

TUESDAY, MAY 7, 1907.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called the following members answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Canova, Clark, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Crill, Davis, Girardeau, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Johnson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey, Neel, Sams, Trammell, Willis, Withers, West (1st District), West (4th District), Zim—32.

A quorum present.

Prayer by Hon. J. B. Crews, Senator from the Fifteenth District.

By request of Mr. Crill the following petitions were presented and ordered spread on the Journal:

Hon. E. S. Crill,

Sir:

We earnestly petition your active support of the measure to secure State option for Florida, and to this end ask you to work and vote for the passing of an amendment to our Constitution, prohibiting the sale of all beverage drinks that contain more than 2 per cent alcohol.

(Signed By)

FIFTY CITIZENS OF PUTNAM COUNTY.

Hon. E. S. Crill,

Sir:

We most earnestly petition your support and vote for a compulsory education law, also that counties in which the School Boards *do not comply* with Section 347 of the New Code, which requires the teaching of "elementary physiology, especially as it relates to the effects of alcoholic stimulants and narcotics morally, mentally

and physically," shall not receive a part of the public fund that is apportioned among the counties; the State Superintendent to require exact reports of the amount of this teaching in every school.

(Signed By)

FIFTY-TWO CITIZENS OF PUTNAM COUNTY.

Hon. E. S. Crill:

Sir:

We beg and petition you to work strenuously to secure the passing of a law forbidding express companies shipping liquor into dry territory.

Also for a law that will class *domestic* wines with malt and vinous liquors *clearly*, in dry territory, and requiring a license to sell the same in wet territory.

(Signed By)

FIFTY CITIZENS OF PUTNAM COUNTY.

Hon. E. S. Crill,

Sir:

Will you not use your utmost endeavors to secure the passing of a law that will make the selling to habitual drunkards a *crime*, with a severe penalty, on complaint of relative or guardian.

(Signed By)

FIFTY-THREE CITIZENS OF PUTNAM COUNTY.

Hon. E. S. Crill,

Member Legislature from Putnam County.

Sir:

We most humbly petition you to use your influence and vote toward the enactment of a law prohibiting the further enslaving of the children of Florida, as it is a crime against Christian civilization, and a menace to the future prosperity and happiness of our beloved State. Cast your vote prohibiting the steady employment of children under the age of fourteen years in any capacity, and you will thereby prove yourself a man worthy of the honor bestowed upon you. We also earnestly request your sup-

port and vote for a measure providing for the establishment of a State Bureau of Labor.

(Signed By)

FIFTY CITIZENS OF PUTNAM COUNTY.

Hon. E. S. Crill,

Sir:

We ask your active support for the passing of a law forbidding the manufacture, sale or use of cigarettes or cigarette paper in the State—modeled on the Indiana law.

(Signed By)

FIFTY-TWO CITIZENS OF PUTNAM COUNTY.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Beard—

Senate Bill No. 345:

A bill to be entitled an act directing that a statue of Edmund Kirby Smith be placed in the National Statuary Hall in the Capitol of the United States, in Washington, District of Columbia, and directing the Governor to appoint a commission to take the necessary steps to that end.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Beard moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 345 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 345 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Beard moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 345 be read a third time and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 345 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Broome, Buckman, Canova, Clark, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crill, Davis, Girardeau, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Johnson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey,

Neel, Sams, Trammell, Willis, West (1st District), West (4th District), Zim—31.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

Mr. Adams in the chair.

Mr. Beard moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 345 be immediately certified to the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 345 was so certified.

By Mr. Massey—

Senate Bill No. 346:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the relief of A. C. Hart, of Orlando, Florida.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Claims.

By Mr. Trammell—

Senate Bill No. 347:

A bill to be entitled an act to amend Section 751 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relative to who shall receive pensions.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Pensions.

By Mr. West of the 1st—

Senate Bill No. 348:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the construction and establishment of a State arsenal, general military headquarters and armory in the city of Jacksonville, Florida, and making appropriation therefor.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Militia.

By request.

By Mr. Sams—

Senate Bill No. 349:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for the furnishing of the Governor's mansion and the improvement of the grounds thereof and such other improvements and extensions as may be necessary or advisable and making appropriations for the same.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

By Mr. West of the 1st—

Senate Bill No. 350:

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of J. M. Cobb.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Cone moved that the rules be waived and that the chair appoint Mr. Johnson of the Seventeenth Senatorial District to several committees, the death of his predecessor at the convening of the Legislature having deprived Suwannee County of representation in this body.

Which was agreed to.

And the President stated that he would assign Senator Johnson to committees and announce such assignments later.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 15:

A resolution asking that the State Board of Education be directed and authorized to execute a deed to the said City of Lake City of 255 acres of land, more or less, as well as 100 acres of land donated by the City of Lake City to the institution upon its establishment.

Was taken up.

Mr. Cone moved that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 15 be laid on the table subject to call.

Which was agreed to.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 26:

A resolution relative to the Legislature of the State of Florida, favoring the adoption of an amendment to the Constitution of the United States which shall provide for a tax on incomes and inheritances, and respectfully request that a convention be called for the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, as provided in Article 5 of said Constitution,

which amendment shall provide for the imposing of such tax on incomes and inheritances.

Was taken up.

And the resolution was read the second time.

Mr. Humphries moved the adoption of the resolution.

Pending which Mr. Cone movd that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 26 be referred to Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

Which was agreed to.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 25:

A resolution requesting Congress to call a convention for the purpose of proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which amendment shall provide for the election of United States Senators by direct vote of the people.

Was taken up.

And the resolution was read the second time.

Mr. Hudson moved that Senate Concurrent Reesolution No. 25 be referred to the Committee on Constitutional amendments.

