

House Bill No. 50:

A bill to be entitled An Act to declare valid an issue of Municipal Bonds of the City of Kissimmee in the County of Osceola known as Municipal Bulkhead Bonds, issue of 1919, and authorizing the expenditures of the proceeds from the sale of the said bonds for the improvement of certain streets and for the bulkheading and filling in of that portion of the lake front of Lake Tonopikaliga lying within the city limits of the City of Kissimmee extending from the St. Cloud Sugar Belt Railroad on the north to the city limits on the south; to establish the title to reclaimed lands; to assess a proportionate share of the costs against the property benefited and to deduct such share of the costs so assessed against the property from the city's bonded indebtedness; to authorize the sale and delivery of said bonds; to define the purpose for which the proceeds shall be used and to require a levy of taxes for the payment of interest and providing a sinking fund for the payment of such portion of the principal of said bonds as may be necessary to be provided by the said City of Kissimmee and validate the levy and collection of taxes for the interest and sinking fund.

Was taken up in its order.

Mr. Johnson moved that the rules be waived, and House Bill No. 50 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 50 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Johnson moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 50 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. 50 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, Lowry, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Russell, Singletary, Turnbull, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

The hour of one o'clock p. m., the time set by rule for adjournment having arrived, the President announced that the Senate stood adjourned until 11:00 o'clock a. m., Wednesday, April 16th, 1919.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Daniel A. Simmons, to be Circuit Judge in and for the County of Duval, State of Florida, for the term of six years from the 29th day of April, 1919.

Wednesday, April 16, 1919

The Senate met at 11:00 o'clock a. m. pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—30.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journal of April 15 was corrected and approved as corrected.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Andrews, Chairman of the Committee on Miscellaneous Legislation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 15, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Miscellaneous Legislation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 18:

A bill to be entitled An Act fixing the legal time in that part of the State of Florida lying east and south of the Chattahoochee and Apalachicola Rivers and in the County of Franklin, including the City of Apalachicola west of the Apalachicola River and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith.

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

Very Respectfully,

A. D. ANDREWS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 18, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on second reading.

Mr. Andrews, Chairman of the Committee on Miscellaneous Legislation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 15, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Miscellaneous Legislation, to whom was referred:

Senate Bill No. 45:

A bill to be entitled An Act making unlawful the use of screens, blinds, doors or anything to obstruct the view into and through public school rooms, and providing a penalty and for a forfeit of license for violation of same.

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

Very respectfully,

A. D. ANDREWS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 45, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 15, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 21:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize any corporation to sell and convey its property and property rights, privileges, franchises, easements and rights of way and to authorize any corporation to purchase the same; the method, manner, conditions necessary in making such sale or purchase; and payment to any dissenting stockholder.

Beg to report that having carefully examined said bill, respectfully return it herewith correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

W. A. McLEOD,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 21, contained in above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on the third reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 15, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 35:

A bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit the hauling and dragging of seines in the fresh water rivers, lakes, streams, creeks and bayous in Volusia, Marion and Lake Counties, State of Florida, to define what shall be deemed fresh water rivers, lakes, streams, creeks and bayous beyond the limits of said counties; to prohibit

common carriers from receiving the same for shipment beyond the limits of said counties; to provide for the seizure and summary destruction of said seines; to provide for the payment of a portion of the fine imposed for the violation of the provisions of said Act to the sheriffs of said counties; and to provide penalties for the violation of the provisions of said Act.

Beg to report that having carefully examined said bill, respectfully return it herewith correctly engrossed.

Very respectfully,

W. A. McLEOD,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 35, contained in above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the third reading.

Mr. Johnson, Chairman of the Committee on Claims, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 15, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Claims, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 50:

A bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of Ernest P. Roberts, County Solicitor of Monroe County, Florida, for the loss of fees and per diem during his suspension from said office.

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

Very respectfully,

J. B. JOHNSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 50, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Johnson, Chairman of the Committee on Claims, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 15, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Claims, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 89:

A bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of A. T. Coleman, Sheriff of Sumter County, Florida, for the loss of fees during his suspension from office.

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

Very respectfully,

J. B. JOHNSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 85, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Johnson, Chairman of the Committee on Claims, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 15, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Claims, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 24:

A bill to be entitled An Act making appropriations to pay the E. O. Painter Printing Company for freight paid by said company on certain Supreme Court reports.

