

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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**HOUSE**

Friday, March 1, 1929.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Moyle of Hallowell.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: Report of the committee on Judiciary reporting ought to pass on bill an act relating to legal holidays. (S. P. 143, S. D. 64.)

Comes from the Senate report read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed.

In the House:

Mr. SARGENT of Brewer: Mr. Speaker, I move that Senate Paper 143, an act relating to legal holidays, be recommitted to the committee on Judiciary. In explanation I will say that an act is now before that committee with reference to the same Section of the Statutes.

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Sargent of Brewer the bill was recommitted to the committee on Judiciary in non-concurrence.

From the Senate: Report of the committee on Public Utilities on bill an act to create Sabattus Water and Sewer District (S. P. 238.) (S. D. 108) reporting same in a new draft (S. P. 525) (S. D. 206) under same title and that it ought to pass.

Comes from the Senate report read and accepted and the bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment A.

In the House, report read and accepted in concurrence and the bill received its first reading.

Senate Amendment A read.

On motion by Mr. Kitchen of Presque Isle, tabled pending adoption of amendment.

**Communication From the State Auditor**

STATE OF MAINE

Department of State Auditor  
Augusta

February 28 1929.

To the Honorable House of Representatives:

Complying with House Order dated February 14, 1929, I herewith transmit a detailed report of

1. Cost of the State Pier at Portland.

2. Bonds issued and outstanding.

3. Receipts and expenditures from all sources since completion of the Pier to December 31, 1928.

4. Total number of ships and vessels entering State Pier since completion.

5. Amount of insurance carried on State Pier.

6. Number of salaried employees and amount each receives.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) ELBERT D. HAYFORD,  
State Auditor.

On motion by Mr. Boynton of South Portland, the communication was accepted and placed on file; and on further motion by the same gentleman 1000 copies of the report accompanying the communication ordered printed.

Mr. CARLETON of Portland: Mr. Speaker, I think that printing a thousand copies of this bill which is only of interest to a very few in our vicinity, is unnecessary; and perhaps the gentleman from South Portland would accept an amendment whereby less number of copies could be printed.

The SPEAKER: Does the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Carleton, move to reconsider the action whereby we voted to print 1000 copies?

Mr. CARLETON: I think, Mr. Speaker, that 250 or 500 would be sufficient.

Thereupon, a viva voce vote being taken, the motion to reconsider the former action of the House whereby 1000 copies were ordered printed failed of passage.

**STATE OF MAINE**

Directors of the Port of Portland  
February 28, 1929.

Clyde R. Chapman,  
Clerk of the House,  
House of Representatives,  
Augusta, Maine.

Dear Sir:

In reference to your communication of the 16th instant, enclosing copy of an order passed in the House of Representatives, February 14th, calling for certain informa-

tion regarding the Directors of the Port of Portland, and the Maine State Pier, the information requested, in so far as same is available in the records of the Directors of the Port, has been carefully compiled and placed in the hands of the State Auditor.

The State Auditor, from records in Augusta, is supplying the additional data required by the House of Representatives, and the completed report will be placed in your hands by the State Auditor tomorrow morning, March 1st, in compliance with the order calling for the figures in question.

Yours very truly,

DIRECTORS of the Port of  
Portland

Henry F. Merrill,  
Chairman.

On motion by Mr. Boynton of South Portland, the communication was accepted and ordered placed on file.

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

#### Agriculture

By Mr. Robie of Westbrook: An act relating to the capacity of milk bottles and jars (H. P. 1517).

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Farris of Augusta: An act relating to the packing and grading of apples (H. P. 1519)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By the same gentleman: An act relating to weights and measures. (H. P. 1520)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Webster of Buxton: An act relating to the capturing of bees. (H. P. 1518)

#### Appropriations and Financial Affairs

By the same gentleman: Petition of Edwin A. Palmer and others relating to fire protection (H. P. 1521)

By Mr. Foster of Ellsworth: An act with reference to State Budget. (H. P. 1522)

On motion by Mr. Robie of Westbrook, tabled pending reference, and 500 copies ordered printed.

