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SENATE

Tuesday, March 8, 1921.

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

Prayer by Rev. Paul S. Phalen of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: Resolve authorizing F. Burton Haggett and Lawrence B. Haggett to bring a suit at law against the State of Maine.

The PRESIDENT: This resolve, Senate Document 93, was passed to be engrossed in the Senate last Thursday. In the House that body adopted House amendment A, which merely corrected a clerical error.

On motion by Mr. Farrington of Kennebec, the Senate reconsidered, under suspension of the rules, the action by which this resolve was passed to be engrossed. On further motion by the same senator House Amendment A was adopted in concurrence, and the resolve as amended was then passed to be engrossed.

House Bills in First Reading

H. 227. An Act to authorize the town of Bristol to pay certain obligations incurred by its citizens in opposing the division of the town.

H. 224. An Act to amend Chapter 133 of the Private and Special Laws of 1881, entitled "An Act to incorporate the mercantile home for aged men association," as amended by Chapter 267 of the Private Laws of 1883, which changed the name to Home for Aged Men.

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 of 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.

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

Judiciary and Military Affairs

By Mr. Cobb of Kennebec: Petitions of Joseph Anthoine and thirty-five other Spanish War Veterans of Lewiston; of Frank E. Andrews and forty-nine other Spanish War Veterans of Togus; of George T. Benson and fifty-two others of Oakland; of John J. Duly and seventeen other Civil War Veterans of Togus; of Morey Mulliken and sixteen other Civil War Veterans of Pittsfield; of Simon S. Andrews and twelve other Civil War Veterans of Biddeford; of P. S. Graham and six other Civil War Veterans of Westbrook; of W. H. Bridgham and one other Civil War Veteran of Buckfield; of Margaret E. Cameron and twenty-seven other Sons of Veterans Auxiliary of Pittsfield; of Irene Ricker and seventeen other Sons of Veterans Auxiliary of Augusta; of Sadie Garcelon and fifty-one other Sons of Veterans Auxiliary of Bath; of Emma Roak and seventeen other Sons of Veterans Auxiliary of Auburn; of Jennie L. Burrill and eighteen other Sons of Veterans Auxiliary of Canaan; of Edith L. Danforth and thirteen other Sons of Veterans Auxiliary of Belfast; of Mabel Annis and seven other Sons of Veterans Auxiliary of Ayer; of L. C. Putnam and fifteen other G. A. R. Relief Corps of Belfast; of Frank C. Ayer and thirty-nine other Sons of Veterans of Auburn; of Harry C. Leeman and sixteen other Sons of Veterans of Bath; of Andrews C. Cloudman and nine other Sons of Veterans of Westbrook; of C. H. Doughty and fifteen other Sons of Veterans of Gray; of John C. Howes and twenty other

Sons of Veterans of Augusta; of D. M. Foster and twenty other Sons of Veterans of Canaan; of G. M. Goodwin and nine other Sons of Veterans of Sanford; of George A. Withee and sixteen other Sons of Veterans of Pittsfield; of George E. Kimball and twenty-six other Sons of Veterans of Bridgton; of Loresten B. Sinclair and sixteen other Sons of Veterans of Ayer; of O. C. Casey and seven other Sons of Veterans of Buckfield; of Leroy E. Moore and twelve other Sons of Veterans of Biddeford; of Harvey N. Faust and fifteen other Sons of Veterans of Belfast for better observance of Memorial Day.

Judiciary

By Mr. Baxter of Sagadahoc: An Act to provide for the payment by counties of the expenses of State agents in extradition matters.

Bills in First Reading

S. 30. An Act to amend Section 98 of Chapter 82 of the Revised Statutes relating to the exchange of justices of the superior court.

Reports of Committees

Mr. Thombs from the Committee on Education, on An Act to amend Section 109 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes, relating to school holidays (S. D. 21), reported same ought not to pass.

