

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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OF THE

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OF THE

STATE OF MAINE

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**HOUSE**

Wednesday, February 6, 1935.

The House met according to adjournment and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Carlton M. Fisher of Kingfield.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

From the Senate:

The following order: (S. P. No. 376)

**ORDERED.** The House concurring, that a committee consisting of seven members of the 87th Legislature be appointed, three of whom shall be Senators appointed by the President of the Senate and four of whom shall be members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker of the House, which said Committee shall assist the people of the County of York and any officers of said County or committees appointed for the purpose of arranging for, and holding a fitting celebration in said County of York during the year 1936 of the three hundredth anniversary of the organization of York County. Said members shall serve without compensation and any expenses incurred by them as members of the committee shall be paid to them from the contingent fund of the State.

Comes from the Senate read and passed with the following members appointed on its part:

Messrs. Carl of York, Burkett of Cumberland, Blaisdell of Hancock.

In the House read and passed in concurrence, and the Speaker appointed the following members on the part of the House:

Messrs. Wentworth of Kennebunk, Vaughan of South Berwick, Hill of South Portland, and Hastings of Bethel.

Papers from the Senate disposed of in concurrence.

From the Senate: Bill an act relating to the trapping season in the southern counties, S. P. 351.

Comes from the Senate referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Thompson of Chelsea referred to the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game in concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed.

From the Senate: Resolve in favor of Marion Cobb Fuller of Augusta, S. P. 335.

Comes from the Senate referred to the Committee on Pensions.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Donovan of Lewiston referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in non-concurrence.

**Senate Bills in First Reading**

S. P. 88, L. D. 183: An act to extend the charter of the Quebec Extension Railway Company.

S. P. 92, L. D. 182: An act authorizing the Adjutant-General to grant a permit to the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company at Camp Keyes.

**Communication from the State Controller**

**STATE OF MAINE  
Department of Finance**

February 5, 1935.

To the Honorable Members of the House:

I am enclosing summary of detail of expenditures made from the Contingent Fund; Summer Visitors' Day; State of Maine Concert; and the expenditures made by the members of the Governor's Council.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) W. A. RUNNELLS  
State Controller.

Read and ordered placed on file.

The SPEAKER: You will find on your desks a complete summary of this report.

The following bills, resolves and petitions were received and upon recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills were referred to the following committees:

**Claims**

Resolve in favor of Archie M. Curtis of Leeds (H. P. No. 1165) (Presented by Mr. Campbell of Leeds)

Resolve in favor of the town of St. George (H. P. No. 1166) (Presented by Mr. Elliot of Thomaston by request)

Resolve in favor of the town of Anson (H. P. No. 1167) (Presented by Mr. Jillson of Anson)

Resolve to reimburse the town of Dexter for support of Everett Hartford (H. P. No. 1168) (Presented by Mr. Martin of Dexter)

### Education

An act relating to the qualifications of teachers (H. P. No. 1169) (Presented by Mr. Hammond of Strong)

(500 copies ordered printed)

Resolve in favor of Oak Grove Seminary in Vassalboro (H. P. No. 1170) (Presented by Mr. Crosby of Vassalboro)

### Inland Fisheries and Game

Resolve relating to fishing in Great Meadow Stream (H. P. No. 1171) (Presented by Mr. Davis of Fairfield)

Resolve regulating ice fishing in Pleasant Pond in the counties of Kennebec and Sagadahoc (H. P. No. 1172) (Presented by Mr. Thompson of Chelsea)

Resolve regulating fishing in tributaries to Pleasant Pond in Kennebec and Sagadahoc Counties (H. P. No. 1173) (Presented by same gentleman)

