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AUGUSTA KENNEBEC JOURNAL PRINT 1921 ERRATA: The following errata are inserted because one or more pages in this session day have errors noticed and corrected here.

### ERRATA

-	154	1	-	1:	17	far	Charten "199" rood "198"
Page		column	1,	nne	11,	TOP	Chapter "199" read "198." by Mr. Winter, read "Tabled on motion of
	163,		z,	arte M	r or r. F	uer Suzz	ell of Belfast."
	174,		1.	line			"Lewiston" read "Rockland."
"	194.		1.				"Sewall" read "Newall."
**	197.	"	2,				"insurance" read "issuance."
"	267.	"	2,	**			ond Act referred to Inland Fisheries and
	201,		2,				Game was referred to Judiciary Committee.
**	305,	**	1,	**	42,	for	"Boys" read "Girls."
14	305,		1,	"			169" should read "H. 165."
14	511,	¥	$^{2},$	"			"H. 106" read "H. 160."
	586,	"	1,	**			"St. Albans" read "St. Agatha."
44	591,		2,	**	23,	for	"1919" read "1909."
**	602,	**	2,	**			"enacted" read "engrossed."
14	617,	"	1,	**	-		"322" read "332."
"	650,	"	2,				"H. 336" read "H. 366."
	662,	"	2,	"			"Barrington" read "Harrington."
	692,	"	2,	**			"H. 236" read "H. 336."
4	694,	"	1,	"			"S. 154" read "S. 155."
"	716,	"	2,	"			"Mr. Perham" read "Mr. Bragdon of Perham."
"	772,	"	1,	"	24,	for	"same" read "Committee on Appropriations
	900	**			5.0		and Financial Affairs."
"	869,		1,				ert "Finally passed."
	902, 902	**	1, 1,				"Clark" read "Barton." "S. 185" read "S. 184."
"	928,	**	· 1,				"343" read "243."
	949.		1.				"Merton's" read "Martin's."
"	·954.	"	1.				ert "ought not to pass."
**	958.		2.				"179" read "181."
"	958,	**	2.				"178" read "179."
14	967.		2,				"S. D. 198" read "S. D. 180."
**	981.	* *	2,	**			"\$300" read "\$300,000."
••	1000,	**	2,		47,	for	"Portland" read "Biddeford."
14	1005,	"	2,	**			"salaries" read "selection."
*1	1142,	"	1,	**	40,	for	"H. D. 465" read "H. D. 456."
	1169,	••	2,	**	2,	for	"Fogg" read "Forbes."
· 46	1191,	**	2,	line	s 3	and	l 11, for "engrossed" read "enacted."
44	1191,	"	2,	line	20,	for	"'finally passed" read "passed to be enacted."
4.5	1191,	••	2,	line	s 31	1, 40	, 48, for "engrossed" read "finally passed."
44	1211,	**	2,	**	12	and	1 13, "National Guard" should read "Nash and
							Viles."
"	1280,						''bald'' read "bomb."
*1	1321,	••	1,	, "	35,	foi	"'lighting Long and Big Lakes" read "Lewy,
"	1373.		2,	**	19	for	Long and Big Lakes." • "Arthur B. Forbes" read "Arthur E. Forbes."
**	1376.		ن 2				" "S. D. 161" read "S. D. 167."
	1409.		2				"S. D. 161" read "S. D. 167. " "Chapter 178" read "Chapter 238."
	1409,		- 4	, .	30	, 101	Chapter 178 read Chapter 238.

#### HOUSE

#### Friday, March 18, 1921.

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

Prayer by Chaplain Frank L. Phalen of National Soldiers' Home, Maine.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: Memorial to Congress urging that November 11 be designated as Thanksgiving Day.

Came from the Senate referred to a joint committee to be made up of the committee on judiciary and the committee on military affairs.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Belfast, Mr Buzzell.

Mr. BUZZELL: Mr. Speaker, it was not long ago that I noticed that the Senate disapproved of similar action, and soon after that the House could see no particular good in referring matters to a joint committee. Therefore, I hope that this will not be referred to a joint committee; and I move that it be referred to the committee on military affairs in nonconcurrence with the Senate.

The motion prevailed.

