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# VETO MESSAGES

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## Old Age Assistance

### STATE OF MAINE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Augusta

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

I return without my approval

H. P. 1886, L. D. 941, An act relating to old age assistance.

The bill, in my opinion, will not continue Federal grants to assist the State in carrying on the old age assistance program as established by order of the Governor and Council passed December 27, 1935, and further will seriously, if not entirely, stop further payments of old age assistance to many very worthy recipients.

The bill, prepared with great care and understanding by the Honorable George W. Leadbetter for presentation, would have in my judgment, enabled the State of Maine to continue to receive from the Federal Government grants and aid for old age assistance—thus enabling the State to make payments to those worthy and deserving of State help commensurate with a standard of sustenance necessary and sufficient to maintain good health and decency.

The bill is objectionable for another reason.

If I were to approve this bill in its present form I would thereby absolutely deny to the State the continuance of the Federal grants beneficially enjoyed in aid of our dependent children and our most deserving blind.

All three of these Federal grants in aid, namely, for old age assistance, aid to dependent children and to the blind, we have been able to obtain because of the order of Governor and Council approved as hereinbefore mentioned.

By reason of that order which included and met all the requirements of the several titles of the Social Security law, and passed under emergency conditions and certified by the Attorney General as to its constitutional validity as having the force and effect of law the said Social Security Board accepted it as the equivalent of a State law or plan and as covering all the phases of public assistance, namely, old age assistance commonly called old age pensions, and to dependent children and aid to the blind.

It is under that plan as approved, this State has received many thousands of dollars from the Federal government, not only for old age assistance but for aid to our dependent children and our very worthy blind.

The passage of this bill if approved by me, would as a matter of law terminate unquestionably so much of the plan as relates to our dependent children and needy blind under which we now receive a Federal grant as to them of many thousands of dollars because, it would be a new law, a plan covering only old age assistance and would have to be resubmitted to the Social Security Board for approval.

I stand unalterable in favor of old age assistance for our worthy aged.

It was I that established with the valued cooperation of the present Council the first old age assistance program in our State of Maine, and payments are now being made to approximately four thousand people.

Let no individual charge that I am unfriendly to the continuance of our old age program.

Let it be known that I am opposed to the present legislation solely because it tends as a matter of law to destroy the board system covering the three main purposes of public assistance. If we expect to receive continued Federal grants as to them, we must do all in our power to help not only the aged and infirm, but the dependent children and the needy blind.

If payments from State funds for the aged, dependent children and the blind are to continue, three alternatives in my opinion, present themselves to the Legislature and to the Chief Executive and his Council, convening on the first Wednesday of January of next year:

First: To pass as soon as possible an old age pension act and cause its approval by the Social Security Board.

Second: To pass a Council Order similar in phraseology to the present Council Order destroyed, in my opinion, by the present bill.

Third: To pay from the fund derived from the tax provision of the present bill to the aged of the State such State funds as may accrue without Federal participation.

In order to do this, however, the Legislature would be obliged to pass a State old age pension law, because we have at the present time no workable old age pension law.

To summarize, this Legislature has destroyed any expectation that Maine may have to receive, in my opinion, Federal funds for old age relief for the blind and crippled children until the next Legislature acts either to establish an old age law that complies with the requirements of the Social Security Board or an old age pension act payable entirely from funds collected in the State.

I will sign any bill presented to me by this Legislature which will, in my opinion, preserve for the aged, the blind and dependent children the benefits which they are now receiving, but I refuse to sign a bill which, in my

judgment will deprive the aged, the blind and dependent children of the Federal assistance which they are now receiving.

Let it be known that I am opposed to the present legislation not because I am unfriendly to the aged of this State, but because the legislation destroys the system of old age relief which we have built up in Maine during the last year.

I recognize the sincerity, the patriotism and high-mindedness of the Legislature and regret exceedingly to be obliged to return, without my signature, a bill affecting the aged people of this State, but I cannot affix my signature to an act which, in my opinion, destroys not only old age Federal benefits, but also the Federal assistance coming to Maine for dependent children and the blind.

You have, in my opinion, destroyed the benefits which I asked you to preserve.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUIS J. BRANN,  
Governor.

