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SENATE

Friday, February 22, 1929.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. J. R. Clifford of Gardiner.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

On motion by Mr. Harriman of Kennebec, out of order and under suspension of the rules, it was

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to Tuesday, February 26, at four o'clock in the afternoon.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the foregoing order came back from the House, read and passed in concurrence.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will state that without doubt when the Senate and House adjourn next Friday they will adjourn over the week-end until Tuesday morning instead of until Tuesday afternoon at four o'clock as we have been doing and the Chair will suggest the importance of filling in Tuesday afternoon as much as possible with committee hearings and the Chair hopes that the committees will advertise as many hearings for that day as may conveniently be taken care of.

From the House: Resolve in favor of the town of Howland. (H. P. 929)

(In Senate, February 7, referred to Committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.)

In the House, recalled to that body and referred to the Committee on Claims in non-concurrence.

In the Senate, that body voted to recede from its former action whereby this resolve was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges and the resolve was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

From the House: An Act to extend the time for taking of smelts in the tidal waters of Stonington and Deer Isle, in the county of Hancock. (H. D. 316.)

(In Senate, February 15, passed to be engrossed in concurrence.)

In the House, passed to be engrossed as amended by House

Amendment "A" in non-concurrence.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Littlefield of York, tabled pending concurrent action.

From the House the following order:

Ordered, the House concurring, that five thousand copies of the Report of the Agricultural Survey Committee of the Maine Development Commission on Progress in Maine Agriculture, 1850 to 1920, be purchased under the direction of the State Superintendent of Public Printing and the cost thereof be made a part of the contingent expenses of the Eighty-fourth Legislature.

(In Senate, February 19, read and passed.)

In the House, passed as amended by House Amendment "A" in non-concurrence, said House "A" reading as follows:

"House Amendment 'A' to Joint Order 'relative to the purchase of five thousand copies of the report of the Maine Development Commission on Progress in Maine Agriculture,' by striking out at the end thereof the words 'made a part of the contingent expenses of the eighty-fourth legislature' and inserting in place thereof the words 'taken from any other fund in the treasury not otherwise appropriated . . .'"

In the Senate on motion by Mr. Spear of Cumberland, that body reconsidered its former action whereby the order was read and passed and on further motion by the same Senator House Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence and the order as so amended received passage.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

House Bills in First Reading

Resolve in favor of the town of Orono to assist in the support of pauper. (H. D. 396.)

On motion by Mrs. Allen of Penobscot the rules were suspended and the members of the Senate were allowed to smoke.

An act to amend paragraph XVII of section six of chapter one of the Revised Statutes, relating to rules

of construction; corporate seals. (H. D. 395.)

An act relating to rules of construction; signatures. (H. D. 394.)

An act relating to the regulation of the practice of the system, method or science of healing known as Osteopathy. (H. D. 358.)

(Came from the House, passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment "A," as amended by House Amendment "A," thereto.)

In the Senate, the report was read and accepted in concurrence; House Amendment "A," amending House Amendment "A," adopted in concurrence; House Amendment "A," as amended by House Amendment "A" thereto, adopted in concurrence; the bill was read once and Tuesday assigned for second reading.

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

Banks and Banking

By Mr. Crockett of York: An act relating to investments in industrial bonds by savings banks. (S. P. 546)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent down for concurrence.

Education

By the same Senator: An act to amend section 38 of chapter 16 of the Revised Statutes relating to duties of superintending school committees. (S. P. 547)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent down for concurrence.

Inland Fisheries and Game

By Mr. Campbell of Washington: Remonstrance of W. N. Nash of Addison, Maine, and 18 others (S. P. 548); remonstrance of H. B. Densmore of Milbridge, Maine, and 18 others (S. P. 549); remonstrance of H. F. Leighton of Steuben, Maine, and 20 others (S. P. 550) against Senate Document No. 128, prohibiting transportation of live rabbits outside the State.

By Mr. Greenleaf of Androscoggin: Remonstrance of A. A. Smith and 3 others against the closing of Swift River tributaries to fishing. (S. P. 551)

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. WEATHERBEE of Penobscot: Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent for suspension of

the rules that I may introduce a resolve. I will say that this resolve provides for compensation to the representative of the Passamaquoddy tribe of Indians for his attendance here at this session.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Penobscot, Senator Weatherbee, asks unanimous consent of the Senate that under suspension of the rules he may be permitted to introduce a resolve. Is this the pleasure of the Senate?

Unanimous consent was given and under suspension of the rules Mr. Weatherbee of Penobscot introduced Resolve in favor of Newell Lewey, Representative of the Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indians; and on motion by that Senator the resolve was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs.

Sent down for concurrence.

Legal Affairs

By Mr. Oakes of Cumberland: Petition of Arthur Smith and 35 others (S. P. 552); petition of M. J. Peters and 32 others (S. P. 553); petition of John W. Turner and 33 others (S. P. 554); petition of M. L. Robinson and 11 others (S. P. 555) against Act to create Board of Registration of Master Plumbers.

By Mr. Wheeler of Oxford: An act in relation to the rights of creditors and beneficiaries under policies of life and accident insurance and under annuity contracts. (S. P. 556)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Sent down for concurrence.

Taxation

By Mr. Crosby of Penobscot: Remonstrances of S. W. Staples of Dexter and 17 others (S. P. 557) against the levying of any additional gasoline tax;

By Mr. Minott of Cumberland: Remonstrance of George M. Bracy of Alfred, Maine, and 25 others (S. P. 558); remonstrance of Andrew Ouellette of Brunswick, Maine, and 90 others (S. P. 559) against the same.

Sent down for concurrence.

