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SENATE

Tuesday, February 25, 1919.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. W. R. Wood of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

The PRESIDENT: Owing to the sickness of Assistant Secretary Hawes, the Chair will appoint L. Ernest Thornton, assistant secretary pro tem.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: Resolve in favor of Esther M. Giles.

In the House this bill was referred to the committee on military affairs.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Ames of Washington, tabled pending reference in concurrence.

From the House: Ordered, the Senate concurring, that hereafter all bills and resolves shall be printed pending reference to committee and when the same are advertised for hearing the advertisement shall give the number of the bill and state whether a Senate or House document.

In the House this order was passed.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Ames of Washington, it was tabled.

House Bills in First Reading

H. D. 184: Resolve in favor of Mitchell M. Nicolai, representative of Penobscot tribe of Indians.

H. D. 48: An Act to amend Chapter 613 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893 as amended by Chapter 314 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled An Act to establish the Western Hancock municipal court.

H. D. 43: Resolve in favor of an appropriation for the repair of Fort William Henry at Pemaquid in the town of Bristol.

H. D. 65: Resolve proposing an amendment to article seven of the constitution relating to military.

H. D. 35: An Act to amend Sec-

tion 36 of Chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes relating to the practice of dentistry. (Tabled pending second reading on motion by Mr. Davies of Cumberland.)

H. D. 36: An Act to amend Section 25 of Chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes relating to the appointment of members of the board of dental examiners.

H. D. 37: An Act to amend Chapter 268 of the Public Laws of 1917 relating to dental hygienists.

H. D. 38: An Act to amend Section 29 of Chapter 18 of the Revised Statutes relating to the State board of dental examiners.

H. D. 91: An Act amending Chapter 301 of the Public Laws of 1917, an act additional to Chapter 19 of the Revised Statutes relating to public health.

H. D. 93: An Act amending Section 9 of Chapter 19 of the Revised Statutes relating to public health.

H. D. 183: An Act to authorize the merging of the corporate existence of Aroostook Northern Railroad Co. with and into the corporate existence of the Bangor & Aroostook Railroad Co.

H. D. 174: An Act for the rating and standardization of schools.

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

Agriculture

By Mr. Thoms of Penobscot: Petition of E. O. Somerby and seven others of Chester, urging repeal of law allowing compensation for poultry killed by dogs or wild animals.

By Mr. Babb of Cumberland: An Act relating to the inspection of creameries, cheese factories, condensaries or receiving stations for milk or cream. (500 ordered printed.)

Education

By Mr. Walker, An Act, to amend Section 176 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 79 of the Public Laws of 1917, relating to the appropriation for teachers' pensions. (500 ordered printed.)

By the same senator, An Act, to amend Section 146 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 64 of the Public Laws of 1917, relating to the appropriation for the support of Normal and training schools. (500 ordered printed.)

By the same senator, An Act to amend Section 139 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 77 of the Public Laws of 1917, relating to the appropriation for industrial education. (500 ordered printed.)

By the same senator, An Act, to amend Section 136 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, relating to State aid for industrial courses in high schools and academies. (500 ordered printed.)

By Mr. Lewis of Lincoln, Petition, of Charles E. Knight and 12 others of Wiscasset in favor of the passage of the act to amend the school laws so that all contracts for school supplies shall be approved by the superintending school committee and also the board of selectmen before the town is liable for payment.

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Gurney of Cumberland, An Act, to amend Section one of Chapter 55 of the Revised Statutes of Maine, relating to causes determined by the public utilities commission. (500 ordered printed.)

Railroads and Expresses

By Mr. Ames of Washington. An Act, to amend Chapter 151 of the Public Laws of 1917, entitled An Act, to enable the chief engineer of the State highway commission to convey a certain parcel of land owned by the State of Maine to the European and North American Railroad.

Orders

On motion of Mr. Parent of Androscoggin, it was

Ordered that 150 copies of the Journal of the Senate of the present session be printed and bound under the supervision of the secretary of the Senate, and that the State librarian be directed to furnish one copy of said journal to each member and officer of the Senate, the balance to be deposited in the State library for exchange purposes.

On motion by Mr. Grant of Cumberland, it was

Ordered, that the committee on appropriations and financial affairs be granted the use of the Senate chamber on Wednesday afternoon, February 26.

On motion by Mr. Grant of Cumberland, it was

Ordered, that all bills, resolves, reports and other papers on the table and unassigned be placed before the Senate on Wednesday, February 26, and each Wednesday thereafter, and such papers so brought to the attention of the Senate shall not again be tabled unless a day be especially assigned for their consideration.

Senate Bills in First Reading

S. D. 99: Resolve authorizing DeForest Keyes to bring a suit at law or in equity against the State of Maine.

S. D. 100: An Act to amend section 26 of Chapter 70 of the Revised Statutes relating to the time of payment of legacies.

Reports of Committees

Mr. Walker for the committee on education, on resolve in favor of the town of Whiting for the support of common schools, reported same ought not to pass.