By the same gentleman: An act to amend Chapter 162 of the Public Laws of 1927 as applied to the

War Bond Sinking Fund (H. P. 1523)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Merrill of Dover-Foxcroft: An act relating to the State Department of Health (H. P. 1524)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Rounds of Portland: Resolve to more fully perfect the records of the Adjutant General's office and to encourage the writing of histories of Maine Soldiers in the Spanish War and World War (H. P. 1525)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Sturgis of Auburn: Resolve in favor of the State Board of Mothers' Aid (H. P. 1526)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Rodolphe Hamel of Lewiston: Resolve in favor of scientific and practical investigation of wind wheels and rotors for generation of electricity for use on farms and on sailing vessels (H. P. 1527)

(500 copies ordered printed)

#### Banks and Banking

By Mr. Jackson of Portland: An act relating to the giving of checks and drafts on banks where the maker has not sufficient funds (H. P. 1528)

(500 copies ordered printed)

#### Education

By Mr. Wright of Bath: An act in relation to the State Military and Naval Children's Home (H. P. 1529)

(500 copies ordered printed)

#### Inland Fisheries and Game

By Mrs. Folsom of Norridgewock: Remonstrance against opening the Belgrade Chain of Lakes to ice fishing (H. P. 1530)

By Mr. Harrington of Patten: An act relating to moose (H. P. 1531)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Peacock of Readfield: An act to provide a close time on muskrats (H. P. 1532)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Ingraham of Bangor: An act relating to the protection of fur bearing animals (H. P. 1533)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Hatch of Lovell: An act relating to fishing in Kewayden Lake in the town of Stoneham (H. P. 1543.)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Varnum of Westbrook: An act relative to close time on

wild hares or rabbits (H. P. 1535)  
(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. MacKinnon of Mexico: An act relating to the protection of fur bearing animals (H. P. 1536)  
(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Libby of Albion: Resolve appropriating money to aid in the screening of the outlet of Lovejoy Pond, in the town of Albion, in the county of Kennebec (H. P. 1537)

By Mr. Heath of Guilford: Resolve in favor of screening Piper Pond and Sylvan Lake, so-called (H. P. 1538)

By Mr. Blodgett of Bucksport: Resolve appropriating money to aid in the screening of the outlet of Pierce's Pond, in the town of Penobscot, in the county of Hancock (H. P. 1539)

By Mr. Clark of Winslow: Resolve in favor of setting aside a tract of land as game preserves (H. P. 1540)  
(500 copies ordered printed)

#### Interior Waters

By Mr. Campbell of Leeds: An act to control pollution of inland waters (H. P. 1541)

(On motion by Mr. Campbell of Leeds 1000 copies ordered printed)

#### Judiciary

By Mr. Farris of Augusta: An act relating to set-off (H. P. 1542)  
(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Rounds of Portland: An act relating to deportation of alien criminals, paupers and insane (H. P. 1543)  
(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Picher of Waterville: An act to amend the absent voting law. (H. P. 1544)  
(500 copies ordered printed)

By the same gentleman: An act to amend Section 25 of Chapter 87 of the Revised Statutes, relating to change of venue in the Supreme Judicial Court and Superior Court. (H. P. 1545)  
(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Bisbee of Damariscotta: An act relating to directional signs located in the highway. (H. P. 1546)  
(500 copies ordered printed)

(Tabled by Mr. Kitchen of Presque Isle pending reference.)

By Miss Laughlin of Portland: An act relating to the establish-

ment of residences for certain purposes. (H. P. 1547)

(500 copies ordered printed)  
By Mr. Foster of Ellsworth: An act relating to the regular sessions of County Commissioners of Hancock County. (H. P. 1548)

(500 copies ordered printed)  
By Mr. Powers of Caribou: An act regarding registration and licensing. (H. P. 1549)

By Mr. Jones of Waterville: An act relating to terms of the Superior Court of the county of Kennebec. (H. P. 1607)  
(500 copies ordered printed)

#### Legal Affairs

By Mr. Stuart of Harrison: Remonstrance of Rev. Clarence H. Clark and others of No. Windham and Raymond against any change in the Sunday law to permit the playing of games on Sunday. (H. P. 1550)

By Mr. Holbrook of Vanceboro: Remonstrance of Mabel D. Russell and 9 others against same. (H. P. 1551)

By Mr. Burkett of Portland: Remonstrance of Alice L. Doughty and 35 others against same. (H. P. 1552)

By Mr. Hathaway of Milo: An act relating to a green light on motor vehicles seven feet in width. (H. P. 1553)  
(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Kitchen of Presque Isle: An act authorizing towns to establish water districts within their territorial limits. (H. P. 1554)  
(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. George Hamel of Lewiston: An act relating to amusements on Memorial Day. (H. P. 1555)

(Tabled by Mr. Bissett of Portland pending reference.)

