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SENATE

Wednesday, March 2, 1921.

Senate called to order by Hon. Charles E. Gurney, President pro tem.

Prayer by Rev. W. J. Layton of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: An Act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 176 of the Public Laws of 1917, relating to the salaries of the justices of the supreme judicial court.

In the House this bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. FARRINGTON of Kennebec: Mr. President, I move that the Senate insist upon its former action, and in order that no opportunity may be lost, if it is possible for the two branches of the Legislature to agree on some change in the salaries, I would move that we ask for a committee of conference, and that the President at this time appoint the conferees on the part of the Senate. I hope that no senator will object to this motion, because if it is possible for an amendment to be reached I am sure that every senator will want that to take place, and that no one would want to put any obstacle in the way of a possible agreement.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. MORRILL of Cumberland: Mr. President, I doubt that vote. If in order I wish to say a few words on this subject.

The PRESIDENT: The question now is the Senate has voted and the senator from Cumberland, Senator Morrill, has doubted the vote.

Mr. MORRILL: You have not declared the vote.

The PRESIDENT: The question is on the vote, and the Chair rules that debate is out of order.

Mr. FARRINGTON: Mr. President, I move, that if the senator from Cumberland wishes to address the Senate that he have the privilege. I did not suppose that on such a motion as I made there would be any objection on the part of any senator to get together in conference with the other branch of the Legislature and see if we could not possibly work out some solution of this matter.

Mr. THOMBS of Penobscot: Mr. President, I second the motion of the senator from Kennebec.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair understands that if a vote is doubted the next question is to settle the question of the vote. In accordance with the desire, I feel sure of every senator, including the Chair, the senator from Cumberland will be recognized to make his statement. Senator Morrill of Cumberland.

Mr. President and Gentlemen of the Senate:

Now that the oratory in the House and Senate, and elsewhere, has somewhat subsided, and had time to soak in, it seems as though the facts may have some force in determining the fate of the raise in salaries. The financial conditions now existing in this State are well understood; the future is uncertain and ought to call a halt in increased salaries, reckless appropriations, new commissions or new buildings unless absolutely needed.

When a salary is once raised, it stays there or goes higher, and it seems to be easiest to increase the largest salaries. Once a commission is created, it seems inevitable that it will continue to make demands at every session of the Legislature, for more money, especially for salaries and clerk hire.

We meet in our State conventions and pass resolutions for economy, to, it seems to me, catch the popular vote.

Now, from the Acts and Resolves before us, two Governors this year have endorsed the platform adopted by the Republican party at Bangor. Have we paid attention to our pledges as set forth in these resolutions and addresses? It strikes me we are not proceeding along in that direction. Sentimentalism ought not to be substituted for common sense; words ought not to reign over facts, as they often do. Do we lack for

courage to control our own financial affairs? I hope not. There can be no question that the financial situation ought to drive this Legislature consideration of the into serious financial conditions now existing in this State. We ought to hold the appropriations down to the reasonable, taxable resources of the State. If we go on building new buildings, increasing appropriations and salstop aries, we shall be obliged to altogether the same as we shall on third-class roads. But if stop we and build up our resources, we shall The go on paying reasonable bills. over-burdened taxpayers of Maine want it want a hearing, and they now, and wish relief and desire it as speedily as possible. This sentiment has been growing quite rapidly of late. Public opinion in this direction is progressing, and once set in motion will grow, and proceed with a completeness that is overpowering. Is this Legislature in sympathy with the people of our State so as to make it a fifty-fifty game? Our two Governors this year have in their addresses pointed us along the paths of economy. Are we following them or even going the way our best judgment points out? It does not seem so. Or is it on account of the expressed desire, and forcibly expressed wishes, of the heads of departments, who ask for increases in salaries and clerk hire, and see no reason why there should be any favoritism in the salary increases from the Treasury of the State. The heads of departments cling to their places and urge the necessity of further functioning, notwithstanding the fact that their operation hinders or retards in many ways a return to prewar conditions, or a confiscation of property by the way of taxes from many individuals-the common average citizen of our State-on whose shoulders rests the very foundation of this State and Nation. It is the same old foundation that has stood well under great pressure. Do not weaken it by excessive and undue taxes. Protect the average citizen of Maine and he will protect the State. We are drifting in the wrong direction. Excessive taxation will undermine the small homes of Maine and

stop building new ones and make more abandoned farms on the crossroad and less taxable property.

