

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 315 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 Alexander, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, McEachern, MacWilliams, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Willis, Wilson—24.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By permission—

Mr. Jones, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1917.

*Hon. John B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 36:

A Bill to be entitled An Act requiring Emigrant Agents doing business in this State to procure a County License, fixing the amount thereof, and prescribing a penalty for doing business without such license.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that the Committee's Bill accompanying the original Bill be adopted as a Substitute for Senate Bill No. 36, the Substitute Bill having the same title as the original Bill.

Very respectfully

JO. B. JONES,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 36, with the Committee Substitute therefor, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Calkins moved that the Senate do now adjourn to 10 o'clock A. M. tomorrow morning.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon, the Senate stood adjourned to ten o'clock A. M. Tuesday Morning, April 17, 1917.

Tuesday, April 17, 1917.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll being called, the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—32.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The Reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal of April 16, 1917, was corrected.

#### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

*Hon. John B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 4:

A Resolution to amend Article 19 of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

Beg leave to report that the same has been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,  
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. J. M. Gorntto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

Hon. John B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 97:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to repeal Chapter 6986, of the Laws of Florida, Acts 1915, entitled "An Act to organize a County Court in and for the County of Bay; to prescribe the terms thereof; to prescribe the compensation for the Judge of said Court; and to prescribe for the appointment of a prosecuting attorney thereof to serve until the next general election."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 65:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the City of Lakeland, in the County of Polk, State of Florida, to borrow funds for improvement purposes and for general municipal purposes; and to authorize the issuance and signing of notes to evidence such loans; and to authorize said city to pay for two-thirds of improvements where there is abutting property only on one side of said improvements; and to authorize a connecting and improving of water mains and sewers and payment therefor, and to prescribe methods of assessment therefor and to authorize the issuance of bonds to take up the floating indebtedness and to pay off loans made in the making of improvements; and to authorize issuance of refunding bonds.

Also—

Senate Memorial No. 1.

Requesting Congress to use their efforts to have the Port of St. Andrews properly fortified against the enemies of United States.

Have carefully examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,  
J. M. GORNTO,  
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Mathis, Chairman of the Committee on Education, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

Hon. John B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 144:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing County Boards of Public Instruction to adopt all school books other than the regular Basal elementary school books, provided for by the State uniform text-book law, from a list issued by the State Board of Education; and to purchase all school books, and sell, rent or furnish them free to pupils; to require publishers to file sample copies of all school books to be sold in the State with the State Superintendent of Public Instruction; to require publishers to sell school books to public school authorities in this State at the lowest net wholesale prices given anywhere in the United States; to require publishers to give bond to the State; to provide punishment and penalties for the violation of this Act, and for other purposes.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend that the same do pass with the following amendments:

In Section 7, line 18, in printed Bill, strike out the words "One Hundred," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Five Hundred."

In Section 9, line 19, in printed Bill, strike out the word "thirty," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Ninety."

In Section 9, line 42, in printed Bill, add: "Provided that when County Boards of Public Instruction furnish books free, these books shall be furnished to the children of permanent bona fide residence only."

In Section 17, line 1, in printed Bill, strike out the word "January," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "June."

Very respectfully,

C. C. MATHIS,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 144, with the Committee amendment thereto, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Also—

Mr. Gornto, Chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

*Hon. John B. Johnson,*

*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 215:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the sale of real property of the County of Orange and the State of Florida.

Also—

House Bill No. 72:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to validate a lease made the 3d day of October, A. D. 1916, between the City of St. Petersburg, a municipal corporation of the State of Florida, and the St. Petersburg Yacht Club, a corporation organized under the Laws of the State of Florida.

Also—

House Bill No. 9:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing Jackson County to issue warrants for the purpose of constructing a bridge upon the Apalachicola River and approaches in connection with Gadsden County and the State Highway Commission.

Also—

House Bill No. 103:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida, to levy a special tax for publicity purposes.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,  
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained therein were referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Hughlett, Chairman of the Committee on County Organizations, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*

*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

Your Committee on County Organizations, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 166:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create "Highlands County," in the State of Florida.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully,

W. L. HUGHLETT,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 166, contained in the above report, was placed on the table under the rule.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Substitute House Bill No. 277:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and empower the Board of County Commissioners of Calhoun County, Florida, to issue and sell interest bearing time warrants for the purpose of taking up and cancelling all other warrants ordered drawn against said County prior to January 1, 1917; validating all contracts made by said Board of County Commissioners prior to said date in payment of which contracts warrants have been ordered drawn by said Board of County Commissioners; authorizing the issuance of such interest bearing warrants to take up other indebtedness of said county, and empowering the said Board of County Commissioners to make a tax levy for the purpose of paying the principal and interest of said interest bearing time warrants.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.  
Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Substitute House Bill No. 277, containedd in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Farris, Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 157:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section one of Article six, as amended (1893) of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to suffrage and eligibility.