By Mr. McCart of Eastport: An act to create the office of Commissioner of Decisions and Laws and to abolish the office of Reporter of Decisions. (H. P. 1556)  
(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Taylor of Belfast: An act to grant a new charter to the city of Belfast. (H. P. 1557)

(Tabled by Mr. Taylor of Belfast pending reference.)

By the same gentleman: An act regulating the supervision of public dances. (H. P. 1558)

Mr. McCART of Eastport: Mr. Speaker, as this is an act introduced in violation of Joint Rule 14. I would like to ask the Chair whether the tabling of this bill at this time would mean that it had been accepted by the House for consideration?

The SPEAKER: Can the gentleman inform the Chair whether this bill is identical with the other bill?

Mr. McCART: I do not know for sure, Mr. Speaker, but I do know that there was a new draft submitted to the Committee of Judiciary.

The SPEAKER: The Chair is of the opinion that this draft is different, but the Chair will further state that the fourteenth joint rule, to which the gentleman doubtless had reference applies only in the case of the definite rejection of the former measure; and the Chair is informed that the measure which has heretofore been pending in the House has not been definitely rejected in both branches.

On motion by Mr. McCart H. P. 1558, an act relating to the supervision of public dances, was tabled pending reference.

By Mr. Jackson of Bath: An act naming the bridge at Bath. (H. P. 1559)

By Mr. Peacock of Readfield: An act to amend Chapter 65 of the Revised Statutes relating to causes for divorce. (H. P. 1560)

By the same gentleman: An act relating to validating certain acts and deeds. (H. P. 1561)

By the same gentleman: An act to increase the time of filing appeals in municipal, police and trial justice courts. (H. P. 1562)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. McCart of Eastport: An act relating to legal voters of municipal and village corporations. (H. P. 1563)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Wight of Newry: An act providing for the fencing and care of burying grounds in unincorporated places. (H. P. 1564)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Rumill of Tremont: An act to provide better government for the town of Mount Desert. (H. P. 1565)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Peacock of Readfield: An act to simplify procedure in municipal or police courts. (H. P. 1566)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Picher of Waterville: An act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 211 of the Public Laws of 1921, relating to motor vehicles. (H. P. 1567)

(500 copies ordered printed)

#### Labor

By Mr. Jones of Winthrop: An act relative to the hours of employment of women. (H. P. 1568)

(500 copies ordered printed)

#### Mercantile Affairs and Insurance

By Mr. Hughes of Mapleton: An act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 231 of the Private and Special Laws of 1909 relating to the Aroostook Mutual Fire Insurance Company. (H. P. 1569)

(500 copies ordered printed)

#### Pensions

By Mr. Peacock of Readfield: An act to provide an old age pension. (H. P. 1570)

(500 copies ordered printed)

#### Public Health

By Mr. McCart of Eastport: An act to provide for the payment of an annual license fee by apothecaries and for the disposition of fees received by the Commissioners of Pharmacy. (H. P. 1571)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Hathaway of Milo: An act with reference to tuberculous prisoners. (H. P. 1572)

(500 copies ordered printed)

#### Public Utilities

By Miss Laughlin of Portland: An act relating to provisions for safety. (H. P. 1573)

On motion by Mr. Ingraham of Bangor, tabled pending reference and specially assigned for Wednesday, March 6th; and on motion by Mr. Chase of Cape Elizabeth 500 copies ordered printed.

By Mr. Chase of Cape Elizabeth: An act relating to taking of land of railroad corporations for streets or ways. (H. P. 1574)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Potter of Bangor: An act relating to selling and dispensing electric power. (H. P. 1575)

(Tabled by Mr. Potter of Bangor pending reference.)