The report was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

The same senator for the same committee, An Act to amend Section 38 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the duties of superintending school committees, reported same ought to pass.

The same senator for the same committee, on resolve in favor of John P. Haney of Bangor, Penobscot county, State of Maine for a teachers' pension, reported same ought to pass.

Mr. Thombs for the committee on legal affairs, on An Act to authorize the Brunswick and Topsham Water District to adjust a claim for overcharge, reported same ought to pass.

The same senator for the same committee, on An Act to repeal Sections 54 and 55 of Chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to appropriations for the State prison, reported same ought to pass.

The same senator, for the same committee, on An Act to amend Section 12 of Chapter 142 of the Revised Statutes, relating to county jails, reported same ought to pass.

Mr. Folsom for the committee on railroads and expresses, on An Act to establish the Lubec, East Machias and Machias Railway Company, submitted the same in a new draft under the title of An Act to establish the Lubec & Machias Railway Company, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Ames for the committee on State lands and forest preservation, on Resolve for further public instruction in forestry, submitted the same in a new draft under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

The same senator for the same committee, on An Act to provide an appropriation for general forestry purposes, submitted the same in a new draft under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

The reports were accepted and the several bills tabled for printing under the joint rules.

Passed to be Engrossed

H. D. 47: An Act to amend Section 18 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes relating to the signing of proxies.

H. D. 175: Resolve making an appropriation for co-operative agricultural work between the College of Agriculture of the University of Maine and the United States Department of Agriculture.

H. D. 176: An Act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 135 of the Private and Special Laws of 1917, entitled An Act to establish the Mount Desert Bridge District for the purpose of acquiring, freeing and reconstructing the Mount Desert toll bridge in the town of Trenton in Hancock county.

H. D. 177: Resolve in favor of the town of Washington.

H. D. 178: An Act to repeal Chapter 72 of the Private and Special Laws of the State of Maine, of 1915, relating to the care and maintenance of the Mount Desert bridge in the town of Trenton.

H. D. 179: An Act empowering the county commissioners of the

county of Penobscot to sell surplus heat.

H. D. 180: An Act to legalize and make valid the proceedings of the town meeting of the town of West Gardiner held on the 12th day of March, A. D. 1917.

H. D. 181: An Act relating to the education of deaf and dumb children.

S. D. 93: Resolve for the appointment of a committee for the purpose of celebrating the glorious victory for the national prohibition amendment.

S. D. 95: An Act to amend Sections 42 and 43 of Chapter 64 of the Revised Statutes, relative to the publication of ancient vital statistics.

S. D. 96: An Act granting compensation to the members of the Maine Library Commission.

H. D. 98: Resolve proposing an amendment to the constitution of the State of Maine, empowering the Legislature to authorize towns to have more than one voting place for all State and national elections.

In the House, House amendment A was adopted, and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Davies of Cumberland, the resolve and amendment were tabled and the amendment ordered printed.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Metcalf of Piscataquis, H. D. 137, Resolve in favor of a fish screen at the outlet of Sebago lake, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator the Resolve was given its second reading and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Googin of Androscoggin, H. D. 21, An Act to amend Section 17 of Chapter 24 of the Revised Statutes, relating to town and private ways, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator the Senate voted to non-concur with the House in the acceptance of the report of the committee.

On motion by Mr. Ames of Washington, H. D. 123, Resolve appropriating money to aid in purchasing

a hearse for the Penobscot tribe of Indians, was taken from the table.

Mr. AMES: Mr. President, I now offer Senate amendment A, and state that the amendment is to allow the payment of the money through the regular channels of the State.

Senate Amendment A

Amend H. D. 123 by striking out in lines 5 and 6 of said resolve the following words: "Peter Nicholas, governor of said tribe, and Mrs. Mammie Attean, committee for said purpose," and substitute in place thereof the words "Indian agent of the Penobscot tribe of Indians," so that said resolve as amended shall read as follows:

"Resolved, that the sum of \$250 be and hereby is appropriated toward the purchase of a hearse for the Penobscot tribe of Indians, Indian Island, Old Town, Maine, said sum to be paid over to and expended under the direction of the Indian agent of Penobscot tribe of Indians."

The amendment was adopted and the Resolve as amended passed to be

engrossed and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. DAVIES of Cumberland: Mr. President, I move to take from the table majority report ought not to pass and minority report ought to pass, on an Act to supplement Chapter 29 of the Revised Statutes and to provide for the care of persons requiring full support or more than temporary relief.

My purpose is merely to assign both reports for consideration one week from tomorrow.

The motion was agreed to and the reports were assigned for one week from tomorrow.

On motion by Mr. Davies of Cumberland it was

Ordered that the use of the Senate chamber be granted to the committee on judiciary on Friday afternoon, February 28, 1919.

On motion by Mr. Baxter of Sagadahoc,
Adjourned.