### Judiciary

An act relative to size of mirrors on motor vehicles (H. P. No. 1174) (Presented by Mr. Mace of Augusta)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act to require constables and collectors of taxes to be bonded by a surety company (H. P. No. 1175) (Presented by Mr. Seabury of Yarmouth)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act to require city and town treasurers to be bonded by a surety company (H. P. No. 1176) (Presented by same gentleman)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act relating to law court briefs (H. P. No. 1177) (Presented by Mr. Haskell of Windham)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act relating to mortgages of personal property (H. P. No. 1178) (Presented by Mr. Philbrick of Cape Elizabeth)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act to provide for jury commissioners (H. P. No. 1179) (Presented by same gentleman)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act relating to the licensing of persons operating motor vehicles upon highways and to make uniform the law relating thereto (H. P. No. 1180) (Presented by same gentleman)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act relating to the counting and sealing of ballots (H. P. No.

1181) (Presented by Mr. Hill of So. Portland)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act to authorize various corporations to act as trustees (H. P. No. 1182) (Presented by Mr. Davis of Fairfield)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act in relation to new trials and vacating judgments (H. P. No. 1183) (Presented by same gentleman)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act providing for mortgages on personal property to secure loans from Government agencies and others (H. P. No. 1184) (Presented by Mr. Finden of Fort Fairfield)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act to authorize separate judgments on separate counts (H. P. No. 1185) (Presented by Mr. Davis of Fairfield)

(500 copies ordered printed)

An act to eliminate the reckless and irresponsible driver from the highway (H. P. No. 1186) (Presented by Mr. Philbrick of Cape Elizabeth)

(1000 copies ordered printed)

### Pensions

Resolve providing for a State pension for Mary J. Wescott of Castine (H. P. No. 1187) (Presented by Mr. Devereux of Penobscot)

Resolve providing for a pension for Julia Heath of Augusta (H. P. No. 1188) (Presented by Mr. Mace of Augusta)

Resolve providing for a pension for Thomas W. Michaud (H. P. No. 1189) (Presented by Mr. Mallett of Lee)

### Public Health

An act relating to the sale of prophylactic rubber goods for the prevention of venereal and other diseases (H. P. No. 1190) (Presented by Mr. Demers of Sanford)

(500 copies ordered printed)

### Salaries and Fees

An act relating to clerk hire in county offices (H. P. No. 1191) (Presented by Mr. Philbrick of Cape Elizabeth)

(500 copies ordered printed)

### Ways and Bridges

Petition of S. O. Colby of Paris and 63 others in favor of L. D. No. 13, an act relating to snow removal on R. F. D. routes (H. P. No. 1192) (Presented by Mr. Russ of Woodstock)

Petition of Llewellyn B. Emmons of Greenwood and 24 others in favor of same (H. P. No. 1193) (Presented by same gentleman)

Resolve in favor of the town of Wayne (H. P. No. 1194) (Presented by Mr. Newton of Readfield)

Resolve in favor of the town of Wayne (H. P. No. 1195) (Presented by same gentleman)

**Reports of Committees**

Mr. Chase from the Committee on Education on bill an act relating to schooling of children on Government Reservations (H. P. No. 138) (L. D. No. 40) reported that same ought not to pass as legislation is inexpedient.

Report read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Chase of Baring from the Committee on Legal Affairs on bill an act to provide a Town Council and Manager Form of Government for the town of Ashland in the county of Aroostook (H. P. No. 65) (L. D. No. 21) reported same in a new draft (H. P. No. 1196) under same title and that it ought to pass.

Report read and accepted and the new draft ordered printed under the Joint Rules.

Mr. Clarke from the Committee on Agriculture reported ought to pass on bill an act to authorize the Farm Land Loan Commission to make certain funds available for the Commissioner of Agriculture (H. P. No. 419) (L. D. No. 112)

Report read and accepted and the bill having already been printed was read twice under suspension of the rules and tomorrow assigned.

**First Reading of a Printed Bill**

H. P. 1110, L. D. 320: An act relating to corporations without capital stock.

**Passed to be Engrossed**

(H. P. No. 73) (L. D. No. 23) An act relating to the taking of clams in Cranberry Isles.