#### Public Utilities, Judiciary and Interior Waters

By Mr. Briggs of Monticello: Petition in favor of granting a charter to Fish River Power & Stor-

age Co. with certain provisions. (H. P. 1576)

By Mr. Adams of Linneus: Petition in favor of same. (H. P. 1577)

#### Revision of Statutes

By Mr. Stone of Biddeford: An act relative to the sale of real estate under license of the Probate Court. (H. P. 1578)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By the same gentleman: An act relative to estates of absentees. (H. P. 1579)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. McCart of Eastport: An act relating to the recovery of estates by writ of entry; mode of service. (H. P. 1580)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Williamson of Augusta: An act relating to the appointment of public administrators. (H. P. 1581)

(500 copies ordered printed)

#### Sea and Shore Fisheries

By Mr. Vose of Cushing: An act to make easier living conditions for the owners and occupants of lands bordering on the Georges River and to re-stock the outside fishing grounds with young lobsters. (H. P. 1582)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Ford of Brooklin: An act to provide a bounty on seals. (H. P. 1583)

(500 copies ordered printed)

#### State Prison

By Mr. Varnum of Westbrook: Resolve in favor of the Maine State Prison for maintenance and current expenses. (H. P. 1584)

(500 copies ordered printed)

#### Taxation

By Mr. Jackson of Bath: An act to provide an excise tax on tobacco products. (H. P. 1606)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Peacock of Readfield: An act relating to the taxation of shares of stock of trust companies organized under the laws of this State and banking institutions formed under the laws of the United States. (H. P. 1585)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Vose of Cushing: An act to provide revenue to support the Sea and Shore Fisheries Department. (H. P. 1586)

(500 copies ordered printed)

#### Temperance

By Mr. Sturgis of Auburn: An

act relating to the sale of intoxicating liquors. (H. P. 1587)

(500 copies ordered printed)

#### Towns

By Mr. Bisbee of Damariscotta: An act to annex Cow Island to the town of Bremen. (H. P. 1588)

(500 copies ordered printed)

#### Ways and Bridges and Taxation

By Mr. Lombard of Bridgton: Remonstrance against increase in gasoline tax. (H. P. 1500)

By Mr. Chase of Cape Elizabeth: Remonstrance against same. (H. P. 1501)

By Mr. Heath of Guilford: Remonstrance against same. (H. P. 1502)

By Mr. Gillespie of Meddybemps: Remonstrance against same. (H. P. 1591)

By Mr. Carleton of Portland: Remonstrance against same. (H. P. 1592)

By the same gentleman: Remonstrance against same. (H. P. 1593)

#### Ways and Bridges

By Mr. Daigle of Madawaska: Petition of Denis B. Martin and 27 others in favor of H. D. 102 in regard to motor vehicles. (H. P. 1589)

By Mr. Kitchen of Presque Isle: An act relating to laying out and assessing damages on State and State Aid highways. (H. P. 1594)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Allen of Sanford: An act regarding disposition of motor vehicle fees. (H. P. 1595)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Sterling of Kittery: An act relating to the acquisition of the Eliot Bridge, so called. (H. P. 1596)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Hawkes of Standish: An act to provide for the inspection of motor lubricating oil. (H. P. 1597)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Gillespie of Meddybemps: An act to establish a State Highway Commission with a full time chairman. (H. P. 1598)

(Tabled by Mr. Aldrich of Topsham pending reference and 500 copies ordered printed.)

By Mr. Hawkes of Standish: An act making it unlawful for depositing sawdust in the limits of the highway. (H. P. 1599)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Sterling of Caratunk: An

act relating to raising money for roads. (H. P. 1600)

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Ford of Brooklin: Resolve in favor of the town of Stonington. (H. P. 1601)

By Mr. Vose of Cushing: Resolve in favor of the town of Thomaston. (H. P. 1602)

Mr. VOSE: Mr. Speaker, I wish to say in reference to H. P. 1602 that a bill quite different from this but covering the same subject matter is now in the hands of the committee on Claims and it seems to me that both of these bills should go to the same committee, and therefore I move that H. P. 1602 be referred to the committee on Claims and that 500 copies be printed

Thereupon the bill was referred to the committee on Claims and 500 copies ordered printed.

By Mr. Rogers of Yarmouth: Resolve in favor of the town of Yarmouth. (H. P. 1603)

By Mr. Hawkes of Standish: Resolve in favor of the town of Baldwin. (H. P. 1604)

By Mr. Littlefield of Farmingdale: Resolve in favor of the town of Chelsea. (H. P. 1605)

By Mr. Burkett of Union: Resolve in favor of the town of Warren. (H. P. 1608)

### Orders

Mr. Peacock of Readfield presented the following order and moved its passage:

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that the State Auditor be authorized to pay to the Chairman of the committee on Legal Affairs the sum of \$138.00, this amount being the expenses of said committee on a trip to Portland for a public hearing on bill an act to grant a new charter to the city of Portland, said hearing in Portland having been authorized by concurrence order passed in both the House of Representatives and the Senate on February 15th, this amount to be expended by the State Auditor from the appropriation for legislative expenses.