Have had the same under consideration, and unanimously recommend that the same do pass.

Very respectfully,

ION L. FARRIS,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 157, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 97:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to repeal Chapter 6986 of the Laws of Florida, Acts 1915, entitled "An Act to organize a county court in and for the county of Bay; to prescribe the terms thereof; to prescribe the compensation for the Judge of said court; and to prescribe for the

appointment of a Prosecuting Attorney thereof to serve until the next general election."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 65:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the city of Lakeland, in the county of Polk, State of Florida, to borrow funds for improvement purposes and for general municipal purposes; and to authorize the issuance and signing of notes to evidence such loans; and to authorize said city to pay for two-thirds of improvements where there is abutting property only on one side of said improvements; and to authorize a connecting and improving of water mains and sewers and payment therefor, and to prescribe methods of assessment therefor and to authorize the issuance of bonds to take up the floating indebtedness and to pay off loans made in the making of improvements; and to authorize issuance of refunding bonds.

Also—

Senate Memorial No. 1:

Requesting Congress to use their efforts to have the Port of St. Andrews properly fortified against the enemies of United States.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,  
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained in the above report were ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signature of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

Hon. John B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 215:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the sale of real property of the County of Orange and the State of Florida.

Also—

House Bill No. 72:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to validate a lease made the 3d day of October, A. D. 1916, between the City of St. Petersburg, a municipal corporation of the State of Florida, and the St. Petersburg Yacht Club, a corporation organized under the Laws of the State of Florida.

Also—

House Bill No. 9:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing Jackson County to issue warrants for the purpose of constructing a bridge upon the Apalachicola River and approaches in connection with Gadsden County and the State Highway Commission.

Also—

House Bill No. 103:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida, to levy a special tax for publicity purposes.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,  
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts contained in the above report were ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to be conveyed to the House of Representatives for the signature of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

Mr. Gornto, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

Hon. John B. Johnson,  
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

## House Bill No. 215:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the sale of real property of the County of Orange and the State of Florida.

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Also—

## House Bill No. 9:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing Jackson County to issue warrants for the purpose of constructing a bridge upon the Apalachicola River and approaches in connection with Gadsden County and the State Highway Commission.

Also—

## House Bill No. 103:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida, to levy a special tax for publicity purposes.

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, and are herewith presented to the Senate for the signatures of the President and Secretary thereof.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTON,  
Chairman of Committee.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

Hon. John B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 66:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for monthly payments of pensions; to make regulations therefor and prescribe penalties in connection therewith.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 66, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

Hon. John B. Johnson,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 125:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prevent the killing of sheep by hogs.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,  
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 125, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. McLeod—

Senate Bill No. 230:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the payment of a pension to E. A. Bowdoin, of Dorcas, Florida.

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

By Mr. Crawford—

Senate Bill No. 231:

A Bill to be entitled An Act changing the terms of the County Court in Osceola County, Florida.

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on Second Reading.

By Mr. Sheppard—

Senate Bill No. 232:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making farm loan bonds issued under the provisions of the Act of Congress called the Federal Farm Loan Act, approved July 17, 1916, lawful investments for all fiduciary and trust funds, and authorizing the acceptance of such bonds as security for all public deposits.

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

By Mr. Moore—

Senate Bill No. 233:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the payment of wages at least twice in each calendar month, and providing a liability for the violation thereof.

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

By Mr. Alexander—

Senate Bill No. 234:

A Bill to be entitled An Act concerning elections, and permitting absent voters to vote by mail.

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

By Mr. Turner—

Senate Bill No. 235:

A Bill to be entitled An Act prescribing the duties

of the Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of Florida.

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

Mr. Turner moved to waive the rules and that Senate Bill No. 235 be not referred to a committee, but be made a special order of consideration on Wednesday at 11 o'clock A. M.

Which was agreed to by a two-third vote.

