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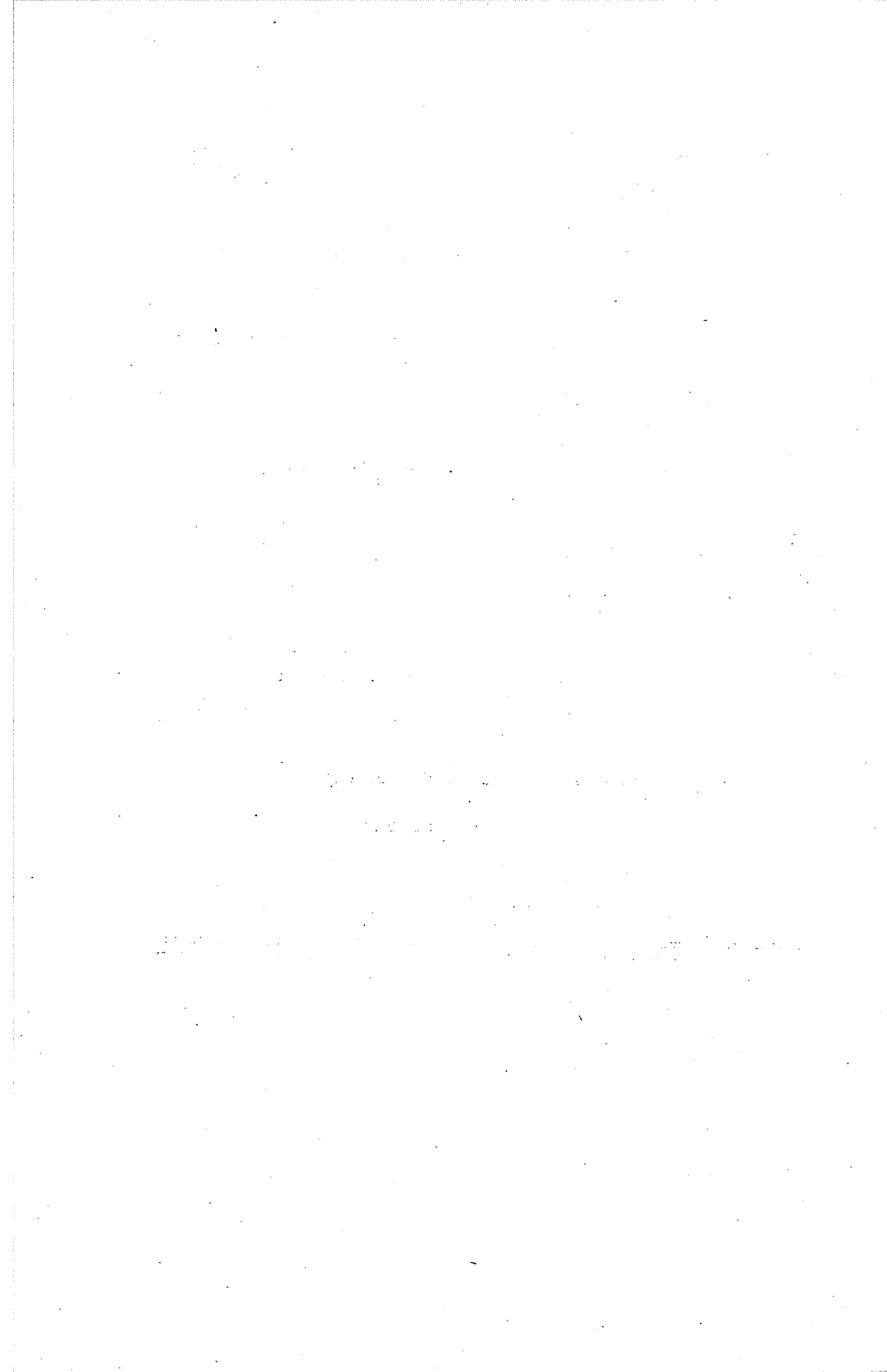
EXECUTIVE ORDERS

of

Governor Horace Hildreth

From January 2, 1945 to May 24, 1945

(as reported to the Revisor of Statutes)



STATE OF MAINE
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
Augusta

Executive Order—No. 40

Whereas, under authority of Section 1 of Chapter 305 of the Public Laws of 1941, approved January 21, 1942, the Governor is empowered and directed to provide for the security, health, and welfare of the people of the State; and

