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### HOUSE

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

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Graichen of Gardiner.

Journal of the previous session read and approved.

#### Papers From The Senate

From the Senate: Bill "An Act relating to Diabetic Foods and Beverages" (S. P. 410) (L. D. 701)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Public Health.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Public Health in concurrence.

From the Senate: Bill "An Act relating to the Office of State Auditor" (S. P. 411) (L. D. 700)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Salaries and Fees.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Salaries and Fees in concurrence.

From the Senate: Resolve in favor of Allagash Plantation (S. P. 412) (L. D. 699)

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges.

In the House, referred to the Committee on Ways and Bridges in concurrence.

#### Senate Reports of Committees

##### Ought Not to Pass

Report of the Committee on Motor Vehicles reporting "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Speed Regulations of Vehicles" (S. P. 302) (L. D. 435)

Came from the Senate, read and accepted.

In the House, read and accepted in concurrence.

##### Ought to Pass

Report of the Committee on Banks and Banking reporting "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to Tax on Resources of Banks" (S. P. 137) (L. D. 144)

Report of the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Game Management and Game Management Areas" (S. P. 159) (L. D. 180)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Rules and Regulations of the Commissioner of Inland Fisheries and Game" (S. P. 170) (L. D. 233)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Collection and Disposition of Money Received under the Inland Fish and Game Laws" (S. P. 212) (L. D. 324)

Report of the Committee on Judiciary reporting same on Bill "An Act providing Authorization for Reimbursement of Officers and Directors of Corporations for Expenses Incurred by Them in connection with the Defense of Certain Suits" (S. P. 190) (L. D. 276)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to Unstamped Cigarettes and Forfeiture Proceedings" (S. P. 215) (L. D. 327)

Report of same Committee reporting same on Bill "An Act to Authorize the Charging Off of Uncollectible Accounts" (S. P. 216) (L. D. 328)

Report of the Committee on Military Affairs reporting same on Bill "An Act relating to the Improvement of the Military Laws" (S. P. 297) (L. D. 440)

Came from the Senate, the Reports read and accepted and the Bills passed to be engrossed.

In the House, Reports were read and accepted in concurrence, and the Bills read twice and tomorrow assigned.

#### Ought to Pass with Committee Amendment

Report of the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act relating to Jurisdiction of Municipal Courts in Washington County" (S. P. 180) (L. D. 281) reported "Ought to pass" as amended by Committee Amendment "A" submitted therewith.

Came from the Senate, the Report read and accepted and the Bill passed to be engrossed as amended by Committee Amendment "A".

In the House, Report was read and accepted in concurrence, and the Bill read twice.

Committee Amendment "A" was read by the Clerk as follows:

Committee Amendment "A" to S. P. 180, L. D. 281, Bill "An Act Relating to Jurisdiction of Municipal Courts in Washington County."

Amend said bill by striking out the word "West" in the 4th line

from the last and inserting in place thereof the word 'Western';

And further amend said bill by striking out everything after the word "law" in the next to the last line of said bill and adding a period.

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted in concurrence, and the Bill was assigned for third reading tomorrow morning.

### Non-Concurrent Matters Bill Tabled

From the Senate: Bill "An Act relating to Damage by Deer or Moose" (H. P. 930) (L. D. 484), which was referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and Inland Fisheries and Game jointly in the House on February 11th.

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs in non-concurrence.

In the House:

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Buxton, Mr. Davis.

MR. DAVIS: Mr. Speaker, I move that we insist on our former action.

THE SPEAKER: The gentleman from Buxton, Mr. Davis, moves that the House insist on its former action. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Calais, Mr. Murchie.

MR. MURCHIE: Mr. Speaker and Members of the Legislature: The gentleman from Rockland, Mr. Sleeper, looked at me and I am gathering that he feels I ought to say a word at this moment. I guess I must confess that perhaps I am behind this idea of having this matter held up, and I just want to explain it to you.