A viva voce vote being taken, the order received passage.

On motion by Mr. Locke of Biddeford, it was

Ordered, that the pen used by

the Speaker of the House in signing the mill tax bill in favor of the University of Maine be presented to Representative Edward E. Chase of Cape Elizabeth.

The Assistant Clerk then presented the pen to Representative Chase, the members applauding.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state that the Assistant Clerk has been extremely accommodating in this matter.

On motion by Mr. MacKinnon of Mexico, it was

Ordered, that the use of the hall of the House of Representatives be granted to the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on the afternoon of Friday, March 8.

### Reports of Committees

Mr. Burkett from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported ought not to pass on bill an act relating to the sale of real estate for taxes. (H. P. 1188) (H. D. 339)

Mr. Belleau from same Committee reported same on bill an act relating to the Department of Public Welfare. (H. P. 1157) (H. D. 371)  
(Tabled by Mr. Chase of Cape Elizabeth pending acceptance of report)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on bill an act to combine the Treasurer and Tax Collector of the city of Lewiston. (H. P. 418) (H. D. 131)

Mr. Blaisdell from same Committee reported same on bill an act to provide pensions for the Call Members of the Fire Department of the city of Westbrook. (H. P. 163) (H. D. 44)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on bill an act to establish a Park Commission for the city of South Portland. (H. P. 321) (H. D. 96)

Reports read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Burkett from the Committee on Legal Affairs on bill an act to provide pensions for the regular drivers of the Fire Department of the city of Westbrook (H. P. 169) (H. D. 45) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1511) under same title and that it ought to pass.

Same gentleman from same Committee on bill an act relating to the Registration of Nurses (H. P. 419) (H. D. 132) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1512) under



same title and that it ought to pass.

Same gentleman from same Committee on bill an act to grant a charter to the town of Sanford (H. P. 105) (H. D. 43) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1514) under same title and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Peacock from same Committee on bill an act to provide pensions for the regular policemen of the city of Westbrook (H. P. 170) (H. D. 46) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1515) under same title and that it ought to pass.

Same gentleman from same Committee on bill an act to authorize the town of South Bristol to raise money for the purpose of helping keep in repair the old cemeteries in said town, (H. P. 173) (S. D. 45) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1516) under title of an act to authorize the town of South Bristol to raise money for the purpose of helping keep in repair the cemeteries in said town and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Burkett from the Committee on Revision of Statutes on bill an act to amend Section 117 of Chapter 7 of the Revised Statutes relative to military parades on election days (H. P. 1087) (H. D. 350) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1513) under same title and that it ought to pass.

Reports read and accepted and the new drafts ordered printed under the Joint Rules.

Mr. Burkett from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported ought to pass on bill an act relating to the Maine Wesleyan Seminary and Woman's College. (H. P. 605)

Mr. Kitchen from the Committee on Ways and Bridges reported same on resolve in favor of Eagle Lake. (H. P. 217)

Reports read and accepted and the bill and resolve ordered printed under the Joint Rules.

Mr. Williamson from the Committee on Judiciary reported ought to pass on bill an act relating to the property of extinct or disbanded Baptist or Free Baptist churches, parishes or societies. (H. P. 413) (H. D. 124)

Mr. Blaisdell from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported same on bill an act relating to the Mil-inoeket Municipal Court. (H. P. 244) (H. D. 80)

Reports read and accepted and the bills, having already been printed, were read twice under suspension of the rules and tomorrow assigned.

Mr. Jack from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported same on bill an act relating to the Park Commission of the city of Portland. (H. P. 852) (H. D. 277)

Mr. ROUNDS of Portland: Mr. Speaker, I rise to ask a question. This bill needs amending and should it be done at this time or let it have its two readings.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman is advised that the better course would be to allow the bill to take its two readings and then amend it.

Thereupon the report of the committee was accepted, and the bill received its first two readings under suspension of the rules.

Mr. ROUNDS: Mr. Speaker, I am in favor of this bill except as to one little piece on the corner of about ten rods. It was agreed in the committee that they would take out Bates Street, which is about ten rods, but would not take out the Promenade of about ten rods. Therefore every truck in the city of Portland is required to go two miles out of the way to cover that twenty rods. Therefore, I want it to lie on the table for amendment.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman is advised that the normal course would be to assign the bill for its third reading Tuesday next; and if the gentleman could prepare his amendment over the week-end it would not be necessary for it to be tabled.

