

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 30, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 360:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the purchasing of material, implements, supplies and the employment of labor for the building and constructing of roads in Taylor County, Florida, in pursuance of bond election of July 25, 1916.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,
A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 360, contained in above report, was referred to Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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

Senate Chamber
Tallahassee, Fla., May 30, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 533:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prescribe the qualification of electors in all municipal elections to be held in and for the municipality of the City of Daytona, Volusia County, Florida.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,
A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 533, contained in above report, was referred to Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 30, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 455:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to prescribe the qualification of electors in municipal elections to be held in the municipality of the City of DeLand, Volusia County, Florida.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,
A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 455, contained in the above report was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Igou moved to adjourn to 8 o'clock P. M.

Mr. Oliver moved to adjourn to 9 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to 9 o'clock A. M. Thursday, May 31, 1917.

Thursday, May 31, 1917.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Baker, Calkins, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal of May 30 was corrected and approved as corrected.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Turner, Chairman of the Committee on Game and Fisheries, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Game and Fisheries, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 644:

A Bill to be entitled An Act amending Section Nine of Chapter 6532, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913, entitled "An Act to encourage, protect, regulate and develop the shell fish industry of the State of Florida and to increase the revenue of the State of Florida therefrom, by recognizing and declaring the ownership of the State in and to the bottoms or beds of the bodies of streams of water along the coast of the Gulf of Mexico and along the Coast of the Atlantic Ocean, within the jurisdiction of the State of Florida not heretofore granted or conveyed, for the purpose of giving exclusive rights to plant oysters and clams by recognizing and declaring the ownership of the State in and to all reefs and beds of oysters, clams and other shell fish growing naturally thereon; for the protection of those heretofore engaged in the growing of oysters; by creating the office of Shell Fish Commissioner of the State of Florida, and defining his powers and duties; by providing for the leasing of oyster and clam lands belonging to the State; by providing for the licensing, registration and designation of vessels employed in the oyster and clam industry; by levying a special assessment or privilege tax on oysters and clams produced in said waters; and a police license on persons, firms, corporations and vessels engaged in the oyster and clam industry; by providing for the manner of collecting, handling, depositing and disbursing the revenues derived from said industry, and the distribution of the surplus revenues; by providing for the protection and enlargement of the natural oyster and clam reefs and beds of this State, and for the creating of the artificial reefs or beds by authorizing the counties to make appropriations therefor; by providing such other regulations and pro-

visions as are necessary to properly carry out the objects and purposes of this Act; by providing penalties for the violations of this Act; and by repealing and superceding all laws on the same subject matter in conflict with the provisions of this Act," approved June 4, 1913.

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

Very respectfully,

J. W. TURNER,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 744, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred—

House Joint Resolution No. 26:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 1 of Article XVII of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to amendments.

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

Very respectfully,

ION L. FARRIS,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Joint Resolution No. 26, contained in the above report, was placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Plympton offered the following resolution—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 23:

Resolved, by the Senate, that the Secretary be authorized to mail copies of the last day's Journal to each

member of the Senate and House of Representatives, and that the Comptroller be authorized to pay the bill for such postage as is necessary to carry out this Resolution, when properly approved, by the Secretary of the Senate and the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Plympton moved to waive the rules and that the Resolution be read the second time.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the Resolution was read the second time.

The question was put upon the adoption, and Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 23 was adopted.

Mr. Plympton offered the following Resolution:
Senate Resolution No. 26:

Resolved by the Senate, That the Secretary of the Senate be, and he is hereby, authorized to check up and endorse for payment the bills for the printing of the last week of this session—Journals, Calendars, Bills, etc.—and the Comptroller is hereby instructed to take his endorsement and approval in making payment for same.

Which was read.

Mr. Plympton moved the adoption of the Resolution. The question was put and the Resolution was adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Hughlett—
Senate Bill No. 624:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for and relating to the redemption of drainage tax certificates now held by the State for the non-payment of taxes, and the duties of State and county officials in connection therewith.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 624 be read a second time.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 624 was read a second time in full.

And the further consideration was temporarily passed over.

CONSIDERATION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 26:

A Concurrent Resolution relative to authorizing and

directing the Governor to appoint a committee to investigate the need of a new and modern Hospital for the Insane of this State.

Was taken up and read the second time.

The question was put upon the adoption of the Resolution, and it was adopted.

And the action of the Senate was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 30, 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, with amendments—

Senate Bill No. 391:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create the State Live Stock Sanitary Board, to prescribe its membership, powers and duties, fix the compensation for the services of its members and vest in said Board the authority to provide for the prevention, suppression and control of dangerous, communicable, contagious, infectious and other diseases of cattle, hogs, and other domestic animals, and to establish, maintain and enforce quarantines to prevent the introduction or spread of infectious, contagious and communicable diseases among such animals, and to adopt and enforce rules and regulations regarding any and all said matters, and to give said Board power and authority in respect thereto, and to authorize County Commissioners to appropriate and expend funds for the work of tick eradication, and hog cholera control, and to provide for the appointment of a State Veterinarian and other agents and employes of said Board, and to fix the powers thereof and to prescribe punishment for violations of this Act and of the rules and regulations of said Board, and to make the necessary appropriation for carrying out the provisions of this Act.

House amendments:

(1) In Section 11 strike out words after the word "two," in line 17 of printed bill to and including the word "part," in line 22 of said section, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "and such appraised price shall be paid by the State Live Stock Sanitary Board in the same manner as other expenses are paid."

(2) At the end of Section 4 add: "Provided, That the County Commissioners of no county shall appropriate money for dipping vats or co-operation with State or Federal authorities or both in excess of two (2) mills per annum on the assessed valuation of the county, and that no compulsory systematic tick eradication work or compulsory dipping of cattle shall be carried on in any county or district of the State by or with the co-operation of the State Live Stock Sanitary Board, and Board of County Commissioners, or any State veterinary, before an election shall have been held in the county or district in which the work is to be carried on and a majority of the qualified electors voting in said election have declared in favor of compulsory systematic tick eradication work, or compulsory cattle dipping. Such election may be held at any general election according to the laws and procedure of general elections or at a special election which shall be called and held according to the laws governing special election."

(3) In Section 4, line 21, strike out after the word "Board," and insert in lieu thereof "before May 1, 1919."

(4) Add to Section 14 the following: "Provided, That nothing in this Act shall prevent a layman, who has had experience in using serum and virus from vaccinating hogs."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate in amendments thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 391, contained in the above message, together with amendments of the House of Representatives thereto, was placed before the Senate.

Mr. Fogarty moved that the Senate concur in the Amendment No. 1 of the House to Senate Bill No. 391, as contained in the Message.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Fogarty moved that the Senate concur in the Amendment No. 2 of the House to Senate Bill No. 391, as contained in the Message.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Fogarty moved that the Senate concur in Amendment No. 3 of the House to Senate Bill No. 391, as contained in the Message.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Fogarty moved that the Senate concur in Amendment No. 4 of the House to Senate Bill No. 391, as contained in the Message.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 319, as amended by the House of Representatives and concurred in by the Senate, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Also—

Also the following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 30, 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—

Senate Bill No. 587:

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

Also—

Senate Bill No. 589:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to back taxes, tax liens and tax sale certificates held by the City of Pensacola.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bills Nos. 587 and 589, contained in the above message, were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 30, 1915.

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 receded from its position on Senate Amendments and has concurred in said amendments to—

Committee Substitute for House Bills Nos. 87, 92, 149 and 205:

A Bill to be entitled An Act 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.

Senate amendments receded from and concurred in by the House are as follows:

(1) In Section 2, line 39 of printed bill, strike out all of Section 2 after the word "deserter."

(2) In Section 2, line 15 of printed bill, strike out all after the words "monthly payments" to the end of line 17.

(3) In Section 5, line 19, after the word "months" insert the following: "Provided, that when a pension has been discontinued because of such absence, it shall be renewed upon return of pensioner to this State when it is shown that such absence was not permanent and was caused by accident or causes beyond the control of pensioner."

(4) In Section 3 strike out lines 22 to 28 inclusive, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "from and after the passage of this Act no pension will be allowed to any widow whose marriage was subsequent to June 1, 1917."

(5) In Section 3, line 17, strike out the words "\$210.00" in words and figures, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "\$180.00" in words and figures.

(6) In Section 2, line 13, after the word "pension" add the following: "And whose property valuation, both real

and personal, including the property of his wife, if she shall not have deserted her husband, does not exceed the sum of five thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars, exclusive of his or her home and the land on which such home is located, not to exceed one acre of land."

(7) In Section 2, line 39, insert the following after the word "deserter": "And provided further, that discharge from a Federal prison by reason of sickness, where such sickness is shown by official records and also by positive proof, shall not be considered a desertion of the Confederate Government."

(8) In Section 2, line 14, printed bill, strike out the words and figures "(210.00)" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "\$180.00" in words and figures.

Very respectfully,

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

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 30, 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—

Senate Bill No. 620:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 5 of An Act of the Legislature of the State of Florida, approved May 1, 1917, entitled "An Act prohibiting the receipt of intoxicating liquors, wines or beer from a common or other carrier, and prohibiting the shipment and personal transportation of such liquors into counties or election precincts in this State which have or may hereafter vote against the sale of such liquors, wines or beer from outside this State or between points in this State, with certain exceptions; whether intended for personal use or otherwise; and authorizing the seizure and destruction of such liquors, wines or beer; providing for fees for officers in such cases, and making certifi-

cate of Clerk of Circuit Court best evidence of certain facts in certain cases."

Very respectfully,

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

And Senate Bill No. 620, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 30, 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 Bill No. 693:

A Bill to be entitled An Act amending Sections 3, 9 and 26 of Chapter 6385, Laws of Florida, enacted 1911, being the charter of 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. 693, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Oliver moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 693 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 693 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Oliver moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 693 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. 693 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto,

Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Terrell, Turner, Wells, 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.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 30, 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 Bill No. 816:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to make it unlawful for horses, mules, cattle, swine or other grazing animals to run or roam at large in certain prescribed limits of Pinellas County, Florida, and to provide for the impounding and sale of such animals so running or roaming at large, and submitting the ratification thereof to the registered voters of said county.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

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

And House Bill No. 816, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Oliver moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 816 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 816 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Oliver moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 816 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. 816 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 Calkins, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, McEachern, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Wells, Willis, Wilson—20.

Nays—Senators Alexander, Igou, Mathis, MacWilliams, Middleton, Turner—6.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the Senate.

By permission—

Mr. Gornto introduced—

Senate Bill No. 625:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 8, 9 and 26, of Chapter 6969, Acts of 1915, the same being An Act relating to the ownership and protection of game and game birds in the several counties of the State; providing an open and closed season and for hunters' licenses."

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Gornto moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 625 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 625 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Gornto offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 625:

Strike out the words "February 22" where they appear as end of open season.

Mr. Gornto moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 625 was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

By permission—

Mr. Wells introduced—

Senate Bill No. 626:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Leon County to use and apply so much of the premium received from the sale of the highway bonds of said county as may be necessary to the payment of the cost and expenses incident to the issue and sale of said bonds, and the balance thereof for constructing, repairing and maintaining the public roads of said county.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Wells moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 626 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 626 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Wells moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 626 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. 626 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, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Turner, Wells, Wilson—26.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Mathis moved to waive the rules and take up out of its order House Bill No. 804.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 804:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing that the appropriation made under Chapter 6830, Acts of 1915, for the purpose of providing teacher training in County High Schools be made a continuous appropriation.

Was taken up.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 804 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 804 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 804 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. 804 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, Crawford, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—25.

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 the Senate proceed to the consideration of the Calendar of House Bills of a general nature.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

House Bill No. 196:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of J. F. Williams in the matter of examining a life insurance company in this State, and making an appropriation therefor.

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

Mr. Wells moved that the rules be waived and that House 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 House Bill No. 196 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Turner, Wells, Willis—23.

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. 831:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for and encourage the creation and incorporation of associations, not for profit, to conduct and operate public fairs and exhibitions for the benefit and development of the agricultural, horticultural, live stock and other resources of Florida, and to state the powers, privileges and exemptions thereof.

Was taken up.

