

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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ACTS AND RESOLVES

AS PASSED BY THE

Eighty-eighth and Eighty-ninth  
Legislatures

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

From April 24, 1937 to April 21, 1939

AND

MISCELLANEOUS STATE PAPERS

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## STATE OF MAINE

## Memorial

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-nine

In Memory of Former President of the Maine Senate Harold E. Weeks

The Senate of Maine pauses in this morning's session to record its appreciation of the life, ability and character of a former President who passed on, February 7, 1939. Former President Weeks was a friendly, genial, able man of determined spirit to whom principle was a duty to be met and discharged but who never allowed prejudice or malice to enter into his social relationships. The passing of former President Weeks brought grief to his associates, his friends and his family. He had a broad viewpoint, he easily grasped situations, he delighted in legislative activities, he believed in Maine, he loved her hills and streams, he hoped for his state to have a richer and happier future and he worked during his lifetime toward that end.

Therefore be it resolved by this Senate that in the death of former President Weeks, the State of Maine lost an exemplary citizen, a distinguished leader and a true gentleman.

Resolved: that an engrossed copy of this Memorial, signed by the President of the Senate be sent to Mrs. Weeks as a token of our respect and friendship for our former President.

Resolved: that these resolutions be spread in full upon the records of the Senate.

In Senate Chamber,  
Feb. 8, 1939

Read and Adopted.  
Royden V. Brown,  
Secretary.

Sumner Sewall, President of the Senate.

A True Copy

ATTEST: Royden V. Brown, Secretary of Senate.

## STATE OF MAINE

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-nine

**Memorial**

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress Assembled.

## Requesting Subsidies for Maine Fishermen

We, your Memorialists, the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Maine in the 89th Legislative session assembled, most respectfully present and petition your honorable body as follows:

Whereas, for over 100 years, Maine fishermen have earned a precarious, and bare living, and

Whereas, the competition from foreign countries, aided by federal treaties, is such that the Maine fishermen can no longer make their bare living, and

Whereas, the Maine fishermen have been a group that has always been self-reliant, and expressive of the real spirit of American Democracy, now therefore be it

Resolved: That we, your Memorialists, do hereby respectfully petition and urge that the various types of fishing in the State of Maine be protected by proper subsidies to equalize the effects of the present and future tariff rates or that such changes and modifications of the present tariff rates shall be made that our Maine fishermen may compete upon a just and equal basis with fishermen in foreign countries; and be it further

Resolved: That a copy of this Memorial, duly authenticated by the Secretary of State, be immediately transmitted by the Secretary of State to the proper officers and committees of the United States Senate and House of Representatives, the President of the United States and to each of the Representatives and Senators representing the State of Maine in the United States Congress.

In Senate Chamber  
February 22, 1939  
Read and Adopted  
ROYDEN V. BROWN,  
Secretary.

House of Representatives  
Read and Adopted  
February 21, 1939  
HARVEY R. PEASE,  
Clerk.

## STATE OF MAINE

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-nine

**Memorial**

Memorializing the Postmaster General of the United States Relative to a Special Postage Stamp in Honor of Captain Jeremiah O'Brien

Whereas, Captain Jeremiah O'Brien, a native of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, by his distinguished service won from the British in Machias Bay, on June twelve, seventeen hundred and seventy-five, the first naval engagement of the war of the Revolution and received from the Provincial Congress commendation for his victory and became the first regularly commissioned naval officer and commander of the Revolutionary navy of Massachusetts; and

Whereas, The Navy Department of the United States has recently approved the construction of a destroyer at the Boston Navy Yard, to be named in honor of Captain O'Brien; therefore be it

Resolved: That the eighty-ninth Legislature of Maine hereby respectfully requests the Postmaster General of the United States to provide for a special commemorative postage stamp to be issued in honor of the distinguished record and exploits of said Captain Jeremiah O'Brien, coincidentally with the launching of the said named "Destroyer" O'Brien, or as near as may be; and be it further

Resolved: That a certified copy of this Memorial be transmitted by the Secretary of State to the Postmaster General of the United States, and to each of the Representatives and Senators representing the State of Maine in Congress.

House of Representatives

Read and Adopted

February 24, 1939

Sent up for Concurrence

HARVEY R. PEASE,

Clerk.

In Senate Chamber

February 28, 1939

In Concurrence

Read and Adopted

ROYDEN V. BROWN,

Secretary.

## STATE OF MAINE

In the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-nine

**Memorial**

## Senate Resolution Honoring Roswell K. Colcord

Whereas, Roswell K. Colcord, son of Maine and Ex-Governor of Nevada, will reach his one-hundredth birthday on April 25, 1939, in full possession of all his faculties; and

Whereas, He thus becomes the oldest ex-governor of any state in the Union, and the oldest political son of the state of Maine; and

Whereas, Ex-Governor Colcord was born on a farm on the slope of Bog Hill, now known as Mt. Ephraim, in North Searsport, Waldo County, on April 25, 1839; worked in the shipyards of Searsport from 1852 to 1856, between the ages of thirteen and seventeen; emigrated to the west in 1857 and engaged in silver mining in Nevada; became Governor of the state of Nevada in 1890, and later Director of the United States Mint in Carson City, Nevada; and

Whereas, He is the only man living who knew Mark Twain intimately in his early days as a journalist in Aurora and Virginia City, before fame had come to the great humorist; and the only man living, in all probability, who can tell the tale of the beginnings of silver mining in Nevada; and

Whereas, This distinguished centenarian has been known throughout his life for probity and manly ability, for high character and unswerving integrity, for health, happiness and a rare sense of humor, for all the qualities of sterling public service and well-deserved popularity; therefore, be it

Resolved: That the Senate of the State of Maine appreciates the lesson of such a life, in the realization that it does full honor to the state of his birth and the traditions that have made the influence of this state great in the nation; that we hereby extend to Ex-Governor Roswell K. Colcord our heartiest congratulations and best wishes; that we call on the public sentiment of Maine to do homage to this grand old man of the Sierras on the celebration of his one-hundredth birthday; and furthermore, be it

Resolved: That the President of the Senate be authorized to forward to Ex-Governor Colcord a properly attested copy of these resolutions, and that the Governor of Maine be requested to extend to him the congratulations of the State.

In Senate Chamber  
April 10, 1939  
Read and Passed  
ROYDEN V. BROWN,  
Secretary.