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SENATE

Tuesday, January 15, 1929. Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by the Rev. C. E. Young of Hallowell.

Journal of previous session read and approved.

The PRESIDENT: The Chair is very pleased to learn that Senatorelect Littlefield has recovered from his recent illness and observes that he is now in the Senate Chamber; and the Chair will appoint the Senator from York, Senator Boulter, to escort the Senator-elect to the Council Chamber for the purpose of taking and subscribing the oath required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties as Senator.

Senator Boulter escorted Senatorelect Littlefield from the Senate Chamber and subsequently returned and reported that he had performed the duty assigned him and that the Senator from York, Senator Littlefield, had taken and subscribed the required oath and was now qualified to enter upon his official duties as senator. (applause)

Communication from the Department of State

Out of order and under suspension of the rules the following communication was received from the Department of State:

STATE OF MAINE

Department of State

Augusta, Maine, January 10, 1929. To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives in State of

Maine Legislature assembled:

I have the honor to herewith transmit the report of the commissioner on the revision and consolidation of the Public Laws of the State of Maine, as provided for in Chapter 179 of the Resolves of 1927, approved April 15, 1927.

Very respectfully,

(Signed) EDGAR C. SMITH Secretary of State.

On motion by Mr. Weatherbee of Penobscot the communication was laid upon the table.

Papers from the House disposed of in concurrence.

Mr. Martin of Kennebec presented two bonds of the Hon. William S. Owen, Treasurer of State, which were referred to the Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs and sent down for concurrence.

The following bills were received and on recommendation by the committee on reference of bills were referred to the following committees:

Judiciary

Mr. Mitchell of Aroostook: An Act relating to appropriations for public and private hospitals. (S. P.7)

(500 copies ordered printed.) Sent down for concurrence.

Salaries and Fees

Mrs. Carter of Androscoggin: An Act to increase the salary of the Register of Deeds in the County of Androscoggin. (S.P.8)

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Weatherbee of Penobscot, it was

Ordered, the House concurring, that a Joint Select Committee to be designated. Committee on the Revision of the Statutes be appointed consisting of three on the part of the Senate and seven on the part of the House.

PRESIDENT: The Chair The will state in regard to the order just passed for the appointment of a committee on the revision of the Statutes, that at the last session of the Legislature in 1927 Clarence W. Peabody, Esq., of Portland was appointed a commissioner to revise the Statutes of Maine and he has made report to this Legislature of that revision. Following the procedure of 1915, which was the last session of the Legislature to revise the Statutes, the Chair finds the order of procedure is this: That a joint select committee on revision is appointed which consists of ten lawyers; three on the part of the Senate and seven on the part of the House, and they constitute a committee on revision of the Statutes, and to that committee as soon as appointed is referred this report of the commissioner.

It is the duty of the committee,

as soon as appointed, to organize and prepare for carrying into effect the recommendations of the Commissioner. That committee also sits in vacation after this Legislature adjourns, under order to be passed later in the session, for the purpose of incorporating into the revision the laws which are passed by this Legislature. The Legislature will then be called, probably, into special session at a time after the ninety day period provided by the referendum law has passed, and the Legislature will be so called into session for the purpose of accepting the revision of the Statutes.

I think the Senate now understands the procedure and why this order was passed to have a committee appointed at this time, and the Chair will appoint on that committee: The Senator from Penobscot, Senator Weatherbee, the Senator from Cumberland, Senator Oakes, and the Senator from Washington, Senator Murchie; and the order will be sent down for concurrence.

Sent down for concurrence.

Orders

On motion by Mr. Bond of Lincoln, it was

Ordered, the House concurring, that the Secretary of State be directed to furnish to clerks of committees, postage stamps and such other necessities for the transaction of their business as said committee shall order.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Boulter of York, it was

Ordered, the House concurring, that the Joint Standing Committee for this session on State Lands and Forest Preservation be authorized to attend the New England Sportsmen's Show now being held in Mechanics Building in Boston, Mass.

Sent down for concurrence.

An motion by Mrs. Pinkham of Aroostook,

Adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.

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