Poll taxes will be collected in the cities. or western Canada, where many have gone, their places filled by people from other countries, if filled at all. Farmers never yet went on a strike, but they will be justified in so doing if now compelled to submit to excessive high taxes and other fool laws in the face of lower prices or no prices. They have suffered such reverses and now are confronted by such a crisis, it would appear to be the last straw. Our Supreme Judges and heads of the various departments ought not to have asked for increased salaries at this time. If we grant this increase, where are we going to Equal service calls for equal stop? salary. It takes men of ability, education and judgment to fill the Chair of at least some of the State Departments, from the Governor and Council down, and I venture to say some of them, at least, are as important and as much needed as the Supreme Judges, and as indispensable, and what they represent is as vital to the people of Maine. Is this true?

When the people elect a Legislature and Governor with such sweeping majorities, and make the Senate all of one political stripe-the House nearly so-it shows this condition, that they had full confidence that they would be used as well as conditions would admit. Was that confidence well-grounded? I hope so. The party is on trial. Shall we make good? Every party in power has to stand the test. It has been often said that "Maine is a great State." It is in acres, but quite a large part is wild land townships,-I have very good reasons to believe largely undervalued and assessed at a very low rate, notwithstanding that their value has rapidly increased within a few vears.

In the organized and incorporated towns it is a fact that a person anchored to real estate and personal property in sight is "in the box;" whether he is in luck to pay and hang on, or be dumped out and the box sold for taxes unpaid. I am un-

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able to say at this date. It seems to be a well established fact that the fellow who owns real estate says "tax the intangible property, even though it be out of sight." The owner of the intangible property says "put the tax on the other fellow who owns the real estate and personal property in sight."

The wild land township owners say "let me alone; it is a useless waste of time and money to look me up." Under these conditions the law-makers are elected, concerted action is brought to bear every Legislative year, and then some more, to evade carrying a fair share of the public burden. The much-talked-of farmer stays at home, milks his cows and gets up his firewood, while the patriotic work of the gentlemen, who, or part of them, register and help out the down-trodden interests own or control the whole Legislature.

It is a well-known and admitted fact, and the high and honorable ambition of every lawyer in Maine is to sometime sit on the Supreme Bench even at the price now paid. There are, I am proud to say, just as good men to sit on the Bench as there ever were, and it is well that it is so, to fill vacancies that must occur according to the natural course of events. I was opposed, and am now, to any increases in salary. All traveling and hotel expenses are paid by the State, but as a compromise measure in the interest of peace, I favored the amendment of Senator Morison, of Penobscot, increasing the salary to six thousand dollars. Ag that was voted down, we are now considering a bill to seven thousand, five hundred dollars per year. If that becomes a law, how can we turn down other increases called for that are just as reasonable? How can we be men and make flesh of one and fish of the other?

Now I do not wish to be misunderstood. If the State was in proper financial condition to permit increase of all salaries to reasonable limits, I would offer no material objection, but in view of present conditions, as I have stated before, it would not be fair to the rest of the people of the State to allow this bill to pass as contemplated.

Mr. FARRINGTON: Mr. President, I do not think I could have made a better argument for my motion than that which has been given by the senator from Cumberland. The purpose of my motion to insist and ask for a committee of conference is purely to see if the two branches of the Legislature cannot get together, and I think Senator Morrill convinced me if I were not convinced before, that the motion should be carried.

The question, when it comes back with the conference report, is still open for discussion, but I do not believe it possible that there is a senator in this room who is not willing for the two branches of the Legislature to get together, and the only way we can do so is through a committee of conference.