We as a group down in the section where we are supposed to find the money naturally would be against a bill which is going to require us to find money to pay damages in an action of this kind. The thought I had in this is that someone, somehow, is going to pass the buck to the Appropriations Committee, but I just had in mind how much better it would be if these two committees could get together and talk the matter over, and if they decide they are agreeable to this bill, to pay damages done by deer and they can find the money and it can go along, all right—but

I do feel that it ought to be joint, through the Committees.

THE SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Bucksport, Mr. Pierce.

MR. PIERCE: Mr. Speaker, I note the absence of the sponsor of the bill, the gentleman from Ellsworth, Mr. Willey. I move that the matter lie on the table.

THE SPEAKER: The gentleman from Bucksport, Mr. Pierce, moves to lay Legislative Document 484 on the table, pending the motion of the gentleman from Buxton, Mr. Davis, that the House insist on its former action. Is this the pleasure of the House?

The motion prevailed and the bill was so tabled.

From the Senate: Resolve Appropriating Funds for Payment of Claims for Damages Done by Protected Wild Animals (H. P. 931) (L. D. 483), which was referred to Committees on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and Inland Fisheries and Game jointly in the House on February 11th.

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs, in non-concurrence.

In the House, on motion by Mr. Davis of Buxton, the House voted to insist on its former action whereby this Resolve was referred to the Committees on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and Inland Fisheries and Game jointly.

From the Senate: Bill "An Act relating to Employing Units under the Unemployment Compensation Law" (H. P. 1128) (L. D. 593), which was referred to the Committee on Labor in the House on February 17th.

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Federal Relations in non-concurrence.

In the House, on motion by Miss Clough of Bangor, the House voted to recede from its former action whereby it referred this Bill to the Committee on Labor and concurred with the Senate in the reference of the Bill to the Committee on Federal Relations.

From the Senate: Bill "An Act relating to Disqualification for Benefits under the Unemployment Compensation Law" (H. P. 1129) (L. D. 594), which was referred to

the Committee on Labor in the House on February 17th.

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Federal Relations in non-concurrence.

In the House, on motion by Miss Clough of Bangor, the House voted to recede from its former action whereby this Bill was referred to the Committee on Labor, and concurred with the Senate in the reference of the Bill to the Committee on Federal Relations.

From the Senate: Bill "An Act Amending the Unemployment Compensation Law" (H. P. 1131) (L. D. 596), which was referred to the Committee on Labor in the House on February 17th.

Came from the Senate, referred to the Committee on Federal Relations in non-concurrence.

In the House, on motion by Miss Clough of Bangor, the House voted to recede from its former action whereby it referred this Bill to the Committee on Labor, and concurred with the Senate in the reference of the Bill to the Committee on Federal Relations.

#### **Bills and Resolves Requiring Reference**

The following Bills and Resolves, which were transmitted by the Revisor of Statutes pursuant to Joint Order S. P. 310, were received, and upon recommendation of the Committee on Reference of Bills, were referred to the following Committees:

##### **Claims**

Resolve in favor of George Crimmins of Brunswick (H. P. 1218) (Presented by Miss Bangs of Brunswick)

Sent up for concurrence.

##### **Education**

Resolve Granting Teacher's Pension to Lynne M. Ellingwood, of Hermon (H. P. 1219) (Presented by Mr. Leathers of Hermon)

Sent up for concurrence.

