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SENATE

Wednesday, March 2, 1927.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. E. W. Webber of Hallowell.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Mr. Carter of Androscoggin, out of order and under suspension of the rules, presented the following order:

Ordered, the House concurring, that the communication and the accompanying petitions in relation to legislation regarding the Direct Primary Law be referred to the Committee on Judiciary for investigation and report both as to the sufficiency of the petitions and as to the appropriate legislation needed on the subject with power to summons witnesses.

Mr. CARTER: Mr. President, I move the passage of this order and in support of this motion I would simply like to say when the Primary Petitions were filed with the Secretary of State and came to this body with a communication from the Secretary of State they were referred to the Committee on Judiciary. The Legislature did not function at that time with the proper amount of sufficiency. As we all remember, the report of the committee was accepted by the Senate and later on the petitions were found to be in such shape that they were not in accordance with the law and therefore they were not submitted by the Governor to the people. The purpose of this order is solely to order the committee to make such an investigation that their report will be in fact a report which the Legislature may act upon so that the situation of two years ago may be avoided.

The motion for passage of the order prevailed.

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

Ordered, that five hundred copies be printed of bill, An Act to prohibit the teaching of evolution. (H. P. 834)

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: An Act to incor-

porate Fish River Power and Storage Company. (S. D. 121)

(In Senate, February 17, referred to the Committee on Judiciary.)

In the House, referred to the Committee on Interior Waters, Public Utilities and Judiciary, jointly, in non-concurrence.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Bragdon of Aroostook, tabled pending further consideration.

From the House: Remonstrance of J. Leroy Willard of Kittery and 65 others protesting against an increase in the tax on gasoline. (H. P. 959)

In the House, referred to the Committee on Taxation.

In the Senate, on motion by Mr. Smith of Somerset, tabled pending reference.

House Bills in First Reading

Resolve in favor of Alvin Bolstridge of Winterville. (H. D. 260)

Resolve in favor of the estate of Eddie Fitzgerald, Seven Islands, Me. (H. D. 261)

Resolve in favor of the town of Abbot, for reimbursement of moneys expended for the support of Scott W. Pierce and family. (H. D. 266)

Resolve in favor of the town of Yarmouth. (H. D. 264)

Resolve to reimburse the Biddeford and Saco Railroad Company for overpayment on taxes. (H. D. 265)

Resolve to reimburse the town of Lincoln for support of State Paupers. (H. D. 263)

Resolve in favor of Clifford T. Kennedy of Vanceboro, for reimbursement for expenditures for civil suit brought against him (H. D. 262)

Resolve to reimburse the town of Washburn for support of a state pauper. (H. D. 267)

An Act to incorporate the Bangor Bridge District. (S. D. 36)

Mr. WOODS of Penobscot: Mr. President, as this bill was a Senate bill and through a misunderstanding was first taken to the House and as it is only an enabling act and carries a referendum, I move you, sir, if there is no objection by any member of the Senate, that the rules be suspended and this bill now have its second reading.

The motion prevailed, the bill received its second reading and, on further motion by the same senator, was passed to be engrossed.