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SENATE

Wednesday, February 25, 1931
Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. J. N. Besson of Hallowell.

Journal of yesterday read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House:

An act relating to descriptive roadside signs indicating names of rivers, lakes, etc (H. P. 1168)

In the House, received out of order and under suspension of the rules and by unanimous consent; referred by it to the Committee on Maine Publicity.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. St. Clair of Knox, tabled pending reference in concurrence.

House Bills in First Reading

Resolve in favor of the town of Frankfort. (H. P. 49, L. D. 700)

Resolve in favor of town of Stockton Springs. (H. P. 69, L. D. 698)

An act to amend the charter of the Big Black River Dam Co. (H. P. 571, L. D. 701)

An act to enlarge the powers of Richardson Wharf Company. (H. P. 582, L. D. 702)

An act to legalize and make valid certain doings of the Cumberland Bar Association. (H. P. 1132, L. D. 707)

An act relating to the property of extinct or disbanded Universalist churches, parishes or societies. (H. P. 584, L. D. 704)

An act to amend the charter of the city of Saco. (H. P. 602, L. D. 205)

An act relating to liability for support of a pauper in the town of Gouldsboro. (H. P. 617, L. D. 703)

An act to authorize the city of South Portland to pass ordinances to regulate cemeteries and burials. (H. P. 620, L. D. 705)

An act to amend the charter of the city of Portland. (H. P. 212, L. D. 122)

From the House:

The Committee on Pensions on Resolve providing for a state pen-

sion for Cora B. Young, of South Berwick, (H. P. 220, L. D. 699), reported that the same ought to pass.

In the House, report read and accepted and the resolve given its first reading.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Small of Waldo, recommitted to the Committee on Pensions in non-concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

The following petition was received and on recommendation by the committee on reference of bills was referred to the following committee:

Public Health

Mr. St. Clair of Knox: Petition of N. J. Anzalone and 29 others in favor of H. P. 127, L. D. 52, An act to register and license persons engaged in the practice of barbering and to create a Board of Barber Examiners. (S. P. 517)

Sent down for concurrence.

Bill in First Reading

An act to authorize York Harbor village to appropriate money to improve a certain part of York river; also to appoint an inspector of buildings. (S. P. 509 L. D. 752)

Committee Reports

Mr. Crosby from the Committee on Legal Affairs on bill An act to authorize Bliss Business College of Lewiston, Maine to confer certain degrees. (S. P. 321, L. D. 297); reported that the same ought not to pass.

Mr. Southard from the same Committee on bill An act to fix the license fees to be paid by traveling circus. (S. P. 323, L. D. 299); reported that the same ought not to pass.

Which reports were read and accepted.

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Bissett from the Committee on State School for Boys, State School for Girls and State Reformatories on bill An act relating to the State School for Girls. (S. P. 235); reported the same in a new draft (S. P. 518) under the same title and that it ought to pass.

Mr. McLean from the same Committee on bill An act in favor of the State School for Boys. (S. P. 238); reported the same in a new draft (S. P. 519) under the same title and that it ought to pass.

Mr. St. Clair from the same Com-

mittee on bill An act relating to the State School for Boys. (S. P. 240); reported the same in a new draft (S. P. 520) under the same title and that it ought to pass.

Mr. McLean from the same Committee on bill An act relating to salary of Superintendent of State School for Boys. (S. P. 370); reported that the same ought to pass.

Mr. Campbell from the Committee on Ways and Bridges on bill An act relating to a State Aid road in the town of Sangerville. (S. P. 341); reported that the same ought to pass.

Which reports were severally read and accepted and the bills and new drafts laid upon the table for printing under joint rules.

Mr. Bishop from the Committee on Public Utilities on bill An act relating to whistles on railroad locomotives. (S. P. 368, L. D. 389); reported that the same ought to pass.

Which report was read and accepted, the bill read once and tomorrow assigned for second reading.

Mr. Towle from the same Committee on bill An act to extend the rights, and privileges of the Sabatatus Water and Sewer District. (S. P. 345); reported the same in a new draft (S. P. 521) under the same title and that it ought to pass.

Which report was read and accepted and the new draft laid upon the table for printing under joint rules.

Order

On motion by Mr. Page of Somerset, it was

ORDERED, the House Concurring, that for the purpose of facilitating the business of the 85th Legislature and of providing for fair consideration in the separate Houses of Resolves carrying the appropriation of money for special purposes all committees having under consideration resolves available for report in blanket form are hereby requested and instructed to report in blanket form on or before Thursday, March 19th all Resolves now before them which have been heard and considered, and

FURTHER ORDERED, that all such committees be requested to make their reports on such Resolves as cannot be then reported so that each separate item may be separately considered.

Sent down for concurrence.