By Mr. Turner—

Senate Bill No. 236:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to protect and regulate the fresh water fishing industry of the State of Florida, and to provide for the enforcement of this Act.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Turner moved to waive the rules and that the Bill be not referred, but same be placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading.

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

By Mr. MacWilliams—

Senate Bill No. 237:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and empowering the State Board of Health to regulate the sale and production of milk, cream, ice cream, butter, or other so-called milk, or dairy products; providing for the inspection of all dairies or other places where milk is produced, bottled, sold or offered for sale; providing for the licensing by the State Board of Health of all such places where milk, cream, ice cream, butter, or other so-called milk or dairy products are sold, and requiring as a pre-requisite thereto the licensing of all dairies, or other places where milk or other dairy products are produced, sold, or offered for sale; and providing for the State Board of Health to prescribe certain minimum standards as to equipment, methods of handling, sanitation of buildings or barns used as dairies; and providing that all such milk, cream, ice cream, butter or other such milk or dairy products shall comply with certain chemical and bacteriological standards of purity.

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

By Mr. Oliver—  
Senate Bill No. 238:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to establish and maintain a depositor's Guaranty Fund to be created by levies on the capital stock of all banks created and existing under the Laws of the State of Florida, to be used for liquidating deposits of such of said banks as may fail.

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

By Mr. Gornto—  
Senate Joint Resolution No. 239:

A Joint Resolution proposing to revoke, annul, and repeal Section 6 of Article 12 of the Constitution of the State, relative to a special tax of one mill on the dollar for public school purposes.

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

By Mr. Farris (by request).  
Senate Bill No. 240:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 2574 Compiled Statutes of 1906, providing for the issuance of marriage licenses and the prerequisites therefor.

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

By Mr. Farris (by request)—  
Senate Bill No. 241:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to protect women and children from desertion and non-support by husbands and parents; making it a misdemeanor for a husband to desert or neglect to provide for the support of his wife, or for a parent to desert or to neglect to provide for the support of his or her child or children under the age of sixteen years; prescribing the penalty therefor and making provision for the apprehension and punishment of persons convicted of non-support or desertion; and providing for a taking of recognizances and for a forfeiture and enforcement of said recognizances.

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

Communications from the Legislatures of the States of Vermont, New York, Utah and South Carolina were

read and referred to the Committee on Uniform Legislation.

#### ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Senate Bill No. 35:

A Bill to be entitled An Act creating an additional Judicial Circuit in the State of Florida, to be designated as the Twelfth Judicial Circuit, and to be composed of the counties of St. Johns, Clay and Putnam, and providing for the appointment of a Circuit Judge and State Attorney therefor, and prescribing when said Circuit Court shall take jurisdiction and effect on pending cases.

With the Amendment of Mr. Baker thereto.

Was taken up in its order and its further consideration was temporarily passed over.

The motion of Mr. Farris to reconsider the vote by which House Concurrent Resolution No. 12 failed to be adopted by the Senate was taken up in its order.

Mr. Farris moved to temporarily pass over the question of reconsideration, that he might make the request of the Senate to recall the Resolution from the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Mr. Farris moved that the Senate request the House of Representatives to return to the Senate House Concurrent Resolution No. 12 for reconsideration.

Which was unanimously agreed to.

The following communication from the Governor was read:

Executive Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 4, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnson, President,

Senate Chamber,  
Tallahassee, Fla.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find copy of Resolution passed by the Council of National Defense of Washington, D. C., on April 7, 1917. I call your attention to the matter, which our Secretary of War, Hon. Newton D. Baker, seems to

indicate that you should consider before you adjourn.

With best wishes, I am,

Yours very truly,

SIDNEY J. CATTS,  
Governor.

(COPY)

COUNCIL OF NATIONAL DEFENSE.

Washington, April 9, 1917.

To the Hon. Sidney J. Catts,  
Governor of Florida.

Sir:

I respectfully call your attention to the following Resolutions passed at the meeting of the Council of National Defense and its Advisory Commission, held on Saturday, April 7.

That the Council of National Defense urge upon the Legislatures of the States, as well as all administrative agencies charged with the enforcement of labor and health laws, the great duty of rigorously maintaining the existing safeguards as to the health and welfare of workers, and that no departure from such present standards, in State laws or State rulings affecting labor should be taken without declaration of the Council of National Defense that such a departure is essential for the effective pursuit of the national defense.

