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SENATE

Thursday, February 1, 1923.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. R. F. Lowe of Augusta.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: Ordered, the Senate concurring, that a joint select committee of five on the part of the House, with such as the Senate may join, be appointed to consider the recommendations in the report for 1922 of the State Board of Assessors, and report not later than February 20th by bill or otherwise.

In the House read and passed.

The House appointed on such committee: Messrs. Gardiner, Story, Phillips. Bartlett and Sanders.

In the Senate read and passed.

The Chair appointed as such committee on the part of the Senate: Messrs. Wilson, Wadsworth and Putnam.

Mr. CRAM of Cumberland: Mr. President, was provision made for printing in the House bill relating to the duties of boards of registration of voters, and the bill relating to Armistice day.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will state that the bill relating to boards of registration has been printed and is House Document No. 25. The bill in relation to Armistice day has not been printed.

On motion by the same senator the vote was reconsidered whereby An Act to amend Section 109 of Chapter 16, Section 33 of Chapter 40, Section 52 of Chapter 82, and Section 82 of Chapter 86 of the Revised Statutes, relating to Armistice day, November 11th, was referred to the committee on legal affairs in concurrence, and on further motion by the same senator the bill was tabled and 500 copies ordered printed pending reference in concurrence.

House Bill in First Reading

H. D. 11. An Act to revise, renew, amend and extend the charter of the Lubec and Machias Railway Company.

The following bills, petitions, etc.,

were received and on recommendation by the committee on reference of bills were referred to the following committees:

By Mr. Wilson of Aroostook: Resolve in favor of scientific investigation in agriculture in Aroostook county.

Claims

By the same senator: Resolve in favor of A. M. Currier of Seven Islands, Aroostook county, Maine.

Inland Fisheries and Game

By Mr. Kirschner of Androscoggin: An Act to amend Section 49 of Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1917, relating to the protection of wild hares or rabbits.

Judiciary

By Mr. Hussey of Aroostook: An Act to regulate the practice of the system, method or science of healing known as Chiropractic, creating a board of examination and registration for those desiring to practice the same, and providing penalties for violation of this act. (500 copies ordered printed).

By Mr. Smith of Somerset: An Act to create the Kennebec Reservoir Company and define the powers thereof.

On motion by Mr. Smith of Somerset, tabled pending reference and 1000 copies ordered printed.

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Elliott of Knox: An Act to incorporate the Knox Bar and Library Association.

Pensions

By Mr. Cram of Cumberland: Resolve providing a State pension for Mrs. Cora V. Swift of Portland.

Public Utilities

By Mr. Hussey of Aroostook: An Act to extend the charter of the Eastern Maine Railroad.

Salaries and Fees

By Mr. Speirs of Cumberland: An Act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 118 of the Revised Statutes relative to fees of the clerks of the judicial courts.

By the same senator: An Act to amend Section 40 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes relative to compensation of clerks of courts.

Taxation

By Mr. Allen of York: An Act to amend Sections 1 and 2 of Chapter 253 of the Public Laws of 1917, and Section 3 of Chapter 253 of the Public Laws of 1917 as amended by Chapter 125 of the Public Laws of 1919, relating to the collection of taxes in unorganized townships.

Ways and Bridges

By Mr. Wilson of Aroostook: Resolve appropriating money to build a bridge across Depot Stream in Township No. 13. Range 15, county of Aroostook.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Bailey of Penobscot, it was

Ordered, that the Senate Chamber be granted to the committee on military affairs on the afternoon of February 7, 1923.

Reports of Committees

Mr. Hinckley from the committee on judiciary, on An Act to amend Section 15 of Chapter 12 of the Revised Statutes, relating to the records in the registries of deeds, reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same senator from the same committee, on An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 120 of the Revised Statutes, relating to carelessly shooting human beings while engaged in hunting, reported that the same ought not to pass.

The reports were accepted.

Mr. Putnam from the committee on State lands and forest preservation, on An Act to amend Section 70 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 83 of the Public Laws of 1921, relating to forest fire fighters in the Maine forestry district, reported that the same ought to pass. (Senate Doc. No. 22).

The report was accepted, and under suspension of the rules the bill was given its first reading.

The same senator from the same committee, on An Act to amend Section 69 of Chapter 8 of the Revised Statutes as amended by Chapter 58 of the Public Laws of 1921, relating to the compensation of chief forest fire wardens and their deputies. (Senate Doc. No. 26), reported that the same ought to pass.

The report was accepted, and under

suspension of the rules the bill was given its first reading.

Orders of the Day

Mr. SARGENT of Hancock: Mr. President, Sentor Adams tabled on the 26th of January, An Act relating to the Belgrade Lakes Village Corporation. The senator wishes to have the bill taken from the table this morning. I move that it be taken from the table and referred to the committee on legal affairs in concurrence.

The motion was agreed to and the bill was so referred.

On motion by Mr. Carlton of Sagadahoc, under suspension of the rules that senator introduced a resolve amending Article 9 of the Constitution increasing the amount of bonds to be issued for the purpose of building a bridge across the Kennebec river between the city of Bath and the town of Woolwich.

On further motion by the same sentor 1000 copies were ordered printed.

The same senator, under suspension of the rules, introduced An Act to provide for building a bridge across the Kennebec river between the city of Bath and the town of Woolwich.

On further motion by the same senator the bill was tabled for printing pending reference to a committee, and 1000 copies ordered printed.

On motion by Mr. Hinckley of Cumberland. 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, was taken from the table, and on further motion by the same senator was referred to the joint committees on banks and banking and taxation, in accordance with the accepted report of the conference committee.

On motion by Mr. Allen of York,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.