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SENATE

Tuesday, January 20, 1942.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. F. F. Fowle of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

From the House:

Joint Order

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that the Attorney General forthwith report to the Legislature the amounts he has collected from persons responsible for the shortage in the Adjutant-General's department as shown in the Auditor's report to the State, dated August 30, 1941. (H. P. 2004)

Which was read and passed in concurrence.

House Committee Reports Referred to Next Legislature

The Committee on Claims on "Resolve in Favor of Charles E. Bartlett, of Lisbon Falls," (H. P. 1972) reported that the same be referred to the 91st Legislature.

The same Committee on "Resolve in Favor of Arthur L. Willette of Skowhegan," (H. P. 1967) reported that the same be referred to the 91st Legislature.

The same Committee on "Resolve in Favor of Dr. A. W. Plummer of Lisbon Falls," (H. P. 1968) reported that the same be referred to the 91st Legislature.

The same Committee on "Resolve in Favor of Dr. Charles Sumner, of Sullivan," (H. P. 1970) reported that the same be referred to the 91st Legislature.

The same Committee on "Resolve in Favor of Preston Chadbourne," (H. P. 1952) reported that the same be referred to the 91st Legislature.

The same Committee on "Resolve to Reimburse Dr. Lester R. Nesbitt of Bucksport for Medical Services," (H. P. 1969) reported that the same be referred to the 91st Legislature.

The same Committee on "Resolve in Favor of Arlington W. Booker of Bradford," (H. P. 1971) reported that the same be referred to the 91st Legislature.

The Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on Bill "An Act Relating to Bounty on Bobcats, Etc.," (H. P. 1974) (L. D. 1213) reported that the same be referred to the 91st Legislature.

The same Committee on "Resolve Relating to ice Fishing in East Grand Lake," (H. P. 1975) (L. D. 1214) reported that the same be referred to the 91st Legislature.

Which reports were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

Ought Not to Pass

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act to Provide an Emergency System of License and Registration Renewals," (H. P. 1978) (L. D. 1217) reported that the same ought not to pass as covered by other legislation.

Which report was read and accepted in concurrence.

Senate Committee Report

Ought to Pass in New Draft

Mr. Farris, out of order and under suspension of the rules, from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act to Create the Maine Civilian Defense Corps and Provide for the Safety of the State in Time of War," (S. P. 590) (L. D. 1203) reported the same in a new draft, (S. P. 618) under the same title, and that it ought to pass.

On motion by Mr. Farris of Kennebec, the bill and report were laid upon the table pending acceptance of the report and 1,000 copies of the bill ordered printed.

Passed to Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act Providing for Temporary Court Stenographers During the War Emergency." (S. P. 579) (L. D. 1197)

Bill "An Act Relating to Corporations for Establishing and Maintaining Hospitals." (S. P. 592) (L. D. 1207)

Bill "An Act Relating to the State Animal Husbandry Specialist." (S. P. 599) (L. D. 1240)

Bill "An Act Relating to the Improvement of the Military Laws." (S. P. 608) (L. D. 1233)

Which bills were severally read a second time and passed to be engrossed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders of the Day

Mr. BROWN of Aroostook: Mr. President, I wish unanimous consent to introduce a memorial and to speak briefly explaining the same. This is a memorial to Congress and to our representatives and senators there, asking passage of a certain bill which is now before Congress.

We have a situation in this state, and undoubtedly in other states, where there are many aliens who desire to serve in the forces of the United States. We have a considerable number of Canadians who came over here with their parents when they were children. Their parents never became naturalized, therefore these boys are not citizens. We have men in our country who enlisted in time of peace and who have been trained and went to Camp Blanding, and some have been elevated to the position of sergeant but were sent home because they are not citizens and they cannot enlist. Some of them want to enlist. Some, of course, don't want to enlist, but they are of draft age and they are able to reap the benefit of high wages while our boys are being drafted and sent into the service.

There is now pending before Congress legislation to change the law so these boys can enlist and be drafted. This memorial asks the speedy passage of this legislation.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Aroostook, Senator Brown, asks unanimous consent of the Senate to introduce a memorial. Is there any objection?

There being no objection, Senator Brown was granted permission to introduce the following Memorial:

"MEMORIAL TO THE HONORABLE SENATE AND HOUSE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED

"Memorial to the honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America assembled petitioning for the adoption of legislation permitting Canadian-born men to serve in the armed forces of the United States of America

"WHEREAS, there are in Maine many young men of draft age who are of Canadian birth and who are not eligible for military and naval service either by draft or enlistment because they are aliens, and,

"WHEREAS, many of these young men are desirous of serving in the military or naval service of the United States, and,

"WHEREAS, many of the said young men have received preliminary training, and,

"WHEREAS, it is vitally necessary that all the man-power of the

United States including the man-power of Canadians who wish to serve for the common cause be utilized in the present emergency,

"NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Ninetieth Legislature of Maine in special session assembled respectfully petition and urge the Congress of the United States to take immediate steps to pass such laws as will permit aliens of the United States who are of Canadian nationality to be eligible for enlistment or draft in the armed forces of the United States of America, and,

"BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this memorial duly authenticated by the Secretary of State be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of State to the officers and committees of the United States Senate and House of Representatives, the President of the United States and to each of the representatives and senators representing the State of Maine in the United States Congress."

