

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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## HOUSE

Friday, January 24, 1919.

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Walsh of Gardiner.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: Resolve in favor of Westmanland Plantation for the payment of school fund forfeited by failure to file returns.

In the House this resolve was referred to the committee on education, and comes from the Senate referred in non-concurrence to the committee on claims.

On motion by Mr. Barnes of Houlton, the House voted to recede and concur with the Senate in its reference to the Committee on Claims.

From the Senate: Resolve to appoint a committee to inquire into the advisability of purchasing the residence of the late James G. Blaine or some other suitable property for an Executive mansion.

Whereas, it is now obligatory that the Governor reside in Augusta during his term of office; and

Whereas, the expense of so doing may prove so great a burden as to prevent men of limited means from aspiring to the office of Governor; now therefore,

Resolved, the House concurring, that a special committee of two on the part of the Senate and three on the part of the House be appointed to inquire into the advisability of purchasing the residence of the late James G. Blaine or some other suitable property for a home for the Governor while in office, to be known as the Executive mansion, and to report by bill or otherwise.

In the Senate this resolve was read and adopted and the following committee on the part of the Senate was

appointed: Gannett of Kennebec, Emerson of Aroostook.

The SPEAKER: The Chair under orders of the day will announce the committee on the part of the House.

The resolution was then unanimously adopted by a viva voce vote.

The following bills, resolves and petitions were presented, and, upon recommendation of the committee on reference of bills, were referred to the following committees:

### Agriculture

By Mr. Washburn of Perry: An Act to amend Section 35, Chapter 37, Revised Statutes, relating to unclean milk and unclean cream containers.

### Appropriations

By Mr. Eaton of Rumford: Resolve in favor of the Rumford Hospital Association, Rumford, for the care, support and medical or surgical treatment of indigent persons.

By Mr. Simons of Gardiner: Resolve in favor of Gardiner General Hospital.

By Mr. Hanson of Saco: Resolve in favor of the Webber Hospital Association, Biddeford, for the care, support and medical or surgical treatment of indigent persons.

By Mr. Simons of Gardiner: Resolve in favor of the Gardiner General Hospital for care, support and medical and surgical treatment of indigent persons in the year 1918 and for permanent improvements needed to complete the hospital.

### Education

By Mr. Pattee of Harmony: An Act relating to schooling in unorganized territory.

By Mr. Bean of Minot: An Act to exempt the towns of Minot and Poland from the payment of tuition for high school students. (500 copies ordered printed.)

By Mr. Hussey of Blaine: Resolve in favor of the Bridgewater Classical Academy at Bridgewater.

By Mr. Crane of Whiting: Petition of A. J. Preston and 14 others of Plantation No. 14, Washington County, asking that the rate of interest on the wild land school fund be re-

stored and the plantations reimbursed for their loss.

#### Indian Affairs

Mr. Austin of Milford: Resolve in favor of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians for the general care, maintenance, relief and education thereof.

By the same gentleman: Resolve for renovation of the Teachers Old Home at Indian Island, Old Town, and for the relief of the poor and distressed Indians.

#### Inland Fisheries and Game

By Mr. Audibert of Ft. Kent: Remonstrance of A. J. Nadeau and forty-four others of Ft. Kent against the adoption of the resident hunters' license.

#### Interior Waters

By Mr. Lanpher of Sebec: Resolve in aid of navigation on Sebec Lake in Piscataquis county.

#### Judiciary

By Mr. Buzzell of Belfast: An Act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 216 of the Public Laws of 1917, relating to stenographers of the Supreme Judicial Court.

By Mr. Weatherbee of Lincoln: An Act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 118 of the Revised Statutes, relating to fees of sheriffs and their deputies.

(On motion by Mr. Allen of Sanford tabled for printing, pending reference.)

By Mr. Maher of Augusta: An Act relative to the tenure of office of county treasurers.

(On motion by Mr. Allan of Portland tabled for printing, pending reference.)

By Mr. Jones of Bangor: An Act to prohibit persons not duly authorized attorneys, firms, voluntary associations and corporations from the practice of law.

By Mr. Thomas of South Portland: An Act to amend the charter of the city of South Portland.

By Mr. Arthur of Farmingdale: Resolve in favor of Ida E. Heath of Chelsea, Maine.

#### Legal Affairs

By Mr. Austin of Milford: An

Act to amend Section 47 of Chapter 96 of the Revised Statutes by providing a lien for scalers.

(On motion by Mr. Barnes of Houlton tabled for printing pending reference.)

By Mr. Tilden of Hallowell: An Act to legalize and make valid the proceedings of the town meeting of the town of West Gardiner held on the twelfth day of March, A. D. 1917.

By Mr. Audibert of Ft. Kent: An Act to amend Sections 2, 3 and 4 of Chapter 297 of the Private and Special Laws of 1907, relating to the Ft. Kent Village Corporation.

By Mr. Case of Lubec: An Act to amend Section 12 of Chapter 4 of the Revised Statutes, to provide for a uniform date for holding annual town meetings.

#### Mercantile Affairs and Insurance

By Mr. Putnam of Danforth: An Act to amend Chapter 32 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Cinematograph and moving pictures.

(On motion by Mr. Rounds of Portland tabled for printing, pending reference, and 500 copies ordered printed.)

By Mr. Thomas of South Portland: An Act to amend Chapter 53, Section 91 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the annual statement of conditions of Insurance Companies, and providing a penalty for neglect to file the statement.