The PRESIDENT: The Senate is engaged in a division. The vote has been doubted.

A rising vote was had and twentyfive senators voting in the affirmative and three in the negative the President declared the motion adopted.

The Chair announced the following members of the committee of conference on the part of the Senate: Messrs. Farrington of Kennebec;

Thombs of Penobscot and Allen of York.

House Bills in First Reading

H. 145. An Act to amend Chapter 134 of the Public Laws of 1919, relating to fishing in Kennebago Stream, in the county of Franklin and in the county of Oxford.

H. 182. An Act to amend Chapter 13 of the Private and Special Laws of 1915, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Mopang Dam and Improvement Company." (Tabled on motion by Mr. Baxter of Sagadahoc.)

H. 173. An Act requiring political advertisements to be signed.

H. 181. An Act amending Special Laws of 1909, Chapter 370, relating to appointment of chief of police of Portland.

H. 180. An Act to authorize the

City of Portland to pay a pension to Henrietta M. Miller.

An Act to amend and enlarge the corporate powers of the Fort Kent Electric Company. (Tabled on motion by Mr. Baxter of Sagadahoc.)

Communications from the Head of a Department

DEPARTMENT OF STATE State of Maine Augusta

To the Secretary of the Senate of the Eightieth Legislature of the State of Maine.

Pursuant to the joint order of the Senate and House of Representatives of the Eightieth Legislature, I have the honor to herewith transmit a list of the Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agents registered in the office of the Secretary of State, in accordance with Chapter 100 of the Public Laws of 1919. This list comprises all such counsel and agents who have registered from February 23, 1921, to March 1, 1921, both dates inclusive.

(Signed) Respectfully submitted, FRANK W. BALL, Secretary of State.

The List

- F. F. HARRIS, of Lewiston, employed to act as Legislative Counsel and Agent by United Spanish War veterans. The purpose of employment is "To appear in favor of Act granting bonuses to veterans of War with Spain." Employed Feb. 12, 1921. Employment ceases upon the final disposition of the Act. Notification of employment filed February 23, 1921.
- WALTER A. COWAN, of Hallowell, employed to act as Legislative Counsel and Agent by the city of Hallowell. The purpose of employment is "To appear at committee hearings in behalf of a Bill entitled 'An Act to create the Hallowell Water District.'" Employed Feb. 21, 1921. Employment ceases when legislative action on the bill ceases. Notification of employment filed Feb. 23, 1921.
- GEORGE S. McCARTY, of Lewiston, employed to act as Legislative Coun-

sel by Maine Textile Operatives' Conference Committee. The purpose of employment is "To represent Maine Textile Operatives' Conference Committee in all matters affecting the interests of labor now pending or hereafter presented to the Legislature during the present term." Employed February 21, 1921. No date given as to when employment ceases. Notification of employment filed February 23, 1921.

- SIDNEY ST. F. THAXTER, of Portland, employed to act as Legislative Counsel by opponents of two House Bills relative to granting charter to Medical School of Maine and appropriation therefor. The purpose of employment is "To appear before Judiciary and Appropriation committees February 23, 1921." Employed February 23.1921. Employment ceases February 23, 1921. Notification of employment field February 23. 1921.
- JAMES T. KINGSTON, employed as Legislative Counsel and Agent hv United Spanish War Veterans. The purpose of employment is "To appear in favor of Act granting bonuses to veterans of War with Spain." Employed February 12 1921. Employment ceases upon the final disposition of Act. Notification of employment filed February 23, 1921.
- GEO. A. COWAN, of Damariscotta, employed to act as Legislative Agent by towns of Newcastle and Noble-The purpose of employment boro. is "To appear before committees on Sea and Shore Fisheries on Act relative to taking fish in Damariscotta river." Employed February 23. Employment ceases at ad-1921.journment of Legislature, Notification of employment filed February 23, 1921.
- ROBERT HALE, of Portland, employed to act as Legislative Agent by the opponents of the Gardiner Bill for the Medical School of Maine. The purpose of employment is "To oppose the Gardiner Bill for the Medical School of Maine." Employed February 16, 1921. Employment ceases upon adjournment of Legislature. Notification of employment filed February 23, 1921.