Thereupon, on motion by Mr. Brown of Aroostook, the Memorial was referred to the Committee on Federal Relations.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Elliot of Knox Recessed until this afternoon at four o'clock.

After Recess

The Senate was called to order by the President.

**House Committee Reports
(Out of Order)**

Ought Not to Pass

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to Jurisdiction of Certain Law Enforcement Officers," (H. P. 1981) (L. D. 1248) reported that the same ought not to pass as covered by other legislation.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Traffic and Regulation of Lights During Blackouts," (H. P. 1980) (L. D. 1247) reported that the same ought not to pass as covered by other legislation.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to the Commission of Certain Crimes during Black-outs," (H. P. 1982) (L. D. 1249) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Providing for the Civilian and

Military Defense." (H. P. 1988) (L. D. 1253) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relative to the State Military Defense Commission," (H. P. 1987) (L. D. 1252) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The Committee on Motor Vehicles on Bill "An Act Relating to Inspectors in the Department of Secretary of State," (H. P. 1957) (L. D. 1195) reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

The same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Inspection of Motor Vehicle Tires," (H. P. 1992) (L. D. 1223) reported that legislation thereon is inexpedient.

Which reports were severally read and accepted in concurrence.

Referred to 91st Legislature

The Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Enacting the 'Uniform Arrest Act,'" (H. P. 1985) (L. D. 1218) reported that the same be referred to the 91st Legislature.

Which report was read and accepted in concurrence.

Ought to Pass

The Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Changing the Name of Northern Finance and Investment Corporation to 'N.A.C. Plan of N. E.,'" (H. P. 1940) (L. D. 1181) reported that the same ought to pass.

Which report was read and accepted in concurrence, the bill read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Senate Committee Reports

(Out of Order)

Ought not to Pass

Mr. Bate from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Relating to the Filing of Reports by Drivers Involved in Motor Vehicle Accidents," (S. P. 604) (L. D. 1236) reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Elective County Officials in the Federal Service," (S. P. 589) (L. D. 1202) reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Farris from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Finger-printing," (S. P. 601) (L. D. 1239) reported that the same ought not to pass, as covered by other legislation.

Which reports were severally read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Referred to 91st Legislature

Mr. Harvey from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Relating to Financial Rseponsibility for Automobile Accidents," (S. P. 603) (L. D. 1237) reported that the same be referred to the 91st Legislature.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Amending Administration of the Financial Responsibility Law," (S. P. 605) (L. D. 1235) reported that the same be referred to the 91st Legislature.

The same Senator from the same Committee on Bill "An Act Amending the Financial Responsibility Law," (S. P. 588) (L. D. 1201) reported that the same be referred to the 91st Legislature.

Mr. Sanborn from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act to Increase the Salary of the Police Patrolmen and Inspectors in the City of Lewiston," (S. P. 606) (L. D. 1230) reported that the same be referred to the 91st Legislature.

Which reports were severally read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Ought to Pass

Mr. Bate from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Permitting Acceptance of Federal Grants by the State," (S. P. 602) (L. D. 1238) reported that the same ought to pass.

Which report was read and accepted, the bill read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Ought to Pass as Amended

Mr. Sanborn from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the City of Lewiston," (S. P. 607) (L. D. 1231) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

Mr. Stilphen from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries on Bill "An Act Providing that the State of Maine May Become a Party to the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Compact," (S. P. 598) (L. D. 1241) reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

Which reports were severally read and accepted, Committee Amendments "A" were severally read and adopted, and the bills as amended read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Divided Report

The Majority of the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act Relating to Appointment of Police Commission for City of Lewiston," (S. P. 608) (L. D. 1232) reported that the same be referred to the 91st Legislature.

(Signed) Senators:

SANBORN of Cumberland
MORSE of Waldo
DOW of Oxford

Representatives:

SLOSBERG of Gardiner
SHESONG of Portland
SOUTHARD of Augusta
SYLVIA of Danforth
BELANGER of Winslow
DWINAL of Camden

The Minority of the same Committee on the same subject matter reported that the same ought to pass as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

(Signed) Representative:

DONAHUE of Biddeford.

On motion by Mr. Sanborn of Cumberland the majority report of the Committee was accepted.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Farris of Kennebec the Senate voted to take from the table, bill, An Act to Create the Maine Civilian Defense Corps and Provide for the Safety of the State in Time of War (L. D. 1260), tabled by that Senator earlier in today's session pending acceptance of the "Ought to Pass in New Draft" report of the Committee; and on further motion by the same Senator the report was accepted and under suspension of the rules the bill was given its two several readings and passed to be engrossed.

The PRESIDENT: Is there any further business to come before the Senate at this time?

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