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### Mileage Compensation

#### STATE OF MAINE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Augusta

April 24, 1937

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

I return herewith, without my signature, Legislative Document 871, "An Act Relating to Mileage Compensation."

This document seems both vague and unnecessary. It does not appear to amend any existing statute and, if enacted, would constitute a new chapter. There is ample authority vested in both state and county boards at the present time to accomplish all that this act purports to accomplish.

For this reason it seems unwise to me to approve what would result in being parallel mandatory law.

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS O. BARROWS,  
Governor.

# MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

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## STATE OF MAINE EXECUTIVE CHAMBER

Augusta, Maine

January 6, 1937

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

In compliance with the Constitution of the State I herewith communicate to the Legislature each case of reprieve, remission of penalty, commutation or pardon granted during the years 1935 and 1936, stating the name of the convict, the crime of which he was convicted, the sentence and its date, the date of the reprieve, remission, commutation of sentence, and the condition, if any, upon which the same was granted.

LEWIS O. BARROWS,  
Governor.

### State Prison

Charles Shane of Malden, Mass. Convicted of the crime of issuing fraudulent check, at the February term, 1933, of the Superior Court at Paris. Case continued until the June term, 1934, at which time respondent was sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than one, nor more than two years. Motion was filed and overruled, exceptions taken and the action marked "Law." November 21, 1934, the following mandate from Law Court was received "Dismissed by agreement." Full and free pardon granted February 6, 1935.

Robert McGuffie of Stonington. Convicted of the crime of larceny, at the April term, 1934, of the Superior Court at Ellsworth, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than two, nor more than four years. Full and free pardon granted June 5, 1935.

Irving Van Nason of Kennebunk. Convicted of the crime of assault with intent to murder, at the January term, 1932, of the Superior Court at Alfred, and sentenced to serve not less than five, nor more than ten years,

at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston. Sentence commuted June 6, 1935, to a term of not less than four, nor more than eight years.

James W. Walsh of Portland. Convicted of the crime of robbery, at the May term, 1934, of the Superior Court at Portland, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than three years and not more than six years. Sentence commuted June 6, 1935, to a term of not less than thirteen months, nor more than twenty-six months.

Leo Guerette of Portland. Convicted of the crime of robbery and assault with a dangerous weapon (two counts), at the January term, 1932, of the Superior Court at Portland, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than eight years and not more than sixteen years. Full and free pardon granted July 10, 1935.

Ralph L. Perkins of Orono. Convicted of the crime of extortion, soliciting and receiving bribes, at the May term, 1929, of the Superior Court at Bangor. Case continued until the September term, 1929, at which time respondent was sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than two years and not more than four years. Sentence commuted December 8, 1930, to a term of not less than one year and not more than two years. Full and free pardon granted August 8, 1935.

Thomas H. Pearson of Bath. Convicted of the crime of manslaughter, at the January term, 1931, of the Superior Court at Bath, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than ten years, nor more than twenty years. Sentence commuted October 2, 1935, to a term of five years.

Donald F. Snow of Bangor. Convicted of the crime of embezzlement, at the April term, 1934, of the Superior Court at Bangor, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than two years and not more than four years. Full and free pardon granted December 18, 1935.

Irving Richardson of Auburn. Convicted of the crime of polygamy, at the September term, 1935, of the Superior Court at Auburn, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than two years and not more than four years. Pardon granted December 19, 1935, upon the condition that he shall not be guilty of violating any of the criminal statutes of the State.

Charles Mulhern of Bangor. Convicted of the crime of acceptance of money from a woman engaged in prostitution, at the September term,



1934, of the Superior Court at Bangor, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than two years and not more than four years. Sentence commuted February 5, 1936, to a term of not less than one and one-half years and not more than three years.

James W. Walsh of Portland. Convicted of the crime of robbery, at the May term, 1934, of the Superior Court at Portland, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than three years and not more than six years. Sentence commuted June 6, 1935, to a term of not less than thirteen months, nor more than twenty-six months. Full and free pardon granted February 6, 1936.

