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ERRATA:

**The following errata are
inserted because one or more pages
in this session day have errors
noticed and corrected here.**

ERRATA

Page 154, column	1, line 17, for Chapter "199" read "198."
" 163, "	2, after order by Mr. Winter, read "Tabled on motion of Mr. Buzzell of Belfast."
" 174, "	1, line 8, for "Lewiston" read "Rockland."
" 194, "	1, " 24, for "Sewall" read "Newall."
" 197, "	2, " 50, for "insurance" read "issuance."
" 267, "	2, " second Act referred to Inland Fisheries and Game was referred to Judiciary Committee.
" 305, "	1, " 42, for "Boys" read "Girls."
" 305, "	1, " 45, "H. 169" should read "H. 165."
" 511, "	2, " 2, for "H. 106" read "H. 160."
" 586, "	1, " 13, for "St. Albans" read "St. Agatha."
" 591, "	2, " 23, for "1919" read "1909."
" 602, "	2, " 12, for "enacted" read "engrossed."
" 617, "	1, " 46, for "322" read "332."
" 650, "	2, " 31, for "H. 336" read "H. 366."
" 662, "	2, " 26, for "Barrington" read "Harrington."
" 692, "	2, " 35, for "H. 236" read "H. 336."
" 694, "	1, " 2, for "S. 154" read "S. 155."
" 716, "	2, " 3, for "Mr. Perham" read "Mr. Bragdon of Perham."
" 772, "	1, " 24, for "same" read "Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs."
" 869, "	1, " 50, insert "Finally passed."
" 902, "	1, " 24, for "Clark" read "Barton."
" 902, "	1, " 40, for "S. 185" read "S. 184."
" 928, "	1, " 51, for "343" read "243."
" 949, "	1, " 43, for "Merton's" read "Martin's."
" 954, "	1, " 44, insert "ought not to pass."
" 958, "	2, " 20, for "179" read "181."
" 958, "	2, " 28, for "178" read "179."
" 967, "	2, " 49, for "S. D. 198" read "S. D. 180."
" 981, "	2, " 10, for "\$300" read "\$300,000."
" 1000, "	2, " 47, for "Portland" read "Biddeford."
" 1005, "	2, " 42, for "salaries" read "selection."
" 1142, "	1, " 40, for "H. D. 465" read "H. D. 456."
" 1169, "	2, " 2, for "Fogg" read "Forbes."
" 1191, "	2, lines 3 and 11, for "engrossed" read "enacted."
" 1191, "	2, line 20, for "finally passed" read "passed to be enacted."
" 1191, "	2, lines 31, 40, 48, for "engrossed" read "finally passed."
" 1211, "	2, " 12 and 13, "National Guard" should read "Nash and Viles."
" 1280, "	1, line 14, for "bald" read "bomb."
" 1321, "	1, " 35, for "lighting Long and Big Lakes" read "Lewy, Long and Big Lakes."
" 1373, "	2, " 42, for "Arthur B. Forbes" read "Arthur E. Forbes."
" 1376, "	2, " 14, for "S. D. 161" read "S. D. 167."
" 1409, "	2, " 36, for "Chapter 178" read "Chapter 238."

HOUSE

Monday, Feb. 14, 1921.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mary L. Hadley of Hallowell.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: An act to consolidate the Library Laws, which was referred to the committee on Library and the joint special committee provided by the order relative to reorganization and consolidation of State departments on February 8.

Came from the Senate referred to the committees on Library and Salaries and Fees jointly.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Winter of Auburn, the House voted to recede from its former action and to concur with the Senate in referring the bill to the committees on Library and Salaries and Fees.

Senate Bills in First Reading

Senate 41: Resolve appropriating money for the expenses of the Electoral College for the State of Maine for the year 1921.

Senate 39: Resolve in favor of P. F. Crane, Secretary of the Senate of the 79th Legislature.

Senate 45: An act to provide for the disposition of moneys received from the White Mountain Forest Reserve under an act of Congress of May 23, 1908.

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

Agriculture

By Mr. Peabody of Richmond: Petition of C. O. Buker and 63 others of Sagadahoc County that the law on standardization of milk be passed.

