LEGISLATIVE ADMINISTRATION

Chairman Metcalf called the meeting to order; all members were present. Martha McGee, Chief Clerk, was also present at this meeting.

Chairman Metcalf called on Martha concerning the additional staff for the House. Martha said the following people were already working:

Jean Tschirgi-----Stenographer (full time)

Lori Walker-----Secretary (part time)

Cheryl Vandenacre-----Secretary (part time)

Jeanne Glennon-----Stenographer (part time)

Then she further said the following person would be added to the staff upon this committee's approval:

Katherine Miller-----Typist-proofreader (full time)

The motion to approve the hiring of the above-named persons passed unanimously.

Martha McGee reported that Mary Gabse, a proofreader, was in the hospital, and that there had been some other absences due to illness, thereby causing a shortage of proofreaders.

Chairman Metcalf then said there was a problem of not having enough pages and suggested that two more pages be hired each week to alleviate the situation. He further suggested that the pages be on for shorter periods of time so that more could be hired. He said perhaps some could come on Mondays and some on Wednesdays. It was determined that there would be about twelve more weeks of session, and that the number of pages could be greater to resolve the problem of involving more pages.

Representative Quilici said the Sergeant-at-arms should be notified and authorized to obtain two more pages a week if the committee so agreed. Rep. Quilici also added that he thought Dick Meyer, the Sergeant-at-arms, was doing a good job, and everyone agreed that he was.

Rep. Magone then reported that Speaker Gerke had entered a bill that would allow some of the representatives to come in earlier (presession) to get some things going a little better for the next session. He suggested that this committee could meet, after the appointment thereof, before the session actually began, and could take care of some of the problems that they were now experiencing. It would allow the necessary time to get ready for the session, and he further said he thought it was a real good idea.

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Chairman.

STATE PUB. CO. Helena, Mont. Martha McGee then reported that the print-out on the voting machine had been malfunctioning again, and the members discussed that problem. Martha had inquired as to the purchase of a "page" or "beeper" for Don Liles, who maintains the machine, and reported that Capital Answering Service quoted a lower price for the purchase thereof. The members agreed that Mr. Liles should have one so that he could be reached immediately. A motion was made to purchase the needed page for Mr. Liles, and it passed unanimously.

The members reverted to the hiring of two extra pages per week, and a motion was made to do so, which passed unanimously.

There was further discussion regarding the age of the voting machine and other items needed for the legislature. Martha McGee suggested to trouble seemed to be in the switch on the panels.

Rep. Magone said the chairs in the chambers needed some oil in the casters. It was decided that the Sergeant-at-arms would be notified to look into the matter, as it was necessary to have something done about them soon.

Chairman Metcalf reported that the tables that had been ordered came, but had no legs; they supposed that the legs would be coming with the remainder of the tables.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



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