That the Council of National Defense urge upon the Legislatures of the several States that before final adjournment they delegate to the Governors of their respective States the power to suspend or modify restrictions contained in their labor laws when such suspension or modification shall be requested by the Council of National Defense; and such a suspension or modification, when made, shall continue for a specified period and not longer than the duration of the war.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) NEWTON D. BAKER,

Secretary of War,  
and Chairman of Council of National Defense.

The communication was referred to the Committee on Executive Communications.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate Bill No. 16:

A Bill to be entitled An Act prohibiting the manufacture of alcoholic, spirituous, vinous, malt and intoxicating liquors and beverages, and certain non-intoxicating liquors and beverages, traffic therein and keeping on hand in public places or for illegal sale in counties or election precincts that have or may hereafter vote against the sale of liquor.

Was taken up and its consideration was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 106:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 3342 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to "Offering for sale slaughtered beef or hogs without exhibiting same for inspection."

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 106, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greent, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 33:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of the several counties in the State of Florida, in their discretion, to employ an attorney at law to prosecute those charged with the commission of crime and offenses against the laws of the State, before the County Judge's Court, and to fix and prescribe the compensation of such attorney.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 33, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King,

Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Willis, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified in the House of Representatives.

#### CONSIDERATION OF BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 83:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 2887 and 2892, of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, and to amend Sections 2893 and 2908 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, as amended by Chapter 6527 of the Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913, relating to the Railroad Commissioners and the regulation of common carriers.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

The following amendment to the Committee on Railroad, and Canals and Telegraphs, was read, as follows:

Follow Section 2 and Section 3 with the following: "Provided that any water carrier under ten tons net shall not be within the jurisdiction of the Railroad Commissioners."

Mr. Eaton moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And the further consideration of the Bill on Second Reading was temporarily passed over.

Senate Bill No. 129:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section One Hundred and Seven (107) of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to warrants paid.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

There being no Amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 129 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 31:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to regulate the procedure in appeals in chancery causes from the Circuit Courts of the State of Florida to the Supreme Court of Florida.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full. There being no Amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 31 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 30:

A Bill to be entitled An Act regulating the appearance of the defendants in all suits brought in the Circuit Courts of the State of Florida in Chancery, whether defendants are served personally or by publication, and providing for the entry of decrees pro confesso upon failure of the defendant to appear.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full, together with the substitute offered by the Committee.

The Committee Substitute Bill having the same title as the original Bill was read in full.

There was no amendment offered to the Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 30.

Mr. Carlton moved to adopt the substitute in lieu of the original Bill.

Which was agreed to.

And the Committee Substitute was adopted in lieu thereof.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 30 was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 112:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 5 and 8 of Chapter 6525 of the Laws of Florida, providing for the regulation of telegraph and telephone companies doing business in the State of Florida.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

The following amendment of the Committee on Railroads, Canals and Telegraphs was read as follows:

1. In Section 2, after the word "religion," on line 23, insert the following: "or from exchanging free passes and franks with other common carriers for the sole personal use of the officers, salaried attorneys-at-law and employes of such other common carriers and of telegraph and telephone companies in accordance and in conformity with An Act of Congress entitled 'An Act to Regulate Commerce,' and Acts amendatory thereof and supplemental thereto."

Mr. Eaton moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Also the following Committee Amendment was read:  
2. Insert at the end of second paragraph of Section 8 the following: "Provided, also, that nothing herein shall prevent telephone companies from exchanging service with one another or telegraph companies from exchanging service with one another."

Mr. Eaton moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 112, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 164:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section Three of Chapter 6424, Acts of 1913, as amended by Chapter 6818, Acts of 1915, relating to and creating a State Board of Pensions; defining who shall receive pensions, who shall not receive pensions, who shall be retained as pensioners, how applications shall be made, how pensions shall be paid; duty of County Commissioners in regard to pensions; providing for the levy of a pension tax and authorizing the State Board of Pensions to make regulations to carry into effect the provisions of this Act.

Was taken up, and referred to the Committee on Appropriations, under the rule.

Senate Bill No. 168:

A Bill to be entitled An Act granting a pension to J. O. Green.

Was taken up, and was referred to the Committee on Appropriations, under the rule.

Senate Bill No. 48:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 6937 of the Laws of Florida, approved June 3rd, 1915, entitled "An Act providing for the creation of Okaloosa County, in the State of Florida, and for the organization and Government thereof."