George Papazian of Biddeford. Convicted of the crime of assault with intent to kill, at the May term, 1924, of the Supreme Judicial Court at Alfred, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than three nor more than five years. Warrant of commitment issued February 11, 1926. (Committed March, 1936.) Full and free pardon granted April 3, 1936.

Ulrich F. Leavitt of Norridgewock. Convicted of the crime of adultery, at the January term, 1935, of the Superior Court at Skowhegan, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than three years and not more than six years. Full and free pardon granted April 24, 1936.

Joseph Caron, alias Joseph C. Libby of Portland. Convicted of the crime of forgery, at the May term, 1932, of the Superior Court at Portland, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than four years, and not more than eight years. Sentence commuted July 1, 1936, to a term to expire on July 1, 1936.

Theodore Merrill of Parsonsfield. Convicted of the crime of breaking, entering and larceny, at the January term, 1932, of the Superior Court at Alfred, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than seven nor more than fourteen years. Full and free pardon granted July 15, 1936.

Charles Elmas of Biddeford. Convicted of the crime of receiving money from woman engaged in prostitution, at the May term, 1935, of the Superior Court at Alfred, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than two nor more than three years. Full and free pardon granted July 25, 1936.

Irving Leavitt of Portland. Convicted of the crime of indecent liberties, at the May term, 1936, of the Superior Court at Portland, and sentenced

to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than one year, and not more than two years. Full and free pardon granted September 17, 1936.

Norman R. McKenzie of Swanville. Convicted of the crime of polygamy, at the April term, 1936, of the Superior Court at Belfast, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than one year and not more than two years. Full and free pardon granted October 30, 1936.

Clifford Wentworth of Wells. Convicted of the crime of breaking and entering in the night time with intent to commit larceny, at the October term, 1935, of the Superior Court at Alfred, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than three nor more than five years. Pardon granted December 2, 1936, upon the conditions that he shall not be guilty of violating any of the criminal statutes of the State, and that he shall enter a sanatorium and stay until discharged.

Pope D. McKinnon of Bangor. Convicted of the crime of adultery, at the January term, 1936, of the Superior Court at Bangor, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of not less than one year and not more than one year and six months. Pardon granted December 21, 1936, upon the condition that he shall not be guilty of violating any of the criminal statutes of the State.

Selden Adams of Norridgewock. Convicted of the crime of murder, at the April term, 1928, of the Supreme Judicial Court at Skowhegan, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the State Prison at Thomaston for the term of his natural life. (Warrant issued March 12, 1929.) Sentence commuted December 21, 1936, to a term of not less than ten years and not more than twenty years.

### County Jails

Emma G. Buskey of Newport, N. H. Convicted of the crime of illegal transportation of intoxicating liquors, with intent to sell, at the Norway Municipal Court at Norway, October 1, 1934, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$100.00 and one-half the costs and serve sixty days in the County Jail at Paris, and six months additional in default of payment of fine and costs. Jail sentence to be suspended on payment of fine and costs. Committed. Full and free pardon granted February 6, 1935.

Roy F. Manzer of Andover. Convicted of the crime of assault with intent to ravish, at the November term, 1934, of the Superior Court at Paris,

and sentenced to imprisonment in the County Jail at Paris for a term of six months. Full and free pardon granted February 6, 1935.

Charles G. Helstrom of Portland. Convicted of the crime of unlawful possession, at the Portland Municipal Court at Portland, April 17, 1934, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$100.00 and costs taxed at \$6.29, and two months imprisonment in the County Jail at Portland, and in default of payment of fine and costs six months additional imprisonment in said Jail. Probation two years. Probation revoked October 29, 1934. Committed. Full and free pardon granted February 6, 1935.

John Thompson of Smyrna. Convicted of the crime of illegal possession of intoxicating liquors, at the April term, 1934, of the Superior Court at Houlton, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$100.00 and costs taxed at \$6.32, and to be imprisoned in the County Jail at Houlton for the term of two months, and in default of payment of fine and costs to be imprisoned in said Jail for the term of six months additional. Full and free pardon granted February 6, 1935.