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

Very respectfully,

J. B. JOHNSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 24, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Johnson, Chairman of the Committee on Claims, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 15, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Claims, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 23:

A bill to be entitled An Act making an appropriation to pay the E. O. Painter Printing Company for extra volumes of Florida Supreme Court Reports, reprinted

under contract of said Company, with the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions.

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

Very respectfully,

J. B. JOHNSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 23, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Johnson, Chairman of the Committee on Claims, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 15, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on claims, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 4:

A bill to be entitled An Act to refund to owners of automobiles with a seating capacity of not more than five persons all license taxes collected by the Comptroller for the year 1918 in excess of five dollars for the full year and two dollars and fifty cents for the half year on such automobiles and making an appropriation for the purpose of other provisions relating thereto.

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

Very respectfully,

J. B. JOHNSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 4, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. W. A. MacWilliams, Chairman of the Committee on Drainage, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 15, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Drainage, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 11:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Trustees

of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida to sell and convey the swamp and overflowed lands in this State held by them, and to provide for the disposition of the proceeds of such sales of said lands.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that the same do pass, with amendments submitted herewith.

After the word "County" in the ninth line of Section 1, insert the words: "or Counties."

Strike out Section 2 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"Section 2. That 50 per cent of the proceeds from the sale of any and all lands sold under the provisions of this Act shall be promptly paid by the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund into the hands of the State Treasurer, to be by him placed to the credit of the principal of the State School Fund; that the remaining 50 per cent of the said proceeds shall be so paid by the said trustees to each of the several counties of this State in proportion to the assessed valuation of the property of each said several counties, said moneys when so received by said counties shall be set aside by said counties as a fund to be expended for construction, and building and repair of hard-surfaced roads, such expenditures by said several counties shall be under the supervision of the State Highway Commission, as now provided by law for the expenditure of the revenue derived from automobile licenses."

Very respectfully,

W. A. MacWILLIAMS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 11, contained in the above report, together with committee amendments, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on second reading.

Mr. Moore, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 15, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 19:

A bill to be entitled An Act relating to official bonds in this State.

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

In Section one (1), line thirteen (13), after the word "counties" insert "and by the Comptroller."

Very respectfully,

JOHN L. MOORE,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 19, contained in the above report, together with committee amendment, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Moore, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 15, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 22:

A bill to be entitled An Act to require all State and County Officers to furnish surety company bonds before being commissioned for such office; and to repeal all laws in conflict with the provisions hereof.

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

Very respectfully,

JOHN L. MOORE,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 22, contained in the above report, was placed on the table subject to restoration.

Mr. Moore, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 15, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 32:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 3356 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the disposal of personal property under lien and to provide punishments for the sale, mortgage removal, disposition, or concealment of personal property subject to lien or mortgage and for the wilful obstruction of such lien or mortgage.

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

Very respectfully,

JOHN L. MOORE,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 32, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Baker, Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Agriculture and Forestry, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 51:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the State Marketing Bureau and to Repeal Chapter 7315, approved June 5, 1917; to provide for the disposition of all property, books, records, furniture, etc., of said Bureau and to repeal all laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act.

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

Very respectfully,

W. E. BAKER,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 51, contained in above report, was placed on the table subject to restoration.

Mr. Moore, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 15, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 33:

A bill to be entitled An Act relating to mortgages and live stock and the contents and effects thereof, and to authorize and provide for powers of sale under such mortgages, and to fix and define punishments and penalties for removal of property covered by the lien of such mortgages, and to vest certain powers in the Circuit Courts of this State respecting such mortgages and the enforcement thereof."

Have had the same under consideration and hereby offer Committee Substitute Bill and recommend that Committee Substitute Bill No. 33, with the same title of the original bill.

Very respectfully,

JOHN L. MOORE,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 33, contained in the above report, with the substitute therefor, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on second reading.

Mr. Carlton, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 39:

A bill to be entitled An Act to prescribe the county or counties where suits at law in equity may be brought and maintained, including the circumstances and conditions under which they may be so brought and maintained.

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

Very respectfully,

DOYLE E. CARLTON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 39, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

Mr. Carlton, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 59:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing that no person who shall hereafter be granted a decree of divorce in the State of Florida shall be permitted to marry again until after the lapse of a certain time herein fixed after the entry of a decree of divorce.