Thereupon the House assigned Tuesday next for the third reading of this bill.

Mr. Jack from the committee on Legal Affairs reported ought to pass on an act relating to wards in the city of Portland. (H. P. 855) (H. D. 278)

The same gentleman from the same committee reported same on bill an act relating to annual report, in the South Portland Sewer District. (H. P. 856) (H. D. 27)

Mr. Burkett from same committee reported same on bill an act to amend Section 12 of Article VI of the Private and Special Laws of 1923, entitled "An act to grant a new charter to the city of Port-

land," making explicit certain powers of the Park Commission. (H. P. 853) (H. D. 215)

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on bill an act to amend the charter of the city of Westbrook in reference to reducing the number of its aldermen, and increasing the time of their office as well as that of the Mayor and the Board of Assessors. (H. P. 171) (H. D. 70)

(On motion by Mr. Robie of Westbrook recommitted to the committee on Legal Affairs)

Mr. Comins from the committee on Public Utilities reported same on bill an act confirming the construction of the ferry wings at Peaks Island. (H. P. 883) (H. D. 234)

Mr. Williamson from the committee on Revision of Statutes reported same on bill an act to repeal Sections 4 to 10 inclusive of Chapter 39 of the Revised Statutes relative to public warehouses and warehousemen. (H. P. 1084) (H. D. 347)

Reports read and accepted and the bills having already been printed were read twice under suspension of the rules and tomorrow assigned.

Mr. Hawkes from the committee on Ways and Bridges reported ought to pass on bill an act relative to highways through towns of less than five thousand inhabitants (H. P. 522) (H. D. 151)

Tabled by Mr. Lenfest of Manchester pending second reading.

Mr. KITCHEN of Presque Isle: Mr. Speaker, as I understand the gentleman's motive in tabling this bill at this time is to offer an amendment, I would suggest that he allow the bill to have its second reading now, then his amendment can be offered next week.

Mr. LENFEST: This is agreeable to me, Mr. Speaker.

Thereupon on motion by Mr. Lenfest it was voted to take from the table H. D. 151, an act relative to highways through towns of less than five thousand inhabitants; and on further motion by the same gentleman, the bill had its second reading under suspension of the rules and tomorrow assigned.

Mr. Bachelder from the Committee on Ways and Bridges reported ought to pass on bill an act

requiring the State Highway Commission to file with County Commissioners a record of location and change of location of State highways, State Aid highways and Third Class highways (H. P. 1195) (H. D. 390)

Mr. Kitchen from same Committee reported same on bill an act to amend the Bridge Act, so called, providing for State and County aid in the construction of highway bridges (H. P. 1196) (H. D. 391)

Reports read and accepted and the bills having already been printed were read twice under suspension of the rules and tomorrow assigned.

#### Passed to be Engrossed

(S. P. 361) (S. D. 146) An act providing for inspection, registration and safety of vessels engaged in inland navigation under the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission.

(S. P. 368) (S. D. 218) An act to incorporate the Big Black River Dam Company.

(S. P. 368) (S. D. 226) An act making it unlawful to fish for smelts in certain parts of Washington and Hancock counties.

(S. P. 563) (S. D. 227) An act relating to the digging of clams in the town of Wells.

(H. P. 62) (H. D. 472) An act relating to salaries of County treasurers.

(H. P. 83) (H. D. 473) An act to increase the amount to be paid for clerk hire in the office of Register of Deeds in the county of Cumberland.

(H. P. 302) (H. D. 474) An act to open Virginia Lake in Stoneham to bass fishing.

(H. P. 373) (H. D. 475) An act relating to the salaries of the County Commissioners of Sagadahoc County.

(H. P. 374) (H. D. 476) An act relating to salary of the Register of Probate of Sagadahoc County.

(H. P. 398) (H. D. 477) An act to regulate fishing in Prescott Pond in Elliottsville Plantation.

(H. P. 400) (H. D. 478) An act to open Lily Pond, in Knox County, to fishing.

(H. P. 513) (H. D. 479) An act relating to fishing for smelts in Winnegance Creek.

(H. P. 740) (H. D. 481) An act

relating to expenses and clerk hire of the Commissioner of Agriculture.

(H. P. 848) (H. D. 274) An act prohibiting interment or disinterment of bodies without permit.

