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HOUSE

Monday, March 7, 1921.

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

Prayer by Rev. Mary L. Hadley of Hallowell.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: Seventh Biennial Report of the State Auditor for the fiscal years ending December 31st, 1919, and December 31st, 1920.

Came from the Senate read and ordered placed on file.

In the House, the same was read and ordered placed on file in concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed on motion by Mr. Holley of North Anson.

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. Williams of Webster: Bill "An Act to increase the amount paid by the State for cattle condemned under the provisions of Sections 3 and 9 of Chapter 35 of the Revised Statutes."

Judiciary

By Mr. McIlheron of Lewiston: Bill "An Act to protect children from fire." (500 copies ordered printed.)

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Morneau of Lewiston: Bill "An Act to provide for a paid up policy in Mutual Beneficiary Societies."

By Mr. Porter of Pittsfield: Bill "An Act governing the conduct of Maternity Hospitals."

State Lands and Forest Preservation

By Mr. Viles of Augusta: Bill "An Act to amend Section 70 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes relative to

forest fire fighters in the Maine Forestry District."

State School for Boys, State School for Girls and State Reformatories

By Mr. Tilden of Hallowell: Bill "An Act to amend Section 16 of Chapter 129 of the Revised Statutes, making same applicable to the Reformatory for Women, Reformatory for Men, State School for Girls and State School for Boys."

Reports of Committees

Mr. Trefethen from the committee on Education reported "ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act to amend Section 57 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes as amended relating to payment of salaries of superintendents of schools." (Tabled pending acceptance of the report, on motion by Mr. Varney of Jonesboro.)

Mr. Mason from the committee on Legal Affairs reported the same on Bill "An Act requiring institutions receiving State aid to give free treatment to patients from the Reformatory for Men and the Reformatory for Women." (Tabled by the Speaker in the absence of Mr. Smith of Skowhegan, pending the acceptance of the report.)

Mr. Weeks from the same committee reported legislation inexpedient at this time on Bill "An Act to amend the charter of the Kennebec Log Driving Company as amended by Chapter 402 of the Private and Special Laws of 1885, and by Chapter 13 of the Private and Special Laws of 1913."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on Bill "An Act to authorize the sale of the property and assets of the Moose River Log Driving Company and to provide for the dissolution of said corporation."

Mr. Varney from the committee on Library reported "ought not to pass" on Resolve authorizing the State Librarian to contract for the purchase of 800 copies of Music and Musicians of Maine. (Tabled by the Speaker in the absence of Mr. Fagan of Portland, pending acceptance of the report.)

Mr. Moody from the committee on Pensions reported the same on Resolve in favor of Olive A. Ham of Bangor. (Tabled by the Speaker in the absence of Mr. Kimball of Hampden, pending the acceptance of the report.)

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on Resolve in favor of Harry J. Bean of Augusta, Kennebec county, Maine.

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Small from the committee on Interior Waters on Bill "An Act authorizing the Ashland Company to construct and maintain booms and piers in the Aroostook river" reported same in a new draft under same title and that it "ought to pass."

Mr. Mason from the committee on Legal Affairs reported "ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to extend the charter of the Penobscot Valley Gas Company."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on Bill "An Act to legalize and make valid the acts and doings of the inhabitants of the town of Stetson at the annual town meeting held on March 10, 1919, and at the annual town meeting held on March 8, 1920, and by adjournment on March 10, 1920."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on Bill "An Act to legalize the granting of certain fish weir licenses in tide waters of what was formerly Muscle Ridge Plantation."

Same gentleman from same committee on Bill "An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 176 of the Private and Special Laws of 1887 entitled 'An Act creating the Fryeburg Village Fire Corporation,'" reporting same in a new draft under same title and that it "ought to pass."

Reports were read and accepted and the Bills ordered printed under the joint rules.

Mr. Mason from the committee on Legal Affairs reported "ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to authorize the city of Lewiston to issue bonds." (Bill No. 1.)