Mr. Farris moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 831 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 831 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Farris moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 831 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. 831 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Crawford, Davis, Farris, Gornto, Greene, Igou, Jones, Mathis, McLeod, MacWilliams, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Terrell, Wells, Willis, Wilson—22.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 625::

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 4, 8, 9, and 26, of Chapter 6969, Acts of 1915, the same being "An Act relating to the ownership and protection of game and game birds in the several counties of the State; providing an open and closed season and for hunters' licenses."

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 625, contained in above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Igou moved to lay Senate Bill No. 183 on the table. Which was agreed to. And the Bill was so placed.

By unanimous consent—

Mr. Wells introduced—

Senate Bill No. 627:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the State government for six months of the year 1917, and for the year 1918, and for six months of the year 1919.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Wells moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 627 be read a second time.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 627 was read a second time in full.

The Committee offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 627:

In Section 1, page 9, Printed Bills, strike out the words under head of Governor, "for extra clerk's hire, \$250.00," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Stenographer—\$540.00."

Mr. Wells moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The Committee offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 627:

In Section 2, page 6, Printed Bill, strike out the words under head of Governor, "For extra Clerks' hire—\$500.00," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Stenographer—\$1,080.00."

Mr. Wells moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

The Committee offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 627:

In Section 3, page 1, strike out the words under head of Governor, "For extra Clerks' hire—\$250.00," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Stenographer—\$540.00."

Mr. Wells moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. MacWilliams offered the following amendment to Senate Committee Bill No. 627:

In Section 2, after line 8, printed Bill, page 23, add the following: "For the repair of the main building of the State Arsenal at St. Augustine, \$20,000, or so much thereof as is necessary to restore said building, said sum to be expended by the Board of State Institutions.

Mr. MacWilliams moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Farris offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 627:

In Section 1, end of line 30, add the following:

TAX COMMISSION.

Salaries of three Tax Commissioners.....	\$4,500.00
Clerk	750.00
Incidental Expenses	2,250.00

Mr. Farris moved the adoption of the amendment.

Upon which a yea and nay vote was demanded.

The roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Alexander, Andrews, Carlton, Crawford, Farris, Gornto, Greene, Jones, Terrell—9.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Davis, Eaton, Fogarty, Igou, King, Mathis, McEachern, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Wells, Willis, Wilson—16.

Mr. King offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 627:

In Section, line 2, (for the six months year 1917), after the words "Chief Clerk and Bookkeeper," insert "\$1,200.00" in lieu of "\$1,000.00."

Mr. Kin moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. King offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 627:

In Section, line 3 (for the first six months of 1917), after the words "Cashier and Bookkeeper," insert "\$1,000.00" in lieu of "\$900.00."

Mr. King moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. King offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 627:

For the year 1918, after the words "Chief Clerk and Bookkeeper," insert "\$2,400.00" in lieu of "\$2,000.00."

Mr. King moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. King offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 627:

After the words "Cashier and Bookkeeper," insert "\$2,000.00," in lieu of "\$1,800.00."

Mr. King moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. King offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 627:

First six months of year 1919, after the words "Chief Clerk and Bookkeeper," insert "\$1,200.00" in lieu of "\$1,000.00."

Mr. King moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. King offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 627:

After the words "Cashier and Bookkeeper," insert "\$1,000.00," in lieu of "\$900.00."

Mr. King moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Farris offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 627:

At end of Section 3 add the following:

Tax Commission.

Salary three Tax Commissioners.....	\$4,500.00
Clerks	750.00
Incidental Expenses	2,250.00

Mr. Farris moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Farris offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 627:

End of Section 2 add the following:

Tax Commission.

Salaries three Tax Commissioners.....	\$9,000.00
Clerk	1,500.00
Incidental Expenses	4,500.00

Mr. Farris moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Moore offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 627:

Page 24, Section Miscellaneous, line 7, after word "counsel" add: "and of which amount \$2,000.00 may be paid for the secretary's salary."

Mr. Moore moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Moore offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 627:

In Section "Miscellaneous," line 6, add after word "counsel," "and of which amount \$1,000.00 may be paid for the Secretary's salary."

Mr. Moore moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Moore offered the following amendment to Appropriation Bill:

Page 12, Miscellaneous, line 1, after word "counsel" add: "and of which amount \$1,000.00 may be paid for the Secretary's salary."

Mr. Moore moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Carlton offered the following amendment to Appropriation Bill:

Printed bill, page 34, lines 4, 5 and 6, under Miscellaneous, strike out words "of which amount not more than \$1,800 shall be paid for services of special counsel."

Mr. Carlton moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Farris offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 627:

In Section 1, line 5, under the head of "Attorney General" strike the figures "\$540.00" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "\$600.00."

Mr. Farris moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Wells moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 627, as amended, 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. 627, as amended, was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Senators Andrews, Calkins, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—24.

Nays—Senator Alexander—1.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. Igou moved to waive the rules and proceed to the consideration of Messages from the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the Senate proceeded to consider—

MESSAGES FROM HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 Bill No. 879:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to fix the pay of members, officers and attaches of the Legislature of A. D. 1917, and certain expenses of the Legislature.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

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

And House Bill No. 879, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Igou moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 879 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 879 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Middleton offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 879:

On page 3, line 5, strike out the words "two days" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Ten days."

Mr. Middleton moved the adoption of the amendment.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to amend to House Bill No. 879:

Amend the amendment by striking out the word "ten" and inserting "five."

Mr. Davis moved the adoption of the amendment to the amendment.

Mr. Davis withdrew the amendment to the amendment.

The question was put upon the amendment offered by Mr. Middleton, and the amendment was adopted.

Mr. Igou offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 879:

In Section 2 strike out the words, "The Recording Secretary of the Senate shall be entitled to pay for twelve days after the adjournment," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "The experienced Indexer appointed under Chapter 6436, Laws of Florida; the Recording Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk appointed by House Resolution to index House Journals shall be entitled to fifteen days to complete the indexing of the Legislative Journals, such payment to be made, however, only after the completion and delivery of the copy of the indices to the Attorney General, and after the Attorney General has approved the completed work as required by said Chapter 6436, Laws of Florida."

Mr. Igou moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Farris offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 879:

In Section 2, page 3, line 12, strike out the words, "twenty-five dollars," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "seventy-five dollars."

Mr. Farris moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Igou offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 879:

On page 3, line 15, strike out "seventy-five dollars (\$75.00)," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Twenty-five (\$25.00)."

Mr. Igou moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Gornto offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 879:

On Page 2, lines 17 and 18, strike out the words "five

days" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "fifteen days."

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

Mr. Igou offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 879:

Strike out the paragraph relating to Journal Secretary and Assistant Journal Secretary of the Senate.

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

Mr. Alexander offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 879:

In Section 2, line 43, strike out the word "two" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "fifteen."

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

Mr. Davis moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate adopted the following amendment:

On Page 3, line 5, strike out the words "two days" and insert in lieu thereof: "ten days."

The motion to reconsider prevailed and by consent Mr. Davis withdrew his amendment to the amendment offered by Mr. Middleton.

The question then recurred upon the amendment offered by Mr. Middleton.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Farris offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 879:

In second paragraph at top of page 2, strike out the words "two hundred and forty" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "three hundred."

Mr. Farris moved the adoption of the amendment.
Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Igou offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 879:

On page 3, line 15, strike out "seventy-five dollars (\$75.00)" and insert in lieu thereof "twenty-five dollars (\$25.00.)"

Mr. Igou moved to adopt the amendment.
Which was agreed to.

Mr. Igou moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 879, as amended, 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. 879, as amended, was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—30.

Nays—Senator Igou—1.

So the Bill, as amended, passed, title as stated.

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

The rules being waived the Senate took up the consideration of—

MESSAGES FROM HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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—

Senate Bill No. 613:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of J. H. Patterson, former County Commissioner of the Fifth County Commissioner's District of Duval County, Florida, for loss of compensation during his suspension from said office.

Very respectfully,

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

And Senate Bill No. 613, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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—

Senate Bill No. 615:

A Bill to be entitled An Act regulating the charges by persons in aiding or procuring pension for persons applying therefor under the Laws of this State.

Very respectfully,

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

And Senate Bill No. 615, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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—

Senate Bill No. 608:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to empower the City of Pensacola to hold an exposition to commemorate the one hundred anniversary of the cession of Florida by Spain to the United States, and to issue bonds for that purpose, and for promoting and providing exhibits of historic events and all other subjects befitting the celebration of said centennial and calculated to promote the progress and general welfare of the community; to create a Board

of Centennial Commissioners and amend the charter of said city.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 607:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 7220, Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to supplement and amend Chapter 6746, Laws of Florida, known as the Commission Government Charter of the City of Pensacola, relative to political primary elections; to the tenures of municipal offices and employment and the issuance of certificates of indebtedness and negotiable notes; the issuance and payment of special improvement bonds; and the establishment of free employment and publicity bureau."

Very respectfully,

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

And Senate Bills Nos. 608 and 607, contained in the above message, were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 indefinitely postponed—

Senate Bill No. 614:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and directing the Board of County Commissioners of Hamilton County, Florida, to refund to John High and others, whose names were not placed on the primary election ballot for the primary election held in Hamilton County, in June, 1916, all the money that was paid by such candidates into the general revenue fund of the said County of

Hamilton, as provided in Section 24, Chapter 6469, Acts of 1913.

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

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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—

Senate Bill No. 618:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the widening of the right-of-way of public roads in Braftord County.

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

And Senate Bill No. 618, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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—

Senate Bill No. 617:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 3 of Chapter 6532 of the Laws of Florida, approved June 4, 1913, being "An Act relating to the shell fish industry of the State of Florida, and to repeal Section 21 of Chap-

ter 6877 of the Laws of Florida," approved May 25, 1915, being "An Act to protect and regulate the salt water fishing industry of the State of Florida."

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

And Senate Bill No. 617, contained in the above message was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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—

Senate Bill No. 603:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the City of South Jacksonville to regulate the boring of artesian wells; fixing the term of certain city officers, and prescribing the duties of the city marshal.

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

And Senate Bill No. 603, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to in-

form the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

Senate Bill No. 602:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and directing the County Democratic Executive Committee of Franklin County, Florida, to refund to the candidates at the general primary election held in 1914 in Franklin County all the money that was paid to it under Chapter 6469 (No. 49), Section 24, Acts of 1913, by the said candidates as a filing fee, that was not used in conducting said election.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 602, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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—

Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 374:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the inspection of all hospitals, sanatoriums, public and private schools and institutions, nunneries and houses of Good Shepherd within this State.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 374, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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, with amendment—

Senate Bill No. 599:

A Bill to be entitled An Act creating the Southern Drainage District, defining its boundaries, prescribing its powers, privileges, duties and liabilities, naming the members of the first Board of Supervisors, designating the officers and agents of said district, providing for the levying of taxes upon the property in said district, and the collection of same, and the sale of lands to enforce said collection of such taxes, authorizing the Board of Supervisors of said district to borrow money and to issue bonds and dispose of same, to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act, giving to said district full power to acquire such lands and property as may be necessary and proper for its purposes, and to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act, and to provide a penalty for violating such provisions.

House Amendment:

In Section 1, line 9, from bottom of page 2, strike out the words "George Morgan" and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Joe Conrad."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate in amendment thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 599, contained in the above message, together with amendment of the House of Representatives thereto, was placed before the Senate.

