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SENATE

Tuesday, January 16, 1923.

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. H. L. Skillin of Gardiner.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

From the House: Ordered, that, the House concurring, the salaries paid for clerks, stenographers and messengers to the several committees of the Legislature be fixed by the Governor and Council.

In the House this order was indefinitely postponed.

In the Senate on motion by Mr. Adams of Kennebec, the Senate receded from its former action and concurred with the House in the indefinite postponement of the order.

Communications from Heads of Departments

A communication was received from the State Auditor transmitting the eighth biennial report of the period from January 1, 1921, to June 30, 1922.

Tabled for printing pending reference.

A communication was received from the Secretary of State transmitting the answer of the justices of the Supreme Judicial Court to the question submitted under joint order of the Senate and House of Representatives, passed on April 8, 1921, relating to the construction to be placed upon Chapter 10 of the Resolves of 1917, in connection with Chapters 276 and 277 of the Public Laws of 1917.

On motion by Mr. Bailey of Penobscot, the communication was accepted and placed on file.

Sent down for concurrence.

A communication was received from the Attorney General transmitting his written opinion in response to the joint order passed on January 10, 1923, by the Senate and House of Representatives, on the following question:

What fees, if any, aside from those provided in Chapter 145, Section 49 of the Revised Statutes, in addition to their salary, are the Judges of Probate in Maine entitled to by law for their own personal benefit.

Placed on file.

Committee Report

Mr. Eaton, from the committee on appropriations and financial affairs, to which was referred the bonds of William L. Bonney, State treasurer, for the years 1923 and 1924, viz: Surety bond of the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland, in the sum of \$75,000, and surety bond of the Union Safe Deposit and Trust Company, of Portland, Maine, in the sum of \$75,000, reported the same be approved and filed with the Secretary of State.

The report was accepted and sent down for concurrence.

Orders of the Day

The PRESIDENT: There comes from the files of last session an "Act to create a National Guard pay fund." This bill did not come along with the other papers from the file.

Mr. WILSON of Aroostook: Mr. President, what committee was that bill referred to?

The PRESIDENT: At the last Legislature this bill was referred to the joint committees of judiciary and military affairs.

Mr. WILSON: Mr. President, perhaps I will state that joint committees are rather cumbersome, and I think this should be referred to a military committee. I move that the bill be referred to the committee on military affairs.

The motion was agreed to and the bill was so referred.

On motion by Mr. Eliot of Knox,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.