##### **Judiciary**

Bill "An Act to provide a Pension for Employees of the State of Maine" (H. P. 1103) (Presented by Miss Bangs of Brunswick by request)

(Ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

#### **Legal Affairs**

Bill "An Act Creating an Advisory Council to Municipalities" (H. P. 1220) (Presented by Mr. Bubar of Weston)

(Ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Slaughterhouses" (H. P. 1221) (Presented by Mr. Denny of Damariscotta)

(Ordered printed)

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the city of Rockland by providing for the Appointment of a Board of Commissioners of Police and Firemen" (H. P. 1222) (Presented by Mr. Sleeper of Rockland)

(Ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

##### **Public Buildings and Grounds**

Bill "An Act relating to the Superintendent of Public Buildings" (H. P. 1223) (Presented by Miss Bangs of Brunswick)

(Ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

##### **Salaries and Fees**

Bill "An Act relating to Salaries of Androscoggin County Officials and Clerks" (H. P. 1224) (Presented by Mr. Grua of Livermore Falls)

(Ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Salaries of State Employees" (H. P. 1225) (Presented by Mr. McIntire of Phippsburg)

(Ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

##### **Taxation**

Bill "An Act to Provide a Tonnage Tax on Commercial Fertilizer" (H. P. 1226) (Presented by Mr. Denny of Damariscotta)

(Ordered printed)

Bill "An Act relating to Taxation of Intangible Property" (H. P. 1227) (Presented by Mr. Rollins of Greenville)

(Ordered printed)

Resolve to Create a Legislative Recess Committee to Study the State Mill Tax (H. P. 1228) (Presented by Mr. Cross of Augusta)

(Ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

##### **Ways and Bridges**

Bill "An Act to Create a Fund known as 'The Town Road Maintenance and Improvement Fund'" (H. P. 1229) (Presented by Mr. Cross of Augusta)

(Ordered printed)

Sent up for concurrence.

**Orders**

On motion by Mr. Doughty of Gray, it was

ORDERED, that Mr. Hutchins of Bangor be excused from attendance until the end of the week.

On motion by Mr. Downs of Rome, it was

ORDERED, that Rev. James W. Barr of Kents Hill, be invited to officiate as Chaplain of the House tomorrow, February 25th.

On motion by Mrs. Leidy of Fort Kent, Rule 25 was suspended for the remainder of today's session, in order to permit smoking.

Miss Clough of Bangor presented the following Order and moved its passage:

ORDERED, the Senate concurring, that notwithstanding the provisions of any joint orders heretofore passed, no bill or resolve shall be received by either branch of the Legislature unless deposited with the Secretary of the Senate or the Clerk of the House before 4 P. M. Thursday, February 25, except as provided in Joint Orders S. P. Nos. 110 and 111.

The SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the gentlewoman from Bangor, Miss Clough.

Miss CLOUGH: Mr. Speaker, by way of brief explanation of this Order, may I say this: That there are still about twenty-five measures protected under title, and for which data is supposed to have been furnished the Revisor of Statutes, still in the Revisor of Statutes' office. Now, this Order simply states that we should attempt to get before the House formal presentation of these measures that need to come in immediately, because not only are they important themselves but they affect other measures. It will give any Member of the House who has a measure in the office of the Revisor of Statutes time between now and four o'clock tomorrow afternoon to see that these measures are drafted and presented formally.

Thereupon, the Order received passage, and on further motion by Miss Clough the Order was sent forthwith to the Senate.

On motion by Mr. Sleeper of Rockland, it was

ORDERED, that the Official Reporter of the House be authorized

to procure the services of an Assistant Reporter, also the services of a typist for the Assistant Reporter, to aid in the preparation and completion of the legislative record.

**House Reports of Committees Leave to Withdraw**

Mr. Buzzell from the Committee on Agriculture on Bill "An Act relating to the Better Protection of Livestock and Poultry from Dogs" (H. P. 335) (L. D. 218) reported leave to withdraw.

