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STATE OF MAINE

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sion for Katherine Closson of Searsport (H. P. No. 117)

Reported that same be referred to the 87th Legislature.

(On motion by Mr. Hills of Northport, the report and accompanying resolves were recommitted to the committee on Pensions)

Mr. Sterling from the Committee on Taxation on bill an act relating to abatement of taxes (H. P. No. 131) (L. D. No. 141) reported that same be referred to next Legislature.

Report read and accepted and sent up for concurrence.

Mr. Hill from the Committee on Judiciary reported ought to pass on bill an act relating to temporary number plates on motor vehicles (H. P. No. 15) (L. D. No. 30)

Report read and accepted, and the bill having already been printed was read twice under suspension of the rules and this afternoon assented.

First Reading of Printed Bills and Resolves

(H. P. No. 145) (L. D. No. 174) An act authorizing Savings Banks to acquire and hold stocks in Federal Reserve Banks and Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

(H. P. No. 146) (L. D. No. 175) An act authorizing Trust Companies to acquire and hold stock in Federal Reserve Banks and Federal Deposit Insurance Corporations.

(H. P. No. 148) (L. D. No. 180) An act relating to the School Board of the city of Lewiston.

(H. P. No. 140) (L. D. No. 178) An act to provide a Commission Form of Government for the town of Houlton.

(H. P. No. 108) (L. D. No. 179) Resolve in favor of a State Pension for Ethel W. Knowlton of Monson.

Passed to be Engrossed

S. P. 13, L. D. 83: An act to incorporate Michael Stream Log Driving Company.

S. P. 68, L. D. 171: An act relating to the practice of hairdressing and beauty culture.

On motion by Mr. Bennett of Presque Isle, the House voted to reconsider its action whereby this bill was passed to be engrossed, and that gentleman offered House Amendment A as follows:

House Amendment A to S. P. 68, L. D. 171, an act relating to the

practice of hairdressing and beauty culture.

Amend said bill by adding to Section 18, at the end thereof, the following words: "excepting their licenses issued thereunder shall be in effect until July 1, 1934, unless revoked."

House Amendment A was adopted and the bill as amended was passed to be engrossed.

(H. P. No. 26) (L. D. No. 41) An act to amend the charter of Bridgton Center Village Corporation.

(H. P. No. 72) (L. D. No. 78) An act creating the Baxter State Park Commission, and defining its powers and duties.

(H. P. No. 78) (L. D. No. 88) An act to enlarge the powers of the trustees of Gould Academy, a corporation chartered by the State, to hold property.

(H. P. No. 84) (L. D. No. 110) An act to enable domestic mutual fire insurance companies to obtain aid from the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank.

(H. P. No. 105) (L. D. No. 154) An act to incorporate the town of Fort Fairfield School District.

Mr. Sargent of Brewer offered House Amendment A as follows:

House Amendment A to bill an act to incorporate the Fort Fairfield School District, H. P. 105, L. D. 154.

Amend said bill by inserting before the word "town" in the second line of section one thereof, the words "inhabitants of the"

Thereupon House Amendment A was adopted, and the bill had its third reading and was passed to be engrossed as amended by House Amendment A.

S. P. 65, L. D. 169: An act providing flexibility in the handling of State revenues and expenditures during the period of the present cash stringency.

(On motion by Mr. Farris of Augusta, tabled pending third reading)

(House at Ease)

H. P. 137, L. D. 138: Resolve proposing the repeal of the 26th Amendment to the Constitution, relating to the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

Mr. TOMPKINS of Bridgewater: Mr. Speaker and members of the House: We are here again this morning facing the same old issue of resubmission of our liquor law. I still believe that this is unnecessary at this time and a great step back-

ward. I am sure that every member of this Legislature knows how I stand on the liquor question. You know how I stood on it last winter, and I am standing in the same spot today and in the same old number ten shoes. It is not necessary for me to go into any lengthy discussion here this morning and I am going to move at this time the indefinite postponement of this resolve. From my acquaintance with the members of this Legislature, there may be a few, but I do not believe there are many, who lack the courage to stand up and show to the members of this Legislature their attitude, and who lack the courage to show to the people back home, the voters, how they stand on this question. I ask for a yea and nay vote, Mr. Speaker.

