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SENATE

Thursday, January 3, 1957

Senate called to order by the President.

Prayer by Rev. Horace E. Colpitts of Augusta.

On motion by Mr. Bailey of Sagadahoc, Journal of yesterday read and approved.

On motion by Mr. Low of Knox, out of order and under suspension of the rules,

ORDERED, the House concurring, that when the Senate and House adjourn, they adjourn to meet on Tuesday, January 8, at 10:00 o'clock in the morning. (S. P. 7)

Which was read and passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently the foregoing order was returned from the House, having been read and passed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Boucher of Androscoggin,

ORDERED, the House concurring, that a Committee of three on the part of the Senate, with such as the House may join, be appointed to wait upon the Honorable Edmund S. Muskie and inform him that he has been duly elected Governor of the State of Maine for the current political years, 1957 and 1958. (S. P. 8)

Which was read and passed.

The President appointed:

Senators: BOUCHER

of Androscoggin
LORD of Cumberland
BUTLER of Franklin

Sent down for concurrence.

Mr. Boucher for the Committee reported that the Committee had waited upon the Honorable Edmund S. Muskie, Governor-elect, and that he was pleased to reply that he accepted the office and would attend on the Legislature at such time as may be designated for the purpose of taking and subscribing to the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him in the discharge of his official duties.

On motion by Mr. Ferguson of Oxford,

ORDERED, that a message be sent to the House of Representatives proposing a Convention of both branches of the Legislature to be held forthwith in the Hall of the House for the purpose of administering to the Honorables Carleton S. Fuller, Robert L. Travis, Currier C. Holman, Arthur N. Gosline, George D. Bearce, Roswell P. Bates, and Harley D. Welch, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify them to enter upon the discharge of their official duties as Executive Councilors, and for the further purpose of administering to the Honorable Edmund S. Muskie, Governor-elect, the oaths required by the Constitution to qualify him to enter upon the discharge of his official duties.

Which was read and passed.

The Secretary delivered the message and subsequently reported that he had performed the duty assigned to him.

A message was received from the House, through Mr. Pease, its Clerk, concurring in the proposition for a Joint Convention for the purpose of administering the oaths to the Executive Councilors and to the Governor-elect.

The Senate retired to the Hall of the House of Representatives where a Joint Convention was formed.

(For proceedings of Joint Convention, see House Report.)

In the Senate

The Senate was called to order by the President.

On motion by Mr. Low of Knox,

ORDERED, the House concurring, that a Joint Select Committee of three on the part of the Senate with such as the House may join, be appointed to consider the Governor's Message and report a reference of its several subjects to appropriate committees. (S. P. 9)

Which was read and passed.

The President appointed:

Senators: LOW of Knox
ROGERSON of Aroostook
PARKER of Piscataquis

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Reed of Aroostook,

ORDERED, that three thousand copies of the Governor's Message be printed.

Which was read and passed.

On motion by Mr. Carpenter of Somerset,

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House jointly prepare the Senate and House Register, and that 5,000 copies be printed for the use of the Legislature. (S. P. 10)

Which was read and passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

Subsequently, the foregoing order was returned from the House, having been read and passed in concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Parker of Piscataquis,

ORDERED, the House concurring, that free telephone service be provided for each member and officer of the Senate and House to the number of 50 calls, of reasonable duration, from Augusta to points within the limits of the State of Maine, and that each member and officer of the Senate and House be provided with a card to be certified by the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House, respectively, the cost of this service to be paid to the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company at regular tariff rates; and be it further

ORDERED, that free telegraph service be provided to each member and officer of the Senate and House to the number of twenty messages of reasonable length, from Augusta to points within the limits of the State of Maine, and that each member and officer of the Senate and House be provided with a card to be certified by the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of the House; the cost of this service to be paid to Western Union Telegraph Company at regular tariff rates. (S. P. 11)

Which was read and passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Brown of Washington,

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the Secretary of the Senate, and the Clerk of the House, respectively, be authorized to furnish to the Superintendent of Public Printing,

postage on all correspondence relative to advertising committee hearings during the present session, same to be charged to legislative expense. (S. P. 12)

Which was read and passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Davis of Cumberland,

ORDERED, that the Secretary of the Senate be directed to furnish each member and officer of the Senate during the present session, with two daily newspapers printed in the State, as each member and officer may direct.

Which was read and passed.

On motion by Mr. St. Pierre of Androscoggin,

ORDERED, the House concurring, that the members and officers of the Legislature be furnished with express and parcel transportation for all packages and department reports in a sum not exceeding \$5.00 for each member and officer thereof, and that such transportation be furnished and expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House, respectively, and the unexpended balance at the close of the year 1959 shall be available for use in 1959. (S. P. 13)

Which was read and passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Farley of York,

ORDERED, the House concurring that the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House, respectively, be authorized to furnish wrappers and postage stamps for each member and officer of the Senate and House, not exceeding \$6.00 in amount each, for the purpose of distributing the various reports of the Departments of State and other public documents such as they may desire to mail to the citizens of the State. (S. P. 14)

Which was read and passed.

Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Bailey of Sagadahoc,

ORDERED, the House concurring, that there be paid to the officers of the Senate and House of Represent-

tatives as advances on account of compensation, amounts included in fortnightly lists, certified to the State Controller by the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House, respectively, and that the final payrolls of such officers at the end of the session bear the approval of the Joint Standing Committee on Appropriations and Financial Affairs. (S. P. 15)

Which was read and passed.
Sent down for concurrence.

On motion by Mr. Hillman of Penobscot,

ORDERED, that the Secretary of the Senate purchase such stationery, office supplies and equipment as may be needed to carry on the business of the Senate.

Which was read and passed.

At this time, the President announced the members of two of the Standing Committees of the Senate:

Bills in Second Reading

WOODCOCK of Penobscot
HILLMAN of Penobscot
BRIGGS of Aroostook
DUNN of Kennebec

Engrossed Bills

BUTLER of Franklin
BRIGGS of Aroostook
DOW of Lincoln
LOW of Knox
MARTIN of Kennebec
PIKE of Oxford

ROGERSON of Aroostook
SILSBY of Hancock
WILLEY of Hancock
FOURNIER of York
LESSARD of Androscoggin
ST. PIERRE

of Androscoggin

The SECRETARY: Mr. President and members of the Senate, the very kind and generous tribute addressed to me yesterday came so unexpectedly that my surprise and appreciation backfired and tightened up my rarely responsive vocal cords and rendered them temporarily useless. A little time, I hope, has taken care of that, and now I wish to express a small measure of the appreciation for the many kindnesses in words and deeds which I have enjoyed from my long association with members of this Senate, and to thank you all for your confidence and cooperation which is what keeps things moving smoothly and effectively. My position as Secretary of the Senate allows, among many pleasures, the privilege of meeting you all on the basis of honorable Senators, with no thought whatsoever of your party affiliations and I want you all to feel that I am VERY MUCH here to serve you and our state.

On motion by Mr. Low of Knox,
Adjourned until Tuesday, January
8 at ten o'clock in the morning.