Delia Letourneau of Lewiston. Convicted of the crime of unlawful possession of intoxicating liquors, at the January term, 1935, of the Superior Court at Auburn, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$200.00 and costs, and in addition thereto be imprisoned, at labor, in the County Jail at Auburn for the term of four months, and in default of payment of fine and costs to be imprisoned, at labor in said Jail for an additional term of six months. Full and free pardon granted April 4, 1935.

Clarence E. Strickland of North Kennebunkport. Convicted of the crime of illegal possession of intoxicating liquors with the intent to sell contrary to the law, at the Kennebunk Municipal Court at Kennebunk, October 5, 1934, and sentenced to imprisonment in the County Jail at Alfred for the term of two months, and in addition thereto to pay a fine of \$200.00 and costs taxed at \$11.00, and in default of payment of fine and costs to be imprisoned in said Jail for six months additional. Full and free pardon granted April 4, 1935.

Hazen O. Hagar of Portland. Convicted of the crime of manslaughter, at the January term, 1935, of the Superior Court at Portland, and sentenced to imprisonment, at labor, in the County Jail at Portland for the term of eight months. Pardon granted May 1, 1935, upon the condition that he shall not be guilty of violating any of the criminal statutes of the State.

Roy Brewer of Bridgewater. Convicted of the crime of maintaining a liquor nuisance, at the April term, 1934, of the Superior Court at Houlton, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$200.00 and costs taxed at \$52.21, and to be

imprisoned in the County Jail at Houlton for the term of six months, and in default of payment of fine and costs to be imprisoned in said Jail for an additional term of sixty days. Appeal taken from term to term pending decision of the Law Court. Certificate received from Law Court February 7, 1935: "Exceptions overruled for want of prosecution. Judgment for the State." Mittimus issued. Full and free pardon granted June 5, 1935.

Virgil White, Sr. of Lewiston. Convicted of the crime of illegal possession, at the Lewiston Municipal Court at Lewiston, November 27, 1933, and sentenced to three months imprisonment, at labor, in the County Jail at Auburn, and in addition thereto to forfeit and pay a fine of \$100.00 and costs taxed at \$11.73, and in default of payment of fine and costs to be sentenced to six months additional imprisonment, at labor, in said Jail. Sentence suspended. Probation two years. December 15, 1934, probation broken. Committed. Full and free pardon granted June 5, 1935.

Earl Peters of Rockland. Convicted of the crime of larceny of an automobile, at the November term, 1934, of the Superior Court at Rockland and sentenced to serve ten months in the County Jail at Rockland. Sentence commuted June 5, 1935, to a term of seven months.

Kenneth Johnson of Bar Harbor. Convicted of the crime of operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of intoxicating liquor, at the April term, 1935, of the Superior Court at Ellsworth, and sentenced to imprisonment in the County Jail at Ellsworth for the term of ninety days. Sentence commuted June 5, 1935, to a term of two months.

Rene Bernier of Westbrook. Convicted of the crime of unlawful possession of intoxicating liquor, at the May term, 1935, of the Superior Court at Portland, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$100.00 and costs taxed at \$11.20, and imprisonment, at labor, in the County Jail at Portland for the term of two months, and in default of payment of fine and costs to be imprisoned, at labor, in said Jail for six months additional. June 5, 1935, commutation of the alternate sentence to a term of one month.

George L. Bither, Jr. of Albion. Convicted of the crime of illegal keeping of intoxicating liquors, at the Waterville Municipal Court at Waterville, April 8, 1935, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$300.00 and costs, and two months imprisonment in the County Jail at Augusta, and six months additional imprisonment if fine and costs are not paid. Full and free pardon granted July 10, 1935.

Harry A. Brown of Portland. Convicted of the crime of unlawful possession of intoxicating liquors, at the Portland Municipal Court at Portland, February 21, 1935, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$100.00 and costs taxed

