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Legislative Record

OF THE

Seventy-Sixth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

1913

SENATE.

Thursday, Jan. 2, 1913.

Senate called to order by the president.

Prayer by Rev. Leroy W. Coons of Augusta.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Mr. Burleigh of Aroostook asks unanimous consent to introduce a bill out of order, and the same was granted.

Mr. Burleigh then introduced An Act to incorporate the Van Buren Bridge Co., and moved its reference to the Committee on Railroads and Expresses.

The motion was adopted and the bill was referred to the Committee on Railroads and Expresses. Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Bailey 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 10th day of September, 1912, 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 districts, and are, therefore, elected senators:

First Senatorial District—Aaron D. Cole, Eliot; Cecil F. Clark, Hollis; George G. Emery, Sanford.

Second Senatorial District—H. M. Moulton, Cumberland; Ephraim B. Jillson, Otisfield; Edward W. Murphy, Portland; Edward F. Flaherty, Portland.

Third Senatorial District—Albert J. Stearns, Norway.

Fourth Senatorial District—David R. Hastings, Auburn; Frank A. Morey, Lewiston.

Fifth Senatorial District—Herbert S. Wing, Kingfield.

Sixth Senatorial District—Noble Maxwell, Richmond.

Seventh Senatorial District—Frank L. Dutton, Augusta; Joseph W. Al-

len, Mt. Vernon; Willington T. Reynolds, Winslow.

Eighth Senatorial District—Forrest H. Colby, Bingham; William L. Walker, Skowhegan.

Ninth Senatorial District—Charles J. Chase, Sebec.

Tenth Senatorial District—Taber D. Bailey, Bangor; Charles E. Smith, Newport; George H. Richardson, Old Town.

Eleventh Senatorial District—Leslie Bcynton, Jefferson.

Twelfth Senatorial District—Arthur B. Packard, Rockport.

Thirteenth Senatorial District—Chas. M. Conant, Winterport.

Fourteenth Senatorial District—J. Herbert Patten, Eden; Alexander C. Hagerthy, Ellsworth.

Fifteenth Senatorial District—Herbert H. Allan, Dennysville; George F. Mansfield, Jonesport.

Sixteenth Senatorial District—Albert A. Burleigh, Houlton; Ira G. Hersey, Houlton; Carl E. Milliken, Island Falls.

(Signed) **TABER D. BAILEY,**
Chairman.

The report was accepted.

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

STATE OF MAINE.

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 1913 and 1914, has attended to its duty and asks leave to report that

Whole number of votes returned for Governor	141,002
William T. Haines has	70,931
Frederick W. Plaisted has	67,602
George Aaron England has ...	2,081
William J. Sterling has	1,217

(Signed) **ALBERT J. STEARNS,**
Chairman on the part of the Senate.
HARRY B. AUSTIN,

Chairman on the part of the House.

The report of the committee was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Colby of Somerset, 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 William T. Haines, and inform him that he has been duly elected Governor of Maine, for the political years of 1913 and 1914.

The President appointed as such committee on the part of the Senate Messrs. Colby of Somerset, Wing of Franklin, and Patten of Hancock.

Mr. Colby 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. Clark of York 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 Honorable William T. Haines, Governor-elect, the oath required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties, and that senator was appointed to convey said message, and subsequently reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

On motion by Mr. Dutton of Kennebec it was

Ordered: That the official reporter of the Senate be authorized to procure the services of a typewriter operator, during the present session, for the preparation and completion of the legislative record.

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

Mr. President: I am charged with a message from 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 Honorable William T. Haines, Governor-elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon

on the discharge of his official duties.

From the House: An Act to change the name of the Aroostook Trust and Banking Co., to the Aroostook Trust Co.

This bill was read three times in the House under suspension of the rules, and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

Mr. HERSEY of Aroostook: Mr. President: In examining this bill, I see that it is presented as an emergency measure. I do not think we ought to consider changing the name of a Trust Co. as an emergency matter, and I move that we non-concur with the action of the House.

The motion prevailed and the Senate non-concurred with the action of the House.

On further motion by the same senator, the bill was referred to the Committee on Banks and Banking.

The Senate proceeded to the hall of the House for the purpose of forming a joint convention.

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

On return of the Senate to their chamber

On motion by Mr. Conant of Waldo, it was

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

On motion by Mr. Hersey of Aroostook 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 to its several objects to appropriate committees.

On motion by Mr. Boynton of Lincoln, a recess was taken until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

After Recess.

Senate called to order by the President.

The President appointed upon the committee to consider the Governor's message, on the part of the Senate, Messrs. Hersey of Aroostook, Maxwell of Sagadahoc, Morey of Androscoggin.

The President: Before announcing the joint standing committees, the Chair cannot resist a brief personal word of thanks

to the members of this Senate. The conditions under which committees have been framed have been somewhat unusual. My own position has been from the beginning that I would not make promises or pledges to any senator. The members of this Senate have shown me the greatest consideration in this respect. You have given me your preferences at my request, and practically every man has come to me individually and said in substance "While these are my preferences, I will work faithfully wherever I am placed." I think the people of the State should know this situation. It is to me a splendid augury of the high-grade of public service to be performed. These committees are made according to the best of my judgment after the most painstaking and careful consideration, without previous promise or pledge to any senator.

(For the list of joint standing committees, see House report.)

The PRESIDENT: The Chair desires to earnestly urge the chairmen of committees, especially those committees to which bills have already been referred to perfect the organization of their committees as soon as possible after adjournment this afternoon, especially the committees on claims, appropriations and financial affairs, judiciary and legal affairs, and some others that will suggest themselves to you. The Chair trusts that the Senate chairmen of the committees will see that the committees are organized and ready for business at the earliest possible moment.

On motion by Mr. Morey of Androscoggin 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.

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, 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 following order was received from the House:

Ordered: The Senate concurring, that all committees cause all legislative notices to be published in such papers as the committees may designate.

The order was passed in concurrence.

The following order came from the House:

Ordered: The Senate concurring, that when the House and Senate adjourn, they adjourn to meet Tuesday, January 7, at 4.30 P. M.

On motion by Mr. Mansfield of Washington

Adjourned.