- H. C. WILBUR, of Portland, employed to act as Legislative Agent and Legislative Counsel by The National Fertilizer Association of Washington, D. C. The purpose of employment is "To act as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent in matter concerning the "Fertilizer Industry." Employed February 23, 1921. Date when employment ceases is given as "indefinite." Notification of employment filed February 23, 1921.
- ALFRED SWEENEY, employed to act as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent by The A. & K. Railway Company. The purpose of employment is "To represent the company in all matters affecting its interests." Employed October 1, 1919. No date given as to when employment ceases. Notification of employment filed February 24, 1921.
- F. W. KNOWLTON, of Old Town, employed to act as Legislative Agent by members of Penobscot Tribe of Indians of Old Town. The purpose of employment is "To effect a change in the adoption laws of the tribe." Employed Feb. 23, 1921. Employment ceases Feb. 24, 1921. Notification of employment filed February 24, 1921.
- A. G. AVERILL, of Old Town, employed to act as Legislative Agent by Penobscot Tribe of Indians of Old Town. The purpose of employment is "Regarding adoption laws and other matters pertaining to the tribe." Employed Feb. 21, 1921. Employment ceases Feb. 25, 1921. Notification of employment filed Feburary 24, 1921.
- RALPH W. CROCKETT, of Lewiston, employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent by E. W. Penley, 37 Knight street, Auburn; Littlefield & Sons Company, 38 First street, Auburn; Merrow Packing Copany, 16 Hutchins street, Auburn; John P. Sutton Company, 48 First street, Auburn. The purpose of employment is "To represent said employers in the matter of any proposed legislation affecting the slaughtering and meat packing industry and other industries connected therewith." Employed February 23rd, 1921. Em-

ployment ceases at end of legislative session. Notification of employment filed February 24, 1921.

- GEORGE A. HUTCHINS, of Rumford, employed as Legislative Counsel by Dixfield Board of Trade. The purpose of employment is "To represent proponents of 'An Act to Incorporate the Dixfield Water District.'" Employed February 7th, 1921. Employment ceases March 1st, 1921. Notification of employment filed February 24, 1921.
- MAURICE E. ROSEN, of Portland, employed to act as Legislative Counsel and Agent by Portland Realty Association, 80 Exchange street, Portland. The purpose of employment is "To urge passage of an Act to change name and amend charter of Portland Realty Association." Employed February 23, 1921. Employment ceases at end of session unless bill is passed or fails of passage before. Notification of employment filed February 25, 1921.
- O. H. EMERY, of Camden, employed as Legislative Counsel and Agent by Citizens of South Thomaston. The purpose of employment is "To oppose House Bill 'An Act to Divide South Thomaston.'" Employed January 27th, 1921. No date is given as to when employment ceases. Notification of employment filed February 25, 1921.
- CHARLES S. HICHBORN, of Augusta, employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent by First National Granite Bank of Augusta. The purpose of employment is "All matters appearing to affect interests of employer, directly or indirectly." Employed Feb. 1, 1921. Employment ceases at close of Legislative year. Notification of employment filed February 28, 1921.
- WILLIAM L. WALDRON, of Ashland, employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent by G. R. Ketchum of Garfield. The purpose of employment is "To appear in matter of Act to Incorporate Ashland Light and Power Co." Employed Feb. 28, 1921. Employ-

ment ceases after final action on said Act. Notification of employment filed March 1, 1921.

