

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE.

Thursday, January 18, 1917.

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Walsh of Gardiner.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: An Act to amend Chapter 416 of the Private and Special Laws of 1917 relating to the schools of the city of Augusta.

On motion by Mr. Farrington of Augusta, tabled for printing.

From the Senate: An Act for the enforcement of liens on jewelry, clocks and watches repaired by jewelers.

In the Senate, this was referred to the committee on legal affairs.

On motion by Mr. Murray of Bangor, referred to the committee on judiciary in non-concurrence.

From the Senate: Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet at ten o'clock in the forenoon, Tuesday, January 23.

The order received a passage in concurrence.

The following bills, resolves, etc., were presented and on recommendation of the committee on reference of bills, were referred to the following committees:

Agriculture.

By Mr. Coffin of Freeport: Resolve appropriating money for the protection of trees and shrubs from the ravages of dangerous insects and diseases.

By Mr. Cummings of Hebron: An Act to fix the weight of a bushel of apples.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

By Mr. Hartwell of Old Town: Resolve in favor of the Old Town Hospital for maintenance and repairs.

By Mr. Ryder of Brownville: Resolve in favor of P. H. Fitzgerald.

By Mr. Emerson of Lewiston: Resolve in favor of The Hayes Young Women's Home of Lewiston for assistance in carrying on its work.

By Mr. Greenlaw of Presque Isle: Resolve in favor of the Presque Isle General Hospital for maintenance.

By Mr. Bolduc of Lewiston: Resolve in favor of Girls' Orphanage of Lewiston for maintenance.

By Mr. Gurney of Portland: Resolve in favor of the Maine General Hospital at Portland.

By Mr. Rounds of Portland: Resolve in favor of Maine General Hospital of Portland.

By Mr. Gurney of Portland: Resolve in favor of the Temporary Home for Women and Children for maintenance.

Judiciary.

By Mr. Greenlaw of Presque Isle: An Act to establish the Presque Isle Municipal Court.

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Chaplin of Bridgton: An Act to enable Forest Hill Cemetery Association to convey its real estate and personal property to the inhabitants of Bridgton as a body corporate, and to dissolve said corporation.

Library.

By Mr. Baxter of Portland: Resolve relating to the Documentary History of Maine.

Pensions.

By Mr. Knight of Kennebunk: Resolve in favor of Helen M. Perkins.

By Mr. Sisson of Island Falls: Resolve in favor of Mary S. Hillman.

By Mr. Knight of Kennebunk: Resolve in favor of Mary F. Fernald.

By Mr. Bonney of Bowdoinham: Resolve in favor of Mary Allen.

Public Health.

By Mr. Sisson of Island Falls: An Act relative to sanitary conditions in

places of employment. (1500 copies ordered printed.)

By Mr. Barnes of Houlton: An Act providing for the employment of a medical inspector for the State Board of Health and to enable the State Board of Health to do more effective work in some directions.

Public Utilities.

By Mr. Hutchins of Mexico: An Act to amend Chapter 129 of the Public Laws of 1913, relating to the control of Public Utilities.

Salaries and Fees.

By Mr. Barnes of Houlton: An Act to establish the salary of the register of deeds for the Southern Registry District of Aroostook County.

By the same gentleman: An Act to establish the wages of clerks in the offices of Aroostook Register of Deeds Southern District, and clerks of courts of Aroostook county, and to secure to such clerks of courts reimbursement for necessary expenses in attendance at the terms of the Supreme Judicial Court held at Caribou.

Sea and Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Holt of Gouldsboro: Petition of Sidney Havey and 14 others, to prohibit the taking of smelts in certain waters in Frenchman's Bay, other than by hook and line.

State Sanatoriums.

By Mr. Lawrence of Fairfield: Resolve making an appropriation for the general maintenance and support of the Central Maine Sanatorium.

By the same gentleman: Resolve making an appropriation for the general maintenance and support of the Western Maine Sanatorium.

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of the Western Maine Sanatorium at Hebron for the construction of sewerage tanks, piggery, coal pocket and spur track to coal pocket.

By the same gentleman: Resolve making an appropriation for the Western Maine Sanatorium for general maintenance and support.

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of the Central Maine Sanatorium

at Fairfield for the construction and equipment of three buildings, the renovation and alteration of the Chase Memorial building and for sewer and water mains.

By the same gentleman: Resolve making an appropriation for the general maintenance and support for the Central Maine Sanatorium.

Temperance.

By Mr. Bussabarger of Lubec: An Act to prohibit the importation of intoxicating liquors into Maine for beverage purposes. (500 copies ordered printed.)

Ways and Bridges.

By Mr. Holt of Holden: Resolve in favor of the towns of Eddington and Holden, Penobscot county, for the repair of a road.

By Mr. Washburn of Perry: Resolve appropriating money to aid in improving a road in the town of Charlotte, and providing for the further maintenance thereof.

By Mr. Bussabarger of Lubec: Resolve appropriating money to aid the town of Trescott in repairing its highways.

By Mr. Merrill of Gray: Resolve in favor of the towns of Gray, New Gloucester and Pownal.

Orders.

Mr. Garcelon of Auburn presented the following order:

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that the secretary of State be directed to deliver to each member of the Legislature a copy of the 1916 Revised Statutes of Maine.

The order was given a passage and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Gurney of Portland it was

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that the superintendent of public buildings be directed to place suitable notices on each of the cabinets containing the Maine battle flags in the rotunda of Capitol, requesting visitors while standing before the flags to maintain silence, and gentlemen to remove their hats.

On motion by Mr. Barnes of Houlton, it was

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that the time for the reception for petitions and bills for private and special legislation be limited to Friday, Feb. 9, 1917, and that all such petitions and bills presented after that date be referred to the next Legislature; that the clerk of the House cause copies of this order to be published in all daily and weekly papers in this State until February 8, 1917.

Mr. BARNES: Mr Speaker, in explanation of this order introduced at this time I wish merely to say that it is introduced solely for the purpose of expediting business. It gives three weeks from the coming Friday during which all citizens will have public notice that the Legislature holds itself open to receive requests for legislation on private and special matters until the ninth day of February. You will notice in the order that it is provided that the clerk shall advertise liberally throughout the entire State.

Mr. ROUNDS: Mr. Speaker, I think it is rather a hard and fast order. There might be some conflagration;

some towns might get into trouble; and I think by unanimous consent it should be that this House should receive a bill in an emergency case, and I would like to so amend it by unanimous consent that a bill could be put in that was in the nature of an emergency measure.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state that by unanimous consent, by a suspension of the rules, it will be possible to introduce a bill of a private and special nature, after the expiration of the time set by this order.

Mr. ROUNDS: That is entirely satisfactory.

Orders of the Day.

On motion by Mr. Rounds of Portland, House Doc. No. 10, Resolve relating to the conservation of the storage reservoirs and water powers of the State of Maine, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman was referred to the committee on judiciary.

On motion by Mr. Grant of Hope, Adjourned until 10 o'clock Tuesday morning, Jan. 23.