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

By Mr. Crafts of Greenville: Re-

solve in favor of Charles A. Dean hospital at Greenville Junction.

Claims

By Mr. Belmour of Princeton: Resolve to reimburse P. T. Pineo of Topsfield for sheep killed by wild animals.

Education

By Mr. Cordwell of Westbrook: Bill "An act to amend Section two of Chapter 51 of the Public Laws of 1919, relating to the training of rural teachers.

By Mr. Kimball of Hampden: Resolve in favor of Hampden Academy in the town of Hampden.

By Mr. Dunning of Charleston: Resolve in favor of Higgins Classical Institute, town of Charleston, Penobscot county, State of Maine.

Interior Waters

By Mr. Crafts of Greenville: Resolve to aid navigation on Moosehead Lake.

Judiciary

By Mr. Porter of Pittsfield: Petition for continuance of Maine Medical School by Mrs. Sadie E. Mayo and 14 others.

By Mr. Barwise of Bangor: Petition of Viola M. Crowley of Bangor and nine others in favor of the passage of House Bill No. 28, known as the "Barwise Sunday Bill."

By the same gentleman: Petition of Fred Royal of Bangor and four others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of Ronald J. Mantle of Limestone and 19 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of E. W. Blake of Bangor and two others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of W. H. Bowen of Bangor and five others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of A. M. Kimball of Portland and 16 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of William J. Burke of Bangor and 19 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of F. T. Clark of Hampden Highlands and seven others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of L. W. Selvin of Portland and six others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of Harry A. Sylvester of Portland and 25 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of E. P. Bishop of Hermon and 10 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of Bernard A. Bove of Portland and six others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of Blaine L. Fowler of Waterville and 16 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of M. Mary Laffey of Bangor and 24 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of G. A. Daley, Jr. of Bangor and 11 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of George L. O'Connell of Bangor and 17 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of Ashley B. Wood of Bangor and 84 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of C. T. Ball of Bangor and 19 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of George E. Thompson of Bangor and 11 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of G. M. Brawn of Bangor and six others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of W. E. Blake of Bangor and 22 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of Frank O. Youngs of Bangor and 23 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of Thomas Smith of Bangor and four others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of Joseph B. Glazer of Bangor and 40 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of E. J. Grady of Bangor and 19 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of E. A. Gammon of Mechanic Falls and seven others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of Fred A. Bean of Bangor and 19 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of E. C. Twitchell of South Portland and 17 others in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of I. L. Miller of Bangor and 20 others in favor of same.

By Mr. Wilson of Presque Isle: Remonstrance of Rev. J. C. Gregory and 195 others of Presque Isle against the passage of the Barwise bill.

By Mr. Warren of Portland: Bill "An act to provide for the enforcement of Chapter 159 of the Public Laws of 1917, relating to cruelty to animals.

Judiciary and Ways and Bridges

By Mr. Mason of Ellsworth: Bill "An act relating to mirrors on motor trucks."

By the same gentleman: Bill "An act relating to the operation of slow-moving vehicles."

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Clarke of Stonington: Bill "An act to amend Section 78 of Chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes, relating to sale of real estate for taxes in incorporated places." (500 copies ordered printed).

By Mr. Fagan of Portland: Bill "An act authorizing married women and widows to use family name as part of name by which they shall be registered as voters." (500 copies ordered printed).

Public Utilities

By Mr. Clarke of Stonington: Bill "An act additional to and amendatory of Chapter 20 of the Private and Special Laws of 1917, relating to the operation of Eggemoggin Reach Ferry in Hancock county." (500 copies ordered printed).

Salaries and Fees

By Mr. Phillips of Orrington: Bill "An act to amend Section 43 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 214 of the Public Laws of 1919, increasing the salary of register of deeds of Penobscot county."

By Mr. Jordan of Cumberland: Bill "An act to amend Chapter 118, Section 20 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the fees of town clerks." (500 copies ordered printed).

By Mr. Kerswell of St. George: Remonstrance of W. J. Martin of South Thomaston and 17 others against the passage of bill entitled "An act to divide the town of South Thomaston."