Report was read and accepted and the Bill having already been printed (House Document No. 38), on motion by Mr. McIlheron of Lewiston, the rules were suspended and the bill received its two readings and was assigned for tomorrow morning for its third reading.

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on Bill "An Act to authorize the city of Lewiston to issue bonds." (Bill No. 2.)

Report was read and accepted and the Bill having already been printed (House Document No. 39), was read twice under suspension of the rules and assigned for tomorrow, on motion of Mr. McIlheron of Lewiston.

First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves

House 227: An Act to authorize the town of Bristol to pay certain obligations incurred by its citizens in opposing the division of said town. (Read a third time and passed to be engrossed under a suspension of the rules, on motion by Mr. Oram of Bristol.)

House 228: An Act validating and making legal a meeting of the stockholders of the American Warp Drawing Machine Company in amending and enlarging the purposes of the corporation.

House 229: An Act to authorize the Boston and Maine Railroad to acquire the property and franchise of, or to consolidate with any of its subsidiaries not already acquired by or consolidated with it under and by virtue of Chapter 186, Private and Special Laws of 1915 and Acts amending and extending the same.

House 230: An Act relating to the dipping of alewives and shad in Dennys River, in Edmunds and Dennysville, in the county of Washington.

House 231: An Act to amend Section 51 of Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1917 and by Chapters 196 and 249 of the Public Laws of 1919, relating to the placing of bear traps.

House 232: An Act to incorporate the Great Pond Railway Company.

House 233: An Act amending Section 55 of Chapter 52 relating to payment of deposits upon liquidation of Savings Banks.

House 234: An Act to incorporate the Ashland Electric Light and Power Company.

House 235: An Act to increase the bounty on bears, in Penobscot and Washington Counties.

House 225: Resolve in favor of Commissioner of Labor and Industry and State Factory Inspector. (Tabled pending its second reading, on motion by Mr. Holley of North Anson.)

House 226: Resolve authorizing Michael Burns to bring suit against the State of Maine.

Passed to be Engrossed

Senate Doc. No. 88: An Act to repeal the Act incorporating the town of Concord and providing for the organization of the same into a plantation to be known as Concord Plantation.

Senate Doc. No. 89: An Act to annex a certain gore of land to the town of Westfield.

Senate Doc. No. 90: An Act to extend the charter of the Matagamom Towboat Company.

Senate Doc. No. 91: An Act to increase the limit of real and personal estate of the Worumbo Manufacturing company from \$1,000,000 to \$5,000,000.

Senate Doc. No. 94: An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 214 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883 entitled, "An Act to incorporate the Penobscot River Dam and Improvement Company," as amended by Chapter 482 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, and by Chapter 620 of the Private and Special Laws of 1893 and by Chapter 553 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897.

House Doc. No. 149: An Act to amend Section 8, Chapter 13 of Revised Statutes relating to county law libraries.

House Doc. No. 221: An Act for the better care of inmates of the State Prison and Men's Reformatory suffering from tuberculosis.

House Doc. No. 222: An Act to prohibit advertisements of cures or medicines relating to venereal diseases and certain sexual disorders.

House Doc. No. 223: An Act relating to York County issuing bonds.

House Doc. No. 224: An Act to amend Chapter 133 of Private Laws and 1881 entitled "An Act to incorporate the Mercantile Home for Aged Men Association," as amended by Chapter 267 of Private Laws of 1883, which changed the name to Home for Aged Men.

Senate Doc. No. 93: Resolve authorizing F. Burton Hagggett and Lawrence B. Hagggett to bring a suit at law against the State of Maine.

Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: Under "orders of the day," the Chair presents House Doc. No. 215, bill, An Act amending Chapter 36 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the sale of clams, oysters and scallops; and at the request of the gentleman who introduced the measure, the gentleman from Belfast, Mr. Buzzell, now moves that the proponents be given leave to withdraw the bill. Is that the pleasure of the House?

A viva voce vote being taken,

The motion was agreed to, and leave was given to withdraw the bill.

On motion by Mr. Bragdon of Franklin,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.