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HOUSE

Friday, Jan. 21, 1921.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Young of Hallowell.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

The following bills, resolves and petitions were received and, upon recommendation of the committee on reference of bills, were referred to the following committees.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

By Mr. Forbes of Paris: Resolve in favor of Benjamin A. Swasey.

Claims

By Mr. Conant of Buckfield: Resolve to reimburse the town of Dixfield for money paid for sheep killed by bears.

By Mr. Smith of Skowhegan: Resolve in favor of Nash & Viles for services and board of foreman and travel and telephone charges in connection with work on brick dormitory building at the Maine School for Feeble-Minded.

By Mr. Brewster of Portland: Bill "An act amending Section 172 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, relating to teachers' pensions and giving full pension to teachers retiring prior to September 30, 1913." (500 copies ordered printed.)

Inland Fisheries and Game

By Mr. Crafts of Greenville: Bill "An act to amend Section 3 and Section 10 of Chapter 173 of the Public Laws of 1919, relating to registration of resident hunters." (Tabled by Mr. Bragdon of Perham, pending reference to a committee, and 300 copies ordered printed.)

Interior Waters

By Mr. Dodge of Portland: Bill "An act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 167 of the Private and Special Laws of 1907, incorporating

the Allagash Improvement Company."

By Mr. Towne of Madison: Bill "An act to amend and extend Chapter 40 of the Private and Special Laws of 1911, entitled 'an act to authorize the improvement of Fall Brook, in the towns of Bingham and Brighton.'"

By Mr. Belmore of Princeton: Resolve in aid of navigation on Lewy, Long and Big Lakes.

Judiciary

By Mr. Viles of Augusta: Petition of M. L. Buck of Houlton and three others in favor of act entitled "Absentee Voters" Franchise."

By the same gentleman: Petition of C. B. Webster of Rumford and 22 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of C. E. Raynes of Bangor and 59 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of James R. Welch of Bangor and 119 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of Z. C. Bolduc of Auburn and 43 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of Aaron Atherton of Bangor and 17 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of O. F. Holmes of Auburn and 26 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of C. M. Fawcett of Portland and 124 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of F. R. Weeks of Bangor and 56 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of Mildred E. Jones of Auburn and 21 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of C. A. Strout of Bangor and 83 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of H. C. Abbott of Bangor and 87 others in favor of same.

By Mr. Barwise of Bangor: Bill "An act to amend Section 35 of Chapter 126 of the Revised Statutes, relating to prohibiting business and recreation on Sunday." Tabled by Mr. Crabtree of Island Falls pending reference to a committee, and 500 copies ordered printed.)

By Mr. Maher of Augusta: Bill "An act to consolidate the Library laws." (Tabled by Mr. Winter of Auburn, pending reference to a committee.)

By Mr. Trefethen of Wilton: Bill "An act to repeal Chapter 10, Section 1 of the Revised Statutes, relative to assessment of taxes."

By Mr. Dodge of Portland: Resolve appropriating money to pay the claim of Roswell S. Cushing against the State of Maine.

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Fagan of Portland: Bill "An act to amend Section 8 of Chapter 5 of the Revised Statutes, relating to qualifications of voters."

By the same gentleman: Bill "An act amending Section 25 of Chapter 30 of the Revised Statutes, relating to appointment and duties of inspector of building."

By the same gentleman: Bill "An act authorizing executors and administrators to pay for perpetual care of burial lot in cemetery."

By the same gentleman: Bill "An act authorizing the Maine General Hospital to increase number of directors to twenty-four."

By Mr. Viles of Augusta: Bill "An act to amend Chapter 211 of the Private and Special Laws of 1911, relating to The Congregational Conference and Missionary Society of Maine."

By Mr. Rounds of Portland: Bill "An act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 99 of the Private and Special Laws of 1915, creating the office of corporation counsel of the city of Portland."

By Mr. Towne of Madison: Bill "An act to extend an act entitled 'an act to incorporate the Odd Fellows Home of Maine.'"

By Mr. Hinckley of South Portland: Bill "An act to regulate the use of motor vehicles with solid tires."

Library

By Mr. Belmore of Princeton: Resolve for the purchase of "History of Grand Lake Stream".

By Mr. Wadsworth of Winthrop: Resolve appointing a committee of investigation to procure plans and estimates for a State Library building.

Military Affairs

By Mr. Maxwell of East Livermore: Bill "An Act to repeal the act authorizing a draft of the National Guard of Maine in times of peace."

Pensions

By Mr. Kimball of Hampden: Resolve granting a pension to Josiah L. McCobb.

Portland Delegation

By Mr. Fagan of Portland: Bill "An act to amend the law relating to electrical appliance of the city of Portland."

By the same gentleman: Bill "An act relating to appointment of Chief of Police of the city of Portland."

By the same gentleman: Bill "An act to amend Chapter 424 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, relating to pensions for police officers of the city of Portland."

