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Orchard, where the balls are tossed into a frame that designates certain cards, and which they call Poker. Of course there is a certain amount of skill, involved in games where balls are tossed to secure the card or number, rather than having a number called by the one conducting the game, as in Beano. I noted that at the various fairs they are placing money on certain games and tossing a ball on a plate with indentations for each color, and when the ball settles on a certain color, the player who has his money on that particular color wins all on the board.

Flush appears to be no different than many other games that are now in use in Maine at various carnivals and fairs, where the throwing of balls, darts, or rings on a certain number or a certain color wins a prize. Therefore I do not care to rule upon the legality of this proposed game at this time. The only thing that I can say is that I do not believe that the operators of this game would be obliged to obtain a beano license under the law. However, I might say in passing that if these other games which I have mentioned as being played at Old Orchard and at agricultural fairs are permitted, Flush should be handled in the same manner.

RALPH W. FARRIS
Attorney General

September 8, 1949

To William Tudor Gardiner, Chairman, Aeronautics Commission
Re: Sunday Air Show at the State Airport

In reply to your memorandum of September 6, 1949, you are advised that the matter has been cleared with the Governor's office and that the Governor has informed me that he sees no objection to the Maine Aeronautics Commission making such arrangements as they deem wise administratively for the use of the Augusta Airport for the promotion of aviation, especially in connection with a VFW demonstration to raise funds for charitable purposes.

It is our understanding that the proposed plan is to be in no sense an "air circus," nor will it be featured, promoted, or advertised as an "air circus."

JOHN S. S. FESSENDEN
Deputy Attorney General

September 8, 1949

To George J. Stobie, Commissioner, Inland Fisheries and Game
Re: Chain-of-Ponds Dam and Screen

I have your letter of August 24th, enclosing one from C. Stanton Carville of Stratton, dated August 22nd, relating to dam and screen at Chain-of-Ponds, T. 2, R. 6, in the County of Franklin, Resolve for which will be found in Chapter 175, Resolves of 1949. Mr. Carville states that the Stratton Light Company has now entered into this matter, advancing \$2000 of the \$6000 to be raised to match the State appropriation, in return for which they expect 15 or 18 inches of water when required to operate their plant at Eustis. On the basis of this you ask if you have a right to enter into an agreement of this nature, which was not mentioned at any hearing or at any time during the passage of this bill.