(H. P. No. 201) (L. D. No. 62) An act relating to the transfer of trust funds.

**Passed to be Enacted**

**(Emergency Measure)**

S. P. 86, L. D. 14: An act to amend the law relating to savings banks investments.

The SPEAKER: This being an emergency measure, it is necessary that it have the affirmative vote of

two-thirds the entire membership of the House. All those in favor of the passage of this bill to be enacted will rise and stand in their places until counted, and the monitors will make and return the count.

A division was had,

One hundred and forty-four voting in the affirmative, and none in the negative, the bill was passed to be enacted.

**(Emergency Measure)**

S. P. 173, L. D. 95: An act to amend the law relating to industrial banks investments.

The SPEAKER: This being an emergency measure, it is necessary that it have the affirmative vote of two-thirds the entire membership of the House. All those in favor of the passage of this bill to be enacted will rise and stand in their places until counted, and the monitors will make and return the count.

A division was had,

One hundred and forty-three voting in the affirmative, and none in negative, the bill was passed to be enacted

**Orders of the Day**

On motion by Mr. Scates of Westbrook, it was voted to take from the table the fifth unassigned matter, bill an act relating to the use of the General Highway Fund, and to prevent diversion thereof, I. B. 1, L. D. 217, tabled by that gentleman January 30th, pending reference in concurrence; and on further motion by the same gentleman, the bill was referred to the committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Scates of Westbrook, it was voted to take from the table the fourth unassigned matter, communication from the Secretary of State, transmitting initiative bill relative to use of General Highway Fund, S. P. 204; and on further motion by the same gentleman, it was voted to refer the communication to the committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Crowell of Weston, it was voted to take from the table the second unassigned matter, bill an act relative to bounty on bears, H. P. 432, L. D. 130, tabled by that gentleman January 24, pending reference.

Mr. CROWELL: Mr. Speaker, I move that this bill be referred to the joint committees of Agriculture and Inland Fisheries and

Game. I do not think it necessary this morning to speak on the bill until it has been referred to a committee or committees, but I think the time has come in this Legislature when this bill should be referred to a group of men and have them try to settle it in some permanent manner. For twenty years, at every legislative session, this bill has come up and been made a laughing stock, almost, of the citizens of Maine. One of the things that it has contributed to the people of Maine is that it has given a good many people a laugh; but I know not why a group of farmers, from the Oxford hills on the west extending across the State to the Canadian line on the eastern border, should have to fight every two years for the protection that is their just due, and I cannot see why a group of the intelligent, thoughtful citizens of Maine should not get together on a compromise bill of some nature and take this out of our legislative halls and records. Mr. Speaker, I hope this motion prevails, and that we in some way insist that the committees to which this is referred should get together and do something of a permanent nature.

The motion prevailed and the bill was referred to the committees on Agriculture and Inland Fisheries and Game jointly.

On motion by Mr. Russ of Woodstock it was voted to take from the table the seventh unassigned matter, bill an act relating to snow re-

moval on R. F. D. routes, S. P. 233, L. D. 190, tabled by that gentleman on January 31, pending reference in concurrence; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was referred to the committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Hill of South Portland, it was voted to take from the table the first unassigned matter, bill an act to amend the Primar Election Law, by providing for an Advisory Convention in the selection of party candidates for Governor and of the nomination of all candidates for county office except State senators in County Convention, H. P. 316, L. D. 78, tabled by that gentleman, January 22, pending reference; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was referred to the committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Mr. Mace of Augusta it was voted to take from the table the sixth unassigned matter, bill an act to permit National Forests in Maine, S. P. 216, L. D. 139, tabled by that gentleman, January 31, pending reference in concurrence; and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was referred to the committee on State Lands and Forest Preservation in non-concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Hall of Bar Harbor,

Adjourned until ten o'clock tomorrow morning.