From the Senate: Report of the joint committee on judiciary and appropriations and financial affairs reporting "ought not to pass" on bill, an act amendatory of and additional to Chapter 16 of the Private and Special Laws of Maine, 1820, and for the incorporation of the trustees of the Medical School of Maine.

Came from the Senate report read and accepted.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Gerrish of Lisbon, tabled pending acceptance of the report in concurrence.

From the Senate: Report of the joint committee on judiciary and appropriations and financial affairs re-

porting "ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of the Medical School of Maine, established by Chapter 16 of the Private and Special Laws of Maine, 1820, as amended.

Came from the Senate report read and accepted.

In the House on motion by Mr. Gerrish of Lisbon, tabled pending acceptance of the report in concurrence.

#### Senate Bills in First Reading

Senate 114: Resolve to reimburse the town of Rumford.

Senate 79: Resolve in favor of Manzie I. Rogers for building highways in the town of Searsport.

From the Senate: Report of the committee on judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill, an act to amend Chapter 37 of the Private and Special Laws of 1917, entitled "an act to provide a police commission for the city of Lewiston to promote the efficiency of the police department thereof," as amended.

Came from the Senate report read and accepted.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Larrabee of Lewiston, tabled pending acceptance of the report in concurrence.

From the Senate: Report of the committee on judiciary on bill, an act to amend the charter of the city of Lewiston and to provide for a city auditor, reporting the same in a new draft under same title and that it ought to pass.

Came from the Senate report read and accepted.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Larrabee of Lewiston, tabled pending acceptance of the report in concurrence.

From the Senate: Report of the committee on judiciary on bill, an act to promote the efficiency of the fire department of the city of Lewiston, reporting same in a new draft under same title and that it ought to pass.

Came from the Senate report read and accepted.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Larrabee of Lewiston, tabled pending acceptance of the report in concurrence.

From the Senate: Report of the committee on judiciary on bill, an a(2, 40) abolish the Board of Public '(orks of the city of Lewiston, and t) provide for a highway commission, reporting same in a new draft under same title and that it "ought to pass."

Came from the Senate report read and accepted.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Larrabee of Lewiston, tabled pending acceptance of the report in concurrence.

From the Senate: Report of the committee on judiciary, reporting "ought to pass" on bill, an act to amend the charter of the city of Lewiston, relating to the office of city clerk.

Came from the Senate report read and accepted.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Larrabee of Lewiston, tabled pending acceptance of report in concurrence.

#### Senate Bills in First Reading Continued

Senate 121: An act to amend Chapter 294 of the Laws of 1917, relating to seizure and forfeiture of vehicles carrying intoxicating liquors intended for illegal sale.

Senate 122: An act to amend Chapter 127 of the Revised Statutes, prohibiting the manufacture of intoxicating liquors, so that said chapter will be in harmony with the Federal law.

Senate 120: An act to repeal the act incorporating the town of Hurricane Isle.

From the Senate: Report of the committee on interior waters on bill. an act authorizing the Orono Pulp and Paper Company to erect andmaintain booms and piers at the inlet of Saponic Lake and at Short Carry above the inlet of said lake. reporting same in a new draft under "an act authorizing the title of, Orono Pulp and Paper Company to erect and maintain booms and piers at and near the Bunker Landing on the Passadumkeag river, all in the county of Penobscot," and that it "ought to pass."

Came from the Senate report read and accepted, and the bill passed to be engrossed, as amended by Senate amendment A.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Hinckley of So. Portland, tabled pending acceptance of the report in concurrence.

From the Senate: Bill, An Act to amend and enlarge the corporate powers of the Fort Kent Electric Company. This was passed to be engrossed in the House March 1.

Comes from the Senate passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate amendments A and B in non-concurrence

In the House, on motion by Mr: Audibert of Fort Kent, the action of the House was reconsidered whereby this bill was passed to be engrossed. On further motion by the same gentleman Senate amendments A and B were adopted in concurrence; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill as amended by Senate amendments A and B was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

From the Senate: Ordered, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, it be to meet on Monday, March 21, at 4.30 o'clock in the afternoon.

The order received passage in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Gardiner of. Gardiner, the rules were suspended and that gentleman was accorded permission to introduce out of order a public act entitled "An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 111 of the Revised Statutes to provide that women shall not be required to serve on juries;" and on further motion by the same gentleman, the bill was referred to the committee on Judiciary and sent to the Senate for concurrence.