- JOHN E. NELSON, of Augusta, employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent by Unit Investment Company of Augusta. The purpose of employment is "All matters appearing to affect its interests directly or indirectly." Employed February 28, 1921. Date when employment ceases is given as "Indefinite." Notification of employment filed March 1, 1921.
- JAMES H. HUDSON, of Guilford, employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent by Elliottsville Plantation. The purpose of employment is "To represent Elliottsville Plantation before this Legislature to obtain the passage of an Act to allow the Plantation to build and repair its own roads." 1921. February 26th, Employed at end of Employment ceases Legislative session. Notification of employment filed March 1, 1921.
- TABER D. BAILEY, of Bangor, employed to act as Legislative Counsel by John Cassidy of Bangor. The purpose of employment is "To appear before any committee where the interest of said employer is Employed affected." February Employment ceases 28th, 1921. probably during session of Legislature, but cannot tell exact date. Notification of employment filed March 1, 1921.
- ROBERT P. MURRAY, of Augusta, employed as Legislative Agent by Maine State National Guard Asso-The purpose of employciation. ment is given as "Legislation beneficial to ex-members of the National Guard." Employed March 1, 1921. Employment ceases when legislation is completed. Notification of employment filed March 1, 1921.
- STERLING T. DOW, of Kennebunk, employed to act as Legislative Agent by Receivers of Atlantic Shore Railway of Kennebunk. The purpose of employment is "To attend all matters in which the Receivers are interested." Employed February 28, 1921. Employment

ceases April 15, 1921. Notification of employment filed March 1, 1921.

- GEORGE L. EMERY, of Biddeford, employed to act as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent by Receivers of Atlantic Shore Railway Committee of Ogunquit Village. The purpose of employment is "To attend all matters in which Receivers of Atlantic Shore Railway and Committee of Ogunquit Village are interested." Employed February 28, 1921. Employment ceases April 15, 1921. Notification of employment filed March 1, 1921.
- JOHN P. DEERING, of Saco, employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent by Committee of Village Corporathe "Ogunquit tion." The purpose of employment is "To act as Counsel in matters pertaining to amendments to the Charter of the Ogunquit Village Corporation and as Counsel for said Committee on the Division of the Town of Wells." Employed January 1st. 1921. Employment ceases when work at Legislature on these matters ceases. Notification of employment filed March 1 1921.

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GEORGE C. EAMES, of Bangor, employed as Legislative Agent by Christian Science Churches and Societies of Maine. Purpose of employment is "To represent the church in all matters affecting its interests." Date

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when employed is given as "Regular employment." Date when employment ceases is given as "Indefinite." Notification of employment filed February 15, 1921.

- RAYMOND FELLOWS, of Bangor, employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent by Manzie I. Rogers of Bangor. The purpose of employment is "To attend public hearing on resolve in favor of Manzie I. Rogers and promote its passage." Date when employed, Feb. 15, 1921. Employment ceases at end of session or until final disposition of resolve referred to. Notification of employment filed February 15, 1921.
- THOMAS LEIGH, of Augusta and OS-CAR H. DUNBAR of Machias, employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agents by the Town of Jonesport. Purpose of employment is "To oppose an Act to divide the town of Jonesport and incorporate the town of Beals." Date when employed, Feb. 15th, 1921. Employment ceases when subject matter is finally disposed of. Notification of employment filed February 16, 1921.
- GEORGE F. NOYES, of Portland, employed as Legislative Counsei by The Emery-Waterhouse Company, Portland. Purpose of employment is "To appear before committee on Claims in favor of Resolve in favor of The Emery-Waterhouse Company for Material Furnished the State School for Girls at Hallowell." Date of employment, Feb. 15, 1921. Employment ceases when subject matter is finally disposed of. Notification of employment filed February 16, 1921.
- J. H. MONTGOMERY, of Camden, employed as Legislative Counsel by Citizens of Owl's Head, South Thomaston, Maine. Purpose of employment is "Division of Town of South Thomaston and incorporation of Town of Owl's Head." Employed February 16, 1921. Employment ceases February 23, 1921. Notification of employment filed February 16, 1921.
- DAVID E. MOULTON, of Portland, employed as Legislative Counsel by Cumberland Center Water Company. Purpose of employment is "Appearance before legislative committee." Employed February 16, 1921. Employ-

ment ceases same date. Notification of employment filed February 16, 1921.

