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Legislative Record

OF THE

Eighty-Sixth Legislature

OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

Special Session, November 6, 1934

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SENATE

Augusta, Maine.

Tuesday, November 6, 1934.

In compliance with a proclamation of His Excellency, the Governor, Louis J. Brann, the Senators convened in the Senate Chamber at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. Herbert E. P. Pressey of Augusta.

By direction of the President, the Secretary read the proclamation:

STATE OF MAINE

Proclamation by the Governor
SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE SESSION

WHEREAS, it appears advisable that the Legislature of this State should meet in special session for the following purpose:

To act upon legislation for the regulation and control of the manufacture, transportation and sale of intoxicating liquors in lieu of present prohibitory laws;

I, THEREFORE, by virtue of the power vested in me as Governor, convene the Legislature of this State, hereby requiring Senators and Representatives to assemble in their respective chambers at the Capitol, at Augusta, on Tuesday, the sixth day of November, 1934, at ten o'clock A. M.

Given at the office of the Governor and sealed with the Great Seal of the State of Maine this twenty-ninth day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four and in the one hundred and fifty-ninth year of the Independence of the United States of America.

(Seal) LOUIS J. BRANN,
Governor.

By the Governor
ROBINSON C. TOBEY,
Secretary of State.

Which was read and ordered placed on file.

Roll Call

The roll being called by the Secretary, the following Senators responded to their names:

Abbott, Angell, Bartlett, Blaisdell, Bissett, Cooper, Farnsworth, Fernandez, Gay, Harmon, Hathaway, Holman, Jackson, Kitchen, Little-

field, McDonald, McLoon, Murchie, Page, Pillsbury, Schnurle, Seavey, Story, Towle, Weatherbee, Weeks, Weymouth, Winn, Viles.

The President announced that a quorum was present.

Mr. Bissett of Cumberland presented the following resolution, out of order:

The Senate of Maine pauses in the opening hours of this special session to record its appreciation of the life and character of its fellow member, Senator Frank H. Robie, one of the Senators from the County of Cumberland who died May 25, 1934. The sudden passing of Senator Robie brought grief to his associates, his friends and his family.

Therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Senate, that in the death of Senator Robie the State of Maine lost an exemplary citizen and the Senate a most useful member.

RESOLVED, that an engrossed copy of this memorial, signed by the President of the Senate be sent to Mrs. Robie as a pledge of our respect and friendship for our late colleague.

RESOLVED, that these resolutions be spread in full upon the record.

Which resolution was read and adopted.

On motion by Mr. Viles of Kennebec, it was

ORDERED, that a message be conveyed to the House of Representatives informing that body that a quorum of Senators is present for the consideration of such business as may come before the Senate.

The Secretary conveyed the message.

A message was received from the House of Representatives, by Mr. Pease, its Clerk, informing the Senate that a quorum of the Representatives is present for the consideration of such business as may come before that body.

On motion by Mr. Blaisdell of Hancock, it was

ORDERED, that a message be sent to His Excellency, the Governor, informing him that in obedience to his proclamation, a quorum of Senators is assembled in the Senate Chamber for the considera-

tion of such business as may come before the Senate.

The President appointed Senators Blaisdell of Hancock, Abbott of York and McDonald of Washington to convey the message.

The Committee retired, and subsequently reported that they had delivered the message with which they were charged.

On motion by Mr. Page of Somerset, it was

ORDERED, that the Secretary of the Senate be directed to invite the clergymen of Augusta, Hallowell and Gardiner to officiate as chaplains of the Senate during the present session.

On motion by Mr. Pillsbury of Kennebec, it was

ORDERED, that Charles P. Lyford, of Augusta, be appointed official reporter of the Senate for the special session.

On motion by Mr. Story of Aroostook, it was

ORDERED, that the Secretary of the Senate be authorized to procure the services of two stenographers during the special session, and for the preparation of the Senate Journal.

On motion by Mr. Winn of Androscoggin, it was

ORDERED, the House concurring, that three hundred and fifty copies of the Legislative Record for the last special session of 1934 be printed and bound, one copy each for the members and officers of the Senate and House of Representatives, and the remainder to be deposited in the State Library for exchange and library purposes, and be it further

ORDERED, that three hundred and fifty copies of the Legislative Record be printed in pamphlet form for distribution from day to day to members of the Legislature and the departments under the direction of the document clerk.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

On motion by Mr. Weatherbee of Penobscot, it was

ORDERED, the House concurring, that all bills introduced during the

present session be limited to those pertaining to intoxicating liquors, that all such bills be in the office of the Secretary of the Senate or Clerk of the House not later than five P. M. Nov. 6, 1934.

That all such bills be referred to the joint standing committee on Temperance.

That hearings on all such bills be held in the House of Representatives on Thursday, Nov. 8, 1934, at 10 A. M. and that said Committee report on all such bills not later than Friday, November 9, 1934 at 11 A. M.

Sent down for concurrence.

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

On motion by Mr. Jackson of Sagadahoc, it was

ORDERED, that the Senate Reporter be authorized to employ a typist during the special session.

On motion by Mr. Schnurle of Cumberland, it was

ORDERED, that a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a Joint Convention to be held forthwith in the Hall of the House for the purpose of extending an invitation to the Governor to attend the convention and present such communication as he may be pleased to make.

The Secretary conveyed the message.

Subsequently a message was received from the House, by Mr. Pease, its Clerk, concurring in the foregoing proposition for a Joint Convention.

The Senate then proceeded to the House of Representatives where a Convention was formed.

(For proceedings of Joint Convention see House Report.)

IN THE SENATE

The Senate was called to order by the President.

The President laid before the Senate Bill "An Act to promote temperance in the use of alcoholic beverages and to control, license and regulate the manufacture, transportation, possession, purchase and sale of alcoholic beverages and alcohol within the state and providing for local option in cities and towns. (S. P. 1)

The PRESIDENT: The Chair will

state that this bill was referred to this session of the Legislature by the last Special Session of the Legislature and has been identified by the Secretary as Senate Paper No. 1.

The Chair understands that under the terms of the joint order adopted this morning, which has not yet been acted upon by the House, this bill would be automatically referred to the Committee on Temperance if the order is adopted in concurrence. Pending receipt of notice of the action of the House the Chair suggests that this matter lie temporarily on the table.

Thereupon, the bill was laid upon the table.

Subsequently the bill was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Papers from the House read and passed in concurrence.

The following bill was received and in accordance with the joint order passed earlier in today's session was referred to the following committee:

Committee on Temperance

Mr. Viles of Kennebec presented bill "An Act authorizing the licensing of distilleries, breweries and wineries." (S. P. 2)

(1,000 copies ordered printed.)

On motion by Mr. Littlefield of York, it was

Ordered, the House concurring, that a fountain pen be furnished to each member and officer of the House and Senate.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, on motion by Mr. Viles of Kennebec, the foregoing order was recalled from the possession of the House and on further motion by the same Senator the Senate voted to reconsider its action taken earlier in today's session whereby this order was passed, and the order was laid upon the table pending consideration.

On motion by Mr. Weeks of Somerset,

Recessed, until 5 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTER RECESS

The Senate was called to order by the President.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Blaisdell of Hancock,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.