Mr. Baxter from the Committee on Ways and Bridges, on Resolve relating to the erection of a Memorial Bridge in Cumberland County to be known as Maine's Memorial Bridge, reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same Senator from the same Committee, on Resolve in favor of a bridge across the Allagash River in Allagash Plantation, in Aroostook County, reported that the same ought not to pass.

The reports were accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Passed to Be Engrossed

S. 99: An Act to amend Section 36 of Chapter 104 of the Revised Statutes, relating to admission to bail.

H. 74: An Act to amend Section

41 of Chapter 51 of the Revised Statutes, so as to provide for the amendment of corporate purposes.

H. 206: An Act to amend Section 16, Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes, increasing the compensation of fence viewers.

H. 207: An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 574, Private and Special Laws of 1856, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Kendall's Mills Village Corporation," as amended by Chapter 139, Private and Special Laws of 1891.

H. 208: An Act to amend Section two, Chapter 501 of the Private and Special Laws of 1889, relating to the charter of Maine Central Institute.

H. 209: An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 51 of the Public Laws of 1919 relating to the training of rural teachers.

H. 210: Resolve making an appropriation for co-operative work between the College of Agriculture of the University of Maine and the United States Department of Agriculture.

(Tabled on motion by Mr. Emerson of Aroostook, pending second reading.)

H. 211: An Act to amend Section 56 and Paragraph 2 of Section 57 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes as amended relating to the election and term of office of Superintendents of Schools.

H. 212: An Act to amend Section 122 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 146 of the Public Laws of 1919, requiring the teaching of American History and Civil Government in the public and private schools.

Orders of the Day

Mr. THOMBS of Penobscot: Mr. President, I move we take from the table House Bill No. 1, An Act additional to and amendatory of Chapter 7, of the Revised Statutes, relating to elections.

The PRESIDENT: The pending question is the passage to be enacted.

Mr. THOMBS: Mr. President I move that it pass to be enacted.

Mr. FARRINGTON of Kennebec: Mr. President, may I inquire if the bill in its present stage carries the amendment to persons—the absentee voting bill, I take it?

The PRESIDENT: Yes.

Mr. FARRINGTON: Whether it carries the amendment relating to persons sick and from physical disability kept from the polls?

Mr. THOMBS: I will say for the information of the Senator that I believe that it does not carry such an amendment, and further I would say that I was under a misapprehension in taking this matter off of the table. There have been some conferences this morning, but in view of the action taken the other night I believe perhaps it might well lie upon the table for the day.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair can answer the Senator from Kennebec's inquiry that there appears to be no amendment of that nature.

Mr. FARRINGTON: I will make no motion to lay it on the table, but if the Senator will I think it is better.

Mr. THOMBS: I will withdraw my motion and I understood the Senator from Kennebec to move that it lie on the table.

Mr. FARRINGTON: I will make that motion.

The motion was agreed to and the bill was tabled.

Mr. THOMBS of Penobscot: Mr. President, I move we take from the

table House Document No. 111, An Act to amend Chapter 16 of the Private and Special Laws of 1911, relating to the issue of stock and bonds by the Lewiston Gas Light Company.

The motion was agreed to, and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was passed to be enacted.

Mr. THOMBS of Penobscot: Mr. President, I move we take from the table An Act to divide the town of Jonesport and incorporate the town of Beals.

The motion was agreed to.

The PRESIDENT: The pending question is the acceptance of the report of the committee, which was "ought not to pass."

Mr. THOMBS: Mr. President, I desire to yield the floor to the Senator from Oxford, Senator Eaton.

Mr. EATON of Oxford: Mr. President, I move the acceptance of the report.

The motion was agreed to.

Mr. FARRINGTON of Kennebec: Mr. President, I was a little late. I want to inquire if there were two reports on this.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will inform the Senator from Kennebec that there were not. The only report is that the bill ought not to pass.

On motion by Mr. Morison of Penobscot,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.