Mr. Grua from the Committee on Judiciary reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Duty of Cities with respect to Registration of Voters" (H. P. 251) (L. D. 163)

Mr. Davis from the Committee on Pensions reported same on Resolve in favor of Mrs. Mary Bohn, of Waterville (H. P. 201)

Reports were read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

**Ought not to Pass**

Mr. Anderson from the Committee on Inland Fisheries and Game reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act relative to Wells and Kennebunk Game Preserve" (H. P. 542) (L. D. 318)

Same gentleman from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act Abolishing Game Preserves in York County" (H. P. 317) (L. D. 225)

Mr. McKinnon from same Committee reported same on Resolve Regulating Fishing in York County (H. P. 320) as it is covered by other legislation

Mr. Smith from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Fees of Town Clerks for Issuance of Fishing Licenses" (H. P. 628) (L. D. 367)

Mr. Thompson from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Fees of Town Clerks for Issuance of Hunting Licenses" (H. P. 178) (L. D. 122)

Miss Bangs from the Committee on Judiciary reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Previous Convictions in Criminal Cases" (H. P. 545) (L. D. 288)

Reports were read and accepted, and sent up for concurrence.

**Report Tabled**

Mr. Smith from the Committee on Welfare reported "Ought not to pass" on Bill "An Act Amending the Old Age Assistance Law" (H. P. 52) (L. D. 33)

The SPEAKER: The Chair recog-

nizes the gentleman from Weston, Mr. Bubar.

Mr. BUBAR: Mr. Speaker, I move that the Bill be substituted for the Report and that the matter lie on the table.

The SPEAKER: The gentleman from Weston, Mr. Bubar, moves that the Bill be substituted for the Report of the Committee and the same gentleman now moves that the matter be placed upon the table pending action on that motion.

Thereupon, the motion prevailed, and the Report, together with the Bill, was tabled pending the motion of the gentleman from Weston, Mr. Bubar, that the Bill be substituted for the report.

#### Ought to Pass

Mr. Buzzell from the Committee on Agriculture reported "Ought to pass" on Bill "An Act relating to the Stipend for Agricultural Societies during the War Emergency" (H. P. 522) (L. D. 316)

Mr. Libby from same Committee reported same on Bill "An Act relating to Shippers of Potatoes" (H. P. 163) (L. D. 118)

Mr. Jones from the Committee on Public Utilities reported same on Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Kennebec Water District" (H. P. 468) (L. D. 250)

Reports were read and accepted.

#### First Reading of Printed Bills

Bill "An Act relating to the Sale of Oils" (H. P. 181) (L. D. 126)

Bill "An Act Extending the Period for which the Board of Finance in the city of Waterville is Established" (H. P. 455) (L. D. 259)

Bill "An Act relating to the Ex-amination of the Public Debt Amortization Fund of the city of Waterville" (H. P. 456) (L. D. 245)

Bill "An Act relating to Transfer of Title under Court Order" (H. P. 547) (L. D. 290)

Bill "An Act relating to Membership in the Jointly-Contributory Retirement System for Employees of the Inland Fish and Game Department" (H. P. 550) (L. D. 312)

Bill "An Act relating to the Definition of Interest Under the Teachers' Retirement System" (H. P. 551) (L. D. 292)

Bill "An Act relating to the Board of Trustees of the Jointly-Contributory Retirement System" (H. P. 552) (L. D. 287)

Bill "An Act to Provide a Lien for Sewer Rates for the Houlton Water Company" (H. P. 557) (L. D. 296)

Bills were read twice and tomorrow assigned.

#### First Reading of Printed Bills with Committee Amendments

Bill "An Act to Repeal the Incorporation of the Madison Village Corporation" (H. P. 139) (L. D. 110)

Bill had its two several readings. Committee Amendment "A" read by the Clerk as follows:

Committee Amendment "A" to H. P. 139, L. D. 110, Bill "An Act to Repeal the Incorporation of the Madison Village Corporation."

H. P. 139, L. D. 110, is hereby amended by striking out the word "trustee" in section 4, seventh line from the bottom, and inserting in place thereof the word 'assessors.'

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted, and tomorrow was assigned for third reading of the Bill.

Bill 'An Act relating to Counting Ballots' (H. P. 323) (L. D. 223)

Bill had its two several readings. Committee Amendment "A" read by the Clerk as follows:

Committee Amendment "A" to H. P. 323, L. D. 223, Bill "An Act Relating to Counting Ballots."