#### Military Affairs

By Mr. Murchie of Calais: Resolve to reimburse the city of Calais for money paid to soldiers' and sailors' dependents.

#### Pensions

By Mr. Jillson of Oxford: Resolve in favor of Thaddeus Cross.

#### Salaries and Fees

By Mr. Maher of Augusta: An Act relative to the salary of the treasurer of Kennebec County.

By Mr. Buzzell of Belfast: An Act to amend Section 45 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes, relative to clerk hire in the office of the Register of Deeds, Waldo county.

Mr. Rounds of Portland: Is this the same bill that died between the two Houses at the last session of the Legislature?

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Belfast may reply through the Chair.

Mr. BUZZELL of Belfast: It is the same bill, or another one that reads the same.

Mr. ROUNDS: Mr. Speaker, I think that it ought to come up under unfinished business of the last Legislature, as it never was reported. The last committee of conference of that Legislature never reported on it.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will state that any matter which was in the last Legislature may come up at this time as new matter.

#### School for Feeble Minded

By Mr. Daigle of Madawaska: Resolve in favor of the Maine School for the Feeble Minded for maintenance for the years 1919 and 1920.

#### Sea and Shore Fisheries

By Mr. Savage of Northeast Harbor: Petition of Bradford E. Rowe and sixty others of Swans Island, asking for the enactment of a law preventing or regulating the taking of clams in the town of Swans Island.

#### State Lands and Forest Preservation

By Mr. Austin of Milford: An Act to amend Section 58 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes, relative to the protection of forest fire signs.

#### Taxation

By Mr. Lanpher of Sebec: An Act to secure information relating to the yearly cut of timber from the wild land townships. (500 copies ordered printed.)

#### Ways and Bridges

By Mr. Love of Southport: An Act to authorize the town of Southport to build and maintain a bridge across Nelson's Pond, so called.

By Mr. Owen of Milo: Resolve appropriating money to aid in repairing a highway in the town of Milo, Piscataquis county, and providing for the future maintenance thereof.

By Mr. Murchie of Calais: Resolve in favor of the city of Calais for aid

in the construction of a highway leading from Calais to Eastport.

By Mr. McLeary of Farmington: Resolve in favor of the towns of Chesterville and New Sharon in the county of Franklin.

By Mr. Macomber of Jay: Resolve in favor of the town of Carthage in the county of Franklin.

By Mr. Savage of Mt. Desert: Resolve appropriating money to aid in the repairing of the highway in the towns of Mt. Desert and Southwest Harbor.

By Mr. Owen of Milo: Resolve appropriating money to aid in repairing a highway in the town of Medford, Piscataquis county, and providing for the future maintenance thereof.

By Mr. Crane of Whiting: Resolve for repair of bridge in East Machias and Machiasport.

By Mr. Wyman of Milbridge: Resolve in favor of the town of Beddington.

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The rules were suspended and unanimous consent was given to receive an order from the Senate out of order as follows:

Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet Tuesday, January 28th, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

On motion by Mr. Holley of No. Anson the above order was passed in concurrence.

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On motion by Mr. Sawyer of Fort Fairfield it was voted that the Act amendatory to the Public Laws of the State Department of Health be taken from the table, and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was re-tabled in order that certain explanatory facts which should have been printed with the original bill be now printed.

#### Orders

On motion by Mr. Lanpher of Sebec, it was

Ordered, that the use of the hall of the House of Representatives be granted to the Community Efficiency Conference now in session at Au-

gusta for such occasions as may be desired to accommodate its program.

On motion by Mr. Allan of Portland, it was

Ordered, that the National League to Impose Peace be granted the use of Representatives' hall Wednesday evening, Jan. 29. At that time an address will be given by Hon. Edward L. Walker, former Speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives, and President Roberts of Colby college.

#### Reports of Committees

Mr. Holley from the committee on appropriations and financial affairs, to which was referred a resolve for continuance of white pine blister rust control, reported that the same be referred to the committee on State lands and forest preservation.

The report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Garcelon from the committee on legal affairs, to which was referred bill an Act to incorporate the Peat Power Producing Co., reported that the same "ought not to pass."

The report was accepted and sent up for concurrence.

#### Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: Under orders of the day, the Chair will join the Senate committee on the resolution relating to the Blaine mansion as the House committee, Messrs. Maher of Augusta, Eaton of Rumford and Berry of Waterville.

The Chair also joins on the com-

mittee regarding the portrait of General Connor, Messrs. Baxter of Portland and Tilden of Hallowell, the Senate joining Messrs. Gannett of Kennebec and Davies of Cumberland.

On motion by Mr. Barnes of Houlton, the rules were suspended, and unanimous consent was given to receive out of order the following order:

Ordered that 500 additional copies of House bill No. 8, an Act to provide for the establishment of State parks and forest reserves in the Mt. Katahdin region and elsewhere within the State of Maine, be printed.

The order received a passage.

On motion by Mr. Flint of Monson, it was voted to take from the table the petition of Albert J. Stearns and 50 others of Norway favoring the provision that no persons shall take, catch or kill in one day more than five black bass from the waters of Lake Pennesseewassee, and on further motion by the same gentleman, the bill was referred to the committee on inland fisheries and game.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will suggest to the members not to forget the time limit for Private and Special Legislation, and be sure that all matters in which they are interested are in seasonably.

On motion by Mr. Barnes of Houlton,

Adjourned until Tuesday morning, January 28, at 10 o'clock.