- at \$8.41, and two months imprisonment in the County Jail at Portland, and in default of payment of fine and costs six months additional imprisonment in said Jail. May 14, 1934, the said Harry A. Brown was adjudged guilty of unlawful possession of intoxicating liquors in a hearing before said Portland Municipal Court and sentenced to pay a fine of \$200.00 and costs taxed at \$6.04, and two months imprisonment in the County Jail at Portland, and in default of payment of fine and costs six months additional imprisonment in said Jail. Probation two years. Fine and costs paid. On February 21, 1935, condition on which mittimus was stayed adjudged broken. Mittimus issued. Full and free pardon granted July 23, 1935.
- Wilfred Dubois of Lewiston. Convicted of the crime of illegal possession of intoxicating liquors, at the June term, 1930, of the Superior Court at Auburn, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$200.00 and costs taxed at \$7.75, and in addition thereto to be imprisoned two months, at labor, in the County Jail at Auburn, and in default of payment of fine and costs to be imprisoned, at labor, in said Jail for six months additional. Full and free pardon granted August 8, 1935.
- Robert Pomroy of Bucksport. Convicted of the crime of illegal possession of intoxicating liquors, at the Western Hancock Municipal Court at Bucksport, March 4, 1935, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$100.00 and costs and two months imprisonment in the County Jail at Ellsworth, and in default of payment of fine and costs to be imprisoned in said Jail for six months additional. Full and free pardon granted August 8, 1935.
- Aime Gagnon of Biddeford. Convicted of the crime of illegal possession of intoxicating liquors, at the May term, 1935, of the Superior Court at Alfred, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$300.00 and costs taxed at \$17.46, and to serve three months in the County Jail at Alfred, and in default of payment of fine and costs to serve six months additional in said Jail. Full and free pardon granted October 2, 1935.
- James Garbarino of Portland. Convicted of the crime of larceny, at the May term, 1935, of the Superior Court at Portland, and sentenced to six months imprisonment in the County Jail at Portland. Full and free pardon granted October 11, 1935.
- John Hobbs of Monmouth. Convicted of the crime of receiving stolen goods, at the October term, 1935, of the Superior Court at Farmington, and sentenced to imprisonment in the County Jail at Farmington for the term of four months. Full and free pardon granted December 2, 1935.
- Fred C. Bagley, Jr. of Augusta. Convicted of the crime of forgery, at the October term, 1935, of the Superior Court at Augusta, and sentenced to

imprisonment in the County Jail at Augusta for the term of six months. Pardon granted December 10, 1935, upon the conditions that he shall not be guilty of violating any of the criminal statutes of the State, and that he shall be sent to some hospital or sanatorium for treatment.

John H. DeWinter of Thomaston. Convicted of the crime of operating a vehicle recklessly, at the Lincoln Municipal Court, Wiscasset, June 20, 1934, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$10.00 and costs of prosecution taxed in the sum of \$7.25. Full and free pardon granted December 19, 1935.

Albion Speredovich of Portland. Convicted of the crime of manslaughter, at the September term, 1935, of the Superior Court at Portland, and sentenced to imprisonment, at hard labor, in the County Jail at Portland for the term of eleven months. Pardon granted December 19, 1935, upon the condition that he shall not be guilty of violating any of the criminal statutes of the State.

Ralph Harrington of Gardiner. Convicted of the crime of larceny, at the June term, 1935, of the Superior Court at Augusta, and sentenced to imprisonment in the County Jail at Augusta for the term of ten months. Full and free pardon granted December 19, 1935.

George Bloch of Milbridge. Convicted of the crime of single sale of intoxicating liquor (two charges), at the Western Washington Municipal Court at Machias, September 13, 1935, and sentenced to three months imprisonment in the County Jail at Machias on each charge, and in addition thereto to pay a fine of \$100.00 for each offense, and costs taxed at \$29.20, and in default of payment of fines and costs to be imprisoned in said Jail for an additional term of one month on each charge. Jail sentences suspended; fines and costs paid, respondent placed on probation. Full and free pardon granted February 5, 1936.

Henry Fraser of Presque Isle. Convicted of the crime of maintaining a liquor nuisance, at the November term, 1934, of the Superior Court at Houlton, and sentenced to six months imprisonment in the County Jail at Houlton and to pay a fine of \$200.00 and costs taxed at \$22.44, and in default of payment of fine and costs to be imprisoned in said Jail for the term of six months additional. Jail sentence suspended upon the payment of fine and costs. Fine and costs paid. Respondent placed on probation for the term of two years. Probation reported broken. Mittimus issued January 13, 1936. Full and free pardon granted February 5, 1936.