Mr. Fogarty moved that the Senate concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to Senate Bill No. 599, as contained in the message.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 599, as amended by the House of Representatives and concurred in by the Senate, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 the following House Substitute for Senate Bill No. 612:

House Substitute for Senate Bill No. 612:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 7 of An Act entitled "An Act to license and regulate the running of motor vehicles on the public highways, and to provide for the registration thereof; to fix amount of annual license to be paid into the State Treasury; to provide for the distribution among the several counties of the fund thus created and the expenditure of same of State and State Aid roads and bridges; to provide penalties for the violation of certain sections thereof; to amend Chapter 5437, Acts of 1905, entitled 'An Act regulating the running of automobiles or motor vehicles on the public roads or highways in the State of Florida; and also to amend Chapter 6881, Acts of 1915, entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 6212, of the Acts of the Legislature of 1911, the same being entitled 'An Act to license automobiles and other motor-driven vehicles using the public roads or highways in the State of Florida;'" either for hire or otherwise," approved May 28th, 1917.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

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

And House Substitute for Senate Bill No. 612, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Middleton moved that the rules be waived and House Substitute for Senate Bill No. 612 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.
And House Substitute for Senate Bill No. 612 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Middleton moved that the rules be further waived and that House Substitute for Senate Bill No. 612 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Substitute for Senate Bill No. 612 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, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

Nays—Senator Andrews—1.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

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

House Bill No. 880:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Okaloosa Count, Florida, to pay for the hire and actual expenses of Detective C. P. Moore in securing the re-capture of Will Blackwell and Bob Blackwell, indicted for the murder of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Davis in said county.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

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

And House Bill No. 880, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. McLeod moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 880 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 880 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. McLeod moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 880 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. 880 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, 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.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 Bill No. 889:

A Bill to be entitled An Act ratifying, validating and confirming An Act and order of the Board of County Commissioners of Washington County, Florida, in refunding to the candidates at the last general primary election held in Washington County, Florida, all the money that was paid them by the several candidates under Chapter 6469 (No. 49), Section 24, Acts of 1913, as a filing fee, but was not used in conducting said election.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

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

And House Bill No. 889, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 889 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 889 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Mathis moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 889 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. 889 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, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, 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.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 Bill No. 775:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to fix and establish a legal or standard crate and a legal or standard basket for tomatoes.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

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

And House Bill No. 775, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 Bill No. 886:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Leon County to use and apply so much of the premium received from the sale of the highway bonds of said county as may be necessary to the payment of the cost and expenses incident to the issue and sale of said bonds, and the balance thereof for construction, repairing and maintaining the public roads of said county.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

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

And House Bill No. 886, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Wells moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 886 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 886 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Wells moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 886 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. 886 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, 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.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 Bill No. 139:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 5 of Chapter 6916, Laws of Florida, approved June 3, 1915, same being An Act entitled "An Act appropriating funds for the purposes of erecting buildings, and furnishing equipment and for the operation, maintenance and management of the Florida Industrial School for Boys and providing for the payment of such appropriation."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

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

And House Bill No. 139, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 139 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 139 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 139 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. 139 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, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—28.

Nays—Senator Andrews—1.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Wells moved that the Senate now take up and consider executive business.

Which was agreed to.

The doors of the Senate were closed for Executive Session at 12:55 o'clock P. M.

The doors of the Chamber were opened at 1:20 P. M.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

A quorum present.

The Senate resumed the consideration of—

MESSAGES FROM HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 Bill No. 888:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for and relating to the redemption of drainage tax certificates now held by the State for the non-payment of taxes, and the duties of State and county officials in connection therewith.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

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

And House Bill No. 888, contained in the above message was read the first time by its title and placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to in-

form the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 887:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the levy of taxes for the years 1917 and 1918.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

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

And House Bill No. 887, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. MacWilliams moved to make House Bill No. 887 a special order for 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Which was agreed to.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 Bill No. 884:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to exempt physicians and surgeons from the payment of license taxes for engaging in the practice of their professions in this State.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

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

And House Bill No. 884, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., June 1, 1917.

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

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to recall from the Senate—

House Bill No. 884:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to exempt physicians and surgeons from the payment of license taxes for engaging in the practice of their professions in this State.

The above bill having failed to pass the House on May 31, 1917.

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

And House Bill No. 884, contained in the above message, was returned to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Davis asked unanimous consent to have the Journal of April 20th, 1917, insofar as it relates to Senate Bill No. 203, corrected so as to read as follows:

Mr. Davis moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 203 be placed back on its Second Reading for amendment.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 203 was placed back on Second Reading for amendment.

The rule being waived.

Senate Bill No. 203:

A Bill to be entitled An Act relating to the sale, service or dispensing of intoxicating liquors, wines or beer by clubs or other associations of persons, whether incorporated or not incorporated.

Was taken up.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 203:

Strike out Section 4 and insert in lieu thereof the following: Section 4. This Act shall take effect July 1, A. D. 1917.

Mr. Davis moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 203, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The Senate unanimously agreed that such correction

be made and the Journal of April 20th, 1917, insofar as it relates to Senate Bill No. 203 be and the same is hereby corrected to read as follows:

Mr. Davis moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 203 be placed back on its Second Reading for amendment.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 203 was placed back on Second Reading for amendment.

The rule being waived.

Senate Bill No. 203:

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Was taken up.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 203:

Strike out Section 4 and insert in lieu thereof the following: Section 4. This Act shall take effect July 1, A. D. 1917.

Mr. Davis moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 203, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

Hon. J. B. Johnso,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 598.)

An Act to permit the County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida, to borrow sufficient funds to carry on the business of the county when the tax funds are exhausted.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 214.)

An Act to amend Section 4046, of the General Stat-

utes of Florida, relative to serving notice of the suing out of writs of error in criminal cases.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 595.)

An Act relating to procedure in municipal court in city of Tampa, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 596.)

An Act providing for an equitable assessment against property for sewerage improvements in the City of Tampa, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 399.)

An Act to enable the Town of Daytona Beach, Volusia County, Florida, by its proper officers, to purchase or to erect and build a pier or dock extending into the Atlantic Ocean a distance of not more than fifteen hundred (1500) feet, and to maintain, operate or lease the same either as a toll or free pier or dock, as the Town Council may deem best, and to authorize the Town of Daytona Beach, by its proper officers to issue bonds for said purpose.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

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

(Senate Bill No. 598.)

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An Act providing for an equitable assessment against property for sewerage improvements in the City of Tampa, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 399.)

An Act to enable the town of Daytona Beach, Volusia County, Florida, by its proper officers, to purchase or to erect and build a pier or dock extending into the Atlantic Ocean a distance of not more than fifteen hundred (1,500) feet, and to maintain, operate or lease the same either as a toll or free pier or dock, as the town council may deem best, and to authorize the town of Daytona Beach, by its proper officers, to issue bonds for said purpose.

Have carefully examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts were then presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 546.)

An Act to amend Section 3, of Chapter 7131, of the Acts of the Legislature of the State of Florida for the year 1915, being An Act entitled "An Act granting additional rights, powers and privileges to the town of Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, in addition to its present town charter, and prescribing a method for the issuance of bonds in said town, and amending in certain respects its present charter, and ratifying the present assessment of taxes in said town.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 551.)

An Act to amend the charter of the City of Cocoa, Florida, relating to the qualifications of electors.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 448.)

An Act to provide for the size of bar and mesh and length of seines, fished or used in the salt waters of Walton County, Florida, and to provide penalties for the violation of same.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 446.)

An Act to authorize the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida to sell all the timber in Lake Ocheesee, known on the government plats as Cypress Lake, in Jackson County, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 479.)

An Act to validate bonds of Special Tax School District No. 24, of Orange County, Florida, known as Zellwood Special Tax School District, and all proceedings relating to the issuance of the same.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 537.)

An Act to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate the Acts

and proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners in and for Polk County, Florida, in constructing special Road and Bridge District No. One, Polk County, Florida, and in issuing three hundred and twenty-five thousand (\$325,000.00) dollars worth of bonds of said district, and validating all acts and proceedings of said Board of County Commissioners with reference to the advertisement and sale of said bonds, and validating the levy made to provide a sinking fund for the principal and interest with which to pay for said bonds.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 387.)

An Act to adjust claims of the City of Miami and the Florida East Coast Railway Company, to lands in said city and in the water front thereof; to authorize the said city to convey as a part of said adjustment lands in the part strip lying along Biscayne Bay and water and submerged and filled lands in said water front; and as a part of said adjustment to make a grant by the State of Florida to the said parties of water and submerged and filled lands.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 507.)

An Act fixing the time for holding elections in special tax school districts in Orange County, Florida, to elect trustees and to determine the number of mills of district school tax to be levied for the succeeding two years."

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

Senate Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

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

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An Act to amend Section 3, of Chapter 7131, of the Acts of the Legislature of the State of Florida, for the year 1915, being An Act entitled, "An Act granting additional rights, powers and privileges to the Town of Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, in addition to its present town charter, and prescribing a method for the issuance of bonds in said town, and amending in certain respects its present charter, and ratifying the present assessment of taxes in said town."

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Also—

(Senate Bill No. 537.)

An Act to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate the acts and proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners

in and for Polk County, Florida, in constructing Special Road and Bridge District No. 1, Polk County, Florida, and in issuing Three Hundred and Twenty-five Thousand (\$325,000) Dollars worth of bonds of said district, and validating all acts and proceedings of said Board of County Commissioners with reference to the advertisement and sale of said bonds, and validating the levy made to provide a sinking fund for the principal and interest with which to pay for said bonds.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 387.)

An Act to adjust claims of the City of Miami, and the Florida East Coast Railway Co., to lands in said city and in the waterfront thereof; to authorize the said city to convey as a part of said adjustment lands in the park strip lying along Biscayne Bay and water and submerged and filled lands in said water front; and as a part of said adjustment to make a grant by the State of Florida to the said parties of water and submerged and filled lands.

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An Act fixing the time for holding elections in special tax school districts in Orange County, Florida, to elect trustees and to determine the number of Mills of district school tax to be levied for the succeeding two years.

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

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

And the Acts were then presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 522.)

An Act to legalize and validate an election held in the County of Hillsborough, State of Florida, on the 24th day of April, 1917, to determine by a majority of the votes cast at said election whether bonds to the amount of \$100,000.00 proposed by a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners should be issued for the purpose of building and constructing roads and bridges in the Citrus Park Special Road and Bridge District, and creating said Citrus Park Special Road and Bridge District, to declare and render valid the said election, and the result as shown by returns thereof, to cure all irregularities, illegalities, defects or omissions in all proceedings relating to the issuance and sale of said bonds, and the election authorizing the same, to the delivery of said bonds, to legalize and validate all proceedings had in reference to said bonds, and to authorize the issue of bonds to the amount of \$100,000.00 by said Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida, for said Citrus Park Special Road and Bridge District, drawing interest at five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and the sale of the same.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 500.)

An Act to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate the acts and proceedings of the Town of Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, and its Town Council, officers, and agents, relating to the placing of curbs and gutters along certain streets in the Town of Avon Park, Florida, the assessment of the property benefited by said improvement; the issuance of paving certificates of certificates of indebtedness and improvement bonds.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 543.)

An Act to repeal Chapter 5101, Acts of 1901, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Town of Melrose, Florida," and providing for the disposition of property belonging to said town.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 492.)

An Act relative to the care, maintenance and hiring of State convicts, and making an appropriation for carrying out the provisions thereof.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

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

(Senate Bill No. 522.)

An Act to legalize and validate an election held in the County of Hillsborough, State of Florida, on the 24th day of April, 1917, to determine by a majority of the votes cast at said election whether bonds to the amount of \$100,000.00 proposed by a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners, should be issued for the and creating said Citrus Park Special Road and Bridge in the Citrus Park Special Road and Bridge District, and creating said Citrus Park Svecial Aoad and Bridge District, to declare and render valid the said election, and the result as shown by returns thereof, to cure all irregularities, illegalities, defects or omissions in all proceedings relating to the issuance and sale of said bonds, and the election authorizing the same, to the delivery of said bonds, to legalize and validate all proceedings had in reference to said bonds, and to authorize the issue of bonds to the amount of \$100,000.00 by said Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough

County, Florida, for said Citrus Park Special Road and Bridge District, drawing interest at five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and the sale of the same.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 500.)

An Act to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate the Acts and proceedings of the Town of Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, and its Town Council, officers and agents, relating to the placing of curbs and gutters along certain streets in the Town of Avon Park, Florida, the assessment of the property benefited by said improvement; the issuance of pacing certificates or certificates of indebtedness and improvement bonds.

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An Act relative to the care, maintenance and hiring of State convicts and making an appropriation for carrying out the provisions thereof.

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

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

And the Acts were then presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 555.)

An Act ratifying, validating and confirming the creation and organization of a drainage district in St. Johns County, Florida, known as Elkton Drainage District No. 1, created and organized under the provisions of Chapter 6457, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913, approved June 7, 1913, declaring the same to be a legal and valid drainage district, and ratifying, validating and confirming the assessments made and bonds issued for and on behalf of said drainage district.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 592.)

An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, upon a petition of a majority of the qualified electors of such county; to levy a tax to build and equip one or more canning factories in such county.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 467.)

An Act to permit the use of pound nets in the salt waters of Levy County, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 360.)

