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STATE OF MAINE

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HOUSE.

Tuesday, January 23, 1917.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Dow of Gardiner.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: Ordered the House concurring, that an invitation be extended to the Honorable Lyman H. Nelson of Portland, formerly chairman of the State Highway Commission, to address the Legislature and the citizens of Maine upon the subject of State Highways on the evening of Wednesday, January 24th, 1917, at eight o'clock; and be it further ordered that the Hall of the House of Representatives be devoted to this purpose on this occasion.

On motion by Mr. Allan of Portland, the order was tabled pending concurrence.

The following bills, petitions, 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 making appropriation to assist poultry culture in Maine for 1917 and 1918.

By Mr. Hall of Wilton: Resolve making appropriation to support the Bureau of Horticulture for years 1917 and 1918.

By Mr. Tuttle of Caribou: Resolve making appropriation for support of Bureau of Weights and Measures for years 1917 and 1918.

By Mr. Washburn of Perry: Resolve making appropriation for the Maine Seed Improvement Association for 1917 and 1918.

By Mr. Purington of Mechanic Falls: Resolve amending Chapter 32. Resolves

of 1905, as amended by Chapter 96 of the Resolves of 1909, relating to authority of Commissioner of Agriculture.

By Mr. Cummings of Hebron: Resolve making appropriation for the New England Fruit Show to be held in year 1917.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

By Mr. Goldthwait of Biddeford: Resolve in favor of the Webber Hospital Association of Biddeford.

By Mr. Buzzell of Belfast: Resolve in favor of the Waldo County General Hospital for maintenance.

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of Home for Aged Women of Belfast.

By Mr. Eaton of Rumford: Resolve in favor of the Rumford Hospital Association for maintenance.

By Mr. Buzzell of Belfast: Resolve in favor of the Children's Aid Society of Maine for maintenance.

By Mr. Bonney of Bowdoinham: Resolve in favor of an appropriation of five thousand dollars (\$5000) for the erection of a monument on the east side of the Kennebec River in the City of Augusta, in memory of the Pilgrim Trading Post established by the Pilgrim Fathers. (1000 copies ordered printed.)

By Mr. Emerson of Lewiston: Resolve in favor of Lewiston and Auburn Children's Home for maintenance.

By Mr. Ranney of Winn: Resolve in favor of the Estate of J. B. Potter of Passadumkeag, First Folder of the 77th Legislature in the House of Representatives, for services at organization of House in 78th Legislature.

Claims.

By Mr. Gannett of Augusta: Resolve in favor of Michael Burns.

Indian Affairs.

By Mr. Washburn of Perry: Resolve making appropriations for the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians for the years 1917 and 1918.

Inland Fisheries and Game.

By Mr. Dutton of Bingham: An Act to regulate fishing in certain ponds and streams in Somerset county.

By the same gentleman: An Act to prohibit fishing in Young Pond in Somerset County except for fly-fishing for the period of four years.

By Mr. O'Connell of Millinocket: An Act to amend Section 46 of Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes relating to closed season on fur-bearing animals.

By Mr. Dutton of Bingham: An Act to prohibit fishing in the Outlet Stream from Pierce Pond in Somerset County.

By Mr. Anderson of Portland: Petition of E. F. Coburn and others in favor of repealing the law prohibiting bait fishing in Pond-in-the-River, in the County of Oxford.

Interior Waters.

By Mr. Jordan of Baileyville: Resolve in aid of navigation on Grand and Junior Lakes in Washington County.

Judiciary.

By Mr. Langley of Lewiston: An Act to provide a Police Commission for the appointment of the police force, and a chief of police for the administration of the police force of Lewiston, Maine. (1,000 copies ordered printed.)

By Mr. Baxter of Portland: An Act to create a Board of Prison Commissioners. (1,000 copies ordered printed.)

Legal Affairs.

By Mr. Gannett of Augusta: An Act to amend the Private and Special Laws of 1907 relating to the Board of Education in the city of Augusta. (Tabled by Mr. Farrington of Augusta.)