Passed to be Engrossed

An act to authorize the merging of Pine Grove Cemetery of Portland with Evergreen Cemetery of Portland, Maine. (H. P. 610, L. D. 210)

An act relating to organization of Trust Companies. (H. P. 691, L. D. 223)

An act relating to qualifications of Trust Company directors. (H. P. 692, L. D. 224)

An act relating to increase of capital stock of Trust Companies. (H. P. 722, L. D. 253)

An act to repeal the special law relating to political caucuses in the city of Bangor. (H. P. 746, L. D. 267)

Resolve providing for an increase in state pension for Lorenzo D. Wright of Fairfield. (S. P. 145, L. D. 725)

An act relating to the construction of a road in the town of Guilford. (S. P. 246, L. D. 726)

Resolve providing for a state pension for Susie W. Morse of Auburn. (S. P. 497, L. D. 727)

Resolve providing for a state pension for Heslyn York of Freedom. (S. P. 498, L. D. 728)

Resolve providing for a state pension for Florence H. Baker of Liberty. (S. P. 499, L. D. 729)

Resolve providing for a state pension for Lottie McFarland of Searsmont. (S. P. 500, L. D. 730)

Resolve providing for a state pension for Nellie E. Turner of Auburn. (S. P. 501, L. D. 731)

An act to amend an act incorporating Alna Lodge. (S. P. 507, L. D. 734)

Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Slocum of Cumberland, the Senate voted to take from the table, An act relating to sealers of weights and measures (S. P. 510), tabled by that senator on February 24th pending reference; and on further motion by the same senator the bill was referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Page of Somerset, the Senate voted to take from the table, Resolve providing for payment of certain amounts due exhibitors at Central Maine Fair Ass'n., in 1929 (L. D. 513), tabled by that senator on February 18th pending second reading; and on

further motion by the same senator the resolve received its second reading and was passed to be engrossed. Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Southard of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table, House Report, "Ought to Pass" from the Committee on Taxation, on H. P. 711, L. D. 233. An act relating to taxation of shares of stock of Trust and Banking Companies, tabled on February 20th by that senator pending acceptance of report; and on further motion by the same senator the report was accepted. Thereupon, that senator offered Senate Amendment "A" to L. D. 233.

"Senate Amendment A. Legislative Document No. 233 is hereby amended by striking out 'or by corporations' in the third line and inserting after 'located' in the fifth line 'and if owned by a corporation shall be returned by the treasurer of state as aforesaid to the town in which the last individual owner in this state resided on April first in accordance with the certificate furnished by said trust or banking institution' and striking from the eighth and ninth lines the following 'the tax so assessed upon the shares of stock of such trust company or banking institution owned by corporations' and inserting in place thereof 'those owned by a corporation' so that said section as amended shall read as follows:

"Section 78. The tax so assessed upon the shares of such trust company or banking institution owned by non-residents shall be returned by the treasurer of state, on or before the first day of August, to the municipality in which such trust company or banking institution is located and if owned by a corporation shall be returned by the treasurer of state as aforesaid to the town in which the last individual owner in this state resided on April first in accordance with the certificate furnished by said trust company or banking institution; and the tax so assessed upon the shares of resident stockholders of such trust company or banking institution, except those owned by a corporation, shall be returned by the treasurer of state, on or before the first day of August, to the municipality in which such stockholders reside."

Mr. SOUTHARD of Kennebec: Mr. President, I yield to the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Carter.

Thereupon, on motion by Mrs. Carter of Androscoggin, the bill and the amendment were laid upon the table pending adoption of the amendment and five hundred copies ordered printed.

On motion by Mr. Towle of Kennebec, the Senate voted to take from the table, An act to exempt U. S. government mail carriers from the gasoline tax (S. P. 516), tabled by that Senator on February 24th pending reference; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Littlefield of York, the Senate voted to take from the table, An act relative to court jurisdiction of violations; transmission of fines (L. D. 716), tabled by that Senator on February 24th pending second reading; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Spear of Cumberland, the Senate voted to take from the table, An act increasing the salary of the Governor, and abolishing the Governor's personal contingent fund (L. D. 687), tabled by that Senator on February 20th pending reference; and on further motion by the same Senator the bill was referred to the Committee on Salaries and Fees in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Kitchen of Aroostook, the Senate voted to take from the table, Joint Order, relative to Old Age Compensation, tabled by that Senator on February 18th pending adoption of Senate Amendment "A."

Mr. KITCHEN of Aroostook: Mr. President, I yield to the Senator from Androscoggin, Senator Carter.

Thereupon, on motion by Mrs. Carter of Androscoggin, that Senator was given unanimous consent to withdraw the amendment; and on further motion by the same Sen-

ator the joint order was referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

On motion by Mrs. Carter of Androscoggin, the Senate voted to take from the table, Resolve creating an Old Age Pension Recess Committee, (L. D. 357), tabled by that Senator on February 10th pending reference in concurrence; and on further motion by the same Senator the resolve was referred to the Committee on Pensions in concurrence.

Mr. BISSETT of Cumberland: As a point of information, Mr. President, I would like to inquire if

these two last matters that came from the House were referred by that body to the Committee on Pensions?

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will state that the first matter, the joint order relative to old age compensation, is an order and was referred in the House to the Committee on Pensions. The second matter, L. D. 357, is a resolve and that was also referred in the House to the Committee on Pensions.

On motion by Mr. Leland of Piscataquis,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.