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Sec. 2. Amount of investment limited. Not more than ten per centum of the assets of any savings bank or institution for savings shall be invested in such acceptances. The aggregate amount of the liability of any trust and banking company or of any national bank to any savings bank or institution for savings, whether as principal or indorser, for acceptances held by such savings bank or institution for savings, shall not exceed twenty per centum of the paid-up capital and surplus of such trust and banking company or national bank, and not more than five per centum of the assets of any savings bank or institution for savings shall be invested in the acceptances of a trust and banking company or of a national bank of which a trustee of such savings bank or institution for savings is a director.

Approved March 12, 1919.

Chapter 51.

An Act to Provide for the Training of Rural Teachers.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Sec. 1. Summer school for training of rural teachers; teachers so trained to act as rural critics in towns from which chosen. As a means of increasing the efficiency of rural education it shall be the duty of the state superintendent of public schools to make provision for a special school of instruction during the summer months for not more than one hundred rural teachers. The course of study and plans of instruction shall be arranged with a special view to training for rural teaching and rural leadership. Teachers eligible to attend said school shall be selected by the state superintendent of schools, upon recommendation of superintendents of rural towns, in accordance with such standards of fitness as the state superintendent shall determine. Teachers so trained shall agree to return to the service of the towns from which they are chosen for at least one year during which time they shall act as rural critic and helping teachers.

Sec. 2. Appropriation; teachers to receive bonus. The state superintendent of public schools is hereby authorized to arrange for the payment of necessary expenses of travel and board incurred by teachers in attending said school of instruction, and at the close of the school year he shall recommend to the governor and council, upon satisfactory evidence of successful service, the payment to each teacher so trained of a bonus of twenty-five per cent of the annual salary paid to her by the town for her services. For the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this act there is hereby appropriated for the year nineteen hundred and nineteen the sum of five thousand dollars, and for the year nineteen hundred and twenty, and annu-

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ally thereafter, the sum of twenty thousand dollars, said amounts to be deducted from state school funds.

Approved March 12, 1919.

Chapter 52.

An Act to Amend Section Three of Chapter One Hundred and Thirty-four of the Public Laws of Eighteen Hundred and Ninety-five in Relation to the Judge and Recorder of the Municipal Court of the City of Portland, Acting as Counsel or Attorney.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

1895, c. 134, § 3; relating to Portland Municipal court, amended. Section three, chapter one hundred and thirty-four of the public laws of eighteen hundred and ninety-five is hereby amended by striking out said section and inserting the following:

'Sec. 3. Judge or recorder not to act as counsel in any case cognizable by said court. The judge or recorder shall not act as counsel or attorney in any case, cause, matter or thing which depends upon or relates to any cause exclusively cognizable by said court, or which is actually brought in said court, although concurrently cognizable by some other court. But said judge or recorder may so act however in matters or causes which while cognizable by said municipal court are actually brought in another court having concurrent jurisdiction.'

Approved March 12, 1919.

Chapter 53.

An Act to Amend Section Thirty of Chapter Fifty-six of the Revised Statutes, as Amended by Chapter Seventy-six of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, Relating to Power of Public Utilities Commission.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 56, § 30, 1917, c. 76; relating to branch railroad tracks, amended. Section thirty of chapter fifty-six of the revised statutes as amended by chapter seventy-six of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen is hereby amended by adding after the word "prescribe" in the nineteenth line of said chapter the following: 'Said commission shall also have authority upon petition of any party interested after notice and hearing to order any railroad company to alter any existing branch railroad track, whenever in its judgment such alteration is necessary for the reasonably convenient conduct of the business of the petitioner. All expenses of such alteration shall be paid by the petitioner', so that said chapter, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 30. Public utilities commission may order alteration of existing branch track to be paid for by petitioner. The public utilities commission,