Amend said bill by inserting in the second line thereof, after the words 'as amended' the following:

'by Chapter 34 of the public laws of 1931 and as amended by chapter 201 of the public laws of 1933 and as amended by chapter 207 of the public laws of 1941'.

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted, and tomorrow assigned for third reading of the Bill.

Bill 'An Act relating to Desertion and Non-support of Families' (H. P. 548) (L. D. 291)

Bill had its two several readings. Committee Amendment "A" read by the Clerk as follows:

Committee Amendment "A" to H. P. 548; L. D. 291, Bill "An Act Relating to Desertion and Non-support of Families."

Amend said bill by striking out the underlined words "or probation officer"; and by adding after the word "year" which is the last word before the deleted part, the following:

'; and may in its discretion order said defendant to enter into a recognizance with sureties, in such sum

as the court may direct. The condition of the recognizance shall be such that if the defendant shall make his or her personal appearance in court whenever ordered to do so within the year, and shall further comply with the terms of the order and of any subsequent modification thereof, then the recognizance shall be void, otherwise in full force and effect.

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted, and tomorrow assigned for third reading of the Bill.

Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Maine Central Institute" (H. P. 567) (L. D. 302)

Bill had its two several readings. Committee Amendment "A" read by the Clerk as follows:

Committee Amendment A to H. P. 567, L. D. 302. Bill "An Act to Amend the Charter of the Maine Central Institute"

H. P. 567, L. D. 302 is hereby amended by striking out "1943" in the fourth line of section 2, and inserting in place thereof "1944".

Committee Amendment "A" was adopted, and tomorrow assigned for third reading of the Bill.

#### Passed to Be Engrossed

Bill "An Act relating to the Publication of the Maine Reports" (S. P. 196) (L. D. 279)

Bill "An Act relating to Membership in Farm Lands Loan Commission and Emergency Municipal Finance Board" (S. P. 197) (L. D. 280)

Bill "An Act Amending the Charter of the Associated Hospital Service of Maine" (S. P. 221) (L. D. 340)

Bill "An Act relating to the Registration of Farm Tractors" (S. P. 348) (L. D. 550)

Bill "An Act relating to Investments by Savings Banks" (H. P. 54) (L. D. 54)

Bill "An Act relating to Taxation of Loan and Building Associations" (H. P. 126) (L. D. 106)

Bill "An Act relating to Protection of Children" (H. P. 348) (L. D. 218)

Bill "An Act relating to Aid to the Blind" (H. P. 349) (L. D. 195)

Bill "An Act relating to the Houlton Water Company" (H. P. 573) (L. D. 304)

Resolve Authorizing the Maine Defense Commission to Convey Cer-

tain Land in Presque Isle (H. P. 211) (L. D. 133)

Resolve Regulating Ice Fishing for White Perch in Chesuncook Lake (H. P. 938) (L. D. 693)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Round Pond (H. P. 1209) (L. D. 692)

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, Bills read the third time, Resolves read the second time, all passed to be engrossed and sent to the Senate.

#### Amended Bills and Resolves

Bill "An Act to Unite Two Academies in the town of Blue Hill" (S. P. 218) (L. D. 330)

Bill "An Act relative to Hunting of Game Birds in York County" (H. P. 313) (L. D. 228)

Resolve Designating the Baxter State Park Road (H. P. 326) (L. D. 207)

Resolve relating to Fishing in Sabbath Day Lake, in New Gloucester (H. P. 785) (L. D. 691)

Were reported by the Committee on Bills in the Third Reading, Bills read the third time, Resolves read the second time, all passed to be engrossed as amended and sent to the Senate.

