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SENATE

Thursday, February 22, 1923
Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev Mary L. Hadley of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

House Bills in First Reading

House 118: An Act to amend Section 52 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Chapter 34 of the Public Laws of 1919, relating to the board of Osteopathic examination and registration.

House 121: An Act to amend Sections 4 and 5 of Chapter 188 of the Public Laws of 1919, relating to the regulation of the practice of the system, method or science of healing known as Osteopathy.

House 122: An Act to amend the charter of York Harbor Village Corporation.

House 127: An Act authorizing the town of York to raise money to aid the York Public Library Association.

House 128: An Act to extend the charter of the Quebec Extension Railway Company.

House 129: An Act to extend the charter granted to the Salisbury Cove Water Co., for the taking of water from Lake Wood, and furnishing water to the village of Salisbury Cove, for two years.

House 130: An Act to extend the charter of the R. & T. Cement Railroad.

House 123: Resolve in favor of the Commissioner of Agriculture for carrying out the provisions of Chapter 81, Public Laws of 1921.

House 124: Resolve in favor of Highmoor Farm in the town of Monmouth.

House 125: Resolve in favor of animal husbandry.

House 126: Resolve in favor of scientific investigation in agriculture in Aroostook county.

From the House: Communication from the Governor on municipal accounting.

In the House this communication was read and with accompanying papers was referred to the committee on legal affairs.

Mr. EATON of Oxford: Mr. President, a bill introduced by me, cover-

ing this matter, providing for a uniform system of municipal accounting, has been referred to the committee on Cole report. It would seem to me that this message and the accompanying papers should be referred to that committee instead of the committee on legal affairs, and I move that the Senate non-concur with the House reference and that the bill be referred to the committee on Cole report.

The motion was agreed to. Sent down for concurrence.

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

Education

By Mr Brewster of Cumberland: Petition of E. W. Kilbourne and 33 other citizens of the State of Maine in favor of a Constitutional amendment prohibiting the use of public funds for sectarian schools.

Indian Affairs

By Mr. Emery of Washington: Petition of Sopil Mitchell and eight others in favor of an overseer of the poor for the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians.

By the same Senator: Petition of Sopil Mitchell and ten others in favor of the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians.

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Putnam of Washington: An Act to amend Chapter 50 of the Public Laws of 1917, relating to warning signs at grade crossings.
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Sea and Shore Fisheries

By Mr. Emery of Washington: Remonstrance of Fred B. Spear and 23 others against the bill changing the Sea and Shore Fisheries Commission from a three to a one man commission.

By Mr. Sargent of Hancock: Remonstrance of Fred F. Crane and 168 others of Hancock county against same.

State Lands and Forest Preservation

By Mr. Eaton of Oxford: An Act to amend Section 76 of Chapter 8, Revised Statutes, relating to the Maine Forestry District.

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Orders

On motion by Mr. Kirschner of Androscoggin, it was

Ordered, that the Governor be requested to return H. D. 70, An Act amending Chapter 128 of the Private and Special Laws of 1921, amending Chapter 103 of the Private and Special Laws of 1919, amending Chapter 444 of the Private and Special Laws of 1917, relating to clerk hire in the Lewiston Municipal Court, for further consideration by the Legislature.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will state that this bill is in the possession of the Senate for such action as is desired.

On motion by Mr. Kirschner, the bill was tabled, pending further action.

Reports of Committees

Mr. Hussey from the committee on judiciary, on An Act to amend Chapter 157, Public Laws of 1921, relating to registration of voters, reported that the same ought not to pass.

The same senator from the same committee, on An Act empowering the Governor and Council to make temporary appointment of United States senator to fill vacancy, reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Phillips from the committee on salaries and fees, on An Act to amend Section 4 of Chapter 118 of the Revised Statutes relative to fees of the clerks of the judicial courts, reported that the same ought not to pass.

The reports were accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Buzzell from the committee on judiciary, on An Act to create the Kennebec Reservoir Company and define the powers thereof (Senate Doc. No. 33), reported the same in a new draft under same title, and that it ought to pass.

On motion by Mr. Speirs of Cumberland, tabled pending acceptance of the report of the committee.

Passed to be Engrossed

S. 108. An Act providing for a jeweler's lien

S. 109. An Act to amend Chapter 163, S. L. 1913, relating to a close time on lobsters in the waters of Jonesboro and Addison in Washington county.

S. 110. An Act to amend Chapter 172, S. L. 1899, relating to a close time on lobsters in Pigeon Hill Bay in the towns of Milbridge and Steuben.

S. 111. An Act to amend Chapter 121, S. L. 1915, as amended by Chapter

89, S. L. 1917, relating to a close time on lobsters in the waters of Machias Bay and adjacent waters, in the county of Washington.

S. 112. An Act to amend Chapter 350, Special Laws 1909, as amended by Chapter 84, Special Laws 1915, relating to a close time on lobsters in the bays of the towns of Gouldsboro, Eden, Trenton, Lamoine, Hancock, Sullivan and Sorrento.

S. 113. An Act to amend Chapter 122, S. L. 1915, relating to a close time on lobsters in the waters of Jonesboro and Roque Bluffs in Washington county.

S. 115. An Act to amend Chapter 154, Special Laws 1915, relating to a close time on lobsters in the towns of Cutler, Trescott and Lubec, in Washington county.

S. 114. An Act to amend Chapter 172, S. L. 1899, and amended by Chapter 259 S. L. of 1903, relating to a close time on lobster traps in the waters of Pigeon Hill Bay. (On motion by Mr. Sargent of Hancock, tabled for correction of title, pending acceptance of report of the committee on bills in the second reading).

House 103. An Act to amend Section 45 of Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1921 relative to clerk hire in the registry of deeds for York county.

House 105. An Act to legalize oaths administered by Fred A. Torrey of Stonington in the county of Hancock.

House 106. An Act to amend Section 38 of Chapter 117 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by Section 38, Chapter 219 of the Public Laws of 1921, increasing the salary of the judge of probate of Sagadahoc county.

House 102. Resolve in favor of Thomas A. Sanders, secretary to committee on appropriations and financial affairs.

House 104. Resolve in favor of Edward Gagne, secretary of the committee for School for Feeble Minded.

Orders of the Day

Mr. SPEIRS of Cumberland: Mr. President, I move that we reconsider the vote whereby we referred the water power commission bill to the Cole report committee.

The PRESIDENT: Before that motion is formally put, the Chair would like to inquire when that bill was referred to the committee?

The secretary informs the Chair that the bill was referred last Thursday and is now in the hands of the committee. A motion to reconsider would

involve suspension of the rules. The Chair may be in error as to the bill in question.

Mr. SPEIRS: Senator Brewster telephoned me that this bill went through yesterday and was referred to the Cole report committee.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will inquire of the Senator if the resolve proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Maine authorizing the conservation and storage of water within the State is the bill referred to?

Mr. SPEIRS: No, it is not.

The PRESIDENT: The other bill apparently went to the committee last Thursday and is in the hands of the committee. Does the Senator withdraw his motion?

Mr. SPEIRS: I withdraw the motion.

On motion by Mr. Ryder of Piscataquis, H. D. 88, resolve appropriating money for rebuilding steamship sheds at the State pier, tabled by him February 20, was taken from the table.

Mr. RYDER: Mr. President, I now yield to the senator from Cumberland, Mr. Cram.

Mr. CRAM: Mr. President, I move that the report of the committee on bills in the second reading on this H. D. 88 be accepted.

The motion was agreed to and on further motion by the same senator the bill was given its second reading and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Elliot of Knox,
Adjourned until tommorrow morning
at 10 o'clock.