Whereas, Section 85 of Chapter 19 of the Revision of 1944 forbids the operation upon any way or bridge of motor vehicles or trailers which are wider than 8 feet over all with or without load or are over 12 feet 6 inches in height with or without load; and

Whereas, Section 100 of said chapter restricts and limits the gross weight of vehicles operated over any way or bridge to 40,000 pounds (actual weight of vehicle and load) for motor trucks, trailers, tractors, or combinations of truck, trailer and semi-trailer provided that a vehicle having 2 axles shall not be so operated when the gross load as above defined is over 30,000 pounds, and provided further that the weight shall be distributed in the manner therein set forth; and

Whereas, representations have been made to me that, due to the labor shortage and the limited amount of equipment and in order to facilitate the movement of products essential to the war effort, the foregoing provisions should be modified to meet the present emergency by enlarging the width, height and weight as hereafter more specifically defined; and being satisfied that such an emergency exists;

Now, therefore, I, Horace Hildreth, Governor of Maine, by virtue of the authority vested in me by said Chapter 305 of the Public Laws of 1941, do hereby promulgate the following rules and regulations to have the force and effect of law forthwith:

The State Highway Commission is hereby vested with the power and authority:

1. To grant permits and renewals thereof for the movement of wood products such as pulp and logs in motor vehicles or trailers or combination tractor and semi-trailer which with or without the load shall be not more than 8 feet and 6 inches in width over all;
2. To grant permits and renewals thereof to convey property essential to the war effort the combined height of which vehicle and load shall not be over 17 feet;

3. To grant permits and renewals thereof authorizing the movement over ways and bridges of goods or equipment essential to the war effort, the weight or combined weight of which (vehicle and load) shall not exceed 45,000 pounds, except a vehicle having two axles, in which event the gross weight shall not exceed 35,000 pounds, and provided further that the Commission may refuse such permit unless the load is distributed in accordance with said section 100.
4. Applications in writing shall be made to the State Highway Commission for such permits and said Commission may in said permit provide for the length of time the same shall remain in force but not exceeding 30 days; the type of vehicle, the kind of product or equipment to be moved; the limit of the area and the highways and bridges over which the same shall be moved; the terms and conditions under which such permit is granted; and the terms and conditions to be observed by the holder thereof.

HORACE HILDRETH,
Governor of Maine.

February 8, 1945

STATE OF MAINE
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
Augusta, Maine

Executive Order—No. 41

Whereas, under authority of Section 1, Chapter 305, of the Public Laws of 1941, approved January 21, 1942, and entitled "An Act to Create the Maine Civilian Defense Corps and Provide for the Safety of the State in Time of War," the Governor is empowered and directed to provide for the security, health, and welfare of the people of the state, including the Civilian Defense of the state and to cooperate with the Federal Government; and

Whereas, the military situation in respect to the external defense of this state no longer requires the retention of the Maine Civilian Defense Corps on an active basis; and

Whereas, the people of this state have become accustomed, under the effective leadership of the State, County and Municipal heads of the Citizens Service Corps, a part of the Maine Civilian Defense Corps, to cooperate loyally with Federal and State agencies in those civilian war activities so important to the success of the war effort; and

Whereas, in the interests of economy it is desirable to reduce the expenses of the State Civilian Defense organization so far as is consistent with the safety of our people and their effective participation in war activities.

Now, therefore, I, Horace Hildreth, Governor of Maine, by virtue of the authority vested in me do hereby issue this Executive Order :

1. All branches of the Maine Civilian Defense Corps, with the exception of the Emergency Medical Services and the Forest Fire Fighters Service, shall as of March 1, 1945, be placed upon an inactive status.
2. In accordance with the suggestion from the Commanding General, Eastern Defense Command, no unit of the Corps shall be disbanded.
3. At the request of the Military Authorities or of the Federal Government all units of the Corps inactivated by this Order shall be subject to reactivation by Executive Order of the Governor.
4. All Executive Orders previously issued imposing duties on the Maine Civilian Defense Corps or its Director are suspended on and after March 1, 1945.
5. The Director of Civilian Defense shall take such steps as may be necessary to carry out this Order.

HORACE HILDRETH,
Governor of Maine.

February 21, 1945