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HOUSE

Friday, February 2, 1923

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Atkins of Gardiner.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Mr. Pierce of Sanford presented the following order, out of order:

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that when the Senate and the House adjourn, they adjourn to meet Tuesday, February 6 at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

The order received passage and was sent up for concurrence.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

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. Hale of Portland: Resolve in favor of the Children's Hospital of Portland.

By Mr. Maher of Augusta: Resolve in favor of St. Louis' Home and School, Dunstan Heights, Maine.

By Mr. Hale of Portland: Resolve in favor of St. Elizabeth's Roman Catholic Asylum and Holy Innocent's Home, Portland Maine.

Claims

By Mr. Gillespie of Meddybemps: Resolve to reimburse the town of Alexander for expenses incurred in caring for Vern Carlow, a soldier.

By Mr. Tilden of Hallowell: Resolve in favor of Church Hardware Co., for material furnished for the construction of the Central School Building for the Maine State School for Girls.

By Mr. Cherry of Eastport: Resolve reimbursing Edward F. Heffron, of Eastport, for material and supplies furnished the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians.

Education

By Mr. Nichols of Portland: An Act to amend Section 78 of Chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes to provide transportation for pupils who live on

Islands on which there are no Secondary Schools and from which regular transportation lines are established.

By Mr. Wing of Auburn: An Act to require the teaching of the constitution of the United States in the public and private schools of the State of Maine.

By Mr. Rounds of Portland: Resolve in favor of St. Joseph's Academy and College for Women, Deering, Portland, Maine.

By Mr. Stitham of Pittsfield: Resolve in favor of Maine Central Institute, Pittsfield, Maine.

By Mr. Ranney of Winn: Resolve in favor of Eastern Maine Institute for general maintenance.

By Mr. Farley of Bridgewater: Resolve in favor of Bridgewater Classical Academy, Bridgewater, Aroostook County, Maine.

By Mr. Adams of Litchfield: Resolve in favor of Litchfield Academy for general maintenance.

By Mr. Farley of Bridgewater: Resolve in favor of Aroostook Central Institute at Mars Hill, Aroostook County, Maine.

Indian Affairs

By Mr. Ray of Old Town: Resolve in favor of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians for re-drafting Plan Book.

Inland Fisheries and Game

By Mr. Maher of Augusta: An Act to constitute Ganneston Park a game sanctuary.

By Mr. Ludgate of Patten: Resolve in favor of establishing a feeding station for fish on the outlet of Upper Shin pond, in the town of Mt. Chase, in the county of Penobscot.

By Mr. Barwise of Bangor: An Act to amend Section 38 of Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1917, as amended by Chapter 37 of the Public Laws of 1919, as amended by Chapter 117 of the Public Laws of 1921, relating to the protection of deer.

By Mr. Adams of Litchfield: An Act to amend Chapter 136 of the Public Laws of 1921, relating to night fishing in certain waters of Kennebec county.

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Hale of Portland: An Act to provide for the licensing, inspection and regulation of hotels and private lodging houses.

(500 copies ordered printed)

By Mr. Owens of Madison: An Act to extend an Act entitled "An Act to incorporate the Odd Fellows' Home of Maine."

By Mr. Jones of South Portland: An Act to amend Chapter 7 of the Revised Statutes of 1916, as amended by the Public Laws of 1917, relating to elections; ballot boxes in particular, by revising Sections 31, 32, 33 and 34.

By Mr. Frickett of Naples: An Act additional to Chapter 356 of the Private and Special laws of 1883 entitled 'An Act to authorize the construction of a bridge over tidewaters between Orr's Island and Bailey's Island' as amended by Chapter 91 by the Private and Special Laws of Maine for the year 1921, and to authorize the town of Harpswell to hire money for the construction of said bridge and to construct the same under the provisions of Chapter 319 of the Public Laws of 1915 and Acts additional thereto and amendatory thereof.

By Mr. Gauvin of Lewiston: An Act to authorize the city of Lewiston to issue bonds for the construction of an Armory in said city.

By Mr. McIlheron of Lewiston: An Act to authorize the city of Lewiston to issue bonds for the construction of school houses in said city.

By Mr. Crowley of Lewiston: An Act to authorize the city of Lewiston to issue refunding bonds to the amount of eighty thousand dollars.

By Mr. Moody of York: An Act to amend the Charter of York Harbor Village Corporation.

(500 copies ordered printed)

Military Affairs

By Mr. Hale of Portland: An Act to extend the time for filing applications for the Soldiers' Bonus.

Pensions

By Mr. Adams of Liberty: Resolve providing a State pension for Hattie C. Knowlton of Liberty.