#### Passed to Be Enacted Emergency Measure

An Act to Amend the Houlton Town Manager Form of Government Act (H. P. 556) (L. D. 295)

The SPEAKER: This bill, having had its three several readings in the House, and having been passed to be engrossed, having had its two several readings in the Senate and having been passed to be engrossed, and having been reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, is it now the pleasure of the House that it pass to be enacted?

This being an emergency measure, under the Constitution it requires for its passage the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the entire elected membership of this 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 have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

One hundred and twenty-three having voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, 123 being more than two-thirds of the entire



elected membership of the House, the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

#### Emergency Measure

An Act to Exempt Members of the Armed Forces from Poll Taxes (H. P. 39) (L. D. 28)

The SPEAKER: This bill, having had its three several readings in the House, and having been passed to be engrossed, having had its two several readings in the Senate and having been passed to be engrossed, and having been reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, is it now the pleasure of the House that it pass to be enacted?

This being an emergency measure, under the Constitution it requires for its passage the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the entire elected membership of this 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 have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had. One hundred and twenty-five having voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, 125 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected membership of the House, the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

#### Emergency Measure

An Act to Incorporate the Vinalhaven Port District (H. P. 254) (L. D. 190)

The SPEAKER: This bill having had its three several readings in the House, and having been passed to be engrossed, having had its two several readings in the Senate and having been passed to be engrossed, and having been reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, is it now the pleasure of the House that it pass to be enacted?

This being an emergency measure, under the Constitution it requires for its passage the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the entire elected membership of this 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 have made and returned the count.

A division of the House was had.

One hundred and twenty-six having voted in the affirmative and none in the negative, 126 being more than two-thirds of the entire elected membership of the House, the Bill was passed to be enacted, signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

#### Passed to be Enacted

An Act relating to Bounty on Bobcats, etc. (S. P. 43) (L. D. 428)

An Act relating to Trapping Season for Muskrats (S. P. 68) (L. D. 4)

An Act relating to Redemption of Cigarette Tax Stamps (S. P. 84) (L. D. 11)

An Act relating to Registration of Trucks (S. P. 134) (L. D. 96)

An Act to Clarify the Purposes of United Baptist Convention of Maine (S. P. 145) (L. D. 147)

An Act relating to Repayments to Municipalities from Appropriations of the Public Utilities Commission (S. P. 147) (L. D. 149)

An Act Amending the Charter of the Portsmouth-Kittery Bridge Authority (S. P. 176) (L. D. 237)

An Act relating to the Report of the State Auditor (S. P. 184) (L. D. 270)

An Act relating to Itinerant Vendors (S. P. 308) (L. D. 429)

An Act relating to Membership of Teachers in the Jointly-Contributory Retirement System for State Employees (H. P. 17) (L. D. 22)

An Act relating to the Method of Financing the Jointly-Contributory Retirement System for State Employees, Except Teachers (H. P. 18) (L. D. 23)

An Act relating to Abatements and Supplementary Assessments of Taxes by State Tax Assessor (H. P. 136) (L. D. 108)

An Act relating to Taxation of Express Companies (H. P. 156) (L. D. 115)

An Act relating to Assessment of Taxes on Lands in Places Not Incorporated (H. P. 157) (L. D. 116)

An Act relating to the Appropriation for and Assistance to the Maine Maritime Academy (H. P. 188) (L. D. 128)

An Act relating to Taxation of Railroad Companies (H. P. 212) (L. D. 134)

An Act relating to the Election of Town Officers (H. P. 256) (L. D. 188)

An Act to Extend the Charter of the Central Aroostook Railway Company (H. P. 261) (L. D. 168)

An Act Authorizing the Conveyance of "Baring Cemetery" to the "Baring Cemetery Corporation" (H. P. 325) (L. D. 208)

An Act relating to Transfers from Appropriations for the Courts to Meet Expenses of Board of Bar Examiners (H. P. 454) (L. D. 258)

An Act to Enlarge the Powers of the Bangor Hydro-Electric Company (H. P. 465) (L. D. 265)

