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HOUSE

Friday, March 16, 1945.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Father Clough of Augusta.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate Senate Reports of Committees Ought Not to Pass Tabled and Assigned

Report of the Committee on Education reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to School Unions" (S. P. 29)

Came from the Senate, read and adopted.

In the House:

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Gorham, Mr. Russell.

Mr. RUSSELL: Mr. Speaker, in view of the absence of the gentleman who introduced this bill, I move that the bill be tabled and specially assigned for Tuesday of next week.

The motion prevailed, and the report, with accompanying bill, was so tabled.

Report of the Committee on Indian Affairs reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Police Officers for the Penobscot Tribe of Indians" (S. P. 311) (L. D. 840)

Came from the Senate read and adopted.

In the House, read and accepted in concurrence.

Ought to Pass

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Registration or Renewal of Registration of Dealers in Securities" (S. P. 302) (L. D. 847)

Report of the Committee on Education reporting "Ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of Noncontributory Pension Status of Anna F. Crowley, of Biddeford (S. P. 111) (L. D. 231)

Report of the Committee on State School for Boys, State School for Girls and State Reformatories reporting same on Resolve relating to

a Central Heating Plant at State School for Girls, in Hallowell (S. P. 336) (L. D. 815)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Resolve Providing for Purchase of Land and Buildings for the State Reformatory for Women (S. P. 273) (L. D. 614)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to the State School for Girls" (S. P. 337) (L. D. 814)

Came from the Senate the Reports read and adopted and the Bills and Resolves passed to be engrossed.

In the House, Reports were read and accepted in concurrence, the Bills read twice, the Resolves read once, and tomorrow assigned.

From the Senate: The following Order:

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, March 20th, 1945, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon. (S. P. 386)

Came from the Senate, read and passed.

In the House, read and passed in concurrence.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Hayward of Machias, it was

ORDERED, that Mr. Dow of Elliot, and Mr. Dean of South Portland, be excused from attendance today because of business; and that Mr. Savage of Mt. Desert be excused from attendance today, next Tuesday and Wednesday because of business.

House Reports of Committees Ought to Pass in New Draft

Mr. Prout from the Committee on Agriculture on Bill "An Act to Provide a Tonnage Tax on Commercial Fertilizer" (H. P. 1116) (L. D. 668) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1338) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Mr. Dicker from the Committee on Federal Relations on Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law as to Coverage" (H. P. 1240) (L. D. 865) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1339) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Mr. Southard from the Committee on Military Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to Aides-de-Camp" (H.

P. 973) (L. D. 587) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1340) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Mr. Cousins from the Committee on Public Utilities on Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Patten Water District" (H. P. 845) (L. D. 446) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1341) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

Mr. Benn from the Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation on Bill "An Act relating to Bounty on Porcupines" (H. P. 549) (L. D. 217) reported same in a new draft (H. P. 1342) under same title and that it "Ought to pass"

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

**Ought to Pass
Printed Bills
Recommitted**

Mr. Lord from the Committee on Education reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to Permit Establishment of Area Schools" (H. P. 938) (L. D. 541)

On motion by Mr. Rollins of Greenville, the Report, with accompanying Bill, was recommitted to the Committee on Education and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Jennings from the Committee on Military Affairs reported "Ought to pass" on Resolve in favor of the National Guard Association (H. P. 1087) (L. D. 777)

Mr. Brown from the Committee on Public Utilities reported same on Bill "An Act to Extend the Charter of the Patten Water Company" (H. P. 1217) (L. D. 787)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act to Incorporate the Clinton Water District" (H. P. 671) (L. D. 321)

Mr. Brown from the Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation reported same on Resolve Authorizing Conveyance of the Interest of the State in Certain Land in Albany Township (H. P. 1097) (L. D. 784)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve Authorizing the Forest Commissioner to Convey Certain Interest of the State in Lands in Oxford County to Fred L. Edwards, of Bethel (H. P. 1807) (L. D. 555)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve Authorizing the Forest Commissioner to Convey Certain Interest of the State in Lands in Oxford County to Fred L. Edwards, of Bethel (H. P. 1008) (L. D. 555)

Mr. Rollins from same Committee reported same on Resolve Authorizing the Forest Commissioner to Convey Certain Interest of the State in Lands in Piscataquis County to Bertha M. Blanchard, of Greenville (H. P. 1294) (L. D. 940)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Resolve Authorizing the Forest Commissioner to Convey Certain Interest of the State in Lands in Oxford County to Harland E. Kimball, of West Bethel (H. P. 742) (L. D. 410)

Mr. Williams from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to the Prevention of Forest Fires" (H. P. 1006) (L. D. 552)

Mr. Boulter from the Committee on Ways and Bridges reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Returns by Highway Commission to Municipal Officers" (H. P. 864) (L. D. 517)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Assessments in De-organized Towns in re Highways" (H. P. 865) (L. D. 518)

Mr. Cole from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Permitting the Highway Commission to Provide for Proper Traffic Control Signals, etc." (H. P. 872) (L. D. 514)

Mr. Dean from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Providing for Installation of Certain Culverts on Highways" (H. P. 838) (L. D. 511)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Permitting Assessment of Taxes in Towns for Highway Purposes" (H. P. 866) (L. D. 519)

Mr. Lackee from the same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Roads in Indian Township" (H. P. 869) (L. D. 520)

Mr. Wood from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Using Bond Issue Funds to Match Federal Funds for Highway and Bridge Projects" (H. P. 870) (L. D. 512)

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

On motion by Mrs. Lord of South Portland, House Rule 25 was suspended for the remainder of today's session, in order to permit smoking. (Applause)

Ought to Pass With Committee Amendment

Mr. Bird from the Committee on Agriculture on Bill "An Act Imposing a Tax on Sweet Corn for the Suppression of the European Corn Borer" (H. P. 1135) (L. D. 693) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted, and the Bill, having already been printed, was read twice under suspension of the rules.

