

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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**SENATE**

Wednesday, January 24, 1923.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. H. A. Clark of Lowell.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

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

**Education**

By Mr. ALLEN of York: An Act to amend section 120 of chapter 16, relating to the appointment of the State Superintendent of Public Schools.

By The same Senator: Resolve in favor of Nasson Institute for maintenance.

By Mr. SMITH of Somerset: Resolve in favor of Anson Academy.

**Judiciary**

By Mr. BUZZELL of Waldo: An Act to amend section 76 of chapter 211 of the Public laws of 1921, relating to the publication of monthly motor vehicle registration lists.

By The same Senator: An Act to amend Section 15 of Chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the records in the Registries of Deeds. (500 copies ordered printed)

**State Lands and Forest Preservation**

By Mr. PHILLIPS of Hancock: An Act to amend Section 53 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 111 of the Public Laws 1919 and Chapter 174 of the Public Laws 1921, relative to the slash law.

**Ways and Bridges**

By Mr. CLARK of Lincoln: Resolve appropriating money to aid in building a road in the towns of Newcastle and Jefferson.

By Mr. ADAMS of Kennebec: Resolve in favor of the towns of Belgrade, Rome and Mt. Vernon for improving the Narrows Road.

**Orders of the Day**

On motion by Mr. Hinckley of Cumberland, the rules were suspended and that senator presented out of order; An Act to provide for an ad-

ditional justice for the superior court for the county of Cumberland.

On further motion by the same senator the bill was referred to the Cumberland county delegation and 500 copies ordered printed.

The PRESIDENT: It has been suggested in view of a possible bill coming a little later from the House that a recess might be taken, and the Chair will entertain that motion.

Mr. HINCKLEY of Cumberland: Mr. President, I know that many of us feel the day should not pass without something being done in regard to the coal situation, and I move that we recess until 11 o'clock.

The motion was agreed to.

**After Recess**

Senate called to order by the President.

Mr. WADSWORTH of Kennebec: Mr. President I take pleasure in announcing that the Honorable William J. Trefethen, Senator-elect from Franklin county, is present and ready to take his oath of office.

The PRESIDENT: Will the senator from Kennebec, Mr. Wadsworth, escort the senator-elect from Franklin county to the Council Chamber to take the oaths necessary to qualify him to enter upon his duties.

Senator Wadsworth retired to perform the duty with which he was charged.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

Mr. ALLEN of York: Mr. President, there was an amendment to the Constitution passed through here this morning, entitled Resolve amending the Constitution of the State of Maine so as to limit appropriations for private institutions, etc. I move that 1000 copies be printed.

The motion was agreed to.

On motion by Mr. Hinckley of Cumberland, the rules were suspended and that senator presented out of order a Resolve directing the attorney general to investigate profiteering under Chapter 76 of the Laws of 1921.

The resolve was received and on further motion by the same senator, under suspension of the rules, the resolve was read twice and was passed to be engrossed without printing or reference to a committee.

Sent down for concurrence.

Senator Wadsworth of Kennebec, reported that he had performed the duties with which he was charged.

The PRESIDENT: The Senate hears the report and welcomes the senator-elect to a seat in its midst. (Applause.)

Mr. WADSWORTH: Mr. President, I rise to a question of personal privilege.

The PRESIDENT: The senator will state the question.

Mr. WADSWORTH: Mr. President, I desire to ask the consent of the Senate that Senator Trefethen may occupy seat No. 6.

Consent was granted and Senator Trefethen will occupy seat No. 6.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair has in his hands the following resignations from committees:

Augusta, Maine, January 24, 1923.

I hereby tender my resignation as a member of the joint standing committee on insane hospitals.

(Signed) Paul H. Powers.

The resignation was accepted and the senator from Franklin, Senator Trefethen, was appointed to fill the vacancy on that committee.

The PRESIDENT: I also have the

resignation, under same date from the joint standing committee on State sanatoriums, of Stetson H. Hussey.

The resignation was accepted and the Chair appointed the senator from Franklin, Senator Trefethen, to fill the vacancy on that committee.

The PRESIDENT: I also have the resignation of Hodgdon C. Buzzell as a member of the joint standing committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation.

The resignation was accepted and the Chair appointed the senator from Franklin, Senator Trefethen, to fill the vacancy on that committee.

The PRESIDENT: Also the resignation as a member of the joint standing committee on claims, of Senator Adams of Kennebec.

The resignation was accepted and the Chair appointed the senator from Franklin, Senator Trefethen, to fill the vacancy on that committee.

The PRESIDENT: Is there anything further under orders of the day?

The Chair wants to suggest at this time if any of the senators have in mind introducing resolves relating to any matter, especially private and special matters, that the time limit has been set for February 8th, and you will bear this in mind.

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