Fred Hanson of Mars Hill. Convicted of the crime of larceny, at the November term, 1935, of the Superior Court at Houlton, and sentenced

to imprisonment in the County Jail at Houlton for the term of six months. Full and free pardon granted February 5, 1936.

Herbert J. Strothard of Toronto. Providence of Ontario, Canada. Convicted of the crime of larceny of an automobile, at the Saco Municipal Court at Saco, October 30, 1935, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$25.00 and costs taxed at \$113.19, and to be imprisoned in the County Jail at Alfred for the term of three months, and three months additional imprisonment in default of payment of fine and costs. Pardon granted February 6, 1936, upon the conditions that he shall not be guilty of violating any of the criminal statutes of the State, and that he shall forthwith leave the limits of the United States and not return thereto.

Walter H. Foss of Machias. Convicted of the crimes of unlawful possession of intoxicating liquor, and two single sales of intoxicating liquor, at the Western Washington Municipal Court at Machias, on the 11th and 14th days of September, 1935, and sentenced to imprisonment in the County Jail at Machias for the term of four months; and to forfeit and pay to and for the use of the State the sum of \$500.00 together with costs of prosecution taxed at \$10.60, and in default of payment of said fine and costs to suffer two months additional imprisonment in said Jail. Fine and costs paid, Jail sentence suspended, respondent placed on probation for the term of six months. February 3, 1936, probation broken; mittimus issued.

September 14, 1935, the said Walter H. Foss was convicted of the crime of single sale of intoxicating liquor, and sentenced by said Court to serve three months imprisonment in said County Jail, and to forfeit and pay to and for the use of the State the sum of \$100.00 and costs of prosecution taxed at \$11.89, and in default of payment of fine and costs to suffer one month's additional imprisonment in Jail. Fine and costs paid, respondent placed on probation for the term of six months. February 3, 1936, sentence reduced so as to run concurrently with former sentence. September 14, 1935, the said Walter H. Foss was again convicted of the crime of single sale of intoxicating liquor, and sentenced to serve three months imprisonment in said Jail, and to forfeit and pay to and for the use of the State the sum of \$100.00 and costs of prosecution taxed at \$11.89, and in default of payment of fine and costs to suffer one month's additional imprisonment in Jail. Fine and costs paid, respondent placed on probation for the term of six months. February 3, 1936, sentence reduced so as to run concurrently with all other sentences imposed by said Court on the respondent. Full and free pardon granted March 4, 1936.

Frank Vigue of Augusta. Convicted of the crime of non-support, at the Augusta Municipal Court at Augusta, November 18, 1935, and sentenced

to six months imprisonment in the Kennebec County Jail at Augusta. Jail sentence suspended on condition that he support family. Condition not fulfilled, mittimus issued January 3, 1936. Pardon granted April 3, 1936, upon the conditions that he shall not be guilty of violating any of the criminal statutes of the State, and that he shall support his wife and family.

Tom Hayes of Stacyville Plantation. Convicted of the crime of keeping and depositing intoxicating liquors with intent to sell, at the Millinocket Municipal Court at Millinocket, September 25, 1934, and sentenced to imprisonment in the County Jail at Bangor for the term of two months, and in addition thereto to pay a fine of \$100 and costs, and in default of payment of fine and costs to be imprisoned in said Jail for six months additional. This sentence was affirmed at the January term, 1936, of the Superior Court for the County of Penobscot. Warrant issued January 14, 1936. Full and free pardon granted June 5, 1936.

Thomas M. Woodbridge of Westport. Convicted of the crime of manslaughter at the November term, 1935, of the Superior Court at Wiscasset, and sentenced to imprisonment to labor in the County Jail at Augusta in the County of Kennebec, for the term of eight months. Full and free pardon granted July 15, 1936.

Lloyd M. Small otherwise known as Earl Colford, of Old Town. Convicted of the crime of uttering forged instrument, at the March term, 1936, of the Superior Court at Dover-Foxcroft, and sentenced to imprisonment to labor in the County Jail at Dover-Foxcroft for the term of six months. Full and free pardon granted August 4, 1936.

