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HOUSE

Tuesday, Feb. 15, 1921.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Brown of Augusta.

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:

Claims

By Mr. Gipson of Bingham: Resolve reimbursing plantations because of reduction in the rate of interest paid by the State to plantations on their wild land school funds.

Education

By Mr. Smith of Ludlow: Resolve to reimburse the town of Oakfield for two-thirds Secondary School Tuition.

Judiciary

By Mr. Jordan of Cumberland: Remonstrance of Charles H. Meeker and 70 others of Cumberland against the passage of House Bill No. 28, known as the "Barwise Sunday Bill."

By Mr. Thomas of Chesterville: Remonstrance of Dana J. Keene of Farmington and 46 others against the passage of same.

By the same gentleman: Remonstrance of W. Raymond Davis of Farmington and 53 others against the passage of same.

By the same gentleman: Protest of Franklin G. Gray of Farmington and 25 others against the passage of same.

By the same gentleman: Remonstrance of Florence Bunker Clark of Farmington and five others against the passage of same.

By Mr. Viles of Augusta: Bill "An act amending Section 55 of Chapter 52, relating to payment of deposits upon liquidation of Savings Banks.

By Mr. Buzzeil of Belfast: Bill "An act amending Section 33 of Chapter 88

of the Revised Statutes, relating to giving of counsel by a municipal or police judge." (500 copies ordered printed.)

By Mr. Viles of Augusta: Bill "An act to amend Chapter 19 of the Revised Statutes, relating to registration of undertakers." (500 copies ordered printed.)

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Cherry of Eastport: Bill "An act to confirm and make valid the municipal election held in the city of Eastport on the first Monday of March, 1920."

By Mr. Maxwell of East Livermore: Bill "An act to change the time of holding the annual meeting of the town of East Livermore, to enlarge the powers and duties of the selectmen, to abolish certain offices, and to provide for the administration of town affairs." (500 copies ordered printed.)

By Mr. Willard of Sanford: Resolve in favor of York County issuing bonds.

Salaries and Fees

By Mr. Viles of Augusta: Bill "An act to amend Section 51 of Chapter 117 of Revised Statutes, relating to salaries of members of Board of Examiners of Undertakers."

Sea and Shore Fisheries

By Mr. Woodruff of Brunswick: Bill "An act for the better protection of clams within the limits of the town of Brunswick."

By Mr. Varney of Jonesboro: Bill "An act regulating the taking of clams in the town of Jonesboro in Washington County."

Orders

Mr. Forbes of Paris presented the following order:

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that the Superintendent of Public Buildings be requested to re-number the rooms in the State House on some systematic, mathematical plan, so that they may be more easily found than is now possible, to mark the several doors distinctly with their respective numbers, and to place directories of the building at convenient points within it.

On motion by Mr. Buzzell of Belfast, the order was tabled, pending passage.

On motion of Mr. Dodge of Portland, it was

Ordered, that the President of the University of Maine be requested to furnish the Legislature, within ten days from the passage of this order, a detailed statement showing the income and expenses from all sources of each department of the University of Maine for the year ending June 30, 1920, and that where it is necessary to pro-rate any of the items, that the basis of such pro-rate to be clearly indicated.

Report of Committee

Mr. Barwise for the Bangor Delegation reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An act to amend Chapter 349 of the Private and Special Laws of 1905, entitled 'An act relating to pensioning members of the police department of the city of Bangor,"

Report was read and accepted and the bill ordered printed under the Joint Rules.

Passed to Be Engrossed

Senate 45. An Act to provide for the disposition of moneys received from the White Mountain Forest Reserve under an Act of Congress of May 23, 1908.

House 94. An Act granting to J. Fred Sawyer of Greenville, Piscataquis county, Maine, so much of the bed of Moosehead Lake as is necessary for the support of his building in said Greenville.

House 98. 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.

House 101. An Act to extend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Odd Fellows' Home of Maine."

House 102. An Act to repeal acts incorporating the town of Concord.

House 104. 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.

Senate 41. Resolve appropriating money for the expenses of the Electoral College for the State of Maine for the year 1921.

Senate 39. Resolve in favor of P. F. Crane, Secretary of the Senate of the Seventy-Ninth Legislature.

House 97. Resolve in favor of the town of St. George for the payment of additional school funds for the year 1917.

Passed to Be Enacted

An Act to amend Sections One and Three of Chapter 116 of the Revised Statutes, Relating to Duties Payable by Public Officers.

Finally Passed

Memorial to Congress urging the Amendment of the Federal Water Power Act so that Maine's Water Powers shall be Saved for the Benefit of Maine People.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Smith of Skowhegan, it was voted to take from the table, the resolve in favor of the widow of Governor Parkhurst, and on further motion by the same gentleman, the House voted to insist upon its former action, and call for a committee of Conference.

The Chair appointed as the committee of Conference on the part of the House, Messrs. Smith of Skowhegan, Phillips of Orrington, and Oram of Bristol.

On motion by Mr. Bragdon of Perham, it was voted to take from the table an order introduced earlier in the session regarding the printing of bills and resolves, pending reference to a committee; and on further motion by the same gentleman the order was indefinitely postponed.

On motion by Mr. Maher of Augusta, it was voted to take from the table bill "An act to amend Section 66 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, to increase the school age limit, tabled pending third reading.

Mr. MAHER: Mr. Speaker, I move that the bill have its third reading.

The SPEAKER: The Clerk informs the Chair that the record is erroneous in regard to this bill, and that it has not been before the committee on bills in the third reading: so that it will now automatically pass to that committee, to be reported on by it before it is in order for further disposition by the House.

On motion by Mr. Rounds of Portland, it was voted to take from the table bill "An act to amend Sections 4 and 6 of Chapter 262 of the Public Laws of 1917, relating to fees of city clerks," which was before the House on the 8th day of February, add thereto amendment A, suggesting that Section 6 of Chapter 262 of the Public Laws of 1917 is hereby amended by adding after the word "dollar" in the seventh line thereof. the following words: "twenty-five cents of which shall be paid to the city clerk for issuing said new certificate," having to do with pay or licenses of engineers and firemen.

Thereupon the Chair read Section 6 as amended.

On further motion by Mr. Rounds of Portland, the House voted to adopt House Amendment A, and the bill as amended by House Amendment A had its third reading and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Buzzell of Belfast, it was voted to take from the

table resolve in favor of the Reformatory for Women for repairs; and on further motion by the same gentleman it was referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs.

On motion by Mr. Weatherbee of Carroll, it was voted to take from the table report of the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game relative to the act increasing the bounty on bears.

The SPEAKER: The status of this matter is that there was a committee report "ought not to pass."

On further motion by Mr. Weatherbee of Carroll, the report was recommitted to the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

The SPEAKER: The record shows that bill An act creating the West Paris Village Corporation was tabled yesterday by the gentleman from Paris, Mr. Forbes. The recollection of the Chair is that it was tabled by the gentleman from Fryeburg, Mr. Eastman, in the absence of the gentleman from Paris, Mr. Forbes. If there is no objection, the bill will be taken from the table, and, if the House so votes, given its third reading at the present time.

Thereupon the bill received its third reading, and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Oram of Bristol, Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.