Committee Amendment "A" read by the Clerk as follows:

Committee Amendment "A" to H. P. 1135, L. D. 693, Bill "An Act Imposing a Tax on Sweet Corn for the Suppression of the European Corn Borer."

Amend said Bill by inserting in the 13th line of that part designated "Sec. 145-F." thereof, after the underlined word "treasurer" the underlined words "or authorized agent".

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted, and the Bill was assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

Mr. Payson from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act relating to Acquiring of Wharf by city of Rockland" (H. P. 1080) (L. D. 773) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted, and the Bill, having already been printed, was read twice under suspension of the rules.

Committee Amendment "A" read by the Clerk as follows:

Committee Amendment "A" to H. P. 1080, L. D. 773, Bill "An Act Relating to Acquiring of Wharf by City of Rockland."

Amend said bill by striking out from the headnote thereof the underlined word "lease" and inserting in place thereof the underlined word "acquire".

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted, and the Bill was assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

Mr. Judkins from the Committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation on Bill "An Act Authorizing the Conveyance of 'Greenleaf Cemetery Lot' to the Milton Plantation Cemetery Association" (H. P. 21) (L. D. 10) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted, and the Bill, having already been printed, was read twice under suspension of the rules.

Committee Amendment "A" read by the Clerk as follows:

Committee Amendment "A" to H. P. 21, L. D. 10, "An Act Authorizing the Conveyance of 'Greenleaf Cemetery Lot' to the 'Milton Plantation Cemetery Association'".

Amend said Bill by adding at the end thereof a new paragraph to read as follows:

"The state tax assessor is hereby authorized to transfer to the 'Milton Plantation Cemetery Association' whatever funds are available in the 'Betsy Greenleaf Trust Fund', now deposited in the Rumford Savings Bank, Rumford, Maine. Such funds shall be used in the same manner and for the same purpose for which the trust fund was originally accepted by Milton Plantation."

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted, and the Bill was assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

Mr. Dow from the Committee on Ways and Bridges on Bill "An Act Authorizing the Highway Commission to Enter upon Lands for Certain Purposes" (H. P. 873) (L. D. 521) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Report was read and accepted, and the Bill, having already been printed, was read twice under suspension of the rules.

Committee Amendment "A" read by the Clerk as follows:

Committee Amendment "A" to H. P. 873, L. D. 521, Bill "An Act Authorizing the Highway Commission to Enter Upon Lands for Certain Purposes."

Amend said Bill by striking out after the word "chapter" in the eighth line thereof the underlined words:

"and such entry shall not be deemed a trespass".

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted, and the Bill was assigned for third reading the next legislative day.

**First Reading of Printed Bills
Tabled**

Bill "An Act relating to Bounty on Seals" (H. P. 1337) (L. D. 986)
(On motion by Mr. Thorndike of Bar Harbor, tabled pending first reading)

Resolve relating to Dipping of Alewives in Machias River (H. P. 1336) (L. D. 987)

Resolve was read once and assigned for second reading the next legislative day.

Passed to be Engrossed

Bill "An Act relating to the University of Maine" (S. P. 75) (L. D. 70)

Bill "An Act relating to Licenses for Lodging Houses in city of Lewiston" (S. P. 145) (L. D. 351)

Bill "An Act relating to the Houlton Municipal Court" (S. P. 379) (L. D. 977)

Bill "An Act relating to Ferry Between Indian Island and Old Town" (H. P. 319) (L. D. 141)

Bill "An Act Authorizing the Governor to Appoint Special Officers to Enforce Police Regulations Among the Indian Tribes of the State" (H. P. 320) (L. D. 142)

Bill "An Act relating to Insurance for Children by Fraternal Beneficiary Societies" (H. P. 341) (L. D. 119)

Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law as to Charges against Employers' Experience Rating Records" (H. P. 948) (L. D. 604)

Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law as to Filing Pay Roll Reports and Penalty" (H. P. 949) (L. D. 605)

Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Act as to Employer's Experience Rating Classification" (H. P. 950) (L. D. 606)

Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law as to Employer Coverage" (H. P. 1241) (L. D. 866)

Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Law as to Court Review of Commission Decisions" (H. P. 1243) (L. D. 868)

Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law as to Employer's Experience Classifications" (H. P. 1249) (L. D. 874)

Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law as to Employer's Experience Classifications" (H. P. 1250) (L. D. 875)

Bill "An Act relating to Dumping of Waste Potatoes" (H. P. 1285) (L. D. 932)

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

Amended Bills

Bill "An Act relating to Term of Office of Chief of Police of the city of Lewiston" (S. P. 253) (L. D. 631)

Bill "An Act relating to the Salaries of the Police Department of the city of Lewiston" (S. P. 270) (L. D. 617)

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, read the third time, passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: The House is proceeding under Orders of the Day.

If there is no further business, the Clerk will read the notices.

On motion by Mr. Thorndike of Bar Harbor,

Adjourned until Tuesday, March 20th, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon.