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Legislative Record

OF THE

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State of Maine

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HOUSE

Monday, January 31, 1921.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Folsom of Gardiner.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

RECESS

After Recess

A message was received from the Senate, through its secretary informing the House of the election of Honorable Frank G. Farrington of Kennebec as President pro tempore of the Senate.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE SECRETARY OF STATE

Department of State
State of Maine

Augusta, January 31, 1921.

To the Speaker and members of the House of Representatives of the Eightieth Legislature:

It is with a feeling of profound sorrow that I make known to you the death of Governor Frederic H. Parkhurst, which took place at the Governor's residence in Augusta at nine twelve A. M. today, and to acquaint you with the fact that by the provisions of the Constitution of this State, Honorable Percival P. Baxter, by virtue of his office as President of the Senate has become Governor of the State of Maine, Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy of the State and of the Militia.

Respectfully yours,
FRANK W. BALL,
Secretary of State.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR
State of Maine
Executive Department

January 31, 1921.

To the people of the State of Maine and to the Senators and Representatives of the Eightieth Legislature now in session:

It has become my sad duty to announce to you that Governor Frederic

Hale Parkhurst died at his official residence in Augusta at twelve minutes after nine o'clock this morning, January thirty-first, nineteen hundred and twenty-one.

Stricken in the prime of life as he stood upon the threshold of an honorable and useful career as Chief Executive, his death brings deep sorrow to our State. Our sympathy goes out to the members of his family in this hour of their grief.

The body of the late Governor will lie in state in the rotunda of the Capitol on Wednesday, February second next, and business will be suspended in the State House on that day as well as on the day of the funeral.

I suggest that a committee of the Senate and House be appointed to confer with me about the arrangements to be made by the State for the funeral ceremonies.

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and the laws of Maine, I have assumed the duties of Chief Executive, and hereby request that all public offices within the State be closed upon the day of the funeral, Thursday, February third, and I have ordered all flags upon the buildings of the State to be placed and to remain at half mast for a period of sixty days as a mark of respect to our late Governor.

PERCIVAL P. BAXTER,
Governor.

Thereupon the two foregoing communications were ordered placed on file.

From the Senate: Ordered, the House concurring, that a committee of two on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed by the Chair to confer with the Executive for the purpose of arranging for the funeral of the late Governor, the President of the Senate pro tempore and the Speaker of the House to act upon such committee ex-officio.

The President of the Senate appointed Senators Gillin of Penobscot and Senator Allen of York, and to this committee the House joined, Representatives Viles of Augusta, Small of Brewer, and Wing of Auburn.

The order received a passage in concurrence.

From the Senate: Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn it be to meet on Monday, February 7, at half past four o'clock.

The order received a passage in concurrence.

The SPEAKER: It is expected that the committee just appointed to arrange for the funeral ceremonies will meet for the purpose of organization at the adjournment of this session.

On motion by Mr. Oram of Bristol,
Adjourned until 4.30 P. M., Monday,
February 7, 1921.