(H. P. 849) (H. D. 275) An act to provide for the exoneration of bail in civil action after the entry of the action.

(H. P. 898) (H. D. 299) An act to change the name of the town of East Livermore to the town of Livermore Falls.

(H. P. 899) (H. D. 300) An act to change the name of the town of Old Orchard to Old Orchard Beach.

(Tabled by Mr. Ashby of Fort Fairfield pending third reading.)

(H. P. 1085) (H. D. 348) An act relative to canning of short lobsters.

(H. P. 1086) (H. D. 349) An act relative to persons authorized to perform marriages.

(H. P. 1088) (H. D. 351) An act to amend Section 19 of Chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes, relative to the jurisdiction of courts over offences under said chapter.

(H. P. 1395) (H. D. 484) An act providing for clerk hire in the office of Register of Probate of Cumberland County.

(H. P. 1396) (H. D. 485) An act relating to the salary of the county attorney for the county of Knox.

(H. P. 1397) (H. D. 486) An act relating to the salary of the county attorney for the county of Lincoln.

(H. P. 1398) (H. D. 487) An act increasing the salaries of the county attorney and assistant county attorney of Cumberland County.

(H. P. 1447) (H. D. 492) An act to incorporate the Sanford Water District.

(Tabled by Mr. Ashby of Fort Fairfield pending third reading.)

(H. P. 672) (H. D. 480) Resolve providing a State pension for Rosie E. Clark of Etna.

Mr. Hubbard of Plymouth offered House Amendment A to H. D. 480, and moved its adoption.

#### House Amendment A to H. P. 672, H. D. 480

Amend said resolve by striking out the surname "Clark" and inserting in lieu thereof the surname "Cook."

Thereupon House Amendment A

was adopted, and on further motion by the same gentleman the resolve as amended by House Amendment A was given its second reading and passed to be engrossed.

(H. P. 872) (H. D. 482) Resolve for a State pension for Electus Oakes of Thorndike.

(H. P. 875) (H. D. 483) Resolve to provide a State pension for Mary W. Chamberlain of Portland.

(H. P. 1399) (H. D. 488) Resolve providing for a State pension for Jennie S. Sutton of Lewiston.

(H. P. 1400) (H. D. 489) Resolve providing for a State pension for Anna Lou Hobart of Farmington.

(H. P. 1401) (H. D. 490) Resolve in favor of Anna L. Gagan, providing for a State pension.

(H. P. 1402) (H. D. 491) Resolve in favor of William S. Smith of Alna for State pension.

On motion by Mr. Hawkes of Standish, the House voted to reconsider its action whereby it referred H. P. 1597, an act to provide for the inspection of motor lubricating oil to the Committee on Ways and Bridges; and on further motion by the same gentleman, the bill was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

#### Passed to Be Enacted

(Emergency Measure)

An act additional to Chapter 242 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, entitled an act to incorporate the city of South Portland.

The SPEAKER: This being an emergency measure, it is necessary under the Constitution that it have the affirmative vote of two-thirds the entire membership of this body. All those in favor of the passage of the bill to be enacted will rise and stand until counted and the monitors will return the count.

A division being had,

One hundred and ten voting in the affirmative and none in the negative, the bill was passed to be enacted.

Senate order, out of order.

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet Tuesday, March 5, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

In the Senate, read and passed.

In the House, read and passed in concurrence.

#### Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: Under tabled and today assigned the Chair lays before the House bill an act relative to Sea and Shore Fisheries Commission H. P. 1485, tabled on February 28th by the gentleman from South Portland, Mr. Boynton, the pending question being reference to a committee.

Mr. PATTERSON of Freeport: Mr. Speaker, in behalf of Mr. Boynton, and at his request, he yields the floor to Miss Laughlin, of Portland.

Miss LAUGHLIN: Mr. Speaker, this bill is from the Revision Committee and simply harmonizes and brings into form the provisions of the law exactly as they are now. It makes no change in the law, simply harmonizes the different provisions. Therefore I move that it be referred to the committee on Revision of Statutes.

The motion prevailed and the bill was referred to the committee on Revision of Statutes.

The SPEAKER: There are no further matters today assigned.

On motion by Mr. Sargent of Brewer, the House voted to reconsider its action whereby it voted to refer House Document 505 an act relating to sealers of weights and measures, to the committee on Agriculture, and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was referred to the committee on Salaries and Fees.