An Act relating to the purchasing of material, implements, supplies and the employment of labor for the building and construction of roads in Taylor County, Florida, in pursuance of bond election of July 25, 1916.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 493.)

An Act to enable the town of Daytona Beach, Volusia County, Florida, by its proper officers, to issue bonds for such municipal purposes as are and may hereafter be allowed by the laws of Florida, and for such other purposes as may be hereinafter allowed, to an amount not to exceed twenty per cent (20%) of the assessed value of the real and personal property within the incorpora-

ted limits, the total amount of said bonds, however, never to exceed ten per cent of the actual value of all the real and personal property within the Town of Daytona Beach, Florida.

Have carefully examined the same, and find them correctl yenrolled.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

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

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

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

(Senate Bill No. 555.)

An Act ratifying, validating and confirming the creation and organization of a drainage district in St. Johns County, Florida, known as Elkton Drainage District Number One, created and organized under the provisions of Chapter 6457, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913, approved June 7, 1913, declaring the same to be a legal and valid drainage district, and ratifying, validating and confirming the assessments made and bonds issued for and on behalf of said drainage district.

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An Act to enable the town of Daytona Beach, Volusia County, Florida, by its proper officers, to issue bonds for such municipal purposes as are and may hereafter be allowed by the laws of Florida and for such other purposes as may be hereinafter allowed, to an amount not to exceed twenty per cent (20%) of the assessed value of the real and personal property within the incorporated limits, the total amount of said bonds, however, never to exceed ten per cent of the actual value of all the real and personal property within the town of Daytona Beach, Florida.

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

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

And the Acts were then presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

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

Senate Bill No. 134:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections Nine (9), Thirteen (13), Fifteen (15), Seventeen (17), Eighteen (18), Twenty-one (21), Twenty-two (22), Twenty-three (23), Twenty-four (24), Twenty-six (26), Twenty-seven (27), Twenty-nine (29), Thirty (30), Thirty-five (35), Forty-six (46), Forty-nine (49) and Sixty-three (63) of Chapter 5596, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1907, relating to the assessment and collection of revenue.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 513:

A Bill to be entitled An Act empowering the State Tax Commission to equalize the assessed value of real and personal property in this State, and providing for carrying such equalization into effect.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 146:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing for taxation of and fixing the rate and providing for the manner of payment, as well as the manner of enforcing payment thereof. Also, providing for such property as are exempt from taxes under this Act.

Have had the same under consideration and report them without recommendation.

Very respectfully,
JNO. B. JONES,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 134, 513 and 146, contained in the above report, were placed on Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 557.)

An Act to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate certifi-

cates of indebtedness issued by the Town of Punta Gorda, DeSoto County, Florida, for street paving, construction of sidewalks, curbs and gutters and to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate Acts and proceedings of said Town of Punta Gorda, DeSoto County, Florida, and its Town Council, officers and agents relating to the issuance of said certificates of indebtedness, perfecting all irregularities and curing all omissions which may exist in and about the issuance of said certificates of indebtedness of the said Town of Punta Gorda, DeSoto County, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 514.)

An Act to provide for the collection of delinquent taxes due the Town of Fort Meade, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 587.)

An Act to authorize the City of Fernandina to levy a special tax for publicity purposes.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 510.)

An Act creating a sub-drainage district located in St. Johns County, to be known and designated Bimini District, defining its boundaries, prescribing its powers and making applicable to said district the provisions of Chapter 6458, Acts of 1913, Laws of Florida, and the Statutes amendatory thereof, naming the members of the Board of Supervisors of said district, authorizing the imposition upon the lands and property in said district, the taxes, assessments or charges that may be imposed under the provisions of said Statute, and conferring upon the district and the officers and employees thereof all rights, powers and privileges that are exercised by such districts and their officers and employees created and organized under the provisions of said statute.

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

Senate Chamber,
 Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

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

(Senate Bill No. 557.)

An Act to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate certificates of indebtedness issued by the town of Punta Gorda, DeSoto County, Florida, for street paving, construction of sidewalks, curbs and gutters, and to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate acts and proceedings of said town of Punta Gorda, DeSoto County, Florida, and its Town Council, officers and agents relating to the issuance of said certificates of indebtedness, perfecting all irregularities and curing all omissions which may exist in and about the issuance of said certificates of indebtedness of the said Town of Punta Gorda, DeSoto County, Florida.

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making applicable to said district the provisions of Chapter 6458, Acts of 1913, Laws of Florida, and the statutes amendatory thereof, naming the members of the Board of Supervisors of said district, authorizing the imposition upon the lands and property in said district, the taxes, assessments or charges that may be imposed under the provisions of said statute, and conferring upon the district and the officers and employees thereof all rights, powers and privileges that are exercised by such districts and their officers and employees created and organized under the provisions of said statute.

Have carefully examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

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

And the Acts were then presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

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

Senate Chamber.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 627:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the State Government for six months of the year 1917, and for the year 1918, and for six months of the year 1919.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,
A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 627, contained in the above report was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

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

Senate Chamber.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 620.)

An Act to amend Section 5 of An Act of the Legislature of the State of Florida, approved May 1, 1917, entitled: "An Act prohibiting the receipt of intoxicating liquors, wines or beer from a common or other carrier, prohibiting the possession of such liquors hereafter received from a common or other carrier, and prohibiting the shipment and personal transportation of such liquors into counties or election precincts in this State which have or may hereafter vote against the sale of such liquors, wines or beer from outside this State or between points in this State; with certain exceptions; whether intended for personal use or otherwise; and authorizing the seizure and destruction of such liquors, wines or beer; providing for fees for officers in such cases, and making certificate of Clerk of Circuit Court best evidence of certain facts in certain cases."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 599.)

An Act creating the Southern Drainage District, defining its boundaries, prescribing its powers, privileges, duties and liabilities, naming the members of the first Board of Supervisors, designating the officers and agents of said district, providing for the levying of taxes upon the property in said district and the collection of same, and the sale of lands to enforce said collection of such taxes, authorizing the Board of Supervisors of said district to borrow money and to issue bonds and dispose of same, to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act, giving to said district full power to acquire such lands and property as may be necessary and proper

for its purposes, and to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act, and to provide a penalty for violating such provisions.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

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

(Senate Bill No. 620.)

An Act to amend Section 5 of An Act of the Legislature of the State of Florida, approved May 1, 1917, entitled "An Act prohibiting receipt of intoxicating liquors, wines or beer from a common or other carrier, prohibiting the possession of such liquors hereafter received from a common carrier or other carrier, and prohibiting the shipment and personal transportation of such liquors into counties or election precincts in this State which have or may hereafter vote against the sale of such liquors, wines or beer from outside this State or between points in this State; with certain exceptions; whether intended for personal use or otherwise; and authorizing the seizure and destruction of such liquors, wines or beer; providing for fees for officers in such cases, and making certificate of Clerk of Circuit Court best evidence of certain facts in certain cases."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 599:

An Act creating the Southern Drainage District, defining its boundaries, prescribing its powers, privileges.

duties and liabilities, naming the members of the first Board of Supervisors, designating the officers and agents of said district, providing for the levying of taxes upon the property in said district, and the collection of same, and the sale of lands to enforce said collection of such taxes, authorizing the Board of Supervisors of said district to borrow money and to issue bonds and dispose of same, to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act, giving to said district full power to acquire such lands and property as may be necessary and proper for its purposes, and to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act, and to provide a penalty for violating such provisions.

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

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

Ad the Acts were then presented for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 627:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making appropriations for salaries and expenses of the State Government for six months of the year 1917, and for the year 1918, and for six months of the year 1919.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,
A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 627, contained in above report, was certified to the House of Representatives as having passed the Senate.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 179:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the counties of Florida to establish and maintain tuberculosis hospitals, to provide for the levy of taxes for the establishment and maintenance of such hospitals, and for the creation of County Boards of Tuberculosis Commissioners, and defining their powers, and for other purposes properly connected therewith.

Have examined the same and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 179, contained in above report, was referred to Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

Hon. J. M. Johnson,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

(Senate Bill No. 538.)

An Act granting additional rights, powers and privileges to the town of Zolfo, DeSoto County, Florida, in addition to its present charter and prescribing a method for the issuance of bonds in said town, and giving the said town the right to pave, curb, lay out, open, repair, or otherwise improve the streets of said town and to assess two-thirds of the cost thereof against the abutting

property, and giving to the town a lien for the costs of such improvements of prior dignity to all liens except taxes, and providing for the issuance of certificates of indebtedness for such costs, and providing for their payment or collection, and amending in certain respects its present charter, and ratifying the present assessment of taxes in said town.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 579.)

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County to change or alter the Commissioner's district of said county and prescribing the method therefor.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 578.)

An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of St. Johns County to issue and sell interest-bearing time warrants and to provide for the application of the funds derived from such issue and sale.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 573.)

An Act authorizing the town of Holly Hill, State of Florida, to levy an annual municipal tax of not exceeding fifteen (15) mills.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 594.)

An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of County Commissioners of DeSoto County, Florida, to construct roads and bridges in the Special Road and Bridge District of said County by day labor, or in other manner determined by it when no bids are received for such construction, or bids received shall exceed estimated cost therefor; authorizing the said Board of County Commissioners to purchase machinery, equipment and material for use in the construction of such roads and bridges; and to ratify and confirm all contracts hereto-

fore made for such construction; and the purchase of all machinery and equipment used and to be used therein.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 580.)

An Act for the relief of J. M. Meffert, R. S. Hall, W. T. Gary, T. P. Phillips, Clarence Camp, J. M. Tyson, G. W. Neville, D. B. Kibler, J. A. Crumbles, R. H. Saunders, William Griffith, E. L. Wartmann, W. J. Crosby, T. I. Arnold, S. H. Martin, N. H. Boswell, S. H. Blitch, D. E. McIver and J. F. Cocowitch, sureties on the bond of the late John M. Graham, formerly Treasurer of Marion County, Florida, and authorizing the legal representative of the estate of the said John M. Graham to pay to the above named persons their pro rata part of any moneys coming into the hands of such legal representative, to which Marion County may be entitled.

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

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

Senate Chamber.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

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

(Senate Bill No. 223.)

An Act fixing the compensation of all county officials now paid in whole or in part on the basis of fees or commissions.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 521.)

An Act to amend An Act (Chapter 6834 of the Laws

of Florida, Acts of 1915), authorizing the State School Book Commission of the State of Florida to extend the time limit of five years for renewing contracts for purchase of school text books to July 1, 1919, and for other purposes.

Also—

(Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 23.)

Relative to binding copies of the Journals of the Senate and the House of Representatives.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 207.)

An Act to amend Section 1831 and Section 1832 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the duties of clerks of circuit courts, with reference to the keeping of certain records and dockets.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 601.)

An Act relating to the removal of members of the fire department of the City of Jacksonville.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 372.)

An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of DeLeon Springs, in the County of Volusia, and State of Florida, and establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as the Town of DeLeon Springs, and to define its territory and boundaries, and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 566.)

An Act to organize a municipal government for the City of Vero, in the County of St. Lucie, State of Florida, and to provide for its jurisdiction and government.

Beg leave to report that the same have been duly

signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives.

Very respectfully,
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Beg to report that the same have been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

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Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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President of the Senate.

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or otherwise improve the streets of said town, and to assess two-thirds of the cost thereof against the abutting property, and giving to the town a lien for the costs of such improvements of prior dignity to all liens except taxes, and providing for the issuance of certificates of indebtedness for such costs, and providing for their payment and collection, and amending in certain respects its present charter, and ratifying the present assessment of taxes in said town.

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Also—

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

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

ENROLLED.

The President announced that he was about to sign—
(Senate Bill No. 557.)

An Act to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate certificates of indebtedness issued by the Town of Punta Gorda, DeSoto County, Florida, for street paving, construction of sidewalks, curbs and gutters, and to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate acts and proceedings of said Town of Punta Gorda, DeSoto County, Florida, and its town council, officers and agents, relating to the issuance of said certificates of indebtedness, perfecting all irregularities and curing all omissions which may exist in and about the issuance of said certificates of indebtedness of the said Town of Punta Gorda, DeSoto County, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 514.)

An Act to provide for the collection of delinquent taxes due the town of Fort Meade, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 587.)

An Act to authorize the City of Fernandina to levy a special tax for publicity purposes.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 510.)