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

There being no Amendment offered, Senate Bill No. 48 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 117:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for and to au-

thorize leaves of absence to State and County officials for service in the Army of the United States.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full, together with amendments.

The following amendment of the Committee on Judiciary A was read, as follows:

In Section 1, line 6, after the word "Army" insert "or Navy."

Mr. MacWilliams moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Also the following Committee Amendment was read:

In Section 3, line 8, strike out the words "their principal," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "The officer appointing him as such deputy."

Mr. MacWilliams moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Also the following Committee Amendment was read:

In Section 3 strike out the proviso.

Mr. MacWilliams moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Also the following Committee Amendment was read:

In Section 5, line 4, strike out the word "thereof," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "for which he was elected."

Mr. MacWilliams moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Also the following Committee Amendment was read:

Add as Section 5, making old Section 5 read Section 6, and Section 6 as Section 7.

Mr. MacWilliams moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Also the following Committee Amendment was read:

"Section 5. That any Deputy qualifying under the provisions of this Act shall perform all of the duties that may devolve upon the officer appointing him, and he shall sign all official papers and documents in the name of the officer so appointing him as such Deputy, and his said acts as such Deputy shall in all respects be as binding as if performed by the officer appointing such Deputy."

Mr. MacWilliams moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 117, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 173:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for proceedings supplementary to an execution.

Was taken up.

Mr. Davis moved that 200 copies of the Bill be printed, with the proposed Amendments thereto, and the consideration of the Bill be made the Special Order for Friday next at 11 o'clock A. M.

Which was agreed to.

And the Special Order of Consideration directed.

Senate Bill No. 78:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit the issuing by anyone of checks or orders upon banks or other persons, when the makers of such orders or checks have not sufficient funds on deposit with the drawee to pay such order, to prescribe a rule of evidence, and to provide punishment therefor.

Was taken up.

And its consideration temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 240:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the procuring and the display of the flag of the United States of America over the Capitol, each State institution, county court house and county school building in this State.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

There being no Amendment offered, House Bill No. 240 was, under the rule, placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 2:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the payment by the State of Florida of the traveling expenses of the State Attorneys of the State when attending sessions of court in their respective circuits or while in the performance of the duties of their office as prescribed by statute.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Davis moved to indefinitely postpone Senate Bill No. 2.

Mr. Andrews moved to lay the motion to indefinitely postpone upon the table.

Which was not agreed to.

The question recurred upon the motion to indefinitely postpone the Bill.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 2 was indefinitely postponed.

House Bill No. 30:

A Bill to be entitled An Act prohibiting the manufacture of alcoholic, spirituous, vinous, malt and intoxicating liquors and beverages, and certain non-intoxicating liquors and beverages, traffic therein and keeping on hand in public places or for illegal sale in counties or election precincts that have or many hereafter vote against the sale of liquor.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full.

Mr. McEachern offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 30:

At end of Section 2 add the following: "Providing further, that nothing in this Act shall prohibit the manufacture, by any one family, of domestic wines for family use in quantities not exceeding five gallons in any one year."

Mr. McEachern moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. McEachern offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 30:

Strike out all of Section 3.

Strike out all of Section 3, and insert in lieu thereof, the following:

Section 3. That any violation of any provision of Section One of this Act shall be furnished by a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars or by imprisonment in the county jail for not more than six months, or both

such fine and imprisonment within the discretion of the court.

Mr. McEachern moved the adoption of the amendment. Which was agreed to.

Mr. Farris (by request), offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 30:

In Section 1, line 32 (printed bill), strike out the words "commonly known and called near beer."

Mr. Farris (by request), moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Farris (by request), offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 30.

In Section 1, line 14 (printed bill), strike out the words "near beer."

Which was withdrawn.

Senate Bill No. 30, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 36:

A Bill to be entitled An Act requiring emigrant agents doing business in this State to procure a county license, fixing the amount thereof and prescribing a penalty for doing business without such license.

Was taken up, and was read the second time in full, together with Committee Substitute therefor.

The Substitute was announced to have the same title as the original Bill.

There being no Amendment to the Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 36.

Mr. Jones moved to adopt the Committee Substitute in lieu of the original Bill.

Which was agreed to.

Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 36 was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Mathis moved to waive the rules and take up substitute House Bill No. 277 for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

Substitute for House Bill No. 277:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and empower the Board of County Commissioners of Calhoun County, Florida, to issue and sell interest-bearing time warrants for the purpose of taking up and cancelling all other war-

rants ordered drawn against said county prior to January 1, 1917, validating all contracts made by said Board of County Commissioners prior to said date in payment of which contract warrants have been ordered drawn by said Board of County Commissioners, authorizing the issuance of such interest-bearing warrants to take up other indebtedness of said county, and empowering the Board of County Commissioners to make a tax levy for the purpose of paying the principal and interest of said interest-bearing time warrants.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be waived and Substitute House Bill No. 277 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Substitute House Bill No. 277 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be further waived, and that Substitute House Bill No. 277 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Substitute Bill No. 277 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford; Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Turner, Willis, Wilson—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately.

#### CONSIDERATION OF LOCAL BILLS ON SECOND READING.

Senate Bill No. 221:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Escambia County, Florida, to use the \$4,800.00 set aside and appropriated in the budget of 1916-1917, for the completion of the Gulf Beach Highway, a public road in Escambia County, Florida.

Was taken up, and its consideration was temporarily passed over.

## House Bill No. 112:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the registered voters of Election District Number Thirty-two of Duval County, Florida, to decide at a special election, whether or not swine and cattle shall be allowed to run at large in said district; forbidding the owners of swine and cattle to allow them to run at large in said district, and providing penalties therefor.

Was taken up, and its consideration was temporarily passed over.

## House Bill No. 219:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida, to issue warrants not exceeding \$80,000.00 on the Road Fund of said County with which to provide funds to repair, construct and complete the main line County Road known as the "Dixie Highway" from North to South through said County; providing the rate of interest which the said warrants shall bear and the period for which the said warrants shall run; and providing for the levy of a tax with which to pay the principal and interest of said warrants.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 219 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 219 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 219 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 219 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 Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

## Senate Bill No. 158:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to organize and establish a County Court in and for St. Lucie County, Florida; to prescribe the terms thereof; to prescribe its jurisdiction and powers; to provide for the appointment of a prosecuting attorney for the said court, and prescribing the fees and the salaries of the Judge and the Prosecuting Attorney of the said court; the transfer of causes from other courts and matters pertaining thereto.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 158 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 158 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 158 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 158 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 Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis—26.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

## Senate Bill No. 195:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Davenport, in the county of Polk, and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as the town of Davenport; to define the territorial boundaries; to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges, and the exercise of same.

Mr. Eaton moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 195 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 195 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Eaton moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 195 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 195 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 Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Gornito, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Willis—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Senate Bill No. 196:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and validate the proceedings of the town of Davenport in relation to the issuing of bonds in the sum of Thirty-five Hundred Dollars for building sidewalks and other municipal improvements.

Mr. Eaton moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 196 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 196 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Eaton moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 196 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 196 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 Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—27.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 319:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to employ detectives by the Solicitor of the Criminal Court of Record in and for Dade County, Florida, and to provide for funds to pay such detectives.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 319 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 319 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 319 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 319 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 Alexander, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornito, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 283:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to validate certain indebtedness of the City of Plant City, Florida, and to make the same a legal and binding obligation of the said city.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 283 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 283 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 283 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 283 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 Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Wells, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bills Nos. 49 and 295 were taken up and their consideration was temporarily passed over.

House Bill No. 282:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit all persons from putting out or placing steel trap or traps, or causing the same to be placed or set upon the land of another in Hamilton County without the written consent of the owner of the land, or other traps or devices which may catch any wild or domestic animal, and providing a penalty for so doing.

Mr. Greene moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 282 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 282 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Greene moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 282 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 282 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 Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, McLeod, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—26.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By consent, Mr. Alexander called from its order.

House Bill No. 239:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the City of Daytona to levy a special tax for publicity purposes.

Which was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 239 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 239 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 239 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 239 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 Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—30.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 221:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida, to levy a tax to provide funds with which to purchase a site for and to build, construct and maintain a poorhouse and poorfarm.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 221 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 221 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 221 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 221 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 Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 220:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida, to change and relocate the route of the roads in Special Bond and Bridge District No. 6, of Palm Beach County, Florida, and validating the \$150,000 of bonds heretofore authorized and issued by said district.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 220 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 220 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 220 be read a third time in full and put on its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 220 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. Speaker, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McLeod, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Sheppard,

Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

House Bill No. 22:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the City of Tallahassee to give its note or notes in payment for certain fire apparatus bought of the American-La France Fire Engine Company, Inc.

