

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE

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HOUSE

NO. 440

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*House of Representatives, March 1, 1917.*

*Printed under joint rules.*

*W. R. ROIX, Clerk.*

*Presented by Mr. Clason of Lisbon.*

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE  
HUNDRED AND SEVENTEEN

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RESOLVE, in favor of the Maine School for Deaf.

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*Resolved:* That there be and hereby is appropriated for  
2 the Maine School for the Deaf the sum of thirty-one thou-  
3 sand three hundred and forty-four dollars for nineteen  
4 seventeen, also the sum of thirty-one thousand eight hun-  
5 dred and sixty-two dollars and thirty cents for nineteen  
6 hundred and eighteen, for maintenance, and an extra appro-  
7 priation of three thousand five hundred dollars for repairs.



## STATEMENT OF FACTS.

The Maine School for the Deaf was established in 1876 as part of the public school system of the city of Portland and in 1897 it was taken over by the state and became a state institution. It is a public school for the instruction of children who, because of deafness, cannot be educated in the schools of the towns in which they live.

Tuition and board are furnished free to children whose parents and guardians are residents of the state of Maine.

The plant consists of an up to date school building of ten well-furnished school rooms with a fully equipped gymnasium on the 3rd floor and play rooms in the basement.

In the industrial building the older pupils are taught printing, carpentry, glazing, cabinet making, basketry, chair caning, sewing, dress making, weaving, cooking, ironing, etc.

Three other buildings provide a dormitory for boys, a dormitory for large girls and a dormitory for small girls and a hospital.

There are in attendance 55 boys and 47 girls representing every part of the state.

The last legislature appropriated for maintenance \$28,000.00 for 1915, \$28,000.00 for 1916, and for the purchase of property adjoining to be used as a dormitory and a hospital, an extra appropriation of \$12,000.00.

The building recently purchased has been named "Winslow Hall" in appreciation of the services of Hon. Edward B. Winslow, president of the board of trustees.

We are now asking for an appropriation for maintenance of \$31,344.00 for 1917, \$31,862.30 for 1918 and an extra appropriation of \$3,500.00 for repairs on Winslow Hall, as no appropriation was made for necessary repairs and furnishings at the time of purchase.

The greatest economy has been exercised in the management of the financial affairs of the institution and it will be noticed that the percentage of increase in the estimated expenditures for 1917 and 1918 is not proportionate with the increased cost of living.