An Act creating a sub-drainage district located in St. Johns County, to be known and designated Bimini District, defining its boundaries, prescribing its powers and making applicable to said district the provisions of Chapter 6458, Acts of 1913, Laws of Florida, and the Statutes amendatory thereof, naming the members of the Board of Supervisors of said district, authorizing the imposition upon the lands and property in said district, the taxes, assessments or charges that may be imposed under the provisions of said Statute, and conferring upon the district and the officers and employes thereof, all rights, powers and privileges that are exercised by such districts and their officers and employes created and organized under the provisions of said Statute.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 598.)

An Act to permit the County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida, to borrow sufficient funds to carry on the business of the county when the tax funds are exhausted.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 214.)

An Act to amend Section 4046, of the General Statutes of Florida, relative to serving notice of the suing out of writs of error in criminal cases.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 595.)

An Act relating to procedure in municipal court in City of Tampa, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 596.)

An Act providing for an equitable assessment against property for sewerage improvements in the City of Tampa, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 399.)

An Act to enable the Town of Daytona Beach, Volusia County, Florida, by its proper officers, to purchase or to erect and build a pier or dock extending into the Atlantic Ocean a distance of not more than fifteen hundred (1500) feet, and to maintain, operate or lease the same either as a toll or free pier or dock, as the Town Council may deem best, and to authorize the Town of Daytona Beach, by its proper officers, to issue bonds for said purpose.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 620.)

An Act to amend Section 5 of An Act of the Legislature of the State of Florida, approved May 1, 1917, entitled "An Act prohibiting receipt of intoxicating liquors, wines or beer from a common or other carrier, prohibiting the possession of such liquors hereafter received from a common or other carrier, and prohibiting the shipment and personal transportation of such liquors into counties or election precincts in this State which have or may hereafter vote against the sale of such liquors, wines or beer from outside this State or between points in this State; with certain exceptions, whether intended intended for personal use or otherwise; and authorizing the seizure and destruction of such liquors, wines or beer; providing for fees for officers in such cases, and making certificate of Clerk of Circuit Court best evidence of certain facts in certain cases."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 599.)

An Act creating the Southern Drainage District, defining its boundaries, prescribing its powers, privileges, duties and liabilities, naming the members of the first Board of Supervisors, designating the officers and agents of said district, providing for the levying of taxes upon the property in said district, and the collection of same, and the sale of lands to enforce said collection of such taxes, authorizing the Board of Supervisors of said dis-

trict to borrow money and to issue bonds and dispose of same to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act, giving to said district full power to acquire such lands and property as may be necessary and proper for its purposes, and to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act, and to provide a penalty for violating such provisions.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 546.)

) An Act to amend Section 3, of Chapter 7131, of the Acts of the Legislature of the State of Florida, for the year 1915, being An Act entitled "An Act granting additional rights, powers and privileges to the Town of Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, in addition to its present town charter, and prescribing a method for the issuance of bonds in said town, and amending in certain respects its present charter, and ratifying the present assessment of taxes in said town.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 551.)

An Act to amend the charter of the City of Cocoa, Florida, relating to the qualifications of electors.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 448.)

An Act to provide for the size of bar and mesh and length of seines, fished or used in the salt waters of Walton County, Florida, and to provide penalties for the violation of same.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 446.)

An Act to authorize the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida, to sell all the timber in Lake Ocheesee, known on the Government plats as Cypress Lake, in Jackson County, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 479.)

An Act to validate bonds of Special Tax School District No. 24, of Orange County, Florida, known as Zellwood Special Tax School District and all proceedings relating to the issuance of the same.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 537.)

An Act to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate the acts and proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners in and for Polk County, Florida, in constructing Special Road and Bridge District No. 1, Polk County, Florida, and in issuing Three Hundred and Twenty-five Thousand (\$325,000) Dollars worth of bonds of said district, and validating all acts and proceedings of said Board of County Commissioners with reference to the advertisement and sale of said bonds, and validating the levy made to provide a sinking fund for the principal and interest with which to pay for said bonds.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 387.)

An Act to adjust claims of the city of Maimi and the Florida East Coast Railway Company, to lands in said city and in the water front thereof; to authorize the said city to convey as a part of said adjustment lands in the park strip lying along Biscayne Bay and water and submerged and filled lands in said water front; and as a part of said adjustment to make a grant by the State of Florida to the said parties of water and submerged and filled lands.

And—

(Senate Bill No. 507.)

An Act fixing the time for holding elections in special tax school districts in Orange County, Florida, to elect trustees, and to determine the number of mills of district school tax to be levied for the succeeding two years. 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 House of Representatives for the signatures of the Speaker and Chief Clerk thereof.

The President announced that he was also about to sign—

(Senate Bill No. 555.)

An Act ratifying, validating and confirming the creation and organization of a drainage district in St. Johns County, Florida, known as Elkton Drainage District Number One, created and organized under the provisions of Chapter 6457, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913, approved June 7, 1913, declaring the same to be a legal and valid drainage district, and ratifying, validating and confirming the assessments made and bonds issued for and on behalf of said drainage district.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 592.)

An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, upon a petition of a majority of the qualified electors of such county, to levy a tax to build and equip one or more canning factories in such county.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 467.)

An Act to permit the use of pound nets in the salt waters of Levy County, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 360.)

An Act relating to the purchasing of material, implements, supplies and the employment of labor for the building and construction of roads in Taylor County, Florida, in pursuance of bond election of July 25, 1916.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 493.)

An Act to enable the town of Daytona Beach, Volusia County, Florida, by its proper officers, to issue bonds for such municipal purposes as are and may hereafter be al-

lowed by the laws of Florida and for such other purposes as may be hereinafter allowed, to an amount not to exceed twenty per cent (20%) of the assessed value of the real and personal property within the incorporated limits, the total amount of said bonds, however, never to exceed ten per cent of the actual value of all the real and personal property within the town of Daytona Beach, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 522.)

An Act to legalize and validate an election held in the County of Hillsborough, State of Florida, on the 24th day of April, 1917, to determine by a majority of the votes cast at said election whether bonds to the amount of \$100,000.00 proposed by a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners, should be issued for the purpose of building and constructing roads and bridges in the Citrus Park Special Road and Bridge District, and creating said Citrus Park Special Road and Bridge District, to declare and render valid the said election, and the result as shown by returns thereof, to cure all irregularities, illegalities, defects or omissions in all proceedings relating to the issuance and sale of said bonds, and the election authorizing the same, to the delivery of said bonds, to legalize and validate all proceedings had in reference to said bonds, and to authorize the issue of bonds to the amount of \$100,000.00 by said Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida, for said Citrus Park Special Road and Bridge District, drawing interest at five per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, and the sale of the same.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 500.)

An Act to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate the acts and proceedings of the Town of Avon Park, DeSoto County, Florida, and its Town Council, officers and agents, relating to the placing of curbs and gutters along certain streets in the Town of Avon Park, Florida, the assessment of the property benefited by said improvement; the issuance of paving certificates or certificates of indebtedness and improvement bonds.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 543.)

An Act to repeal Chapter 5101, Acts of 1901, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Town of Melrose, Florida," and providing for the disposition of property belonging to said town.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 492.)

An Act relative to the care, maintenance and hiring of State convicts, and making an appropriation for carrying out the provisions thereof.

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 following message from the Governor was received:

Executive Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 30, 1917.

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

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that I have approved the following Acts which originated in your Honorable Body and have caused the same to be filed in the office of Secretary of State:

(Senate Bill No. 552.)

An Act to create a Board of Drainage Commissioners for said district, prescribing its powers and duties, and providing for the compensation of said Board and providing for the election and term of office of the said Board, and providing for the assessment of land within the said district to be benefited by the drainage of said land, and providing for the assessment of land that will be benefited by the maintenance and up-keep of such canals, ditches and drains which may have heretofore been constructed on said land; to provide for the collection of the taxes so assessed for such drainage and maintenance purposes of such canals, drains and ditches which may have already been constructed within said district, and for other purposes.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 268.)

An Act creating a Special Court of Record in and for County of St. Johns in the State of Florida; prescribing its jurisdiction; providing for a Judge, Solicitor and Clerk for the same, and prescribing the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court and the Circuit Court in and for St. Johns County in relation to such Special Court of Record for St. Johns County.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 585.)

An Act affecting the government of the City of Jacksonville; abolishing certain offices and boards, creating a City Commission, and prescribing the powers and duties of the Trustees of the Jacksonville Free Public Library, creating a Board of Charities, and prescribing its powers and duties and its relation to the Board of County Commissioners; providing other officers and prescribing their powers and duties; and conferring additional jurisdiction, powers and duties on said city.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 339.)

An Act to amend Section 4000 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the indictment and trial of one accused of crime in another county than where the crime was committed.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 267.)

An Act to create a State convict road force and to authorize the working of certain prisoners on same; to provide for their housing, feeding, clothing, guarding and general care; to provide for their transportation, supervision and the general conditions under which they shall be worked.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 591.)

An Act to amend Section 2044 of the General Statutes

of Florida, being An Act fixing the compensation of Judges of the County Courts of the various counties of the State of Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 549.)

An Act to relieve the Board of County Commissioners of Escambia County, Florida, and to provide for use of funds appropriated under the budget system, as provided by Chapter 6814, Acts of 1915.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 581.)

An Act authorizing the expenditure by the City of Sanford, Florida, of any and all moneys paid to the City of Sanford, Florida, by the Trustees of Special Tax School District Number One, Seminole County, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 524.)

An Act authorizing and directing the County of Escambia to pay the claim of the American National Bank of Pensacola for money advanced to said county when it was without funds.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 534.)

An Act to provide for the employment of detectives by the Solicitor of the Criminal Court of Record in and for Volusia County, Florida, and to provide for funds to pay such detectives.

Also —

(Senate Bill No. 186.)

An Act to amend Chapter 5459, General Statutes of Florida, being An Act to define Sick and Funeral Benefit Insurance, limit the amount of risks to be taken, and to prescribe the terms on which Sick and Funeral Benefit Companies, or corporations, may engage in the business

of Sick and Funeral Benefit Insurance in this State; to provide penalties for violation thereof, and to repeal Chapter 5222, Acts of 1903, Laws of Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 558.)

An Act to amend Section 3359 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, providing what record of the result of the canvass of the returns of the election shall be taken as prima facie evidence that an election was legally held in any county or precinct against the sale of spirituous, vinous or malt liquors in such county or precinct.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 426.)

An Act to establish a State Museum at the University of Florida and a Natural History and Ethnological Survey of the State of Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 344.)

An Act to authorize the County of Duval of this State to issue bonds for the purpose of refunding a like amount of bonds now outstanding issued under and by virtue of Chapter 4077 of the Laws of Florida, Acts of 1891, entitled An Act to authorize Duval County to improve the navigation of St. Johns River and to issue bonds in aid thereof.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 290.)

An Act to encourage the construction and maintenance by common carriers of railway trestles and bridges for the public transportation of passengers and freight and the establishment, maintenance and conduct of toll bridges for public use along, over or across bays, bayous, lakes and rivers of the State of Florida four miles or more in length and providing for a fair and equitable assessment of taxes against the property of common carriers along, over or across such bays, bayous, lakes or rivers.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 312.)

An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County, Florida, to employ an attorney at law to prosecute those charged with crime before the County Judge's and Justice Courts of said county.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 93.)

An Act to amend Chapter 6944 of the Laws of Florida, 1915, and title thereof, the same being An Act entitled "An Act to provide for the examination, licensing and registration of persons engaged or engaging in the business or work of installing plumbing or house drainage, and a supervision and inspection of plumbing and drainage in cities or towns of this State having a population of ten thousand inhabitants or more, according to the Federal Census of 1910 or any subsequent Federal Census, and parts of counties of this State, and imposing penalties for violation of this Act."

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 574.)

An Act to validate and make legal all outstanding county warrants issued by the Board of County Commissioners of Lafayette County, Florida, prior to January 2, 1917, and all warrants that may hereafter be issued by said Board of County Commissioners for the purpose of taking up, or repaying any of such warrants heretofore issued.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 356.)

An Act relating to pay of the members of the Board of County Commissioners of Taylor County, Florida, and their successors in office.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 582.)

An Act authorizing the levy of an annual maintenance tax upon lands in the Black Hammock Drainage District,

a drainage district in Seminole County, Florida, and authorizing the collection of said tax.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 554.)

