

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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Legislative Record

OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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HOUSE

Tuesday, January 30, 1923.

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Clark of Gardiner.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the Senate, disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: An Act repealing Chapter 100, Private and Special Laws of 1921, creating the Belgrade Lakes Village Corporation.

In the Senate, referred to the committee on Towns.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Baker of Steuben, tabled pending reference to any committee.

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

Appropriations and Financial Affairs

By Mr. Wood of Bluehill: Resolve in favor of Memorial Hospital, Bluehill, for maintenance.

Claims

By Mr. Weeks of Fairfield: Resolve in favor of the town of Embden for state aid for Free High School during the year 1918.

Education

By Mr. Perkins of Orono: Resolve in favor of the University of Maine for maintenance.

(On motion by Mr. Saunders of Lubec, tabled pending reference to any committee.

Message From The Governor**State of Maine
Office of the Governor**

Augusta, Jan. 29, 1923.

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

On Wednesday, January 24, I sent a message to your Honorable Bodies, stating that arrangements were being made for the purchase and distribution of the six hundred tons of anthracite coal stored in Portland, Maine, and further stating that I hoped that it would not be necessary

to seize this coal, as I considered such action would constitute a dangerous and unfortunate precedent.

I am glad to report to you that I have received the following telegram from Fuel Director Andrew P. Lane, dated January 26;

"Schipper Bros. (Owners of the coal) in Portland today. After consulting with me they have sold the entire lot of coal in the Portland Coal Co. yards to Deering Coal & Wood Co. at prices so that it can be sold to the people of Portland at the regular going rates which are satisfactory to me."

The distribution of this coal has already been undertaken. I should have reported to you on Friday, the 26th, but the above telegram came to me a few moments after the Legislature adjourned.

Faithfully yours,

PERCIVAL P. BAXTER

Governor of Maine

Communication was read and ordered placed on file.

Reception of bills, resolves and petitions—continued**Inland Fisheries and Game**

By Mr. Rounds of Portland: Petition of the Officers and Members of the Cumberland County Fish and Game Association in favor of a resident license law for hunting and fishing, carrying a fee of \$1.15, to be used for the propagation of fish and the protection of game.

By Mr. Leland of Sangerville: Petition of William E. Eggleston, of Guilford, and other residents of Washington and Penobscot counties in favor of same.

By Mr. Kitchen of Presque Isle: Petition of C. F. Grant, of Presque Isle, and other residents of Aroostook County in favor of same.

By Mr. Dudley of Woodstock: Petition of James W. Wright of West Paris and other residents of Oxford County in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of the officers and members of the Northern Oxford Fish and Game Association in favor of same.

By Mr. Baker of Steuben: Petition of H. B. Stanwood of Harrington, and other residents of Washington County in favor of same.

By Mr. Wing of Auburn: Petition of H. B. Estes, R. J. Hodgson, and

other residents of Lewiston and Auburn in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of the Stanton Bird Club of Lewiston and Auburn, in favor of same.

By Mr O'Connell of Millinocket: Petition of George W. Stearns of Millinocket and other residents of Penobscot County in favor of same.

By the same gentleman: Petition of F. C. Bowler of Millinocket, and other residents of Penobscot County in favor of same.

Judiciary

By Mr. Morse of Bath: Resolve proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Maine providing for the Election on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November Biennially of Governors, Senators, Representatives and other officers now required to be elected on the second Monday of September Biennially.

(500 copies ordered printed.)

Military Affairs

By Mr. Moody of York: An Act to control the possession, sale and use of Pistols and Revolvers, to provide penalties, and for other purposes

Pensions

By Mr. Plummer of Bath: Resolve in favor of Mary S. Hillman for State Pension.

Salaries and Fees

By Mr. Gardiner of Gardiner: An Act relative to Clerk Hire in the office of Register of Deeds, Register of Probate and Clerk of Courts in Kennebec County.

Ways and Bridges

By Mr. White of Bowdoinham: Resolve granting the consent of the State to the building of a Bridge between "Big Five Island" and "Hen Island" in the town of Georgetown.

By Mr. Gillespie of Meddybemps: Resolve in favor of road in the town of Cooper.

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of a road in the town of Charlotte.

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of road in the town of Pembroke.

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of road in the town of Meddybemps.

By Mr Piper of Jackman Pl: Resolve to aid in rebuilding, repairing and maintaining certain portions of the road running from Bingham in the county of Somerset through Jackman to the boundary line between Canada and the State of Maine.

By the same gentleman: Petition of G. A. Wheeler and others; Laura M. Pooler and others; James A. Foster and others; William R. Pattangall and others; William J. Lanigan and others; Fred A. Gilbert and others; Forrest H. Colby and others; P. D. Clark and others; Leon Brown and others; Frank Clough and others of Madison; J. H. Gray of Solon and others; J. H. Murtha and others; C. W. Dutton and others; H. W. Holden of Moose River and others; Edw. E. McCarty and others; William H. Cook and others of Waterville; P. G. Barrows of Greenville and others; G. R. Merrill of The Forks and others in favor of same.

Reports of Committees

Report of the Committee of Conference, on the disagreeing action of the two branches of the Legislature, on bill "An Act relating to the Taxation of Shares of Stock of Trust Companies organized under the laws of this State, and of Banking Institutions formed under the laws of the United States, and repealing Chapter 197 of the Public Laws of 1921." (Senate No. 3), reporting that same be referred to the Committees on Banks and Banking and on Taxation, jointly.

(Signed) Messrs Powers,
Bailey,
Wadsworth,
—Committee on the part of
the Senate.
Messrs Winn,
Cummings,
Morrison,
—Committee on the part
of the House

Report read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. CRAFTS, from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game, on bill "An Act to amend Chapter 14 of the Public Laws of 1921, prohibiting the hunting of Deer in the Counties of Cumberland and York," reported that the same be printed and re-committed to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

Report read and accepted and the bill ordered printed and recommitted.

First Reading of Printed Bill

House 11: "An Act to Revive, Renew, Amend and Extend the Charter of the Lubec and Machias Railway Company."

Orders

Mr. Moody of York presented the following order:

Ordered, that the State Librarian deliver to the present House members, who were not members of the House last session one copy each of the "Maine Book" written by him.

On motion by Mr. Granville of Parsonsfield the order was laid on the table.

Orders Of The Day

On motion by Mr. Phillips of Orrington the four resolves tabled by that gentleman on January 24, appropriating money for the Forestry

Department were taken from the table.

Mr. PHILLIPS of Orrington: I will state that these resolves have always been cared for with the other State Departments under the general blanket resolve.

On further motion by Mr. Phillips of Orrington, the four resolves above referred to were referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in non-concurrence.

The SPEAKER: The Chair wishes to again call the attention of the members to the fact that the time when special and private bills be allowed admission is drawing to a close. February 8th is the date.

On motion by Mr. Palmer of Island Falls,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.