By the same gentleman: Resolve providing a State pension for Frank A. Choate of Montville.

By Mr. Pendleton of Islesboro: Resolve in favor of Mary E. Ames of Stockton Springs.

By Mr. Staples of Oxford: Resolve providing a State pension for Etta Robinson, of Oxford.

Public Health

By Mrs. Pinkham of Fort Kent: An Act to accept the provisions of the Act of congress of the United States, approved November 23, 1921, entitled 'An Act for the Promotion of the Welfare and Hygiene of Maternity and Infancy and for other purposes.'

(500 copies ordered printed)

The SPEAKER: The Chair will announce that the Senate has concurred with the House adjournment order.

Salaries and Fees

By Mr. Wood of Bluehill: An Act to amend Section 44 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes relating to the salary of the county treasurer of Hancock county.

By the same gentleman: An Act to increase the salary of clerks in the office of Register of Probate in Hancock county.

By Mr. Bartlett of Waterville: An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 325 of the Private and Special Laws of 1897, as amended by Chapter 17 of the Private and Special Laws of 1909, as amended by Chapter 101 of the Private and Special Laws of 1921, providing for clerk hire by the Judge of the Municipal court of Waterville.

By Mr. Downing of Bangor: An Act to amend Section 11 of Chapter 211 of the Private and Special Laws of 1895, as amended by Chapter 101 of the Private and Special Laws of 1909, as amended by Chapter 146 of the Private and Special Laws of 1915, as amended by Chapter 23 of the Private and Special Laws of 1919, relating to the salaries of the judge and recorder of the Bangor Municipal court.

Taxation

By Mr. Overlock of Washington: An Act to amend paragraph 9, of Section 6 of Chapter 10 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 105, Public Laws of 1919 and by Chapter 119, Public Laws of 1921, relating to taxation, and repealing such amendments.

Ways and Bridges

By Mr. Drake of Bath: An Act to amend Chapter 69, Public Laws of 1921, relating to the fiscal year of the State.

By Mr. Leathers of Hermon: Resolve in favor of the town of Glenburn to aid in building a road.

By Mrs. Pinkham of Fort Kent: Resolve in favor of a bridge over the St. John river between Fort Kent, Maine, and the Village of Clair in the parish of St. Francis, New Brunswick.

By Mr. Leathers of Hermon: Resolve in favor of the town of Hampden to aid in building a road.

By Mr. Bisbee of Damariscotta: Resolve in favor of road in the town of Wiscasset.

By Mr. Perry of Saco: Resolve in favor of the city of Saco to repair and maintain the highway leading from Saco to Buxton, known as the Buxton road.

By Mr. Granville of Parsonsfield: Resolve to aid the towns of Cornish and Limerick in repairing a road.

By Mr. Ranney of Winn: Resolve in favor of the Danforth road in Prentiss.

By the same gentleman: Resolve in favor of the town of Maxfield.

By Mr. Phillips of Orrington: Resolve appropriating money for road in the town of Orrington.

By the same gentleman: Resolve appropriating money for road in the town of Eddington.

By Mr. Small of Standish: Resolve in favor of the town of Baldwin.

By Mr. Staples of Oxford: Resolve appropriating money for repair of road in the town of Paris.

By Mr. Piper of Jackman: Resolve in favor of the town of Moscow in the county of Somerset for repair and maintenance of road leading easterly from the Bingham and Moscow town line through said Moscow and joining the road leading to Dover-Foxcroft.

By Mr. Baker of Steuben: Resolve in favor of the town of Steuben for the purpose of improving a road.

By Mr. Drake of Bath: Resolve expending money to aid the town of Phippsburg, in the county of Sagadahoc, in repairing and constructing the town road from Ashdale to Sebasco.

By Mr. Dunbar of Orland: Resolve for repairing road from Five Mile Corner, so-called, to Sucker Brook, in the town of Orland.

By the same gentleman: Resolve for the repair of road, leading from town of Orland, to the town of Castine, in the town of Penobscot.

By Mr. Story of Washburn. Re-

solve for repairing road in the town of New Sweden.

By Mr. Piper of Jackman: Resolve in favor of the town of New Portland for the construction of a road.

By Mr. Dudley of Woodstock: Resolve in favor of road in the town of Peru

By Mr. Ludgate of Patten: Resolve in favor of the town of Mt. Chase, Penobscot county, Maine, to appropriate money to improve and repair the Sebois road, so-called, in said town.

By Mr. Gillespie of Meddybemps: Resolve to aid the town of Alexander in repairing road.