An Act allowing Alachua County to issue certificates of indebtedness, for not exceeding five thousand dollars, to care for the county convicts until the next budget, and to allow said county to pay interest on certain indebtedness incurred.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 382.)

An Act to provide for the employment of detectives by the Solicitor of the Criminal Court of Record of Dade County, Florida, and to provide for funds to pay such detectives.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 565.)

An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Liberty County to issue and sell interest-bearing time warrants and to provide for the application of the funds derived from said issue and sale.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 553.)

An Act relating to the road fund and other funds of Sub-Road District No. 2, of Alachua County, Florida, and touching the duties of the Road Trustees for said district.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 140.)

An Act forbidding insurance companies or associations and bond companies, lawfully doing business in the State of Florida from requesting or permitting their agents in this State to divide or offer to divide their commission except as allowed by this Act; forbidding

resident agents from dividing or offering to divide their commissions except as allowed by this Act, and fixing penalties for the violations of this Act.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 572.)

An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Brevard County, Florida, to issue interest-bearing time warrants not to exceed sixty per cent of the General Road Fund and sixty per cent of the Maintenance Fund of all Special Road and Bridge Districts in Brevard County, Florida, for the construction and maintenance of roads and bridges.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 468.)

An Act to create and incorporate a Special Taxing District to include and embrace all of the County of St. Lucie, in the State of Florida, and to be known and designated as the St. Lucie County Inlet District; to provide for the government and administration of the said St. Lucie County Inlet District; to define the powers and purposes of said district and of the Board of Commissioners thereof; to authorize said board to construct an inlet or inlets in said district to connect the waters of the Atlantic Ocean with the waters of the Indian River; to construct all other works necessary or proper in connection with the inlet or inlets hereinbefore mentioned; to provide for the condemnation of any property needed for district purposes; to empower the Board of Commissioners of the St. Lucie County Inlet District to levy and collect taxes upon all taxable property in said district for the purposes authorized by this Act; to authorize said board of borrow money and to issue and sell bonds to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act; to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act and to provide for criminal prosecution and punishment for any such injury; and generally to provide for the construction, protection and maintenance of an inlet or inlets in said district to connect the waters of the Atlantic Ocean with the waters of Indian River.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 435.)

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 7251 of the Laws of Florida, the same being entitled, An Act to amend Sections 31 and 76 of Chapter 6108 of the Laws of Florida, the same being entitled, "An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Titusville, in the County of Brevard, State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as the City of Titusville and to define its territorial boundaries, and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

Very respectfully,

SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor of Florida.

By consent—

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

Senate Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 391:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to create the State Live Stock Sanitary Board, and to prescribe its membership, powers and duties, fix the compensation for the services of its members and to vest in said Board the authority to provide for the prevention, suppression and control of dangerous, communicable, contagious, infectious and other diseases of cattle, hogs and other domestic animals, and to establish, maintain and enforce quarantine, to prevent the introduction or spread of infectious, contagious and communicable diseases among such animals, and to adopt and enforce rules and regulations regarding any and all said matters, and to give said Board power and authority in respect thereto, and to authorize County Commissioners to appropriate and expend funds for the work of tick eradication and hog cholera control, and to provide for the appointment of a State Veterinarian,

and other agents and employes of said Board, and fix the powers thereof, and to prescribe punishment for violations of this Act, and of the rules and regulations of said Board, and to make the necessary appropriation for carrying out the provisions of this Act.

Have examined the same, and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,
A. M. WILSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 391, contained in the above report, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Willis moved that the Senate do now adjourn.
Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate took a recess until four o'clock P. M. today.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON—4 O'CLOCK.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.
The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Gogarty, Gornito, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—29.

A quorum present.

The hour having arrived for the special consideration of—

House Bill No. 887:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the levy of taxes for the years 1917 and 1918.

Which was taken up and was read the second time in full.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 887:

In Section 1, lines 5 and 6, strike out the words "and other property."

Mr. Davis moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 887:

In Section 2, line 6, strike out the words "and other property."

Mr. Davis moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Jones moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 887 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. 887 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, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Farris, Fogarty, Gornito, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, 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 that the Senate now proceed to consider messages from the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

MESSAGES FROM HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 Bill No. 881:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of Public Instruction of Leon County, Florida, to borrow not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000.00) for the purpose of paying certain indebtedness incurred for Tallahassee Sub-School District No. 1, of Leon County, Florida, by authority of Chapter 6281 of Laws of Florida for 1911; and to issue interest-bearing warrants for such loan based on requisitions made by the Board of Trustees of said Sub-School District.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

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

And House Bill No. 881, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Wells moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 881 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 881 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Wells moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 881 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. 881 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, Calkins, Crawford, Davis, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, 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.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 Bill No. 882:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and directing the Board of County Commissioners of Jefferson County, Florida, to refund to the candidates at the last general primary election held in Jefferson County, Florida, all the money that was paid to them under Chapter 6469, Acts of 1913, by the said candidates as a filing fee, that was not used in conducting said election.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

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

And House Bill No. 882, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. McEachern moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 882 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 882 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. McEachern moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 882 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. 882 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, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, 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.

Mr. Davis moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate passed House Bill No. 887 this afternoon.

The motion was put upon the motion to reconsider, and the vote by which the Bill passed the Senate was reconsidered.

The Bill was again placed before the Senate.

Mr. Davis moved to waive the rules and place House Bill No. 887 back on its second reading for the purpose of amendment.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the Bill was taken up on the second reading.

Mr. Davis moved to reconsider the vote by which the two amendments offered by himself to House Bill No. 887 were adopted.

The question was put upon the motion to reconsider, and the vote by which the two amendments were adopted was reconsidered.

And the amendments were placed before the Senate.

Mr. Davis, by unanimous consent, withdrew the amendments.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 887:

In Section 2, line 6, strike out the words "and other."

Mr. Davis moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 887:

In Section 1, lines 5 and 6, strike out the words "and other."

Mr. Davis moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Davis moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 887 be read a third time, as amended, in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 887, as amended, was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris,

Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, 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.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 Bill No. 885:

A Bill to be entitled An Act validating the bonds of the Dixie Highway Special Road and Bridge District of Lafayette County, Florida, and validating and confirming the election held within the territory embraced within said district on the 16th day of January, A. D. 1917.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

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

And House Bill No. 885, contained in the above message was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Gornto moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 885 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 885 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Gornto moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 885 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. 885 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, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, 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.

By permission—

Mr. Carlton introduced—

Senate Bill No. 628:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 18, 19 and 23 of the Charter of the City of Tampa.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 628 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 628 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 628 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. 628 was read a third time in full.

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

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, 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.

By permission—

Mr. Shepard introduced—

Senate Bill No. 629:

A Bill to be entitled An Act validating the creation and organization of Concord Special Tax School District No. 10, of Gadsden County, and of all cast of trustees and all levy of taxes therein, and validating the proposed issue of Twenty-five Hundred Dollars bonds of said district, authorized at an election for such bonds held in said district on April 10, 1917.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Shepard moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 629 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 629 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Shepard moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 629 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. 629 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, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, 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.

Mr. Hughlett moved to waive the rules and to take up and consider House Bill No. 775.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 775:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to fix and establish a legal or standard crate and a legal or standard basket for tomatoes.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved to waive the rules and place House Bill No. 775 back on its second reading.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The further consideration of the Bill on the second reading was temporarily passed over.

Mr. Fogarty moved to waive the rules and take up for consideration Senate Bill No. 575:

Upon which a yea and nay vote was demanded:

The roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Jones, McLeod, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Shepard, Wells, Willis—17.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Davis, Eaton, Hughlett, Igou, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Roland, Turner, Wilson—13.

So the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Calkins moved that the consideration of the Special Order be temporarily passed over.

Upon which motion a yea and nay vote was demanded.

The roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, McLeod, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Willis—13.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Roland, Shepard, Turner, Wells, Wilson—18.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 refused to concur in Senate amendment to—

Committee Substitute for House Bill No. 584:

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

late primary elections in this State and prescribing penalties for any violation thereof.

Amendment attached hereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And the refusal of the House to concur in the amendments was placed before the Senate.

Mr. Terrell moved that the Senate do not recede and do insist upon its amendments, and that a Committee of Conference be appointed to act with a similar committee from the House to adjust the differences.

Which was agreed to.

And the chair appointed Messrs. Terrell, Moore, and Carlton as said committee.

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

Senate Bill No. 575:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to fix the number, prescribe the terms of office of the Justices of the Supreme Court, and to provide for the appointment of another Justice of said Court, and to fix his term of office, and for the election of his successor, and to prescribe certain regulations for the government of the Supreme Court when sitting in a body or in division.

Was taken up.

Mr. MacWilliams moved to indefinitely postpone Senate Bill No. 575.

Pending the consideration of which—

Mr. Wells moved that when the Senate adjourns this afternoon it shall adjourn to 8 o'clock P. M. social

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wells moved to waive the rules and consider messages from the House of Representatives.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the Senate proceeded to consider—

MESSAGES FROM HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 indefinitely postponed—

Senate Bill No. 626:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Leon County to use and apply so much of the premium received from the sale of the highway bonds of said county as may be necessary to the payment of the cost and expenses incident to the issue and sale of said bonds, and the balance thereof for construction, repairing and maintaining the public roads of said county.

Very respectfully,

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

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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—

Senate Bill No. 181:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 29, Chapter 6970, General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the regulation, supervision and control of fraternal benefit societies in this State.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 184:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide a penalty for failure or refusal to testify relative to the business of any insurance company, when so requested by State Treasurer.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 185:

A Bill to be entitled An Act regulating the sale of the stock of insurance companies in this State, forbidding the payment of commissions to officers of such companies for the sale of stock, and providing a penalty for the violation of the provisions of this Act.

Very respectfully,

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

And Senate Bills, Nos. 181, 184 and 185, contained in the above message, were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 23:

A Concurrent Resolution relative to mailing of Senate and House Journals of June 1, 1917.

Very respectfully,

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

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 23, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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—

Senate Bill No. 621:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to legalize the election held in the Town of Perry, Florida, on the 15th day of May, A. D. 1917, to determine by a two-thirds vote of the qualified electors of said town, who were resident owners of real estate within the corporate limits of said town, and who had paid taxes thereon for the last year when said taxes were due, whether or not the bonds provided by Ordinance No. 109, entitled "An Ordinance for the calling and holding of an election, submitting to the qualified electors of the Town of Perry, Florida, the question of issuing bonds by the said Town of Perry, Florida, to the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars for the purpose of extending the sewerage system and the waterworks system of the said Town of Perry, Florida, as the Town Council of said town may deem expedient, necessary or proper, and to provide for the creation of a Board of Bond Trustees, and for the appointment and election of said Board of Bond Trustees, and fixing their terms of office, and defining their duties and powers, and to prescribe the denomination and rate of interest and date of maturity and the proper disposal of said bonds and the expenditure of the proceeds of the sale thereof, and to provide the form of said bonds." Passed by the Town Council of said town on the 10th day of April, A. D. 1917, and approved by the Mayor of said town on the 12th day of April, A. D. 1917, and whether or not the bonds provided by Ordinance No. 110, entitled, "An Ordinance for the calling and holding of an election, submitting to the qualified electors of the Town of Perry, Florida, the question of issuing bonds of the said town to the amount of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars for the purpose of such street improvement in the Town of Perry, Florida, as the Town Council may deem expedient, necessary or proper, and to provide for the creation of a Board of Bond Trustees, and fixing their terms of office,

and defining their duties and powers, and to prescribe the denomination and rate of interest and date of maturity and the proper disposal of said bonds and the expenditure of the proceeds of the sale thereof and to provide for the form of said bonds." Passed by the Town Council of said town on the 10th day of April, A. D. 1917, and approved by the Mayor of said town on the 12th day of April, A. D. 1917. Should be authorized and issued, and to declare and render valid and legal said election, and the Mayor's proclamation calling said election, and the result as shown by the returns thereof, and to declare and render valid and legal said ordinances and to declare and render legal and valid Ordinance No. —, of the Town of Perry, Florida, passed by the Town Council on the 29th day of May, A. D. 1917, and approved by the Mayor on the 20th day of May, A. D. 1917, entitled: "An Ordinance providing for the issuance of bonds by the Town of Perry, Florida, to the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars for the purpose of extending the sewerage system and waterworks system of the said Town of Perry, Florida, as the Town Council of said town may deem expedient, necessary or proper, and appointing three persons to constitute a Board of Bond Trustees, to hold, manage, sell and dispose of said bonds, and to provide the qualifications of said bond trustees, their tenure of office and the manner of filling vacancies, and to prescribe the form of said bonds and the denomination thereof, and the form of interest coupons to be attached thereto, and to provide the time and manner of the sale of said bonds, and pledging the property of the Town of Perry, Florida, as well as the entire faith and credit of said town for the payment of the principal and interest of said bonds;" and to declare and render legal and valid Ordinance No. —, of the Town of Perry, Florida, passed by the Town Council of said town on the 20th day of May, A. D. 1917, and approved by the Mayor on the 29th day of May, A. D. 1917, entitled "An Ordinance providing for the issuance of bonds by the Town of Perry, Florida, to the amount of twenty-five thousand dollars for the purpose of such street improvement in the town of Perry, Florida, as the Town Council may deem expedient, necessary or proper, and appointing three persons to constitute a Board of Bond Trustees to hold, manage, sell and dispose of said bonds, and to provide the qualifica-

tions of said Bond Trustees, their tenure of office and the manner of filling vacancies in Board, and to prescribe the form of said bonds and the denomination thereof, and the form of the interest coupons to be attached thereto, and to provide the time and manner of the sale of said bonds, and pledging the property of the Town of Perry, Florida, as well as the entire faith and credit of the said town, for the payment of the principal and interest of said bonds;" and to declare valid and binding all bonds which may be issued under the terms of said ordinances.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 621, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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—