#### Orders

On motion by Mr. Varney of Jonesboro, it was Ordered, that the committee on Education be allowed the use of the hall of the House of Representatives for its hearing Tuesday, March 22, 1921.

The following bills, petitions and remonstrances were received and upon recommendation of the committee on Reference of Bills were referred to the following committees:

#### Agriculture

By Mr. Houghton of Ft. Fairfield: Bill, An Act to increase the annual appropriation for scientific investigation in animal husbandry.

#### Education

By Mr. Varney of Jonesboro: Petition of Ernest P. Oliver of Cascade Grange and 73 others in favor of the Varney School Fund Bill.

By the same gentleman: Petition of W. O. Hilton and 43 others of St. Albans Grange of St. Albans in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of C. A. Hall and 80 others of New Century Pomona Grange in favor of same.

#### Inland Fisheries and Game

By Mr. Clarke of Stonington: Remonstrance of E. W. Eaton and 27 others of Stonington against passage of open time Sunday hunting bill for Hancock county.

By Mr. Bartlett of Waterville: Remonstrance of Edwin M. Foster and 63 others of Waterville against the passage of the bill making Sunday open time for hunting in Kennebec county.

By Mr. Leighton of Dennysville: Bill, "An Act to amend Chapter 302 of the Public Laws of 1917, relating to the possession of air rifles by children under 14 years of age."

By Mr. O'Connell of Millinocket: Bill, "An Act to amend Sections 19, 24, 28 and 75 of Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1917, and Section 10 of Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1917, as amended by Chapter 244 of the Public Laws of 1917, and Sections 26, 51 and 81 of Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1917, as

amended by Chapter 196 of the Public Laws of 1919, and Sections 27 and 59 of Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1917, as amended by Chapter 244 of the Public Laws of 1917, and by Chapter 196 of the Public Laws of 1919, and Section 46 of Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1917, as amended by Chapter 133 of the Public Laws of 1919, relating to inland fisheries and game.

#### Judiciary

By Mr. Holley of No. Anson: Bill, "An Act to amend Section 40 of Chapter 238 of the Public Laws of 1919, relating to injuries to State employees."

By Mr. Bartlett of Vaterville: Bill, "An Act to amend Section 85 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the terms of Superior court for the county of Kennebec.

#### Legal Affairs

By Mr. Fagan of Portland: Bill, "An Act authorizing appointment of assistant assessors when public exigency requires."

By Mr. Viles of Augusta: Bill, "An Act to amend Section 8 of Chapter 6 of the Revised Statutes relating to ballots in primary elections and providing for the order of the names for candidates on said ballots to be determined by lot." (500 copies ordered printed.)

#### State Lands and Forest Preservation

By Mr. Wight of Newry: Bill, An Act regulatory of portable sawmills and regulating the licensing thereof.

#### **Reports of Committees**

Mr. Newcomb from the committee on Claims reported "ought not to pass" on Resolve in favor of the town of Vassalboro.

Mr. Smith from the same committee reported the same on Resolve in favor of Freeman H. Penney of Wells to reimburse for loss of horse.

Mr. Landers from the committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported the same on Bill "An Act to regulate shooting at Tacoma Lakes."

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on Bill "An Act to prevent discrimination in the fish and game laws."

Mr. Gipson from the same committee reported the same on Bill "An Act to prohibit all hunting within certain territory in the town of Winthrop in the county of Kennebec."

Mr. Varney from the same committee on Bill "An Act additional to Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes as amended relating to the protection of fish" reported that the same be placed on file.

Mr. O'Connell from the committee on inland fisheries and game on bill An Act to amend Section 46 of Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1917 and by Chapter 133 of the Public Laws of 1919 relating to the protection of fur bearing animals reported that the same be placed on file.

Mr. Small from the committee on interior waters reported ought not to pass on bill An Act to repeal Chapter 456 of the Private and Special Laws of 1870 relating to the enforcement of An Act to prevent throwing of slabs and refuse into Penobscot river.

Mr. Cole from the committee on judiciary reported the same on bill An Act to amend Section 18 of Chapter 129 of the Revised Statutes relating to malicious mischiefs and trespasses.

Mr. Brewster from the committee on legal affairs reported same on bill An Act to enable towns to prevent drifts in roads.