Public Utilities

By Mr. Maher of Augusta: Bill "An act to extend the charter of the Quebec Extension Railway Company."

Salaries and Fees

By Mr. Small of Brewer: Bill "An act to amend Section 69 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes, relative to Forest Fire Warden." (On motion by Mr. Buzzell of Belfast tabled pending reference, for correction of title.)

By Mr. Eastman of Fryeburg: Bill "An Act to increase the salary of the Register of Deeds in the Western District of Oxford County."

State Lands and Forest Preservation

By Mr. Viles of Augusta: Bill "An act to amend Section 61 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 104 of the Public Laws of 1919, relative to the Maine Forestry District Tax."

Ways and Bridges

By Mr. Hinckley of South Portland: Bill "An Act providing that all state and state-aid roads and highways shall be constructed only of stone and gravel." (500 copies ordered printed.)

By Mr. Belmore of Princeton: Resolve in favor of the town of Princeton to aid in road construction.

By Mr. Roberts of Lyman: Resolve in favor of the town of Lyman to aid in road construction.

By Mr. Atherton of Stacyville Pl.: Resolve to reimburse the town of Mattawamkeag for planking Logan bridge, so-called, in Mattawamkeag.

By Mr. Belmore of Princeton: Resolve to aid in repairing the "Vanceboro Road," so-called, through Township No. 1, Range 2, and No. 1, Range 3, in Washington County.

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of road in Danforth.

By Mr. Owen of Milo: Resolve appropriating money to aid in repairing a highway in the town of Milo, in the county of Piscataquis, with statement of facts.

By Mr. Adams of Liberty: Resolve in favor of the town of Sears-mont to aid in repairing road.

By Mr. Ricker of Poland: Resolve in favor of the construction of a bridge across Dead River in the town of Leeds.

By Mr. Eastman of Fryeburg: Resolve to aid the town of Hiram in constructing a road.

By Mr. Wight of Newry: Resolve in favor of the town of Newry to aid in building a road.

By the same gentleman: Petition of the selectmen of the town of Newry, in Oxford county, and 83 others, in favor of the same.

On motion by Mr. Maxwell of East Livermore, the rules were suspended and the following order was introduced out of order:

Ordered, that the bill relating to the 48-hour law, which was referred to the joint committee of Labor and Legal Affairs be returned to the House, and further that it be tabled for printing, and 1000 copies thereof be printed for the use of the House.

The order received a passage.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Moody of York, it was

Ordered, that the House employ a special messenger to the Speaker who shall serve for the present session only, and receive a salary not to exceed that of the Assistant Messenger of the House.

First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves

House 18. An act to amend Chapter 171 of the Private and Special Laws of 1879, entitled 'an act amendatory to an amended act incorporating the Kennebec Log Driving Company', approved March 5, 1869, as amended by Chapter 14 of the Private and Special Laws of 1917.

House 19. An act to authorize the sale of property and assets of the Moose River Log Driving Company and to provide for the dissolution of said corporation.

House 20. An act to amend the charter of the Kennebec Log Driving Company, as amended by Chapter 402 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, and by Chapter 13 of the Private and Special Laws of 1917.

Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: The Chair presents an act to amend Chapter 50 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section 9 of Chapter 238 of the Public Laws, of 1919, relating to Workmen's Compensation, recalled from the committee on Judiciary on motion by the gentleman from Stonington (Mr. Clarke) and recognizes that gentleman.

Mr. CLARKE of Stonington: Would it be well, Mr. Speaker, to dispose of the matter this morning rather than Wednesday morning?

The SPEAKER: The printing was to be ordered?

Mr. CLARKE: No, simply referred to a joint committee.

The SPEAKER: If there is no objection on the part of the House a motion would certainly carry.

On motion by Mr. Clarke of Stonington the vote was reconsidered whereby the bill was referred to the committee on Judiciary; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was referred to a joint committee consisting of the committees on Judiciary and Labor, and the bill was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Case of Lubec, the rules were suspended, and the

following resolution was introduced out of order:

Joint Resolution

Whereas, all Federal Aid for highway improvement provided by acts of Congress approved July 11, 1916 and February 28, 1919 has been apportioned to the states in accordance with the terms of said acts; and

Whereas, there is now pending in Congress a bill introduced by Representative McArthur providing for a continuance of Federal Aid in the amount of one hundred million dollars per year for each of the four fiscal years beginning July 1, 1921:

Now therefore, be it resolved that it is the sense of the Legislature of

Maine that said McArthur bill should have a prompt passage by Congress, and we hereby request our Senators and Representatives to work for a vote for the passage of said bill.

And be it further resolved, that the Secretary of State be instructed to furnish forthwith to each of the Maine Senators and Representatives in Congress a certified copy of this resolution.

The resolution received a passage, and was sent to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Daigle of Madawaska,

Adjourned until 4.30 P. M. Tuesday, January 25, 1921.