- CYRUS N. BLANCHARD, of Wilton, employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent of Oquossoc Light & Power Company of Rangeley. Purpose of employment is "To act as counsel for said corporation in relation to the passage of an act relating to said corporation." Employed February 16, 1921. Employment ceases at end of legislative session. Notification of employment filed February 17, 1921.
- EBEN WINTHROP FREEMAN, of Portland, employed as Legislative Agent by Pennamaquam Power Company of Eastport. The purpose of employment is "To act as counsel for said corporation in relation to the passage of an act relating to said corporation." Employed February 17, 1921. Employment ceases at end of legislative session. Notification of employment filed February 17, 1921.
- WILLIAM M. TRIPP, of Wells, employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent by certain citizens and taxpayers of the Town of Wells in said State, represented by a duly chosen committee of which he is chairman. The purpose of employment is "Concerning passage of a bill, An Act to amend Section 3 and Section 5 of Chapter 203 of the Private Laws of 1913, entitled 'An Act to incorporate the Ogunquit Village Corporation.'" Employed February 7, 1921. Employment ceases upon action by Legislature upon said bill. Notification of employment filed February 17, 1921.
- RAYMOND FELLOWS, of Bangor, employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent by Harry F. Ross, of Bangor. Purpose of employment is "To appear in interest of Harry F. Ross before committee to which is referred Bill to establish Katahdin Park, so-called, and to look after interests of said Ross until matters is disposed of." Employed February 16, 1921. Employment ceases at end of session or until matter above referred to is finally disposed of. Notification of employment filed February 17, 1921.
- WILLIAM B. SKELTON, or Lewiston, employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent by Clark Power

Company of Biddeford. Purpose of employment is "Representation in all legislative matters affecting this company." Date when employed is given as "Part of regular, continuing employment." Date when employment ceases as "Indefinite." Notification of employment filed February 17, 1921.

- WESTON M. HILTON, of Damariscotta, employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent by A. Williams & Company of South Bristol. Purpose of employment is "For securing reimbursement for A. Williams & Company for loss sustained in the construction of highway, in the towns of Edmund in Washington County," and, Nobleboro in Lincoln County." Employed February 10, 1921. Employment ceases when the case is termimated. Notification of employment filed February 17, 1921.
- JASPER H. HONE, of Presque Isle, employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent by certain moving picture exhibitors. The purpose of employment is "To oppose in its present form Senate Bill No. 52." Employed February 15, 1921. Date when employment ceases is given as "Indefinite." Notification of employment filed February 17, 1921.
- COOK, HUTCHISON AND PERCE, of Fidelity Building, Portland, employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agents by the Ashland Company of Ashland. Purpose of employment is "To secure the introduction, present before committee, and endeavor to have enacted an act entitled 'An Act authorizing the Ashland Company to construct and maintain booms and piers in the Aroostook river below its dam in the town of Ashland.' " Employed February 14, 1921. Employment ceases on final signature of the above Act. Notification of employment filed February 18, 1921.
- EDWIN STONE, of Biddeford, ED-WARD W. WHEELER of Brunswick, NORMAN L. BASSETT of Augusta, as Legislative Committee of the Maine Savings Bank Association, have been employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agents by Maine Savings Bank As-

sociation, W. T. Goodale, Saco, President and A. F. Drummond, Waterville, Secretary. The purpose of employment is "To act as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agents in all matters before the Legislature affecting the Maine Savings Banks." Employed January 1921. Employment ceases at adjournment of the Legislature. Notification of employment filed February 19, 1921.