Ways and Bridges

By Mr. Crosby of Penobscot: Petition of Frank Witham and others of Dexter (S. P. 560); in favor of Jackman-Greenville highway.

By Mr. Douglas of Hancock: Petition of John M. O'Connell of Ban-

gor and others (S. P. 561) in favor of the same.

Sent down for concurrence.

Bills in First Reading

An act to incorporate the Sabatut Water and Sewer District. (S. D. 206)

Resolve providing for an honorarium for Otis O. Roberts of Dexter, one of two surviving holders in Maine of the Congressional Medal of Honor, for services rendered in the Civil War. (S. D. 215)

An act relating to appropriations for public and private hospitals. (S. D. 216)

Resolve to change the name of Birch Island in Sebago Lake to Grey Boulder Island. (S. D. 217)

Reports of Committees

Mr. Crockett, from the Committee on Education, on Resolve in favor of the Trustees of the University of Maine (S. D. 17) reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Minott, from the Committee on Public Utilities, on bill An act relating to the location of ways crossing railroad tracks and station grounds (S. D. 117) reported that the same ought to pass.

The same Senator, from the same Committee, on bill An act providing for inspection, registration and safety of vessels engaged in inland navigation under the jurisdiction of the Public Utilities Commission (S. D. 146) reported that the same ought to pass.

The reports were severally read and accepted, the bills and resolves each read once and Tuesday assigned for second reading.

Mr. Campbell, from the Committee on Sea and Shore Fisheries, on bill An act making it unlawful to fish for smelts in certain parts of Washington and Hancock Counties (S. D. 99) reported the same in a new draft, under the same title (S. P. 562) and that it ought to pass.

Mr. Littlefield, from the same Committee, on bill An act relating to the digging of clams in the town of Wells (S. P. 337) reported the same in a new draft, under the same title (S. P. 563) and that it ought to pass.

The reports were severally read and accepted and the bills laid up-

on the table for printing under the joint rules.

Passed to be Engrossed

An act relating to inventory of exempt live stock and fowl. (H. D. 33)

Resolve in favor of John S. Nelson. Representative of the Penobscot Tribe of Indians. (H. D. 385)

Resolve providing for a state pension for Angie N. Willard of West Gardiner. (H. D. 375)

Resolve providing for an increase in state pension for Mrs. Alfred Polk of Lewiston. (H. D. 374)

An act to extend the charter of the Pattan Water and Power Company. (H. D. 376)

An act relating to the manner of signing certificates of shares. (H. D. 172)

Resolve to repeal a resolve providing for a state pension for Ivanilla Nute of Lewiston. (H. D. 378)

Resolve providing for an increase in state pension for Frank A. Choate of Montville. (H. D. 379)

An act to amend the charter of Farmington Falls Electric Company. (H. D. 380)

An act to extend the charter granted to the Sandy River and Rangeley Lakes Railway Company. (H. D. 381)

An act to authorize the Forest Commissioner to sell a part of the public lot in Lakeville Plantation in Penobscot County. (H. D. 382)

Resolve to modify the conditions of the gift from B. C. Jordan to the State of Maine for the purpose of encouraging cultivation of forests. (H. D. 384)

Resolve authorizing the Forest Commissioner to convey to the Gould Electric Company a certain piece of land on the public lot in township ten, range four, west of the east line of the State, Aroostook County. (H. D. 383)

(On motion by Mr. Weeks of Somerset, tabled pending passage to be engrossed)

An act to incorporate the Eastport Water District. (H. D. 365)

An act authorizing the city of Portland to provide by ordinance for the retirement, pension and annuity to dependents, of members

of the Police and Fire Departments. (H. D. 360)

An act concerning guardianship of incompetent veterans and of minor children of disabled or deceased veterans, and the commitment of veterans and to make uniform the law with reference thereto. (H. D. 364)

(On motion by Mr. Slocum of Cumberland, tabled pending second reading)

Resolve in favor of Abbie A. Norton for state pension. (H. D. 386)

An act relating to the appointment of trustees of normal schools. (S. D. 26)

An act relating to Board of Registration in Optometry. (S. D. 65)

An act relating to the employment of convicts in the State Prison. (S. D. 72)

An act to change the name of Ward Pond in the town of Sidney, Maine to Ward Lake. (S. D. 122)

An act providing for the appointment of clerks of courts. (S. D. 34)

(On motion by Mr. Harriman of Kennebec, tabled pending passage to be engrossed)

Additional papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

Passed to be Enacted

An act to empower the Treasurer of Kennebec County to pay an additional compensation to the Recorder of Gardiner Municipal Court. (H. D. 53)

An act relating to clerk hire in the office of the Register of Probate in Androscoggin County. (S. D. 156)

Orders of the Day

Mrs. PINKHAM of Aroostook: Mr. President, I rise to ask the unanimous consent of the Senate to the withdrawal of an act introduced by me yesterday amending Section 98 of Chapter 167 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Maine on State Aid to Academies. My reason for this request is that after the bill had been introduced I discovered an inconsistency in it and also that some restrictive clauses that I intended to have eliminated from the final draft were left in. To allow the first act to go along would of course cause unnecessary confusion as well as the expense of printing and advertising.

The PRESIDENT: The Senator from Aroostook, Senator Pinkham, asks unanimous consent of the Senate that she may be permitted to withdraw a bill that was introduced by her yesterday, An act to amend Section 98 of Chapter 167 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Maine on State Aid to Academies. Is it the pleasure of the Senate that the request of the Senator be granted?

Unanimous consent to the withdrawal of this act was granted.

The PRESIDENT: Is there anything that can be taken from the table under orders of the day?

On motion by Mr. Harriman of Kennebec,

Adjourned until Tuesday afternoon, February 26th, at four o'clock.