An Act relating to Permits by Cities and Towns to Pipe Line Companies (H. P. 617) (L. D. 366)

An Act relating to Unauthorized Insurance (H. P. 920) (L. D. 468)

Resolve Regulating Fishing in Cambridge Pond (H. P. 88) (L. D. 375)

Resolve Authorizing the Forest Commissioner to Grant Permits for setting and Maintaining Poles and Wires on the Public Lot in Caratunk Plantation (S. P. 168) (L. D. 182)

Resolve relating to Taking of White Perch in Chesuncook Lake (H. P. 838) (L. D. 376)

Were reported by the Committee on Engrossed Bills as truly and strictly engrossed, Bills passed to be enacted, Resolves finally passed, all signed by the Speaker and sent to the Senate.

#### Orders of the Day

On motion by Mr. Webber of Mapleton, the House voted to take from the table the third tabled and unassigned matter, Senate Report "Ought to pass" of the Committee on Judiciary on Bill "An Act Defining the Word "Teacher" under Teachers' Pensions" (S. P. 144) (L. D. 146) tabled by that gentleman on February 18th pending acceptance; and on further motion by the same gentleman the "Ought to pass" Report of the Committee was accepted in concurrence, and the bill was given its two several readings and tomorrow assigned.

On motion by the gentleman from Lisbon Falls, Mr. Sichel, the House voted to take from the table the eleventh tabled and unassigned matter Bill "An Act Relating to the Building and Maintenance of Highway Crossings of Railroads" (S. P. 148) (L. D. 148) tabled by that gentleman on February 28th pending third reading.

The SPEAKER: The Chair rec-

ognizes the gentleman from Lisbon Falls, Mr. Sichel.

Mr. SICHOL: Mr. Speaker, there is a misprint in the bill as it appeared here in the House. Upon looking at the original document, I found the printing was in order, and I move that the Bill have its third reading.

Thereupon the motion prevailed, and the bill had its third reading, and was passed to be engrossed in concurrence.

On motion by Miss Clough of Bangor, the House voted to take from the table the tenth tabled and unassigned matter, Bill "An Act Relating to Fees Allowed Under the Tax-Lien Law, So-called." (H. P. 1213) (L. D. 694), tabled by that gentlewoman on February 23rd, pending reference; and on further motion by the same gentlewoman the Bill was referred to the Committee on Legal Affairs and sent up for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Payson of Portland, the House voted to take from the table the seventh tabled and unassigned matter, Bill "An Act Relating to Membership and Creditable Service in the Jointly-Contributory Retirement System for State Employees, Except Teachers" (H. P. 15) (L. D. 20), tabled by that gentleman on February 18th, pending third reading; and the same gentleman offered House Amendment "A" and moved its adoption.

House Amendment "A" read by the Clerk as follows:

House Amendment "A" to H. P. 15, L. D. 20, Bill "An Act Relating to Membership and Creditable Service in the Jointly-Contributory Retirement System for State Employees, Except Teachers."

Amend said bill by adding at the end thereof the following:

"Sec. 2., P. L., 1933, c. 1, sec. 227-C, sub-sec. 6, amended. Subsection 6 of section 227-C of chapter 1 of the public laws of 1933, as enacted by chapter 328 of the public laws of 1941, is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

**“; provided, however, that any member whose contributions to the annuity fund are paid by the state under this section who withdraws from or ceases to be a member of the retirement system may not withdraw any of the contributions**

made by the state under this subsection.”

House Amendment “A” was then adopted, and the Bill as amended by Committee Amendment “A” and House Amendment “A” was given its third reading, passed to be engrossed, and sent up for concurrence.

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The SPEAKER: The House is

proceeding under Orders of the Day. If there is nothing further to come up at this time, the Clerk will read the notices.

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On motion by Mr. Smith of Thomaston,

Adjourned until ten o'clock tomorrow morning.