By Mr. Sisson of Island Falls: An Act to make valid the organization and records of the Fourth Congregational (Abyssinian) Church of Portland and to authorize said corporation to convey certain real estate.

By Mr. Eaton of Rumford: An Act to amend Section 12 of Chapter 43 of the Private and Special Laws of Maine, 1899, entitled "An Act to establish the Rumford Falls Municipal Court."

By Mr. Allan of Portland: An Act to amend section one of Chapter 79 of the Revised Statutes relating to wills.

Library.

By Mr. Anderson of Portland: Resolve in favor of the purchase of

Maine State Year Books for the years 1917 and 1918.

Pensions.

By Mr. Bussabarger of Lubec: Resolve providing a state pension for Vinnie E Saunders.

By Mr. Andrews of Norway: Resolve providing a state pension for Susan B. Merrill.

Military Affairs.

By Mr. Langley of Lewiston: Resolve appropriating money for the erection and equipment of a State Armory for the use of the National Guard in the city of Lewiston.

Public Utilities.

By Mr. Greenlaw of Presque Isle: An Act to extend the charter of the Quebec Extension Railway Company.

Sea and Shore Fisheries.

By Mr. Snow of Bluehill: An Act to amend section one of Chapter 36 of the Private and Special Laws of 1913, relative to the taking of alewives in Patten's Bay, in the town of Surry, Hancock County.

Ways and Bridges.

By Mr. Clarke of Harrison: Resolve in favor of the town of Otisfield to aid said town in the construction and repair of Twin Bridge Road.

By Mr. Messer of Union: Resolve in favor of the town of Union, Maine.

By Mr. Webb of Cherryfield: Resolve appropriating money to aid in repairing the main highway leading from the town of Franklin, in Hancock County, to the town of Cherryfield, in Washington County, and providing for the future maintenance thereof.

By Mr. Dutton of Bingham: Resolve in favor of the repair of the highway in the town of New Portland, leading from North New Portland Village to Kingfield.

By Mr. Hartwell of Old Town: Resolve reimbursing the county commissioners of Penobscot County for the cost of repairs to the state bridge across the Penobscot River between the city of Old Town and the town of Milford.

By Mr. Andrews of Warren: Resolve in favor of the town of Warren, in Knox County, for the purpose of repairing road.

By Mr. Jordan of Baileyville: Petition of W. W. Farrell and 48 others requesting construction of road in town of Talmadge, Washington county.

Orders.

The following communication was read by the clerk:

Eastport, Maine, December 12, 1916.

This is to certify that an election held at Peter Dana's Point, October 3, 1916, for representative to the Legislature, Wallace Lewy had ten (10) votes and Peter J. Newell eleven (11). The election held for the same purpose at Pleasant Point October 5, 1916. Wallace Lewy had fifty-four (54) votes and Peter J. Newell twenty-five (25).

Wallace Lewy having a majority of the votes was duly elected.

(Signed,) John J. Pike, Agent.

The credentials were accepted and placed on file.

On motion by Mr. Allan of Portland, it was

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that the committee on taxation be and hereby is ordered and directed to inquire into the advisability of the enactment of a State Income Tax Law with reference to its application to the

taxation of intangible property, and report by bill or otherwise.

Orders of the Day.

On motion by Mr. Farrington of Augusta, House Doc. No. 13, An Act to amend Chapter 16 of the Private and Special Laws of 1907, relating to the schools of the city of Augusta, was taken from the table and on further motion by the same gentleman, the bill was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs in concurrence.

THE SPEAKER: The Chair craves the indulgence of the House to call the attention of all the members to rule 51 of our standing rules, which provides that every bill or resolution carrying an appropriation of money shall be accompanied by a statement of facts. In several cases bills have had to be turned back to the persons introducing them because such a statement of facts did not accompany the bill or resolve. It will save time to yourselves, and confusion to all, if you will see to it that a statement of facts is provided and this rule carefully followed.

On motion by Mr. Cates of Vassalboro,

Adjourned until ten o'clock tomorrow morning.