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'Sec. 28. Escapes from jail; penalty. Whoever, being lawfully detained in any jail or other place of confinement, except the state prison, breaks or escapes therefrom, or attempts to do so, shall be punished by imprisonment for not more than 7 years; the sentence to such imprisonment shall not be concurrent with any other sentence then being served or thereafter to be imposed upon such escapee.'

Effective August 20, 1951

### Chapter 4

#### AN ACT Relating to Corporate Donations to Charity.

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

R. S., c. 49, § 15, amended. Section 15 of chapter 49 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 15. General powers. Corporations may sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, in their corporate name; have a common seal alterable at pleasure; elect all necessary officers; prescribe their duties and fix their compensation; make by-laws consistent with the laws of the state and their charters; and hold and convey lands and other property; and make donations for the public welfare or for charitable, scientific or educational purposes.'

Effective August 20, 1951

### Chapter 5

#### AN ACT Permitting Municipalities to Raise Money to Assist Historical Societies.

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

**R. S., c. 80, § 91, amended.** The 1st sentence of section 91 of chapter 80 of the revised statutes, as amended by chapter 40 of the public laws of 1945, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

'Cities and towns may raise money to procure the writing and publication of their histories, to assist a local historical society, to celebrate any centennial or other anniversary of the settlement or incorporation of such city or town, and to publish the proceedings of any such celebration; to defray the expenses of the observance of memorial day, armistice day, or any other day set apart for patriotic commemoration, firemen's memorial Sunday, and

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of old home week; to hire a public nurse; to hire a dental hygienist; to subsidize a physician to induce him or her to settle in said town; to aid in the maintenance of a hospital serving the inhabitants of the town; to provide for a local program or one based on coordination with the state having to do with the rehabilitation and employment of persons honorably discharged from the armed forces of the United States in World War II; to provide for physical fitness programs in the schools; to erect suitable monuments or memorials in memory of the soldiers and sailors who sacrificed their lives in defense of their country in the war of 1861, or in World Wars I and II, and a reasonable sum to secure, grade and care for a lot appropriate for such a monument or memorial.'

Effective August 20, 1951

## Chapter 6

#### AN ACT Relating to Speed of Motor Vehicles.

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

R. S., c. 19, § 118, amended. Section 118 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof a new sentence, to read as follows:

'The state highway commission shall also have the authority to increase the speeds of either commercial or pleasure vehicles at any and all points on the highway where, in their opinion, a higher speed is warranted and they shall place all necessary signs to give notice thereof.'

Effective August 20, 1951

### Chapter 7

AN ACT Relating to Passing Motor Vehicles on Grades.

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

R. S., c. 19, § 104, amended. The 1st paragraph of section 104 of chapter 19 of the revised statutes is hereby amended to read as follows:

'The driver of a vehicle shall not overtake and pass or attempt to overtake and pass another vehicle proceeding in the same direction, upon the crest of a grade or upon a curve in the way, where the driver's view along the way is obstructed within a distance of 400 feet.'

Effective August 20, 1951