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

Very respectfully,

DOYLE E. CARLTON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 59, contained in the above report, was placed on the table, subject to restoration to the Calendar on second reading.

Mr. Carlton, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 52:

A bill to be entitled An Act to grant the water front, riparian rights and submerged lands, in Boca Ceiga Bay

and the Gulf of Mexico, at Pass-a-Grille, in front of that property of the town of Pass-a-Grille, County of Pinellas, State of Florida, lying south of the north boundary line of the corporate limits of said town, and being within the present corporate limits of said town.

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

Very respectfully,

DOYLE E. CARLTON,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 52, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on second reading.

Mr. Carlton, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 83:

A bill to be entitled An Act making it unlawful to publish any periodical, hand-bill, leaflet, or other publication in any Foreign Language without printing in parallel column the English translation of the full text thereof, and providing penalties for the violation hereof.

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

Very respectfully,

J. B. JOHNSON,
Chairman of Committee, Pro Tem.

And Senate Bill No. 83, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of bills on second reading.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. MacWilliams—

Senate Bill No. 92:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 13 of Chapter 5384, Acts of 1905, relating to the appointment

of the members of the Board of Control, and providing for appointment of Board of Visitors.

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

By Mr. Johnson—

Senate Bill No. 93:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 7275 of the Laws of 1917, as amended by Chapter 7737, Laws of the Extraordinary Session of 1918, same being an act to license and regulate the running of motor vehicles on the public roads and highways, and to provide for the registration thereof, etc.

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

By Mr. MacWilliams—

Senate Bill No. 94:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 13 of Chapter 5384, Acts of 1905, relating to the appointment of the members of the Board of Control, and providing for appointment of Board of Visitors.

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

By Mr. Lowry—

Senate Bill No. 95:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2887 of the General Statutes of Florida, as amended by Chapter 5625, Acts of 1907, relating to the Clerk of the Railroad Commissioners; salary; place of holding sessions; annual expenditures; how paid.

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

By Mr. Roland—

Senate Bill No. 96:

A bill to be entitled An Act for the relief of Henry Langhout.

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

By Mr. Andrews (By Request)—
Senate Bill No. 97:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the establishment of a Chemical Department of the State of Florida; for the appointment of a State Chemist, who shall be the executive officer of the Chemical Department of the State of Florida; for the appointment of an Assistant State Chemist; a Food and Drug Analyst; a Fertilizer Analyst; a Stock Feed Analyst; an Insecticide and Fungicide Analyst; four Inspectors of the Chemical Department; for the employment of a Secretary (stenographer, clerk and bookkeeper); a Librarian and File Clerk of the Chemical Department; and a Janitor of the State Laboratory; to prohibit the manufacture, importation, sale, shipment, or transportation of adulterated, misbranded, poisonous, deleterious, unwholesome, decomposed, deficient, or light weight foods, drugs, medicines, liquors, insecticides or fungicides; or of adulterated, misbranded, light weight or deficient commercial fertilizers or commercial stock feed; providing for the seizure, condemnation, destruction, amendment, or proper labeling of adulterated, misbranded, poisonous, deleterious, unwholesome, decomposed, deficient, or light weight foods, drugs, medicines, liquors, insecticides or fungicides; or of adulterated, misbranded, light weight or deficient commercial fertilizers or commercial stock feed; to provide for the collection of an inspection fee from manufacturers of, importers of, or dealers in commercial fertilizers, commercial stock feeds, insecticides and fungicides; providing for the inspection and licensing of food, drug, insecticide, fungicide, commercial fertilizer and commercial stock feed factories, and for the canceling of licenses thereof; providing rules of evidence in causes arising in the execution of this Act; providing for co-operation with the National authorities in executing the provisions of this Act; providing that in the event any section or part of this Act shall be held untenable, that fact shall not affect or destroy other provisions of this Act; providing for the publication of the results and findings of the Chemical Department; providing that the inspection fees, collected from manufacturers of, importers of, or dealers in commercial fertilizers, commercial stock feeds, insecticides or fungicides, together with all fines and forfeitures, less the costs of the enforcement of this Act, shall be exclusively applied for the purpose of the Scien-