By the same gentleman: Remonstrance of George Green of South

Thomaston and 2 others against passage of same.

By the same gentleman: Remonstrance of Eric Harjula of South Thomaston and 44 others against passage of same.

Ways and Bridges

By Mr. Spear of Rockport: Resolve in favor of the towns of Warren and Thomaston for repair of bridge.

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of the town of Rockport for repair of highway.

By Mr. Boothby of Saco: Resolve to aid the city of Saco in building a road.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Rounds of Portland, it was

Ordered, that the use of the hall of the House of Representatives be granted to the Portland delegation for the purpose of a lecture by Hon. Carroll A. Beedy on the life of Abraham Lincoln, followed by moving picture of the Maine Centennial as held in Portland last July, the date being Wednesday, February 16, at 8 o'clock.

On motion by Mr. Myrick of Auburn, it was

Ordered, that the use of the Representatives hall be granted to the committee on Judiciary for hearing on the following: "An act to amend Chapter 24 of the Private and Special Laws of 1917, entitled an act to grant a new charter to the City of Auburn," on Thursday, February 24, 1921, at 2.30 P. M.

Mr. Winter of Auburn presented the following order:

Ordered, the Senate concurring that a joint special committee consisting of the Speaker of the House, ex-officio, and three members on the part of the House to be named by the Speaker, and the President of the Senate, ex-officio, and two members upon the part of the Senate to be named by the President of the Senate, be appointed to formulate a comprehensive plan for the codification and grouping of the various enactments creating and governing the

State administrative and executive departments; and be it further

Ordered, that it is the sense of this Legislature that a reorganization and consolidation of the several state departments, commissions, boards and bureaus, is possible and desirable at this time; and be it further

Ordered, that such committee shall proceed with diligence to inquire into the whole proposition and report from time to time to the present Legislature for further instructions, suggestions, or action, and be it further

Ordered, that such committee consider carefully the urgent need of a fixed policy insuring to all of the people of our state the largest possible measure of efficient service consistent with the absolute necessity of the most rigid and practical economy; and be it further.

Ordered, that such committee shall investigate all existing legislative enactments relating to the expenditure of money by the various departments of the State, and collate such expenditures over a period of years, and be it further

Ordered, that State employees shall furnish all information required by this committee, and be it further

Ordered, that this committee shall continue and make a final report to the Eighty-first Legislature not later than the second week of the session that through the recess the Governor and Council may call upon the committee for report and recommendations. And it is further

Ordered, that said committee shall have authority to employ all necessary clerical assistance, and shall publish their report and recommendations.

All expenses pertaining to investigations by this committee shall be paid by the Governor and Council out of the contingent fund of the State.

Reports of Committees

Mr. Maher for the Committee on Judiciary reported "Ought not to pass" on bill "An Act to amend Chapter 10, Section 1 of the Revised Statutes, relative to the assessment of taxes."

Mr. Cole from the same committee reported the same on Bill "An Act to authorize the town of Boothbay Harbor to elect at their annual town meeting an agent who shall perform the usual duties of selectmen and other town officers.

Mr. Warren from the Committee on Public Utilities reported the same on Bill "An Act to repeal the authority of the Public Utilities Commission to regulate competition between certain classes of public utilities."

Mr. Smith from the Committee on Towns reported the same on Bill "An Act to annex part of the town of Smyrna to the town of Merrill."

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Maher from the committee on Judiciary on Bill "An act to make uniform the law of sales of goods" reported that 1000 copies of the same be printed and that it be re-committed to the committee on Judiciary.

Report read and accepted.

Mr. Cordwell from the committee on Education reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act amending Section 172 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes relating to teachers' pensions and giving full pensions to teachers retiring prior to September 30, 1913."

The report was read and accepted. Tabled by Mr. Varney of Jonesboro, pending first reading.

Mr. Barwise from the same committee reported the same on Bill "An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes relating to schoolhouse lots acquired by condemnation."

Mr. Murchie from the committee on Judiciary reported the same on Bill "An Act to make legal and valid the annual town meeting of the town of Crawford in the county of Washington held March 29, 1920."

