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March 8, 1940

General J. W. Hanson The Adjutant General Augusta, Maine

My dear General Hanson:

I am enclosing the deed City of Portland to the State of Maine, and have to inform you that I do not find any record of any formal acceptance by the Governor of this conveyance. But on a little more careful and extended investigation I do find that the Legislature in 1913, by Chapter 2 of the Public Laws of that year entitled: "An Act to Amend The Military Law", adopted the following provision:

"The governor is authorized to accept in the name of the state donations of lands and buildings to be used for military purposes by the organized militia under such conditions as the donors may nominate; lands and buildings so donated shall be subject to the rules and regulations prescribed by the governor; and provided further that when any building is turned over to the state for use as an armory or drill shed the armory commission shall be authorized to approve for payment from the appropriation for armory rentals such sums as may be necessary for the upkeep of such building including repairs, furnishings, light, heat, water and janitor service."

Apparently, the Governor was acting in accordance with the provisions of the statutes then in effect.

Very truly yours,

Sanford L. Fogg Deputy Attorney General

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