tific and Practical Demonstration of the Agricultural and Live Stock Industries of the State of Florida; to appropriate the necessary funds to enforce the provisions of this Act, payable from the funds accruing from the collection of inspection fees from manufacturers of, importers of, or dealers in commercial fertilizers, commercial stock feed, insecticides and fungicides. Charging the State Chemist, the Attorney General, the State Treasurer, the Judges of the Circuit Courts, the State's Attorneys of the Judicial Circuits, the Clerks of the Circuit Courts, the Solicitors of the Criminal Courts of Record, and the Prosecuting Attorneys of Florida, with the execution of this Act; providing penalties for the violation of this Act; providing that regulations for the enforcement of this Act, not inconsistent therewith, shall be made by the State Chemist and the Attorney General; that violations of this Act, or the regulations thereunder, shall subject the offender to the penalties fixed by this Act; to repeal all laws or parts of laws inconsistent with, or contrary to the provisions of this Act; and for other purposes.

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

By Mr. Calkins—
Senate Bill No. 98:

A bill to be entitled An Act to approve, adopt and enact the Revised General Statutes of Florida, prepared by James E. Calkins, Commissioner, under direction, and by authority of, the Legislature of Florida, with certain amendments thereto; to provide for the printing, publication, sale, and distribution thereof; and making appropriations for the printing, publication and distribution thereof.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Joint Committee Revision of General Statutes.

By Mr. King—
Senate Bill No. 99:

A bill to be entitled An Act to establish and create the Florida Pathological Commission, to provide for the appointment of its officers, and regulate its powers and duties.

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

By Mr. Carlton—
Senate Bill No. 100:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish distinction between principals in the first and second degree and accessories before the fact, and prescribing how they may be tried.

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

By Mr. Carlton—
Senate Bill No. 101:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 1, 2, 9, 21 and 22 of Chapter 6488, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913, being "An Act to regulate the employment of minor children in the State, creating the offices of State Labor Inspector and Assistant Inspector, and defining the duties and compensations of such officers."

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

By Mr. Butler—
Senate Bill No. 102:

A bill to be entitled An Act fixing the compensation of County Commissioners in counties which now have or may hereafter have a population exceeding eighty-five thousand.

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

By Mr. Butler—
Senate Bill No. 103:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2 of Chapter 6912, Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to provide for the salaries and compensation of the Justices of the Supreme Court, Circuit Judges, Judges of the Criminal Courts of Records and Judge of the Court of Record in and for Escambia County, in the State of Florida." Approved May 29, 1915.

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

By Mr. Butler—
Senate Bill No. 104:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing a method whereby any soldier, sailor or marine engaged in the World War may vote in any municipal election in this State without registration and payment of the poll tax when he returns to the State after the time for payment of poll tax or the time for registration has expired.

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

CONSIDERATION OF OTHER RESOLUTIONS.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 4:

Inviting the Hon. Frank Clark, M. C., to address the Legislature in the hall of the House of Representatives at as early a date as possible.

Was taken up in its order and read the second time.

The question was put upon the adoption, and House Concurrent Resolution was adopted and ordered 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., April 16, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
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. 241:

A bill to be entitled An Act prohibiting the taking and catching of fish with haul seines or drag nets in the salt and fresh waters of St. Lucie County, Florida; prohibiting the use of said haul seines or drag nets in said waters; prohibiting the sale or shipment or the possession of for sale or shipment of any fish caught or taken with a haul seine or drag net in violation of this Act; prohibiting any person, firm or corporation, railroad company, express

company or any common carrier or agent thereof from shipping or transporting or receiving for shipment or transportation any fish taken or caught in violation of this Act, and providing penalties for the violation of this act, and providing for the seizure and destruction of all seines and drag nets used in violation of this Act.

Also—

House Bill No. 43:

A bill to be entitled An Act to protect the flag from desecration.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 241, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of House Local Bills on second reading.

And House Bill No. 43, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
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. 226:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the County Commissioners of DeSoto County, Florida, to issue time warrants on the General Road Fund of said County and to provide for the payment of said warrants.

Also—

House Bill No. 227:

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate and confirm an election held on the 19th day of March, A. D. 1918, for the purpose of creating a Special Tax School District in

all of that territory in DeSoto County, Florida, bounded as follows, to-wit: Beginning at the northwest corner of Section 6, Township 41 South, Range 29 East; running thence east on the township line to the shore line of Lake Okeechobee; thence southeastwardly with said shore line of Lake Okeechobee to the Lee County line; thence west on said Lee County line to the southwest corner of Section 31, Township 42 South, Range 29 East; thence north on range line to point of beginning, being in DeSoto County, Florida.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 226, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of House Bills on second reading.