By Mr. Towne of Norway: Resolve to appropriate money to improve the so-called "Lake Road" in the town of Norway.

By the same gentleman: Petition of certain citizens of Norway in favor of same.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Gardiner of Gardiner, it was

Ordered, that the use of the hall of the House of Representatives be granted to the Judiciary committee for Wednesday, February 7, in the afternoon.

On motion by Mr. Granville of Parsonsfield, it was

Ordered, the Senate concurring, that there be appointed a Special Joint Committee of seven on the part of the House and three on the part of the Senate to consider the Cole report and to report to this Legislature by bill or otherwise, and to which committee may be referred bills pertaining to the Cole report.

The SPEAKER: The Chair at this time will appoint the committee created under the order just introduced by the gentleman from Parsonsfield, Mr. Granville. Messrs. Archibald of Houlton, Jones of South Portland, Stratton of Albion, Brewster of Dexter, Baker of Steuben, Granville of Parsonsfield and Morse of Bath.

On motion by Mr. Granville of Parsonsfield, it was

Ordered, that the use of the hall of the House of Representatives be granted to the Maine Automobile Association for the evening of February 6th instead of for the evening of February 7th, as heretofore ordered.

Reports of Committees

Mr. Beckett from the Committee on Public Utilities on Petition of Water Commissioners of Boothbay Harbor praying that the town of Boothbay Harbor in the county of Lincoln and state of Maine be relieved from all liability and duty to sell or furnish water for any purpose to a portion of the town of Southport in said county of Lincoln, reported that the same be placed on file.

Report read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Weeks from the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act to extend and amend the Charter of the Bangor and Brewer Steam Ferry Company" reported same in a new draft under came title and that it "ought to pass."

Mr. Hale from the Committee on Legal Affairs on Bill "An Act to establish the Kennebunk Municipal Court" reported same in a new draft under same title and that it "ought to pass."

Mr. Crafts from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game on resolve offering a reward for the recovery of the bodies of David F. Brown and Mertley E. Johnson, game wardens, who disappeared in November, 1922, and for testimony leading to the conviction of the person or persons responsible for their death, reported same in a new draft under same title and that it "ought to pass."

Reports read and accepted, and the new drafts ordered printed under the joint rule.

Mr. Morrison from the Committee on Legal Affairs reported "ought to pass" on Bill "An Act to amend Chapter 399 of the Private Laws of 1885 relating to the first, tenth and twenty-ninth Regiments Association."

Mr. Beckett from the Committee on Public Utilities reported same on Bill "An Act to relieve the town of Boothbay Harbor from all liability and duty to sell or furnish water for any purpose to a portion of the town of Southport and the inhabitants thereof, by reason of Chapter 203 of the Private and Special Laws of 1903.

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

First Reading Of Printed Bills

House 27: An Act to amend the Charter of the Augusta Water District.

House 28: An Act authorizing the town of Harrison to raise money to build a clock tower in said town.

House 32: An Act to incorporate the Boothbay Harbor school district.

House 34: An Act to increase the amount allowed for clerk hire in the office of Clerk of Courts in Franklin county.

Passed To Be Engrossed

House 24: An Act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 129 of the Private and Special Laws of 1917, entitled "An Act to amend the Charter of the York Beach Village Corporation."

House 26: An Act to amend Section 56 of Chapter 96 of the Revised Statutes relating to lien on vehicles.

House 22: Resolve in favor of Roy L. Fernald, in payment of Counsel Fees and Disbursements made by him in the Contested Representative Election case from the class towns of Searsport, Islesboro, Stockton, Prospect, Winterport and Frankfort.

House 23: Resolve in favor of Joseph A. Pendleton, in payment of Counsel Fees and Disbursements made by him in the Contested Representative Election case from the class towns of Searsport, Islesboro, Stockton, Prospect, Winterport and Frankfort.

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Tilden of Hallowell, the House voted to reconsider its action whereby it yesterday referred in concurrence to the committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs three resolves in favor of the Maine State Prison; and on further motion by the same gentleman, those resolves were referred to the committee on State Prison in non-concurrence

On motion by Mr. Blaisdell of Sullivan, it was voted to take from the table bill an act to establish a ferry across Somes Sound between Southwest Harbor and Northeast Harbor; and on further motion by the same gentleman, the bill was re-

ferred to the committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Gardiner of Gardiner, it was voted that 500 copies of the bill introduced this morning by the gentleman from Washington, Mr. Overlock, pertain-

ing to exemption from taxation, be printed.

On motion by Mr. Dilling of Easton, Adjourned until Tuesday morning, February 6 at ten o'clock.