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on bill An Act to provide for a paid-up policy in mutual benefit societies.

Mr. Hussey from the same committee reported the same on bill An Act to change the method of payment for services of local sealers of weights and measures.

Mr. Ricker from the committee on taxation reported the same on bill An Act to establish a uniform tax on intangible personal property.

Reports were read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Austin from the committee on agriculture on bill An Act to protect the bee industry in the State of Maine reported same in a new draft under same title and that it ought to pass.

Report read and accepted and the bill ordered printed under the joint rules.

Mr. Kimball from the committee on agriculture reported ought to pass on resolve providing for aid in the payment of premiums awarded by the Eastern Maine State Fair.

(Tabled by Mr. Holley of No. Anson, pending acceptance of report.)

Mr. Chandler from committee on agriculture reported ought to pass on bill, An Act to repeal Chapter 18 of the Resolves of 1917 relating to animal industry.

Mr. Newcomb from the committee on claims reported the same on Resolve in favor of R. Lyle Hodgkins for damages sustained in building the State Hospital at Bangor.

Mr. Smith from the same committee reported the same on Resolve in favor of Dr. Willis J. Marion of Calais for medical services to Frank Francis, a member of the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians, now deceased.

Mr. Newcomb from the same committee on Resolve in favor of C. H. Thompson of Calais for board and lodging of Mary Socktoma, a member of the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians, during her illness, reported same in a new draft under same title, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Landers from the committee on inland fisheries and game on bill An Act to prevent ice fishing on China lake and tributary waters, including Mud pond in the towns of China and Vassalboro, reported same in a new draft under title of "An Act additional to Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes as amended, relating to ice fishing in China lake, including that portion of said lake known as Mud pond, which lake is situated in the town of China and in the town of Vassalboro in the county of Kennebee," and that it ought to pass. Same gentleman from same committee on bill An Act to regulate fishing in Tacoma lake, reported the same in a new draft under title of "An Act additional to Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes, as amended, relating to night fishing in certain waters in Kennebec county," and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Crafts from the same committee on bill An Act to amend Section 74 of Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1917 and by Chapter 196 of the Public Laws of 1919 relating to the night hunting of skunks reported same in a new draft under title of "An Act to amend Section 74 of Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1917 as amended by Chapter 196 of the Public Laws of 1919 relating to night hunting of skunks and raccoons" and that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Gipson from the same committee on bill An Act to amend Section 18 of Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter.219 of the Public Laws of 1917, and by Chapter 196 of the Public Laws of 1919, relating to the protection of fish, reports the same in a new draft under same title, and that it ought to pass.

Mr. O'Connell from the same committee on bill An Act to amend Section 86 of Chapter 33 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 219 and 244 of the Public Laws of 1917, and by Chapter 142 of the Public Laws of 1919 relating to the disposition of money collected under the provisions of the inland fish and game laws, reported the same in a new draft under title of "An Act to amend Section 86 of Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1917 as amended by Chapter 244 of the Public Laws of 1917 and by Chapter 142 of the Public Laws of 1919 relating to the disposition of money collected under the provisions of the inland fish and game laws, and that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Small from the committee on interior waters reported ought to pass on Resolve for lighting the narrows between upper and lower Richardson Lakes. Same gentleman from same committee reported same on Resolve to aid navigation on Moosehead Lake.

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on Resolve in aid of navigation on the Lower Lakes.

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on Resolve in aid of navigation on Lewy, Long and Big Lakes.

Same gentleman from same committee reported same on Resolve in aid of navigation on Schoodic Grand Lake in Washington county.

Mr. Buzzell from the committee on Judiciary reported the same on Resolve repealing Resolve for the maintenance of the Blaine house.

Same gentleman from same committee on Bill An Act relating to the Pennamaquan Power Company reported same in a new draft under same title and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Gardiner from same committee on Bill An Act relating to municipal elections in the town of Houlton, reported the same in a new draft under same title and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Hinckley from same committee on Bill An Act to incorporate the South Portland High School District, reported same in a new draft under same title and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Weeks from the committee on Legal Affairs reported ought to pass on Bill An Act to amend Section 35 of of Chapter 11 of the Revised Statutes requiring monthly settlements by tax collectors.

Mr. Fagan from same committee reported same on Bill An Act governing the conduct of maternity hospitals.