And House Bill No. 227, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of House Bills on second reading.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
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. 228:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Rosa County, Florida, to issue interest bearing time warrants in a total sum not to exceed Fifteen Thousand (\$15,000.00) Dollars to construct a bridge across Yellow River in Special Road and Bridge District No. 1 of said county.

Also—

House Bill No. 235:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present municipal government of Okeechobee, in Okeechobee

County, Florida, to legalize and validate the ordinances of said City of Okeechobee and all official acts thereunder, to create and establish a new municipality to be known as the City of Okeechobee, in Okeechobee County, Florida, and to fix and provide its territorial limits, jurisdiction and powers, and jurisdiction and the powers of its officers.

Also—

House Bill No. 236:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and empower the Board of County Commissioners of Osceola County to pay the road contractor in Special Road and Bridge District No. 2 excess freight charges.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 228, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of House local bills on second reading.

And House Bill No. 235, 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. 235 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 235 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 235 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. 235 was read a third time in full.

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

Senators Anderson, Andrew, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

And House Bill No. 236, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of House Local Bills on second reading.

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

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,

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. 218:

A bill to be entitled An Act to repeal Section 4 of Chapter 6569, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913, the same being An Act to prohibit the catching of food fish in any of the fresh water lakes of Citrus County, Florida, or from the Withlacoochee River in said Citrus County, Florida, other than with hook and line or bob; to prohibit the selling of any fish so caught with hook and line or bob; and to prohibit the shipment of same.

Also—

House Bill No. 219:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 7453-(195), Laws of Florida, same being An Act to authorize the County of Dade, State of Florida, to issue bonds for the purpose of procuring and providing an armory site and for the erection and equipment of an armory and to provide for the securing and payment of said bonds, and for other purposes properly connected therewith.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

J. G. KELLUM,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 218, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of House Bills on second reading.

And House Bill No. 219, contained in the above mes-

sage, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of House Local Bills on second reading.

BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate Bill No. 26:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing sales and conveyances by the Board of Commissioners of Everglades Drainage District of lands covered by tax certificates in the name of said Board, and validating any such sales and conveyances heretofore made.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 26, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Cash, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, Johnson, King, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the bill not having received a two-thirds vote, failed to pass.

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

Senate Bill No. 30:

A bill to be entitled An Act making an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the State Council of Defense.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Mr. MacWilliams moved to waive the rules and place Senate Bill No. 30 back upon the second reading, for the purpose of amending the same.

Which was not agreed to.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 30, the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, Malone, Mathis, Moore, Oliver, Roland, Singletary, Wilson—20.

Nays—Senators Eaton, Igou, MacWilliams, McLeod, Rowe, Russell, Turnbull, Turner—8.

So the bill not having received a two-third vote failed to pass.

Senate Bill No. 68 was taken up on its third reading and its consideration informally passed over.

Senate Bill No. 36:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2213 of the General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to the enforcement of liens by any laborer, mechanic, contractor or other person, firm or corporation not in privity with the owner, for work done or materials furnished for the repair, improvement, erection or construction of any building, structure or other improvements upon any realty situate in the State of Florida.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 36 the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—31.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Senate Bill No. 21:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize any corporation to sell and convey all its property and property rights, privileges, franchises, easements, and rights of ways, and to authorize any corporation to purchase the same; the method, manner, conditions necessary in making such sale or purchase; and payment to any dissenting stockholder.

Was taken up and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 21, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Mathis, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—29.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

By unanimous consent the Senate reverted to consideration of messages from the Governor.

The following message from the Governor was read:

State of Florida,
Executive Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1919.

*Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate,
Senate Chamber.*

Sir:

It has come to the knowledge of the Governor that there are large numbers of local bills being introduced in both branches of the Legislature with a possibility of nearly each and every one of them being passed, each and every one of said bills being introduced and passed without a referendum clause and each and every one affecting the vital interests of the people of Florida. This, of course, throws the responsibility of the decision of the bill upon the Governor and makes him a Judge rather than a Governor in cases where the people are largely and deeply involved, or in other bills where there may be considerable and heavy loss upon some individual or individuals or citizens of Florida, or in other bills taking away the official positions of citizens who have been elected to these positions by the franchise of the people of Florida. This is a responsibility which the Governor absolutely refuses to assume, because the functions of the gubernatorial Office are executive and not judicial. Therefore, the Governor is sending this message, in the best of spirits, to each branch of the Legislature stating fully and squarely that in all such local bills passed in either House affecting the welfare of the people of Florida, as above stated, and said bills not having a referendum clause, that the Governor will veto such bills and send them back to the House or to the Senate and ask that such bills contain a referendum clause so that the people will have the right in each and every case to vote upon and thus say whether or not they desire the conditions of said bill to become a law.

Therefore, the Governor earnestly urges that each and every Senator and Representative, in passing local bills affecting the welfare of their community in a financial way, or taking away official positions or in any other

way affecting the betterment or hurt of the citizens of Florida, will have a referendum clause to said bills.

Very respectfully,

SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor.

Which was ordered to be filed for reference.

Also—

The following message from the Governor was read:

State of Florida,
Executive Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 14, 1919.

*Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate,
Capitol.*

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. 1):

An Act to provide for the employment of police officers of the city of Palatka.

(Senate Bill No. 2):

An Act to provide for the election of an Assessor of Taxes for the city of Palatka, and to fix his term of office.

(Senate Bill No. 5):

An Act to legalize and validate the proceedings of the town of Daytona Beach in relation to the issuing of bonds in the sum of \$60,000.00 for street improvement.

Very respectfully,

SIDNEY J. CATTS,
Governor.

Mr. Johnson moved to waive the rules and take up the Calendar of House Local Bills for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bills Nos. 106, 104, 176, 161, 162, 125, 126, 127 and 128 were taken up in their order and the consideration of the same was informally passed over.

House Bill No. 182 was taken up, and by request of Mr. Baker referred to Committee on Cities and Towns.

House Bill No. 187 was taken up in its order, and consideration of same was informally passed over.

House Bill No. 204:

A bill to be entitled An Act to prescribe the qualifications of electors in all municipal elections to be held in the City of Orlando, Orange County, Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 204 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 204 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 204 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. 204 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 Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Butler, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Lowry, Malone, McLeod, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Singletary, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—23.

Nays—Senators Bradshaw, Igo, Johnson, King, MacWilliams—5.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS.

By unanimous consent—

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

The Joint Committee to whom was referred—
(House Bill No. 189):

An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the City of DeLand, in the County of Volusia, and to or-

ganize and establish a new form of city government for the same, and to prescribe its jurisdiction, duties and powers.

Have carefully examined the same and find it correctly enrolled.

The same having been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, we herewith present the same for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

O. M. EATON,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on the Part of the Senate.

The bill contained in the above report was duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in open session and ordered referred to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on the Part of the Senate to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

Also by consent—

Mr. Eaton, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

The Joint Committee to whom was referred—
(House Bill No. 188.)

An Act to repeal Chapter 4056 of the Laws of Florida, the same being an Act entitled, "An Act to establish a Criminal Court of Record in the County of Volusia, Florida, approved June 8, 1891."

Have carefully examined the same and find it correctly enrolled.

The same having been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, we herewith present the same for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

O. M. EATON,

Chairman of Joint Committee on the Part of the Senate.

The bill contained in the above report was duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in open session and ordered referred to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on the part of the Senate to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

Also by consent—

Mr. Eaton, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

The Joint Committee to whom was referred—
(House Bill No. 80):

An Act to repeal Chapter 7170, Special Acts of 1915, Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to provide a municipal government for the Town of Hawks Park, Volusia County, Florida," to provide for the payment of any existing indebtedness and the distribution of any assets of said town.

Have carefully examined the same and find it correctly enrolled.

The same having been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, we herewith present the same for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,
O. M. EATON,

Chairman of Joint Committee on the Part of the
Senate.

The bill contained in the above report was duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in open session and ordered referred to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on the Part of the Senate to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

House Bill No. 205:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2 of An Act entitled "An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the City of Orlando, in the County of Orange, and to organize and establish a new form of

city government for the same, and to prescribe its jurisdiction, duties and powers.

