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Legislative Record

OF THE

Seventy-Fourth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1909

SENATE.

Thursday, Jan 7, 1909.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Livingston of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Mr. Gowell from the committee to which was referred the examination and counting of the senatorial votes, submitted the following report:

STATE OF MAINE.

The committee to which was referred the returns of the votes cast for senators in the several districts, at the State election held on the 14th day of September, 1908, has attended to its duty and asks leave to report as follows:

The following persons have received a plurality of the votes cast in their respective senatorial districts, and are therefore elected senators:

First Senatorial district—George H. Smith, Waterbore; Edward F. Gowell, Berwick; Benjamin F. Hamilton, Dayton.

Second Senatorial district—Percival P. Baxter, Portland; William H. Looney, Portland; John E. Warren, Westbrook; Edward W. Wheeler, Brunswick.

Third Senatorial district—Henry H. Hastings, Bethel.

Fourth Senatorial district—Charles H. Osgood, Lewiston; Hewitt M. Lowe, Turner.

Fifth Senatorial district—Frank A. Emery, Jay.

Sixth Senatorial district—Charles V. Minott, Jr., Phippsburg.

Seventh Senatorial district—George E. Macomber, Augusta; Wellington T. Reynolds, Winslow; Arthur A. Shaw, Clinton.

Eighth Senatorial district—Allison P. Howes, Palmyra; Albert F. Donigan, Bingham.

Ninth Senatorial district—William S. Knowlton, Monson.

Tenth Senatorial district—James B. Mullen, Bangor; W. Scott Kellogg, Patten; Francis W. Hill, Exeter.

Eleventh Senatorial district—Leslie Boynton, Jefferson.

Twelfth Senatorial district—Lindley M. Staples, Washington.

Thirteenth Senatorial district—Benjamin F. Colcord, Searsport.

Fourteenth Senatorial district—Lure B. Deasy, Eden; William A. Walker, Castine.

Fifteenth Senatorial district—George H. Eaton, Calais; Jasper Wyman, Milbridge.

Sixteenth Senatorial district—Patrick Therriault, Grand Isle; Athill E. Irving, Presque Isle; Carl E. Milliken, Island Falls.

(Signed)

EDWARD F. GOWELL.

EDWARD W. WHEELER.

ARTHUR A. SHAW.

ALLISON P. HOWES.

W. S. KNOWLTON.

CHARLES H. OSGOOD.

LESLIE BOYNTON.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Looney, from the joint select committee on Gubernatorial vote, submitted the following report:

STATE OF MAINE.

Jan. 7, 1909.

The joint select committee on returns of votes for Governor given in the several cities, towns and plantations of this State for the political years of 1909 and 1910, has attended to its duties and asks leave to report that the whole number of votes returned for Governor is

	142,271
Bert M. Fernald has	73,239
Obadiah Gardner has	66,237
Curtis A. Perry has	1,678
James H. Ames has	1,117

(Signed) WILLIAM H. LOONEY, Chairman on the part of the Senate.

(Signed) HENRY E. COOLIDGE, Chairman on the part of the House.

The report was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Eaton of Washington, it was—

Ordered: That a committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to wait upon the Honorable Bert M. Fernald, and inform him that he has been duly elected Governor of Maine for the political years of 1909 and 1910.

The President appointed as such committee on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Eaton of Washington, Hamilton of York and Staples of Knox.

Mr. Eaton of Washington subsequently reported that the committee had discharged its duty and that the Governor was pleased to say that he has accepted the office and awaits the pleasure of the convention.

On motion by Mr. Looney of Cumberland, it was—

Ordered: That a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a convention of both branches of the Legislature forthwith in the hall of the House for the purpose of administering to the Hon. Bert M. Fernald, Governor-elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The secretary of the Senate was appointed to convey said message, and subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

The following message was received from the House, conveyed by Mr. Thompson, its clerk:

Mr. President: I am charged with a message of the House, to make known to this honorable Senate that the House concurs in the proposition of the Senate to hold a joint convention in the hall of the House of Representatives forthwith for the purpose of administering to the Hon. Bert M. Fernald, Governor-elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

The Senate thereupon proceeded to the hall of the House.

(For proceedings in joint convention, see House report).

On the return of the Senate to their chamber—

On motion of Mr. Hamilton of York, it was—

Ordered: That 800 copies of the Governor's message be printed for the use of the Senate.

On motion by Mr. Hastings of Oxford, it was—

Ordered: That a joint select committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to consider the Governor's message, and report a reference of its several subjects to appropriate committees.

The President appointed as such committee, Messrs. Hastings of Oxford, Gowell of York and Irving of Arrostook.

On motion by Mr. Osgood of Androscoggin, it was—

Ordered: That a joint select committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such of the House as may join, be appointed to receive proposals from the publishers of the Maine State Year Book, for furnishing the State with a sufficient number of copies for the years 1909 and 1910.

The President appointed as such committee on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Osgood of Androscoggin, Emery of Franklin and Minott of Sagadahoc.

On motion by Mr. Wyman of Washington, it was—

Ordered: The House concurring, that the business of the last session of the Legislature referred to this, be taken from the files.

At the suggestion of the President, on motion by the same senator, the foregoing order was tabled pending the appointment of committees.

On motion by Mr. Donigan of Somerset, it was—

Ordered: That a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a convention of the two branches of the Legislature forthwith in the hall of the House, for the purpose of electing secretary of State, treasurer of State, attorney general, State assessor, commissioner of agriculture and seven executive councillors.

The secretary of the Senate was appointed to convey said message; and subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

On motion by Mr. Hamilton of York, it was—

Ordered: That the use of the Senate Chamber be granted to the Maine

State Bar Association for its meeting on Jan. 14, at 2.30 P. M.

The following message was received from the House transmitted through its clerk:

Mr. President: I am directed to make known to this honorable body that the House of Representatives concurs in the proposition of the Senate for the holding of a joint convention in the Representatives' hall forthwith, for the purpose of electing a secretary of State, treasurer of State, attorney general, State assessor, commissioner of agriculture and seven executive councillors.

The Senate thereupon proceeded to the hall of the House.

(For proceedings in joint convention, see House report).

On return of the Senate to their chamber the President announced:

There is submitted to the Senate opinion of the justices of the supreme judicial court in answer to Senate order for March 27, 1907, relating to forestry.

On motion of Mr. Staples of Knox, the foregoing was tabled for printing.

On motion by Mr. Hastings of Oxford, it was—

Ordered: The House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Wednesday, Jan. 13, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

The order was sent down for concurrence and was subsequently returned from the House, its passage concurred in by that branch.

The following bills and resolves were presented and referred:

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

By Mr. Baxter of Cumberland: Resolve in favor of Children's hospital.

By Mr. Looney of Cumberland: Resolve in aid of Maine Eye & Ear Infirmary.

Also: Resolve in aid of the Temporary Home for Women and Children at Portland.

Also: Resolve in aid of the Maine School for the Deaf.

Taxation.

By Mr. Minott of Sagadahoc: Bill, An Act to amend Sections 27 and 28 of Chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes relating to taxation.

Mr. Looney of Cumberland also presented bill, An Act to amend Section 22 of Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes relating to the regulation and conduct of elections.

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And upon his motion the same were tabled pending reference.

On motion by Mr. Lowe of Androscoggin, the Senate adjourned.