Mr. Wells moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 22 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 22 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Wells moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 22 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 22 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 Alexander, Andrews, Baker, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Sheppard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Wells moved to waive the rules and that all Bills passed by the Senate be immediately certified to the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read.

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

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

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6:

Relative to directing a joint meeting and public hearing before committees to which Everblades Drainage Bill has been referred; providing for the appearance of witnesses and all parties interested, and authorizing said Committee to compel production of such matters of public record as may have a bearing on Everglades legislation.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

*Hon. John B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has concurred in Senate Amendment to—

House Concurrent Resolution No. 13:

Relative to the address of Mrs. Bryan today.

Senate Amendment:

Strike out the words "11 o'clock," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Eight o'clock P. M."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 13, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and was laid over under the rule.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*  
*President of the Senate.*

*Sir:*

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

Committee Substitute for—

House Bill No. 66:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1241, Chapter XIX of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to Standards of Weights and Measures.

Also—

House Bill No. 300:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to require non-resident persons to pay a license tax to catch fish in the fresh water lakes and rivers in the County of Wakulla.

Also—

House Bill No. 73:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to grant the water front, riparian rights and submerged lands, and lands reclaimed or filled in, in front of the property in the town of Pass-a-Grille, lying south of Miles street, and extended east on the east side of said town, and extended west on the west side of said town, to which the State may have any title or right of possession to the Town of Pass-a-Grille.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 66, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

And House Bill No. 30, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on Second Reading.

And House Bill No. 73, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

*Hon. J. B. Johnson,*

*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 Concurrent Resolution No. 14:  
Relative to invitation to Mrs. William Jennings Bryan to address the members of the Florida Legislature.  
And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Concurrent Resolution No. 14, contained in the above message, was read the first time.

Mr. Wells moved to waive the rules to consider the Resolution at once.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.  
The Resolution was read the second time.

Mr. Wells moved to adopt the Resolution.  
Which was agreed to.

The same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,  
Tallahassee, Fla., April 17, 1917.

*Hon. John B. Johnson,*

*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. 111:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 353, Article 2, of the General Statutes of the State of Florida of 1906.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,  
R. A. GREEN,  
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 111, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

ENROLLED.

The President announced that he was about to sign—  
Senate Bill No. 97:

An Act to repeal Chapter 6986 of the Laws of Florida, Acts of 1915, entitled "An Act to organize a County Court in and for the County of Bay; to prescribe the terms thereof; to prescribe the compensation for the Judge of said court; and to prescribe for the appointment of a Prosecuting Attorney thereof to serve until the next General Election."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 65.

An Act to authorize the City of Lakeland, in the County of Polk, State of Florida, to borrow funds for improvement purposes and for general municipal purposes; and to authorize the issuance and signing of notes to evidence such loans; and to authorize said city to pay for two-thirds of improvements where there is abutting property only on one side of said improvements; and to authorize a connecting and improving of water mains and sewers and payment therefor, and to prescribe methods of assessment therefor, and to authorize the issuance of bonds to take up the floating indebtedness and to pay off loans made in the making of improvements; and to authorize issuance of refunding bonds.

Also—

Senate Memorial No. 1:

Requesting Congress to use their efforts to have the Port of St. Andrews properly fortified against the enemies of United States.

The Acts were therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

The President announced that he was about to sign—  
House Bill No. 215:

An Act relating to the sale of real property of the County of Orange, and the State of Florida.

Also—

House Bill No. 72:

An Act to validate a lease made the 2d day of October, A. D. 1916, between the City of St. Petersburg, a municipal corporation of the State of Florida, and the St. Petersburg Yacht Club, a corporation organized under the Laws of the State of Florida.

Also—

House Bill No. 9:

An Act authorizing Jackson County to issue warrants for the purpose of constructing a bridge upon the Apalachicola River and approaches in connection with Gadsden County and the State Highway Commission.

Also—

House Bill No. 103:

An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida, to levy a special tax for publicity purposes.

The Acts were therefore duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate, and ordered returned to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills to convey to the Governor for his approval.

By consent.

Mr. Igou offered the following Resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 14:

Resolved, That the committee on Legislative Expense, be and are hereby authorized to employ J. J. Cannon as assistant engrossing secretary, with pay from the time he began service.

Mr. Igou moved to adopt the Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wells moved that the Senate do now adjourn until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to ten o'clock A. M. Wednesday, April 18, 1917.