Mr. Luques from the committee on sea and shore fisheries reported the same on Bill, An Act to regulate the taking of alewives in the town of Surry.

Mr. Winter from the committee on State lands and forest preservation reported ought to pass on Bill, An Act to amend Section 70 of Chapter 8 of Revised Statutes, relating to forest fire fighters in the Maine Forestry District.

Mr. Granville from the same com-

mittee on Bill, an Act to establish game preserves on sanctuaries in the State of Maine, reports the same in a new draft under same title and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Dunning from the committee on State School for Girls, and State School for Boys and State Reformatories reported same on 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.

Mr. Ricker from the committee on taxation reported the same on Bill, An Act for the better enforcement of Payment of poll taxes.

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

Mr. Ricker from the same committee reported the same on Bill An Act to provide for the earlier payment of the annual excise tax by railroad companies, parlor car companies, telephone and telegraph companies, and express companies.

Report was read and accepted and the bill having already been printed (House Document No. 45) was given its two several readings under suspension of the rules.

#### First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves

House 312. An Act to amend Section 23 of Chapter 5 of the Revised Statutes, relative to the compensation of boards of registration.

House 313. An Act to amend Section 8 of Chapter 325 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, as amended by Chapter 150 of the Private and Special Laws of 1915, and as further amended by Chapter 198 of the Private and Special Laws of 1917, increasing the salary of the recorder of the municipal court of Waterville.

House 314. An Act to amend Chapter 53, Section 55, Paragraph 5, of the Revised Statutes relating to insurance on glass.

House 315. An Act relating to licenses for lightning rod agents.

House 316. An Act to establish the fiscal year of the State.

House. 318. An Act authorizing towns to elect certain municipal officers by secret ballot.

House 317. An Act to extend the charter of the Boothbay Harbor Water District.

House 319: An Act amending Section 33 of Chapter 88 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the giving of counsel by a Municipal or Police Judge.

House 321: An Act to amend Chapter 117, Section 17 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the salary of the State Auditor.

House 322: An Act to increase the salary of the Adjutant General.

House 311: Resolve providing for the improvement of the Maine State Prison at Thomaston.

House 322: Resolve to reimburse the town of St. Albans for the over paid tax to the State of Maine.

#### Passed to Be Engrossed

House 115: 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.

House 302: An Act to amend Chapter 356 of the Private and Special Laws of 1883 relating to the construction of a bridge over tide waters between Orr's Island and Bailey's Island.

House 305: Resolve appointing a committee of investigation to procure plans and estimates for a State Library Building.

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

House 306: Resolve to increase the salary of judge of the Municipal Court in Gardiner.

(On motion by Mr. Gardiner of Gardiner, the resolve was recommitted to the Committee on Salaries and Fees.)

#### Passed to be Enacted

An Act to incorporate the York County Bar Association.

An Act to extend the charter of the R. and T. Cement Railroad.

An Act to authorize the Auburn Water Commissioners to sell certain real estate. An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 370 of the Private and Special Laws of 1909, relating to Police Department of the city of Portland.

#### Finally Passed

Resolve in favor of Grand Lake Stream Plantation.

Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell Public Lot 85 in Moro Plantation, Aroostook County.

Resolve authorizing the State Land Agent to sell Lot Number 93 in the town of St. Albans in the county of Aroostook.

#### **Emergency Measures**

An Act to legalize and make valid the proceedings of the town meeting of the town of Manchester in the county of Kennebec held on the seventh day of March, 1921.

This bill requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the entire membership of this House in order to be passed to be enacted. All those in favor of its passage to be enacted will rise and stand until counted, and the monitors will return the count.

A division being had,

One hundred and three voting in the affirmative and none against, the bill was passed to be enacted.

An Act to make legal and valid the annual city election of the city of Ellsworth held March 1st, 1920.

This bill requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the entire membership of this House in order to be passed to be enacted. All those in favor of its passage to be enacted will rise and stand until counted, and the monitors will return the count.

A division being had,

One hundred and three voting in the affirmative and none in the negative, the bill was passed to be enacted.

An Act relating to York county issuing bonds.

This bill requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds the entire membership of this House in order to be enacted. All those in favor of its passage to be enacted will rise and stand until counted and the monitors will return the count.

