or shall be imminent the governor may by proclamation direct and require every subject or citizen of such foreign country within this state to appear within

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twenty-four hours after such proclamation and from time to time thereafter within twenty-four hours after his arrival in this state before such public authorities as the governor may in such proclamation direct, and then and there such subject or citizen of such foreign country shall personally register his name, residence, business, length of stay and such information as the governor may from time to time in such proclamations prescribe. The person in control, whether owner, lessee, manager or proprietor, of each hotel, inn, boarding house, rooming house, building and private residence shall within twenty-four hours after such proclamation notify such public authorities of the presence therein of every such subject or citizen of such foreign country and shall each day thereafter notify such public authorities of the arrival thereat and departure therefrom of every such subject or citizen. A failure to comply with all the requirements of any such proclamation or to do or perform any of the acts herein provided shall be a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars or by imprisonment for not exceeding one year or both.

Sec. 2. Emergency clause. This act by reason of the emergency set forth in the preamble thereof shall take effect when approved.

Approved March 29, 1917.

Chapter 113.

An Act to Amend Section Twenty-two of Chapter Fifty-two of the Revised Statutes with Reference to Deposits in Savings Banks and Institutions for Savings.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 52, § 22, relating to deposits in savings banks, amended. Section twenty-two of chapter fifty-two of the revised statutes is hereby amended by striking out the word "but shall not receive from any one depositor, directly or indirectly, over two thousand dollars, and no interest shall be paid to any one depositor for any amount of deposit, all dividends included, exceeding said sum, except for deposits of widows, orphans, administrators, executors, guardians, charitable institutions and as trust funds," and inserting in the place thereof the following: "but shall not receive, except for deposits of unmarried women, minors, administrators, executors, guardians, charitable or religious institutions and as trust funds, from any one depositor over five thousand dollars, and no dividends shall be paid, excepting upon the aforesaid excepted deposits, to any one depositor upon any amount of deposit exceeding said sum, but exclusive of dividends on said deposit, which may continue to be added thereto and receive dividends thereon. Deposits in more than one name may be received, provided the total of the amounts in any number of deposits in which the same name, excepting unmarried women, minors, administrators, executors, guardians, charitable or religious institutions and as trust funds, appears either singly or with others, shall not exceed exclusive of dividends as aforesaid, ten thousand dollars, and also pro-