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SENATE

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Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. A. T. McWhorter of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

On motion by Mr. Roberts of York, out of order and under suspension of rules, it was

Ordered, that the President of the Senate, in behalf of this body, send a message of sympathy to the family of Honorable James G. C. Smith, late member of the House of Representatives from the city of Biddeford.

Mr. ROBERTS: Mr. President, as a further mark of respect to Mr. Smith, I move you that this body rise and stand for one minute with bowed heads.

The motion prevailed and the members of the Senate rose and stood with bowed heads.

Message from the House

A message was received from the House conveyed by the Clerk, proposing a Joint Convention of both branches of the Legislature to be held in the Hall of the House this evening at eight o'clock for the purpose of listening to an address by the Honorable Gifford Pinchot and for the further purpose of inviting the Governor to introduce to the convention the speaker of the evening.

The PRESIDENT: The Senate hears the message. Is it the pleasure of the Senate to concur in the proposition of the House for a Joint Convention?

The Senate so voted and the Secretary was thereupon charged by the President with a message to the House informing that body that the Senate concurred in the proposition of the House for a Joint Convention.

Subsequently the Secretary reported that he had delivered the message with which he was charged.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 97 of the Revised Statutes relative to right to erect

and maintain mill dams and to divert water by a canal for mills. (S. D. 62)

(In Senate, February 10, referred to Committee on Judiciary)

In the House, referred to the Committees on Public Utilities, Interior Waters and Judiciary, jointly.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Carter of Androscoggin, tabled pending reference.

From the House: Petition of Daniel G. Chaplin and 36 others, residents of Cornish (H. P. 573); petition of J. W. White and 82 others, residents of Dover-Foxcroft (H. P. 574), favoring a bounty on hedgehogs.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Crafts of Piscataquis, referred to the Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation in non-concurrence.

From the House: An Act for the protection of life from the peril of fire in public buildings used for purposes of education, mercy, correction and theatres. (H. D. 96)

In the House, referred to the Committee on Education.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Morrison of Franklin, tabled pending reference.

From the House: Resolve authorizing the Governor and Council to sell certain State land situate in Bangor in the County of Penobscot. (H. P. 615)

In the House, referred to the Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation.

In the Senate, referred in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Woods of Penobscot, the Senate voted to reconsider its action whereby this resolve was referred to the Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation in concurrence, and on further motion by the same Senator the resolve was tabled pending reference

House Bills in First Reading

An Act to establish Narragansett Game Sanctuary in the town of Gorham. (H. D. 108)

An Act relating to the Edward Little Institute and to appoint trustees of said corporation. (H. D. 107)

An Act to provide for the retirement of police officers and firemen, in the city of Westbrook, upon half pay. (S. D. 22)

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

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

By Mr. Foster of Kennebec, Resolve in favor of the Sisters Hospital at Waterville. (S. P. 211)

Sent down for concurrence.

Claims

By Mr. Drake of Sagadahoc, Resolve in favor of the Bath Water District, a public municipal corporation located at Bath, in the County of Sagadahoc. (S. P. 212)

Sent down for concurrence.

Education

By Mr. Lord of York, Resolve in favor of Berwick Academy in the town of Berwick, in the county of York. (S. P. 213)

By Mr. Maher of Kennebec, Resolve in favor of Erskine Academy for general maintenance. (S. P. 214)

Sent down for concurrence.

Inland Fisheries and Game

By Mr. Crafts of Piscataquis, An Act relating to the protection of moose. (S. P. 215)

By Mr. Foster of Kennebec, An Act relating to ice fishing in Annabessacook Lake, in Kennebec County. (S. P. 216)

Sent down for concurrence.

Judiciary

By Mr. Douglas of Hancock, Remonstrance of G. C. Pierson and 12 others, of Ellsworth, against the repeal in any manner of our present Direct Primary Law. (S. P. 217)

Sent down for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Drake of Sagadahoc, An Act to ratify and make valid a quitclaim deed given by the Highway Commission for land near the State Ferry in Woolwich. (S. P. 218)

(500 copies ordered printed.)

By Mr. Dwinall of Knox, An Act relating to the government of the Town of Camden.

(On motion by Mr. Dwinall of Knox, tabled pending reference and 500 copies ordered printed.)

By Mr. Foster of Kennebec, An

Act to establish a Uniform License Law for Summer Camps. (S. P. 220)

(500 copies ordered printed.)

By the same Senator, An Act relating to registration of Veterinary Surgeons. (S. P. 221)

(500 copies ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

By Mr. Oakes of Cumberland, An Act relating to the Probation Officer and Assistant for the county of Cumberland. (S. P. 222)

(500 copies ordered printed.)

Thereupon on motion by Mr. Oakes of Cumberland, the Senate voted to reconsider its action whereby this bill was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs.

Mr. OAKES: Mr. President, I now move that this bill be referred to the Committee on Judiciary, my reason being that it goes with certain other bills that are now with the Judiciary Committee.

The motion prevailed.

Pensions

By Mr. Maher of Kennebec, Resolve for State Pension in favor of Rena Cooley. (S. P. 223)

Sent down for concurrence.

Public Utilities

By Mr. Oakes of Cumberland, An Act to amend Section 2, Chapter 44 of the Public Laws of 1917, relating to proposed changes in freight rates. (S. P. 224)

(500 copies ordered printed.)

Sent down for concurrence.

Salaries and Fees

By Mr. Dwinall of Knox, An Act relating to the salary of the Treasurer of Knox County. (S. P. 225)

Sent down for concurrence.

Sea and Shore Fisheries

By Mr. Lord of York, An Act relating to the digging of clams in Wells in the county of York. (S. P. 226)

Sent down for concurrence.

Ways and Bridges

By Mr. Douglas of Hancock, Resolve in favor of the town of Hancock. (S. P. 227)

By Mr. Drake of Sagadahoc, Resolve in favor of the town of Georgetown, county of Sagadahoc, State of Maine, for repairs on road. (S. P. 228)

By the same Senator, Resolve in favor of the town of Richmond. (S. P. 229)

By the same Senator, Resolve in

favor of the town of Phippsburg. (S. P. 230)

By the same Senator, Resolve in aid of the Small Point Road in West Bath. (S. P. 231)

By the same Senator, Resolve in favor of the Old Road, so-called, in the town of Arrowsic. (S. P. 232)

By the same Senator, Resolve appropriating money for the construction, maintenance and repair of the River Road, so-called, in the town of Woolwich. (S. P. 233)

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Slocum of Cumberland, it was

Ordered, that there be printed five hundred copies of H. P. 129, bill, An Act relating to the protection of fur-bearing animals.

On motion by Mr. Morrison of Franklin, it was

Ordered, that there be printed five hundred additional copies of S. D. 67, Resolve appropriating money to aid in building a highway from Eustis in Franklin County to the boundary line between the State of Maine and the Dominion of Canada, at a place near the village Woburn in said Canada.

Passed to Be Engrossed

An Act relating to and defining the duties of certain officers with reference to aliens committed for violation of law. (H. D. 4)

On motion by Mr. Maher of Kennebec

Recessed until eight o'clock this evening.

After Recess—8 P. M.

Senate called to order by the President.

Pursuant to the order previously passed in today's session the Senate retired to the Hall of the House of Representatives where a joint convention was formed.

(For proceedings in convention see House Report.)

In the Senate

Upon the return of the Senators to their Chamber the Senate was called to order by the President.

On motion by Mr. Case of Washington,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.