- HERBERT E. LOCKE, of Augusta, employed as Legislative Counsel and Legislative Agent by the Ashland Company of Ashland, Maine. The purpose of employment is concerning water storage on the Aroostook river. Employed February 18, 1921. Employment is during the session of the Legislature. Notification of employment filed February 21, 1921.
- JOHN P. DEERING, of Saco, employed as Legislative Counsel and Agent by York County Fisherman's Association, Wilbur Goldwaithe. President, Biddeford Pool. Purpose of employment is "To promote or oppose Legislative action, as the case may be in regard to Legislation affecting interests of the members of the York County Fisherman's Association." Date when employed is given as "One year ago." Date when employment ceases is given as "On this particular employment when the Legislature adjourns." Notification of employment filed February 21, 1921.
- WALTER M. SANBORN of Augusta, employed as Legislative Counsel by the Maine Undertakers' Association. The purpose of employment is to "Appear in explanation of proposed legislation and drawing act." The date of employment is given as "Regular Counsel—above purpose February 8, 1921." No date is given as to when employment ceases. Notification of employment filed February 21, 1921.
- M. A. JOHNSON of Rockland, employed as Legislative Counsel by the Knox Academy of Arts and Sciences, Rockland. The purpose of employment is to secure aid from the State. Employed February 1921. Employment ceases "Pre-

sumably at end of this session." Notification filed February 22, 1921.

WALTER A. COWAN of Hallowell. employed as Legislative Counsel by the Economy Printing and Manufacturing Company of Hallowell. The purpose of employment is to appear before a committee in behalf of a resolve in favor of the Economy Printing and Manufacturing Company, for losses on State printing for the years 1919 and 1920. Employed February 21, 1921. Employment ceases when said resolve has had its final hearing. Notification of employed filed February 22, 1921.

(The secretary started to read the lists)

Mr. THOMBS of Penobscot: Mr. President, I would like to inquire if this matter is not printed in the regular order?

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will state that it is under a joint order of the House and Senate that this list is read every Wednesday morning.

Obviously, the Chair will state that the Senate may waive that reading.

Mr. THOMBS: Mr. President, my point is whether this becomes a matter of record so that it is accessible? Is there any need of taking up the time of the Senate in reading it if it becomes a matter of record?

The PRESIDENT: It will become a matter of Legislative record whether it be received and further reading dispensed with or not.

On motion by Mr. Thombs, further reading of the list of Legislative Counsel was dispensed with.

Mr. FARRINGTON of Kennebec: I would like to inquire if in the opinion of the Chair, an order which would amend the original order and require a posting of the list in some place in the Senate Chamber, so that it could be accessible to members of the Senate, would be in order, and do away with this reading and cumbering up of the Legislative record?

The PRESIDENT: The Chair is of opinion that the matter having been completed, we are now proceeding under the order, which could of course be changed either by amending that order, or, in the opinion of the Chair, by passing a new one that such a course as the Senator from Kennebec suggests be followed in the future. It is entirely a matter within the Senate's own control, in the opinion of the Chair.

Mr. COBB Kennebec : Mr. of President, I liked the idea at first of posting, but it seems to me that in some way the people of Maine should know who these agents are and for whom they work, and couldn't there be some amendment made that these should be put into the record or in the paper so that the people of the State may know them as well as we in the State House? I fear that by just posting them they would not be put in the paper so that the people of Maine would know of them.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will state for the information of the gentleman from Kennebec that they will ordinarily pass and become part of the legislative record.

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

Appropriations and Financial Affairs and Judiciary

By Mr. Stevens of York: Petition in favor of continuance of the Maine Medical School.

Judiciary

By Mr. Gillin of Penobscot: Resolve extending the provisions of Chapter 163 of the Resolves of 1919 in regard to the collateral inheritance tax and probate laws of the State of Maine

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Sprague of Piscataquis: An Act to amend Section 55 of Chapter 85 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Constables serving precepts.

By Mr. Babb of Cumberland: An Act to amend Chapter 2, Section 57 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Bond of State Treasurer.

Salaries and Fees

By Mr. Spencer of York: An Act to amend Chapter 67, Section 39 of the Revised Statutes, relating to fees of Registers of Probate.

