First Bancorp, Inc /ME/ Form 8-K December 21, 2017

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): December 21, 2017

THE FIRST BANCORP, INC.

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in charter)

MAINE

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

0-26589 01-0404322

(Commission file number) (IRS employer identification no.)

Main Street, Damariscotta, Maine 04543 (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

(207) 563-3195

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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Section 5 - Corporate Governance and Management

Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On December 21, 2017, The First Bancorp, Inc. (the "Company") announced a retirement date for F. Stephen Ward, Chief Financial Officer of the Company and its wholly-owned banking subsidiary, First National Bank (the "Bank"). Mr. Ward is expected to retire as Chief Financial Officer of the Company on March 30, 2018.

Mr. Ward will be succeeded as Chief Financial Officer by Richard M. Elder, currently Executive Vice President and Treasurer of the Bank. It is expected that Mr. Elder will assume the responsibilities of Chief Financial Officer of the Bank as of January 2, 2018, and as Chief Financial Officer of the Company as of March 30, 2018.

Mr. Ward joined the Bank in 1990 as the Director of Marketing. He has served as the Bank's and the Company's Chief Financial Officer since 1993. Mr. Elder joined the Bank in 1993. After a long career on the retail side of the Bank, he joined the finance division in early 2017.

The Company also announced that Mr. Ward has been nominated to serve on the Board of Directors of both the Bank and the Company. The Company's Nominating Committee announced the nomination on Thursday, December 21, 2017. Pending a vote of the Company's shareholders, Mr. Ward will join the Boards of both entities as of the next annual meeting.

Section 9 - Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements, Pro Forma Financial Information and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

The following Exhibits are being furnished herewith:

99.1 Registrant's Press Release dated December 21, 2017.

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

THE FIRST BANCORP, INC.

By: /s/ F. STEPHEN WARD

F. Stephen Ward

Executive Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

Dated: December 21, 2017