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# Maine State Bar Association Dinner 1923

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John by the grace of God King of England Lord of  
Ireland Duke of Normandy and Aquitaine and  
Count of Anjou to all his faithful subjects Greeting  
Know ye that we by this our present Charter have  
confirmed for us and our heirs forever No freeman  
shall be seized or imprisoned or disseised or outlawed  
or banished or in any way destroyed nor will we  
go upon him nor will we send upon him unless by  
the lawful judgment of his peers or by the law of  
the land To no one will we sell to no one will we  
deny or delay right or justice Given by our hand  
in the meadow which is called Runimede between  
Windsor and Staines this fifteenth day of June in  
the seventeenth year of our Reigne



MAINE  
STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

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**Banquet**

In commemoration of a century of peace between  
Canada and the United States,  
in recognition of our common heritage and  
in promotion of international good will

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**Augusta House**

*Wednesday Evening, January tenth  
nineteen hundred twenty three  
at eight o'clock*

## The Reeds of Runnymede.

(*Magna Charta*, June 15, 1215)

At Runnymede, at Runnymede,  
What say the reeds at Runnymede?  
The lissom reeds that give and take,  
That bend so far, but never break.  
They keep the sleepy Thames awake  
With tales of John at Runnymede.

At Runnymede, at Runnymede,  
Oh hear the reeds at Runnymede:—  
“You mustn’t sell, delay, deny,  
A freeman’s right or liberty,  
It wakes the stubborn Englishry,  
We saw ’em roused at Runnymede!

“When through our ranks the Barons came,  
With little thought of praise or blame,  
But resolute to play the game,  
They lumbered up to Runnymede;  
And there they launched in solid line,  
The first attack on Right Divine—  
The curt, uncompromising ‘Sign!’  
That settled John at Runnymede.

“At Runnymede, at Runnymede,  
Your rights were won at Runnymede!  
No freeman shall be fined or bound,  
Or dispossessed of freehold ground,  
Except by lawful judgment found  
And passed upon him by his peers!  
Forget not, after all these years,  
The Charter signed at Runnymede.”

And still when Mob or Monarch lays  
Too rude a hand on English ways,  
The whisper wakes, the shudder plays,  
Across the reeds at Runnymede.  
And Thames, that knows the moods of kings,  
And crowds and priests and such like things,  
Rolls deep and dreadful as he brings  
Their warning down from Runnymede!

*Rudyard Kipling.*

# Menu

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GRAPE FRUIT—MARISCHINO

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MOCK TURTLE SOUP

OLIVES

BREAD STICKS

CELERY

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FRIED SCALLOPS—TARTAR SAUCE

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FILLET OF BEEF—MUSHROOM SAUCE

MASHED POTATOES

CREAMED CAULIFLOWER

PARKER HOUSE ROLLS

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ASPARAGUS TIPS SALAD—FRENCH DRESSING

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CARAMEL ICE CREAM

ASSORTED CAKE

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TOASTED WATER CRACKERS

CANADIAN CLUB CHEESE

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CIGARS

DEMI TASSE

CIGARETTES

POLAND WATER AERATED

# Post Prandial

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President CHARLES W. HAYES, Presiding

Responses by

His Excellency, Percival P. Baxter

The Honorable, Justice William R. Riddell

Chief Justice Leslie C. Cornish

Mr. Leonard A. Pierce

Mr. Francois X. Belleau

Mr. Benedict F. Maher



"And Abram said unto Lot, Let there be no strife,  
I pray thee, between me and thee, and between  
my herdmen and thy herdmen: for we are brethren"

*Genesis 13:8*

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**"Children of a Common Mother"**

*(Inscription on plinth of Peace Portal)*

**"Brethren Dwelling Together In Unity"**

*(Inscription on plinth of Peace Portal)*

Where the Pacific Highway, extending from Vancouver across the States of Washington, Oregon and California to the boundary of Mexico, passes from British Columbia into the State of Washington at the town of Blaine, the Peace Portal was dedicated September 6, 1921, to commemorate that the United States and Canada have lived in peace for more than one hundred years without fortifications or armies along three thousand miles of international boundary.

**"Open for 100 years"**

*(Inscription on one door of Peace Portal)*

**"May these doors never be closed"**

*(Inscription on other door of Peace Portal)*

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**"How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him  
that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace"**

*Isaiah 52:7*



The Peace Portal





### Presentation of Magna Charta to John.

Thou who the verdant plain doth traverse here,  
 Whilst Thames among the willows from thy view  
 Retires, O Stranger! stay thee, and the scene  
 Around contemplate well. This is the place  
 Where England's ancient Barons, clad in arms  
 And stern with conquest, from their tyrant King  
 (Then rendered tame), did challenge and secure  
 The Charter of thy freedom. Pass not on  
 Till thou hast bless'd their memory, and paid  
 Those thanks which God appointed the reward  
 Of Public Virtue. And if chance thy home  
 Salute then with an honour'd Father's name,  
 Go, call thy Sons;— instruct them what a debt  
 They owe their ancestors; and make them swear  
 To pay it, by transmitting down intire  
 Those sacred rights to which themselves were born.

*Mark Akenside (1721—1770)*