A division being had,

One hundred and three voting in the affirmative and none in the negative, the bill was passed to be enacted.

Resolve appropriating money for the University of Maine for temporary maintenance.

This resolve requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds the entire membership of this House in order to be finally passed. All those in favor of its final passage will rise and stand until counted, and the monitors will return the count.

A division being had,

One hundred and three voting in the affirmative and none in the negative, the resolve was finally passed.

An Act to legalize and make valid the annual municipal election held in the city of Bangor on Monday, March 14, 1921.

This bill requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds the entire membership of this House in order to be passed to be enacted. All those in favor of its passage to be enacted will rise and stand until counted, and the monitors will return the count.

A division being had,

One hundred and three voting in the affirmative, and none in the negative, the bill was passed to be enacted.

#### Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Rogers of Rockland, Senate Doc. No. 36 Bill, An Act relating to the records of instruments affecting or conveying title to real estate in the county of Knox and now recorded in other counties, was taken from the table.

The SPEAKER: In the House this bill was passed to be engrossed, and it now comes from the Senate, passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment "A." This bill proposes that records of transfers of land now recorded in Hancock, Waldo and Lincoln Counties, affecting title to land in Knox county, be made a part of the records of Knox County. In Section 6 of the bill the words "Hancock, Lincoln and Waldo" were omitted. The amendment simply writes these words in.

On further motion by Mr. Rogers, Senate Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence, and the bill was then passed to be engrossed as amended by Senate Amendment A in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Bennett of Yarmouth, the rules were suspended and permission was granted that gentleman to introduce out of order, Bill, An Act for the better protection of clams within the limits of the towns of Yarmouth, North Yarmouth and Cumberland.

On further motion by Mr. Bennett, the bill was referred to the committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries.

On motion by Mr. Hussey of Blaine, the rules were suspended and permission was granted that gentleman to introduce out of order, Resolve providing for a State pension of \$12 a month for the widow of a veteran of the Civil War; and on further motion by the same gentleman, the Resolve was referred to the committee on Pensions.

Mr. NICKERSON of Swanville: Mr. Speaker, I move that the vote be reconsidered whereby the House voted yesterday to pass to be engrossed An Act in relation to the assessment of county taxes in the several counties of the State. I do this by request of the Waldo county delegation in order that they may have time in which to make some adjustments in regard to the assessment for the year 1921. And I will say that I propose later to table the matter for consideration at an early date.

The motion was agreed to, and the vote was reconsidered whereby the House passed to be engrossed Resolve for laying county taxes for the year 1921.

The SPEAKER: The Chair will

inquire of the gentleman from Swanville, Mr. Nickerson, whether that gentleman is informed of how early in the calendar year these matters should be taken up by the county commissioners in the various counties?

Mr. NICKERSON: I am not, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Chair is of the opinion that this is fixed by statute. The Chair understands the gentleman will prepare his amendment in season to be presented at the session on Monday of next week.

Mr. NICKERSON: I would like to have the matter tabled, Mr. Speaker, until Tuesday of next week, if that is agreeable to the House.

The motion was agreed to, and the Resolve was tabled and specially assigned for consideration on Tuesday of next week.

The SPEAKER: The Chair would inquire of the gentleman from Swanville, Mr. Nickerson, whether he desires to also make a motion in regard to the resolve for the laying of taxes for the year 1922 as well?

Mr. NICKERSON: I do, Mr. Speaker.

On motion by Mr. Nickerson, the vote was reconsidered whereby Resolve for laying county taxes for the year 1922 in the several counties of the State, was passed to be engrossed, and on further motion by the same gentleman the Resolve was tabled and specially assigned for consideration on Tuesday of next week.

Mr. BUZZELL of Belfast: Mr. Speaker, I wish to call the attention of the House to the fact that on February 17th, one month and one day ago, we passed an order in this House limiting the time for the reception of private and special legislation, and as a sort of pastime ever since then, from time to time, we have introduced more or less of this class of legislation, and it does seem to me as if this House should draw the line before very long and make a halt in the matter of reception of this class of legislation.

The SPEAKER: The House hears the first sign of an early spring. On motion by Mr. Varney of Jonesboro,

Adjourned until Monday afternoon, March 21st, at 4.30 o'clock.

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