Senate Bill No. 623:

A Bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of R. B. Johnson, County Judge of Hamilton County, Florida, for loss of fees during his suspension from said office.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 609:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Sumter County, Florida, to issue time warrants for the purpose of constructing dipping vats for the eradication of cattle ticks.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 604:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Lafayette County, Florida, to

borrow money not to exceed fifty per cent of the estimate of the revenue to be collected for any fiscal year for said county; to provide for the repayment of said money borrowed and the interest to be paid for same.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bills Nos. 623, 609 and 604, contained in the above message, were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 indefinitely postponed—

Senate Bill No. 605:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Gadsden County, Florida, to borrow money not to exceed fifty per cent of the estimate of the revenue to be collected for any fiscal year for said county, to provide for the repayment of said money borrowed and the interest to be paid for same.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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, with amendment—

Senate Bill No. 584:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing and directing the Board of County Commissioners of Franklin County, Florida, to refund to the candidates at the general primary election held in 1914 and 1916 in Franklin County, all the money that was paid to them under Chapter 6468 (No. 48), Section 26, Acts of 1913, by the said candidates as a filing fee, that was not used in conducting said election.

House amendment—

In title, strike out the following: "Chapter 6468 (No. 48), Section 26." and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Chapter 6469, (No. 49), Section 24."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate in amendment thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 584, contained in the above message, together with amendment of the House of Representatives thereto, was placed before the Senate.

Mr. Oliver moved that the Senate concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives to Senate Bill No. 584, as contained in the message.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 584, as amended by the House of Representatives, and concurred in by the Senate, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 indefinitely postponed—

Senate Bill No. 616:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 1, 2, 12 and 19 of Chapter 6470, Acts of 1913, the same being

An Act relating to primary elections; and to limit, regulate, control and restrict campaign and other expenditures in connection with primary elections; and to require candidates for primary nominations to make certain statements of campaign expenditures; to require certain duties of certain officers, boards and committees in connection with the said regulation and control of campaign expenditures as provided in said Act; to define, prevent and punish certain offenses and corrupt and illegal practices in connection with primary elections; to require and protect the purity of the ballot; to make certain evidence admissible in the courts, and providing penalties for the violations of its provisions.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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—

Senate Bill No. 606:

A Bill to be entitled An Act regulating the abolition of special road and bridge districts.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And Senate Bill No. 606, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Mr. Gornto moved to waive the rules and take up for consideration Senate Bill No. 625:

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 625:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 8, 9 and 26 of Chapter 6969, Acts of 1915, the same being

"An Act relating to the ownership and protection of game and game birds in the several counties of the State, providing an open and closed season, and for hunters' licenses.

Was taken up.

Mr. Gornto moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 625 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. 625 was read a third time in full. Upon the call of the roll on the passage of the Bill, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Andrews, Calkins, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Shepard, 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.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

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

Senate Chamber.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 599:

A Bill to be entitled An Act creating the Southern Drainage District, defining its boundaries, prescribing its powers, privileges, duties and liabilities, naming the members of the first Board of Supervisors, designating the officers and agents of said district, providing for the levying of taxes upon the property in said district, and the collection of same, and the sale of lands to enforce said collection of such taxes, authorizing the Board of Supervisors of said district to borrow money and to issue

bonds and dispose of same, to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act, giving to said district full power to acquire such lands and property as may be necessary and proper for its purposes, and to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act, and to provide a penalty for violating such provisions.

Have examined the same, and find it correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WILSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 599, contained in the above report was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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

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An Act to authorize the town of Pablo Beach to pay for public improvements made in the streets and public places of the town, and to issue certificates of indebtedness for such improvements and to accept such certificates in payment of taxes.

Also—

(House Bill No. 842.)

An Act authorizing and directing the Board of County Commissioners of Baker County, Florida, to refund to the candidates at the last general primary election held in Baker County, all the money that was paid to them under Chapter 6469 (No. 49), Section 24, Acts of 1913, by the said candidates as a filing fee, but was not used in conducting said election.

Also—

(House Bill No. 832.)

An Act to amend Chapter 7126, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1915, entitled "An Act to require non-residents of the State of Florida to procure a fishing permit before fishing in any of the fresh waters of Walton County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 845.)

An Act to regulate fishing in Lake Okeechobee, in Palm Beach County, Florida; to fix and prescribe a license tax upon certain fishing devices used in the waters of said lake; and to prescribe penalties for violation thereof.

Also—

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An Act to regulate the size of bar and mesh, and length, of seines fished or used in the salt waters of Escambia County, Florida; providing for the enforcement of this Act, and making the violation hereof a misdemeanor.

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

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Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 786.)

An Act to abolish the municipality of the Town of Fort Lauderdale, in the County of Broward and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known as the City of Fort Lauderdale, in the County of Broward and State of Florida, to define its territorial boundaries; to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges; and to authorize and provide for the assessment and collection of taxes in said municipality, providing referendum vote on Sections 36 and 57 of this Act, for rejection or approval.

Also—

(House Bill No. 835.)

An Act to enlarge the power of the City of Fernandina, in so far as to authorize said city to proceed by

suit to in chancery to foreclose and enforce liens for delinquent city taxes represented in tax sale certificates held by said city for amount therein, respectively, involved, with accrued interest thereon.

Also—

(House Bill No. 861.)

An Act to amend Section 7 of Chapter 6993, Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to organize a County Court in and for Calhoun County, Florida; to prescribe the terms thereof; to provide for the appointment of a Prosecuting Attorney for said court; fixing the salary and fees of the Prosecuting Attorney and Judge of said court; and providing for the transfer of cases from the Circuit Court and from Courts of Justices of the Peace to said County Court.

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An Act to legalize, ratify and confirm and validate the Acts and proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida, in constituting Special Road and Bridge District No. 2, Polk County, Florida, and issuing bonds of said district in the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand (\$150,000.00) dollars, ratifying

and validating all Acts and proceedings of said Board of County Commissioners with reference thereto.

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An Act to amend Sections Two and Three of Chapter 7030, Acts of 1915, entitled "An Act to protect the fish in the fresh waters of Holmes County, Florida."

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board to be known as the Sinking Fund Commission of the City of Ocala, and prescribing the membership of said Board, their election, powers and duties; to provide for the issuance of bonds and negotiable securities by said city; defining the corporate limits of said city; providing for the office and election of mayor for said city, a city manager, a city clerk and assessor of taxes, chief of police, policemen, and such other officers as the council of said city may provide for; providing for the issuance of special assessment certificates by said city, and for their enforcement and re-assessment; providing for a Recorder's Court in and for said city; and otherwise defining, extending and enlarging the powers of said city, and validating all prior acts thereof.

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

Very respectfully,

J. M. GORNTO,
Chairman of Committee.

ENROLLED.

The President announced that he was about to sign—
(House Bill No. 312.)

An Act providing for an additional Assistant State Auditor, prescribing his powers and duties, and fixing his compensation.

Also—

(House Bill No. 838.)

An Act defining the terms under which franchises for public utilities may be granted or extended within the City of Tampa.

Also—

(House Bill No. 434.)

An Act to amend Sections two, three thirteen, fourteen, eighteen and twenty of Chapter 6178, Acts of 1911, approved May 25, 1911, being "An Act to create a State School Book Commission, and to procure for use in the public schools of the State of Florida a uniform series of text books, and to define the duties and powers of said

commission, to make preparation for carrying this Act into effect, and providing penalties for violation of the same."

Also—

(House Bill No. 624.)

An Act reducing the number of membership of the City Council of the City of Ocala to five members, providing for their election and recall by the voters of said city at large; providing for the city manager plan of government of said city; further, abolishing the present Board of Bond Trustees for said city, and providing for a new board to be known as the Sinking Fund Commission of the City of Ocala, and prescribing the membership of said Board, their election, powers and duties; to provide for the issuance of bonds and negotiable securities by said city; defining the corporate limits of said city; providing for the office and election of mayor of said city, a city manager, a city clerk and assessor of taxes, chief of police, policemen, and such other officers as the council of said city may provide for; and providing for the issuance of special assessment certificates by said city, and for their enforcement and re-assessment; providing for a Recorder's Court in and for said city; and otherwise defining, extending and enlarging the powers of said city, and validating all prior acts thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 853.)

An Act authorizing the widening of the right-of-way of public roads in Putnam County.

Also—

(House Bill No. 859.)

An Act to permit the fishing of pound nets in the salt waters of the State of Florida by the *United States Government*.

Also—

(House Bill No. 856.)

An Act authorizing and directing the Board of County

Commissioners of Marion County, Florida, to refund to the candidates who ran in the last general primary election held in Marion County all the money that was paid by such candidates into the General Revenue Fund of said county, as provided in Section 24, Chapter 2469 (No. 49), Acts of 1915.

Also—

(House Bill No. 595.)

An Act to establish and maintain a branch Experiment Station in or near Winter Haven, Polk County, State of Florida, to conduct field research on citrus problems, to make it the duty of the Board of Control to establish such branch station and to provide for carrying on investigation thereat.

Also—

(House Bill No. 745.)

An Act fixing the compensation of County Commissioners in counties having population of from thirty-seven thousand up to forty thousand persons, and which have a bonded indebtedness of as much as one and one-half million dollars.

Also—

(House Bill No. 857.)

An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of DeSoto County, Florida, to issue certain interest-bearing time warrants, for the purpose of raising funds with which to build permanent bridges within DeSoto County, and providing for the levy of a special tax to pay the interest on and to create a sinking fund for the redemption of said warrants.

Also—

(House Bill No. 761.)

An Act to provide for the bringing of suits by the State to quiet titles to lands acquired through non-payment of taxes; to provide for the sale and conveyance of such lands and the disposition of the proceeds from such sales.

Also—

(House Bill No. 309.)

An Act regulating the business of banking and trust companies organized and doing business in and under the laws of Florida, and prescribing penalties for violations of the provisions of this Act.

Also—

(House Bill No. 819.)

An Act to amend Chapter 6540, Acts of 1913, the same being entitled "An Act to enable Normal School and College graduates to teach and acquire certificates in this State."

Also—

(House Bill No. 786.)

An Act to abolish the municipality of the Town of Fort Lauderdale, in the County of Broward and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known as the City of Fort Lauderdale, in the County of Broward and State of Florida, to define its territorial boundaries; to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges; and to authorize and provide for the assessment and collection of taxes in said municipality, providing referendum vote on Sections 56 and 57 of this Act, for rejection or approval.

Also—

(House Bill No. 835.)

An Act to enlarge the power of the City of Fernandina, in so far as to authorize said city to proceed by suit in chancery to foreclose and enforce liens for delinquent city taxes represented by tax sale certificates held by said city for amount therein, respectively, involved, with accrued interest thereon.

Also—

(House Bill No. 861.)