Floyd Lancaster of Embden. Convicted of the crime of illegal transportation of intoxicating liquors, at the May term, 1936, of the Superior Court at Skowhegan, and sentenced to imprisonment in the County Jail at Skowhegan for the term of three months, and to pay a fine of three hundred dollars and costs of prosecution taxed at eighteen dollars and two cents, and in default of payment of fine and costs to be imprisoned six months additional in said Jail. Full and free pardon granted September 17, 1936.

Edward Therrien of Lewiston. Convicted of the crime of non-support and maintenance of his wife and minor children, at the Lewiston Municipal Court at Lewiston, August 1, 1936, and sentenced to imprisonment in the County Jail at Auburn for the term of six months. Sentence suspended; probation one year. September 1, 1936 probation broken; committed. Pardon granted November 9, 1936, upon the condition that he shall not be guilty of violating any of the criminal statutes of the State.



ADDRESS OF GOVERNOR LOUIS J. BRANN TO THE EIGHTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE IN SPECIAL SESSION

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December 16, 1936.

My friends of the Eighty-seventh Legislature:

I bid you a most cordial welcome.

The Federal Social Security Act provides that employers of labor employing eight or more people for the calendar year of 1936 contribute one per cent on payrolls with certain exemptions specified in the Federal Social Security Act.

These contributions are for the purpose of establishing a fund for unemployment compensation in the State.

This contribution is payable to the Federal Government on January 31, 1937, but there is a provision in the Act that any employer may credit on his contribution ninety per cent of said amount if the same be paid to the State, under the provisions of a State Unemployment Compensation Law in effect and approved by the Social Security Board prior to December 31, 1936.

The amount of the aggregate contributions of Maine employers coming within the scope of the Act for the calendar year of 1936 is estimated to be a million and one-half dollars.

In order to save this substantial sum for the benefit of our own unemployed workmen, it is necessary that the Legislature pass an unemployment compensation law which shall be approved by the Social Security Board prior to December 31 of this year.

I have called you together to consider such a bill.

A bill has been prepared with great care by the following members of your Honorable Body: Honorable Harold E. Weeks; Honorable Nathaniel H. Tompkins; Honorable Franz U. Burkett; and the Honorable George E. Hill, for submission to the Legislature.

I desire to thank them for their painstaking and distinguished service to the State in preparing draft of a bill to be submitted at this time.

#### Old Age Assistance

By an emergency order of the Governor and Council disbursements for old age assistance have been made from the contingent fund of the State for the past eight months.

The Governor and Council has transferred from the current contingent fund for pension requirements up to the present time \$216,998.26.

The passage of an old age assistance act will be considered by the Legislature convening early in January of next year.

The State, at the present time, is making old age disbursements to more than four thousand aged people, and expending each month in excess of forty thousand dollars of State money, matched, of course, by Federal money.

In order that there be no interruption in the payments to those now receiving benefits under the Old Age Assistance Order in Maine, I respectfully recommend that you appropriate the sum of one hundred thousand dollars for old age assistance and the administration thereof until March 1, 1937.

This will afford an ample opportunity to the incoming Legislature to pass old age assistance legislation and provide for the financing thereof.

#### Deer Island Bridge

I further recommend that you give consideration to the matter of the Deer Isle-Sedgwick Bridge in order to avoid the possibility of a loss of a Federal Aid grant in the amount of \$315,000.00 for the construction of a bridge connecting Deer Island with the Mainland.

I respectfully urge the passage of the bills under the emergency provisions of the Constitution.

LOUIS J. BRANN.

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STATE OF MAINE  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

Augusta

April 24, 1937.

To the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House:

I herewith transmit a list of the acts and resolves passed by the present Legislature.

I have approved a total of 350 acts and 155 resolves. I presented one veto.

I desire to add that you have considered an unusually large number of measures and the problems that have confronted you at times have been bewildering and seemed insurmountable. Your deliberations have been judicial and creditable.

The cooperation between the Legislature and the Executive has been most cordial and duly appreciated by me.

I have no further communication to make.

I wish you a safe return to your homes.

Respectfully submitted,

LEWIS O. BARROWS,  
Governor.