Sea and Shore Fisheries

By Mr. Sargent of Hancock: Remonstrance of A. H. Hatch and thirteen others of Oceanville; of N. W. Moonan and 29 others of Prospect; of John Perkins and 13 others of Deer Isle; of Y. H. Cain and 23 others of Isle au Haut; of Emery Cousins and 11 others of Brooklin; of A. F. Drummond and 17 others of Long Island: of Leslie Bunker and 18 others of Islesford; of Derly Stanley and 15 others of South West Harbor against the passage of a nine-inch lobster law.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Allen of York, it was

Ordered, that the engrossing department be requested to return Bill An Act to amend sub-paragraph (a) of Paragraph 2 of Section 7 of Chapter 188 of the Public Laws of 1917, relating to the duties of superintendents of schools, for further consideration by the Senate.

Bills in First Reading

S. 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.

S. 89. An act to annex a certain gore of land to the town of Westfield.

S. 90. An Act to extend the charter of the Matagamon Tow Boat Company.

S. 91. An Act to increase the limit of real and personal estate of the Worumbo Manufacturing Company from one million to five million dollars

S. 92. An Act to enable the towns of Dixfield and Peru in the county of Oxford to free the Dixfield and Peru toll bridge to public travel.

S. 93. Resolve, authorizing F. Burton Haggett and Lawrence B. Haggett to bring a suit at law against the State of Maine.

S. 94. An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 214 of the P. & S. Laws of 1883, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Penobscot River Dam and Improvement Company," as amended by Chapter 482 of the P. & S. Laws of 1889, and by Chapter 620 of the P. & S. Laws of 1893, and by Chapter 553 of the P. & S. Laws of 1897.

Passed to Be Engrossed

H. 174. Resolve authorizing the Land Agent to sell public Lot 85 in Moro Plantation, Aroostook County.

H. 175. Resolve. authorizing the State Land Agent to sell lot numbered 93 in the town of St. Agatha. in the County of Aroostook.

H. 176. Resolve. authorizing the State Land Agent to sell certain lots in the Public Lot in Dennistown Plantation in Somerset County.

Passed to Be Enacted

An Act to amend the city charter of Bangor.

Orders of the Day

ALLEN of York: Mr. Presi-Mr. dent, I would like to inquire of the Secretary if he has in his possession the bill relating to the superintendents of schools?

The SECRETARY: I have it.

Mr. ALLEN: I move that the Senate reconsider its action whereby it passed to be engrossed House Document No. 165, An Act to amend sub-Paragraph (a) of Paragraph 2 of Section 7 of Chapter 188 of the Public Laws of 1917, relating to the duties of superintendents of schools.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. ALLEN: I offer Senate Amendment A and move its passage. This simply corrects an error in the title of the bill.

The Clerk read Senate Amendment A. as follows:

"House Document No. 165 is hereby amended by striking out the title thereof and substituting in its place the following:

An Act to amend sub-paragraph (a) of Paragraph II of Section 59 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted and set forth by Section 7 of Chapter 188 of the Public Laws

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of 1917, relating to the duties of superintendents of schools.'

Said House Document 165 is further amended by inserting after the word 'Section' in the first line the words 'fifty-nine of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted and set forth by Section'; so that said document after the enacting clause shall read as follows:

Sub-paragraph (a) of Paragraph II of Section 59 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, as enacted and set forth by Section 7 of Chapter 188 of the Public Laws of 1917, is hereby amended by striking out the words, 'and shall perform such duties not herein enumerated as said committee shall direct' in the second and third lines thereof and inserting in place thereof the following: 'and of any school building committee chosen by the town, and shall perform such duties not herein enumerated as said committees shall direct' so that said sub-paragraph, when amended, shall read as follows:

'(a) He shall be ex-officio, secretary of the superintending school committee and of any school building committee chosen by the town, and shall perform such duties not herein enumerated as said committee shall direct.' "

The motion was agreed to and the amendment was adopted, and on further motion by the same Senator the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Eaton of Oxford, Adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.