An Act to amend Section 7 of Chapter 6993, Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to organize a County Court

in and for Calhoun County, Florida; to prescribe the terms thereof; to provide for the appointment of a Prosecuting Attorney for said court; fixing the salary and fees of the Prosecuting Attorney and Judge of said court; and providing for the transfer of cases from the Circuit Court and from Courts of Justice of the Peace to said County Court.

Also—

(House Bill No. 833.)

An Act providing for the compensation of the County Commissioners of Lee County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 860.)

An Act authorizing the widening of the right-of-way of public roads in Orange County.

Also—

(House Bill No. 834.)

An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Nassau County to borrow money, under certain restrictions, during the years of 1917 and 1918, for the purpose of paying the legitimate current and ordinary expenses for the county.

Also—

(House Bill No. 814.)

An Act to legalize, ratify and confirm and validate the Act and proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida, in constituting Special Road and Bridge District No. 2, Polk County, Florida, and issuing bonds of said district in the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand (\$150,000.00) dollars; ratifying and validating all acts and proceedings of said Board of County Commissioners with reference thereto.

Also—

(House Bill No. 862.)

An Act to amend Sections Two and Three of Chapter

7030, Acts of 1915, entitled "An Act to protect the fish in the fresh water of Holmes County, Florida."

Also—

(House Bill No. 840.)

An Act to authorize the town of Pablo Beach to pay for public improvements made in the streets and public places of the town, and to issue certificates of indebtedness for such improvements and to accept such certificates in payment of taxes.

Also—

(House Bill No. 842.)

An Act authorizing and directing the Board of County Commissioners of Baker County, Florida, to refund to the candidates at the last general primary election held in Baker County, all the money that was paid to them under Chapter 6469 (No. 49), Section 24, Acts of 1913, by the said candidates as a filing fee, but was not used in conducting said election.

Also—

(House Bill No. 832.)

An Act to amend Chapter 7126, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1915, entitled "An Act to require non-residents of the State of Florida to procure a fishing permit before fishing in any of the fresh waters of Walton County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 845.)

An Act to regulate fishing in Lake Okeechobee, in Palm Beach County, Florida; to fix and prescribe a license tax upon certain fishing devices used in the waters of said lake; and to prescribe penalties for violations thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 642.)

An Act to regulate the size of bar and mesh and length of seines fished or used in the salt waters of Escambia

County, Florida; providing for the enforcement of this Act, and making the violation hereof a misdemeanor.

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.

Mr. Jones moved to lay Senate Bill No. 586 on the table.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. McEachern moved that the Senate do now adjourn. Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate took a recess to 8 o'clock P. M.

THURSDAY NIGHT SESSION—8 O'CLOCK.

The Senate convened pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the Chair.

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

minutes, during which period the Senators and attaches, of him as a presiding officer, and of their confidence in swered to their names:

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

A quorum present.

The Senate indulged in a social session for thirty minutes, during which period the Senators and attaches, separately, presented the President with a beautiful silver service and waiter, as a token of their admiration of his as a presiding officer, and of their confidence in and esteem for him as a man.

Mr. Davis moved that the Senate take a recess for fifteen minutes.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate took a recess for fifteen minutes. The Senate met pursuant to recess order.

The President in the chair.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

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

A quorum present.

Mr. Calkins moved to waive the rules for the introduction of a Resolution.

Upon which a yea and nay vote was demanded.

The roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Jones, McLeod, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Shepard, Willis—15.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Davis, Eaton, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Roland, Turner, Wells, Wilson—15.

So the motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Gornto moved to waive the rules and take up Messages from the House of Representatives for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the Senate proceeded to consider—

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 Bill No. 888:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to provide for and relating

to the redemption of drainage tax certificates held by the State for the non-payment of taxes, and the duties of State and county officials in connection therewith.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

R. A. GREEN,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 888, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 888 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 888 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 888 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. 888 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, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McLeod, MacWilliams, Oliver, Willis, Wilson—19.

Nays—Senators Davis, Gornto, Greene, McEachern, Middleton, Moore, Plympton, Turner, Wells—9.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 1917.

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

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to in-

form the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 890:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the town of Palm Beach, in Palm Beach County, Florida; to legalize and validate the ordinances of said town of Palm Beach and official acts thereunder; to create and establish a new municipality to be known as the town of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida; and to fix and provide its territorial limits, jurisdiction and powers, and the jurisdiction and powers of its officers.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

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

And House Bill No. 890, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 890 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 890 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 890 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. 890 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, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, 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.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 31, 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 concurred in Senate amendments to—

House Bill No. 309:

A Bill to be entitled An Act making it unlawful for any bank or trust company organized and doing business in this State to loan any of the funds of said bank or trust company to any officer thereof; or to loan an amount exceeding fifteen (15) per cent of the aggregate capital and surplus to any director thereof; or to invest any of the proceeds of any such banks or trust company in stock of another corporation or in bonds other than Government, State, county, municipal or district bonds; or to issue certificates of deposit for anything except cash deposited concurrently with the issuance of said certificates with said bank or trust company; or to carry among the assets of said bank or trust company any note, obligation, or security, which is not actually owned by said bank or trust company; and prescribing penalties for any violation of the provisions of said Act.

Senate amendments—

In Section 1, line 10, after the word "interested" add the following: "without the consent of the directors of such banking institution, to be entered in the minutes in writing."

At the end of Section 1, add the following: "Provided, that whenever the Board of Directors shall determine by a majority vote, which vote shall be entered on the minutes of the Board, that the loans applied for are entirely satisfactory, that the capital of such banking or trust company is unimpaired, and that the conditions of such bank or trust company are otherwise such as to warrant the loan, and that it can be made without reducing the legal reserve, the limitations provided by this Section may be extended in such cases to forty per cent of such

capital and surplus, subject to all of the other restrictions provided by this Act."

In Section 2, line 11, after the words "United States" in said line, add or insert the following: "including Federal Farm Loan Bonds."

In Section 2, line 12, after the word "bonds" in said line, add: "Municipal sidewalk and paving certificates."

In Section 1, line 12, strike out the words, "and the officer."

In Section 2, strike out lines 14, 15, 16 and 17, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "and public service corporations which are solvent and which have not defaulted in payment of interest for two years, and mortgages on real estate and county and municipal warrants."

At the end of Section 2 add: "Provided, that the provisions of this Section shall not apply to the *bona fide* purchase or discounting of commercial paper, bills and notes."

At the end of Section 4 add the following: "Nor shall any such bank or trust company carry in their assets in their reports to the Comptroller, nor in their reports as published as required by law, any note or obligation to any such bank or trust company which is past due for one year and upon which no interest has been paid for said period. Provided, that such past due paper may be carried to the extent of the reasonable value of any mortgage property or other collateral securing such note or obligation; and provided, further, that any such past due note or obligation in course of collection by action at law or in equity may be carried at the reasonable value of such note or obligation as shall be appraised and fixed by the Board of Directors. The Comptroller shall have the authority to supervise and revise the appraised value of past due paper and security, as provided for in this paragraph."

At the end of Section 5 add: "Provided, that the provision and penalties of this Act shall not apply to any existing contracts."

Strike out Section 7, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "Section 7. That the provisions of this Act shall not be construed as repealing any of the existing banking laws, unless provisions of same be in direct conflict with the provisions of this Act."

Strike out the title to said Bill as appears and insert in lieu thereof the following: "A Bill to be entitled An Act regulating the business of banking and trust companies organized and doing business in and under the Laws of Florida, and prescribing penalties for violations of the provisions of this Act."

Very respectfully,

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

Mr. Carlton moved to waive the rules and that the Senate take up House Bill No. 852 for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 852:

A Bill to be entitled An Act providing a pension for members of the Fire Department of the City of Tampa who shall become permanently incapacitated to perform their duties in said department or who have served for a number of years, and for other relief of certain persons dependent upon them for support, and providing a fund for said purposes.

Was taken up.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 852 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 852 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Carlton moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 852 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. 852 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, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, 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. Hughlett moved to waive the rules and take up for consideration House Bill No. 775, which had been placed back on the second reading for amendment, and the further consideration of which had been temporarily passed over.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 775:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to fix and establish a legal or standard crate and a legal or standard basket for tomatoes.

Was taken up, and the consideration of the same was resumed.

Mr. Hughlett offered the following amendment to House Bill No. 775:

In Section 4, line 4, after the word "measure" add: "This shall not apply to local persons, dealers in or growers of tomatoes, or shipments within the State."

Mr. Hughlett moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 775, as amended, 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. 775, as amended, 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, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, Terrell, Turner, Wells, Willis, Wilson—30.

Nays—None.

So the Bill, as amended, passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Farris moved to waive the rules and take up for consideration House Bill No. 841.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 841:

A Bill to be entitled An Act authorizing Duval County to sell and convey certain lands to the City of Jacksonville, and providing for the expenditure of the moneys received therefrom.

Was taken up.

Mr. Farris moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 841 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 841 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Farris moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 841 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. 841 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, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford, Davis, Eaton, Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, Jones, King, Mathis, McEachern, McLeod, MacWilliams, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Shepard, 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.

Mr. Calkins moved to resume the consideration of the motion of Mr. MacWilliams to indefinitely postpone—

Senate Bill No. 575:

A Bill to be entitled An Act to fix the number, prescribe the terms of office of the Justices of the Supreme Court, and to provide for the appointment of another Justice of said court, and to fix his term of office and for the election of his successor, and to prescribe certain regulations for the government of the Supreme Court when sitting in a body or in division.

Now pending—

Upon which the yeas and nays were demanded.

The roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Andrews, Calkins, Carlton, Crawford,

Farris, Fogarty, Gornto, Greene, Jones, McLeod, Middleton Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Terrell, Willis—16.

Nays—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Davis, Eaton, Hughlett, Igou, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Roland, Turner, Wilson—14.

So the motion was agreed to.

Mr. Wilson moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Upon which a yea and nay vote was demanded.

The roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Alexander, Davis, Eaton, Greene, Hughlett, Igou, King, Mathis, McEachern, MacWilliams, Roland, Turner, Wells, Wilson—15.

Nays—Senators Andrews, Calkins, Crawford, Farris, Fogarty, Jones, Middleton, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Willis—11.

So the motion was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate stood adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M., June 1, 1917.

CONFIRMATIONS.

The following appointments made by the Governor in 1915 were advised and consented to by the Senate in Executive Session May 31, 1917:

Rivers H. Buford, to be State Attorney for the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit of Florida until the end of the session of the Senate of 1917.

M. A. McMullen, to be State Attorney for the Sixth Judicial Circuit of Florida until the end of the session of the Senate of 1917.

Horace C. Gordon, to be State Attorney for the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit of Florida until the end of the session of the Senate of 1917.

Ira A. Hutchinson, to be State Attorney for the Ninth Judicial Circuit of Florida until the end of the session of the Senate of 1917.

Frank L. Dancy, to be State Attorney for the Fourth Judicial Circuit of Florida until the end of the session of the Senate of 1917.

Cephas L. Wilson, to be Circuit Judge for the Fourteenth Judicial Circuit of Florida until the end of the session of the Senate of 1917.

O. K. Reaves, to be Circuit Judge for the Sixth Judicial Circuit of Florida until the end of the session of the Senate of 1917.

John S. Edwards, to be Circuit Judge for the Tenth Judicial Circuit of Florida until the end of the session of the Senate of 1917.

The following nominations made by the Governor in 1917 were advised and consented to by the Senate:

James W. Perkins, to be Circuit Judge for the Seventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, for six years from June 30, 1917.

Joseph H. Jones, to be State Attorney for the Seventh Judicial Circuit of Florida, for four years from May 10, 1917.

J. Ed. Abercrombie, to be Harbor Master for the Port of Pensacola, for four years from June 15, 1917.

James M. Peeler, to be Judge of the Criminal Court of Record of Duval County, Florida, for four years from July 25, 1917.

L. W. Auvill, to be Prosecuting Attorney for the County Court of Pasco County, Florida, until the election and qualification of his successor at the next ensuing general election.

IN RE SUSPENSIONS AND REMOVALS.

The Senate refused to consent to and advise the suspension and removal of L. S. Crump as County Commissioner of Leon County, Florida.

The Senate advised and consented to the suspension and removal of John Branch as tax collector in and for Hillsborough County, Florida.

Friday, June 1, 1917.

The Senate convened 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, Moore,