On motion by Mr. Chase of Cape Elizabeth, it was voted to take from the table the third unassigned matter, being Senate Report ought to pass of the committee on Education on S. P. 25, S. D. 17, resolve in favor of the trustees of the University of Maine.

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, the members of the House have been very generous with me this morning in giving me a pen that appears to belong to the Assistant Clerk. I appreciate the sentiment connected with it and I shall try to adjust the matter in fairness to all parties.

This resolve in favor of the trustees of the University of Maine is for the expenses of the trustees. Under the mill tax act from the

mill tax fund those expenses will be paid. So that this resolve does not need to be passed, and in order to dispose of it, I move that it be indefinitely postponed.

The motion to indefinitely postpone prevailed.

On motion by Mr. Chase of Cape Elizabeth, the House voted to take from the table the sixth unassigned matter, an act relating to Portland Gas Light Company, S. P. 239, S. D. 101, tabled by that gentleman on February 27th, the pending question being passage to be enacted.

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, in order to correct a slight clerical error by amendment, I now move that we reconsider the vote whereby this bill was passed to be engrossed.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. CHASE: Mr. Speaker, I now offer House Amendment A to said bill.

The SPEAKER: The Clerk will read.

House Amendment A to Senate Document 101, Senate Paper 239.

Strike out the words "and/or" appearing in the fifth and sixth lines of Section 2 thereof and substitute in each case in lieu thereof the word "and."

The Amendment was adopted, and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill as amended by House Amendment A was passed to be engrossed.

The Speaker: Is there any further business under Orders of the Day?

Mr. Jackson of Bath: Mr. Speaker, I present a resolution and move its adoption:

Joint Resolution Extending the Thanks of the State to the Board of Directors who built the Carlton Bridge.

Whereas: The Eighty Second Legislature of the State of Maine by its unanimous action of April Third Nineteen Hundred Twenty Five, authorized the construction of a bridge across the Kennebec River between the City of Bath and the Town of Woolwich, and

Whereas: Said Eighty Second Legislature authorized the issue of Three Million Dollars in bonds for the construction of said bridge, and

Whereas: The Board of Directors

created by said Eighty Second Legislature to supervise the building of said bridge, devoted much of their time for two years to that task without compensation, some of them not even collecting the per-diem and mileage to which they were entitled, and

Whereas: The bridge was completed and put in operation well within the time limit allowed for its construction, and within the Three Million Dollars appropriation allotted for its building.

Be it Resolved: That the Senate and House of Representatives of the Eighty Fourth Legislature here assembled, do, in behalf of the citizens of Maine extend to said Board of Directors its thanks and appreciation for their painstaking, economical and efficient service to The State in the building of The Carlton Bridge.

Be it Further Resolved:

That the Secretary of State be hereby instructed to forward to each member of said Board of Directors an engrossed copy of these resolutions.

A viva voce vote being taken, the foregoing resolution was adopted.

On motion by Mr. Kitchen of Presque Isle, it was voted to take from the table the eighth unassigned matter, tabled by that gentleman yesterday, being resolve to modify the conditions of the gift from B. C. Jordan to the State for the purpose of encouraging cultivation of forests, H. P. 734, H. D. 384, the pending question being final passage.

On motion by Mr. Kitchen the House voted to reconsider its action whereby this resolve was passed to

be engrossed; and on further motion by the same gentleman the resolve was recommitted to the committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation.

The SPEAKER: Is there any further business under Orders of the Day? If not, the Chair will make the following statement with reference to the state of legislative business at the close of this the ninth legislative week: The number of bills pending in committee on Tuesday last was 967 as against 953 on the week previous. This indicates almost an equilibrium between the amount of new business to be dispatched and the capacity of the Legislature to dispatch business. Of course as no further bills may now be introduced for reference to the present Legislature it may be anticipated that the rate of progress from next Tuesday on should be much more rapid. However, many new bills were introduced yesterday and it is now apparent that this Legislature will have to consider a very substantially larger number of bills and resolves than have been considered in recent years. Statistics are lacking but it seems likely that more measures have been submitted to this Legislature than to any of its predecessors. The Chair will take this opportunity again to urge that reports be brought in as promptly as possible in order that the Legislature may deal as efficiently as possible with this unprecedented volume of business.

On motion by Mr. Fogg of Cornville,

Adjourned until Tuesday, March 5, at 10 A. M.