The SPEAKER: The Chair understands that the gentleman from Bridgewater, Mr. Tompkins moves that L. D. 138, resolve proposing the repeal of the 26th Amendment to the Constitution, relating to the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors be indefinitely postponed; and the gentleman has asked for a yea and nay vote. If there is no further discussion, all those who are in favor of the motion of the gentleman from Bridgewater, Mr. Tompkins, that when the vote is taken on his motion it be taken by the yeas and nays, will rise and stand in their places until counted and the monitors will make and return the count.

A division of the House was had,

Sixty-eight having arisen, and that number being more than one-fifth of the members present, a yea and nay vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER: The pending question is the motion of the gentleman from Bridgewater, Mr. Tompkins, that this resolve L. D. 138 be indefinitely postponed. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Portland, Mr. Rounds.

Mr. ROUNDS: Mr. Speaker, I would like to have the pages and Clerk call in the absent voters in the corridor.

The SPEAKER: House members will remember the rules of the House that when a yea and nay vote has been ordered no member is permitted to leave his seat until the vote has been taken, tabulated and the result announced. Will the

Sergeant-at-Arms see that the members remain in their seats until the roll has been called.

Mr. STERN of Biddeford: Mr. Speaker, will you kindly explain to us again about this vote?

The SPEAKER: Members will be seated. The House is now about to take a yea and nay vote on a motion made by the gentleman from Bridgewater, Mr. Tompkins, that L. D. 138, resolve proposing the repeal of the 26th Amendment to the Constitution of the State of Maine be indefinitely postponed. A yea vote is in favor of the motion and in favor of the indefinite postponement of the resolve. The vote on this motion requires a bare majority of the House. The Clerk will call the roll.

YEA—Bailey, Woolwich; Bartlett, Bennett, Chase, Limington; Chase Sebec; Clement, Cobb, Crowell, Deering, Dow, Portland; Fowles, Haggett, Ham, Hawkes, Hill, Hills, Holden, Laughlin, Littlefield, Alfred; Lord, MacPherson, Norris, Plummer, Russ, Stover, Thomas, Tillson, Tompkins, Bridgewater; Walker, Rockport; Webber.

NAY—Allison, Ashby, Audet, Bailey, Whitefield; Belanger, Berry, Berwick, Blanchard, Boyle, Breen, Bucknam, Burgess, Burns, Bushey, Bussey, Carleton, Carswell, Carter, Chase, Baring; Clarke, Collins, Cook, Devereux, Drisko, Dunn, Duquette, Eastman, Eldridge, Farris, Fenlason, Fernald, Flanders, Fogg, Rockland; Forgue, Lewiston; Friend, Gagnon, Gallagher, Goodwin, Goudy, Graves, Gray, Gross, Hall, Hamel, George; Hamel, Napoleon; Hancock, Hanson, Haskell, Hastings, Hescoc, Hobbs, Hussey, Jones, Knight, Labbee, Lancaster, Leathers, Lebel, Lewis, Lindsey, Luce, Mace, Mack, Martin, Mason, Mechanic Falls; Mason, Raymond; Mayers, McKinney, Michaud, Morin, Nevers, O'Connor, Oliver, Osgood, Peacock, Piper, Plouff, Quine, Rand, Raymond, Rea, Rounds, Rush, Sanborn, Baldwin; Sanborn, Weld; Sargent, Scates, Shaw, Smith, Masardis; Smith, Orono; Smith, Vinalhaven; Soper, Sprague, Sterling, Stern, Thompson, Thurston, Tompkins, Houlton, Tupper, Viles, Wallingford, Ward, Harrison; Ward, Thorndike; Wentworth, White, Whitney, Whitten, Williams, Young.

