

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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NEW DRAFT.

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SEVENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 611

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*House of Representatives, March 10, 1915.*

*Reported by Mr. Ricker from Committee on Education, and  
ordered printed under joint rules.*

*FORTUNAT BELLEAU, Clerk Pro Tem.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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RESOLVE, making appropriations for the construction of  
buildings at the University of Maine.

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*Resolved,* That there be and hereby is appropriated to the  
2 University of Maine to defray the cost of the construction  
3 of buildings thereat, as follows: for new barns, the sum of  
4 twenty-five thousand dollars; for dairy building, twenty-  
5 five thousand dollars; for completion of the dormitory for  
6 women, forty thousand dollars.



## STATEMENT OF FACTS.

### NEW BARNs.

The present barns are now crowded to their utmost capacity. The University, unable to furnish milk enough to take care of **its boarding** houses, was compelled during the fall semester of 1914 to buy about 30 gallons of milk per day. Under present conditions it is necessary to buy all the cream and milk used in butter and cheese-making courses.

If the University is to continue and to complete the experiments in animal breeding it will be necessary to keep a larger number of animals. Calves resulting from the experiments must be kept to maturity. For instructional purposes the University should keep representatives of the four leading dairy breeds and of at least one beef breed. The best results cannot be obtained unless the herd contains about twenty mature animals and ten young ones. The University should have barns good enough to serve as models for the dairymen of the State.

### DAIRY BUILDING.

The number of students who are required to take work in dairying cannot be accommodated in the present dairy building. It is not large enough to install and operate the machinery now necessary in the modern equipped dairy plant. Rooms especially adapted for cheese-making, larger and better arranged laboratories, and a modern refrigerating room, are needed. There is no space available for any of these in the present building.

### DORMITORY FOR WOMEN.

An appropriation for the partial erection of this dormitory was made in 1913 and one wing or end of the building has been completed and is now occupied. If the University is to be prepared to furnish proper accommodation for the young women who will seek entrance in the fall of 1915, the completion of the dormitory should be begun at the very earliest date that the weather will permit. The present indications are that at least 75 girls will enter the University in the fall of 1915. It will this year lose, by graduation and other causes, not more than 30. This will make it necessary to at once provide for 45 more girls than are taken care of at present.