Which was agreed to.

House Memorial No. 11:

Memorial to Congress of the United States asking for an appropriation for the improvement of the navigation of the St. Johns River between Jacksonville and Sanford.

Was taken up.

And the resolution was read the second time.

Upon the call of the roll upon the adoption of House Memorial No. 11 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Adams, Buckman, Canova, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Crill, Girardeau, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey, Neel, Sams, Trammell, Willis, West (1st District), West (4th District), Zim—24.

Nays—None.

So the memorial passed, title as stated.

House Memorial No. 10:

Memorial to Congress asking that an appropriation be

made for surveying and deepening the entrance of St. Lucie River, Florida.

Was taken up.

And the memorial was read the second time.

Upon the call of the roll upon the adoption of House Memorial No. 10 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Canova, Clarke, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Girardeau, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey, Neel, Sams, Trammell, Willis, West (1st District), West (4th District), Zim—25.

Nays—None.

So the memorial passed, title as stated.

House Memorial No. 9:

A memorial to the Congress of the United States of America asking the United States Senators and Congressmen from Florida to use their every effort and influence to have the timber and stone act repealed.

Was taken up.

And memorial was read the second time.

Upon the call of the roll upon the adoption of House Memorial No. 9 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Canova, Clarke, Crews, Crill, Henderson, Humphries, Jackson, McCreary, Sams, Willis, West (4th District), Zim—16.

Nays—None.

So House Memorial No. 9 passed, title as stated.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Senate Bill No. 73:

A bill to be entitled an act to provide for an Assistant Attorney General, and to fix the salaries of the Attorney General and such assistants.

Was taken up and read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Mr. Johnson moved that Senate Bill No. 73 be recommitted for amendment by the committee.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Buckman moved that Senate Bill No. 73 be placed

back on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading for amendments.

Which was not agreed to.

The question then recurred upon the passage of the bill.

Upon the call of the roll the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Buckman, Canova, Clark, Johnson, Neel, Sams—7.

Nays—Senators Adams, Alford, Baker, Beard, Broome, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Crill, Davis, Girardeau, Henderson, Hudson, Humphries, Jackson, Leggett, McCreary, Massey, Trammell, Willis, West (1st District), West (4th District), Zim—24.

So the bill failed to pass.

Mr. Zim offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 13.

Strike out the words, "such other cities as may deemed advisable," and insert in lieu thereof, "in a newspaper or newspapers in the county or counties wherein such lands are located."

Mr. Zim moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 13:

A bill to be entitled an act providing that the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida and other State officials shall advertise for bids before selling the public lands of this State.

Was taken up and read a second time in full.

And Senate Bill No. 13 was ordered referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

By Mr. Trammell—

Senate Bill No. 14:

A bill to be entitled an act providing that express companies shall transport packages of merchandise not weighing over five pounds anywhere in the State for twenty-five cents, and prescribing penalty for a violation thereof.

Was taken up and read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Upon call of the roll on Senate Bill No. 14 the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Adams, Alford, Beard, Broome, Cone, Cottrell, Crane, Crews, Girardeau, Hudson, Humphries,

Leggett, Massey, Neel, Trammell, Willis, West (1st District), West (4th District), Zim—19.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Buckman, Canova, Clarke, Henderson, Johnson, McCreary, Sams—8.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

MESSAGES FROM HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 6, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 155:

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Wauchula, DeSoto County, Florida, and organize a city government for the same, and to provide its jurisdiction and powers.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM,
Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 155, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 143:

A bill to be entitled an act to repeal Chapter 4774, Acts of 1901, the same being "An act to provide for work-

ing, repairing and maintaining the public roads and bridges in Levy County, by contracts, and to provide penalties for failure thereof," approved April 27, 1899.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 324:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize and validate an ordinance of the town of Plant City, Florida, entitled an ordinance to provide for the issuing of bonds by the said town of Plant City, Florida, in the sum of twenty-five thousand (\$25,000.00) dollars, for the purpose of acquiring, owning and operating a system of water works in said town, and for the sum of five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars for the purpose of owning, operating and maintaining a system of sewerage in said town, and providing for the issue and sale of such bonds and for the expenditure of the proceeds of the sale of such bonds, passed by the council of the town of Plant City, Florida, on the 1st day of January, 1907, and approved by the Mayor of the town of Plant City, Florida, on the 1st day of January, 1907; and to legalize and validate the special election held on the 2nd day of March, 1907, by the qualified electors of the town of Plant City, Florida, under the provisions of said ordinance and the proceedings and resolutions of the council of the said town under said ordinance.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 143, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

And Senate Bill No. 324, contained in the above message was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 6, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris.

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to in-

form the Senate that the House of Representatives has adopted—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 14:

A resolution indorsing Hon. W. J. Bryan for the nomination by the Democratic party for President in 1908.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 14, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 6, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris.

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—
House Bill No. 407:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize the incorporation of the town of Campbellton, in Jackson County, Florida, and to declare the incorporation and ordinances of the town of Campbellton valid and of full force and effect.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM,

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 407, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on City and County Organization.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 17, 1907.

Hon. W. Hunt Harris.

President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform

the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 330:

A bill to be entitled an act to legalize and validate certain ordinances, certain levies, assessments, collection of taxes and certain elections of the officers of the town of Milton.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 342:

A bill to be entitled an act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Havana, in the County of Gadsden, and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as Havana, and to define its territorial boundary, and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM.

Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 330, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

And Senate Bill No. 342, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Trammell moved that the rules be waived and that the action of the Senate today on all bills and resolutions be immediately certified to the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Beard moved to adjourn until 10 o'clock tomorrow. Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned until tomorrow, Wednesday, May 8, 1907, at 10 o'clock.