ABSENT—Carignan, Dow, Livermore; Littlefield, Bluehill; Newcomb, Richardson, Ryder, Walker, Rockland; Wright.

30 Yes; 109 No; 8 Absent.

The SPEAKER: The result on the motion of the gentleman from Bridgewater, Mr. Tompkins, that

the resolve be indefinitely postponed was yes 30, no 109 and 8 absent. The motion therefore is lost. Thereupon on motion by Mr. Piper of Bangor, the resolve had its second reading and was passed to be engrossed.

H. P. 144, L. D. 172; Resolve in favor of Charles Springer of Hartland.

Passed to Be Enacted

S. P. 60: An act relating to admittance of patients to State sanatoriums.

Finally Passed

S. P. 8: Resolve in favor of Charles W. Brown of Abbot.

Orders of the Day

The SPEAKER: Proceeding under orders of the day, the Chair lays before the House the first matter tabled and today assigned, S. P. 5, L. D. 13, bill An Act to incorporate the Consolidated Mortgage Company, tabled December 14 by the member from Portland, Miss Laughlin, pending same member's motion to indefinitely postpone, and the Chair recognizes the member from Portland, Miss Laughlin.

Miss LAUGHLIN of Portland: Mr. Speaker, I do not wish to take the time of the House on this matter, as I do not think further discussion is necessary. I will simply renew my motion to indefinitely postpone. I have talked with the author of this bill, and, under the existing circumstances he is satisfied. I do not want to misquote him. At any rate, I do not want to make any speech at this time. I understand the member of the Banking Committee who reported this bill is present, and I would like to have him say a word, if he wishes to. If he is in favor of it I do not wish to oppose.

Mr. SOPER of Newport: Mr. Speaker, I could not hear the motion of the member from Portland (Miss Laughlin).

The SPEAKER: The motion was the motion which she made yesterday, that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. SOPER: Mr. Speaker and members of the House, as a member of the Banking Committee I agree with the member from Portland (Miss Laughlin) in the indefinite postponement of this bill.

On motion by the member from Portland, Miss Laughlin, a viva

voce vote being taken, the bill was indefinitely postponed.

On motion by the gentleman from Westbrook, Mr. Scates, it was voted to take from the table the seventh unassigned matter, bill An Act to provide for issuance of preferred stock by trust companies (S. P. 67) (L. D. 170), tabled by that gentleman December 14, pending first reading, and on further motion by the same gentleman, under suspension of the rules, the bill received its three several readings and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Hill of South Portland it was voted to take from the table the fifth unassigned matter, House Report, Ought to pass in new draft, Committee on Banks and Banking, on bill An Act relating to individual liability of stockholders (H. P. 47) (L. D. 59), new draft (H. P. 147) (L. D. 181), tabled by that gentleman on December 14, pending acceptance of report.

Mr. HILL of South Portland: Mr. Speaker, I yield to the gentleman from Newport, Mr. Soper.

On motion by the gentleman from Newport, Mr. Soper, the report of the committee was accepted, and under suspension of the rules the bill received its three several readings and was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Hills of Northport it was voted to take from the table the fourth unassigned matter, Bill An Act relating to the licensing of operators of milk gathering stations, H. H. 41, L. D. 53, tabled by that gentleman December 14, pending passage to be engrossed, and on further motion by the same gentleman the bill was passed to be engrossed.

On motion by Mr. Lebel of Brunswick, it was voted to take from the table recalled matter, Bill An Act to improve the facilities of Maine Airports, H. P. 83, which was recalled to the House by Joint Order and now in possession of the Clerk, and on further motion by the same gentleman, a viva voce vote being taken, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Aeronautics and Radio Control.

On motion by Mr. Holden of Webster, it was voted to take from the table the sixth unassigned mat-