Mr. Wing from the same committee reported the same on Bill "An Act to amend Chapter 65 of the Private and Special Laws of 1919 entitled 'An Act to authorize the county of Androscoggin to enlarge and repair the county buildings in Auburn in said county and erect a

new building and to enlarge and construct safety vaults.'"

Mr. Cram from the committee on Public Utilities reported the same on Bill "An Act to amend Chapter 16 of the Private and Special Laws of 1911 relating to the issue of stocks and bonds by the Lewiston Gas Light Company."

Mr. Heal from the same committee reported the same on Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Lincoln County Street Railway."

The reports were read and accepted and the bills ordered printed under the Joint Rules.

Mr. Murchie from the committee on Salaries and Fees on Bill "An Act to amend Section 69 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes increasing the compensation of chief forest fire wardens and their deputies," reported that the same be referred to the committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation.

Report was read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves

House 88: An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 21 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 166 of the Public Laws of 1917, relating to burying grounds.

(Tabled by Mr. Bragdon of Perham, pending commitment to committee on bills in third reading.)

House 94: An Act granting to J. Fred Sawyer of Greenville, Piscataquis county, Maine, so much of the bed of Moosehead Lake as is necessary for the support of his building in said Greenville.

House 95: An Act to amend Section 66 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, to increase the school age limit.

(Tabled by Mr. Maher of Augusta, pending commitment to committee on bills in third reading.)

House 96: An Act establishing a game sanctuary in Range 3, east of the Kennebec River, in the city of Augusta and county of Kennebec.

(Tabled by Mr. Maher of Augusta, pending commitment to committee on bills in third reading.)

House 98: An Act to amend Sec-

3 of Chapter 99 of the Private and Special Laws of 1915, creating the office of corporation counsel of the city of Portland.

House 99: An Act to amend Section 14 of Chapter 2, of the Revised Statutes, relating to notice of proceedings for relinquishment to the United States of the title to certain lands.

(Tabled by Mr. Rounds of Portland, pending commitment to committee on bills in third reading.)

House 100: An Act authorizing Maine General Hospital to increase number of directors to twenty-four.

(Tabled by Mr. Rounds of Portland, pending third reading.)

House 101: An Act to extend an Act entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Odd Fellows' Home of Maine.'

House 102: An Act to repeal Acts incorporating the town of Concord.

House 103: "An Act creating the West Paris Village Corporation."

(Tabled by Forbes of Paris, pending third reading).

House 104: An Act to amend Section 61 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 104 of the Public Laws of 1919, relative to the Maine Forestry District Tax.

House 97: Resolve in favor of the town of St. George for the payment of additional school funds for the year 1917.

Passed to Be Engrossed

House 14: An act to authorize the American Realty Company to construct and maintain a dam across the St. John river in Township Nine, Range 18, W. E. L. S. Somerset County, Maine, and to locate, erect and maintain piers and booms in said river above said dam.

The Chair presents House Document No. 86 "An act amendatory of

and additional to Chapter sixteen of the Private and Special Laws of Maine, 1820, and for the incorporation of the trustees of the Medical School of Maine," which was presented in the House by the gentleman from Gardiner, Mr. Gardiner, referred to the committee on Judiciary and sent to the Senate, returned from the Senate in non-concurrence, and by the Senate referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and the committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Mr. Gardiner of Gardiner, the House voted to recede from its former action and concur with the Senate in its reference of the bill to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs and the committee on judiciary.

The Chair presents House Document, No. 87, "Resolve in favor of the Medical School of Maine, established by Chapter sixteen of the Private and Special Laws of Maine, 1820, as amended," presented in the House by the gentleman from Gardiner, Mr. Gardiner, referred to the committee on Judiciary and sent to the Senate, returned from the Senate in non-concurrence and by the Senate referred to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs and the committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Mr. Gardiner of Gardiner, the House voted to recede from its former action and concur with the Senate in its reference of the bill to the committee on appropriations and financial affairs and the committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Mr. Heal of Weston
Adjourned until ten o'clock tomorrow morning.