Was taken up.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 205 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 205 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Hughlett moved that the rules be further waived, and that House Bill No. 205 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. 205 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, Anderson, Andrews, Baker, Bradshaw, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Crosby, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, Johnson, King, Lowry, MacWilliams, Malone, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Turnbull, Turner, Wilson—28.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

House Bill No. 189 was taken up and consideration of same was informally passed over.

By unanimous consent—

Mr. Igou on behalf of the Joint Committee appointed at the Extraordinary Session of 1918, under Concurrent Resolution No. 6, submitted the following report:

Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1919.

*To the President of the Senate and Speaker of the House
of the Legislature of Florida:*

Your Joint Committee, appointed at the extraordinary session of the Legislature in 1918, under the terms of Concurrent Resolution No. 6, with instructions to report to the Regular Session of the Legislature in 1919, has the honor to submit the following:

Concurrent Resolution No. 6 provided: "That a Committee of two members from the Senate and three members from the House be appointed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House respectively for

the purpose of inquiring into the needs of the State in completing a definite and permanent system of hard-surfaced roads, of ascertaining accurately the number of miles now hard surfaced in the State of Florida, and their condition, the number of miles that should be hard surfaced, the cost of material, freights and labor, and everything used in the construction of roads, the location of material within the State and all other facts that will furnish the Legislature with full and complete information, and to recommend the enacting of such laws as are necessary to meet the needs of the State."

Your committee has held three meetings, one at Tallahassee, one at Jacksonville and one at Eustis. It has had numerous conferences with the State Road Department and the State Road Commissioner, and every member of the committee has been exceedingly active in his home county and during his personal travels; it has summed up the information acquired and has come to an agreement upon recommendations for the enactment of certain laws which your committee deems necessary to meet the needs of the State. Bills for such laws, with the committee's recommendations, are submitted herewith and the early consideration upon same is respectfully recommended.

Taking up in sequence the duties of the committee as set forth in the Concurrent Resolution first comes that of "Inquiring into the needs of the State in completing a definite and permanent system of hard-surfaced roads."

The need for such a system of roads, in the opinion of the committee is so self-evident that no time need be taken up in recounting the same. The State of Florida is fortunate in having an efficient State Road Department, and while such department was only created by the Legislature in 1915 and for the first two years of its existence was authorized to act only in an advisory capacity, with no funds at its disposal until January 1, 1918, to carry on any active work of construction and maintenance of roads, the work performed by this Department has been of great value to the State as a whole and to the various counties of the State in particular. The data collected by this department through its engineers and employees and the plans of the department for complete and comprehensive system of State roads, to be paved with material of a permanent character, will be submitted to this Legisla-

ture, and your committee herewith recommends that the necessary legislation be enacted to secure for the State of Florida such a system of hard-surfaced roads of a permanent type as is submitted by the State Road Department.

The second duty specified was that of "ascertaining accurately the number of miles now hard-surfaced in the State of Florida." This information is contained in the biennial report of the State Road Department and may be summarized as follows:

Material—	Miles.
Brick	163
Concrete	8
Asphaltic concrete or sheet asphalt.....	444
Penetration of surface treated macadam....	376
Plain macadam	595
Shell	599
Marl or sand clay.....	2,282
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	4,767

Your committee was also instructed to ascertain the condition of the present hard-surfaced roads. This duty was practically beyond the scope of the committee's ability. Each member of the Legislature can tell of the condition of certain roads over which he has traveled, but roads do not remain in the same condition for any length of time. Your committee is impressed with the total lack of necessary maintenance on many of the roads built at a cost of many thousands of dollars by some of the counties. Great sums of money are expended in the construction of so-called hard-surfaced roads, but little or nothing is done afterwards to maintain these roads. The lack of maintenance has cost some of the counties of this State many times the cost of the original surfacing of the roads, for such roads have had to be resurfaced several times during the life of the bond issues from which funds were obtained to defray the original cost of surfacing. Roads built of brick, when properly grouted, and those of concrete or asphalt laid on concrete have stood and are standing the test of traffic many times heavier than was originally contemplated. The advice of the State Road Department should be followed in building roads and only

roads of permanent character should be included in any project upon which State or Federal funds are expended. Not one dollar of State funds should be expended in the future upon any roads for a temporary type of surface.

As to "the number of miles of roads that should be hard surfaced" your committee would recommend that just as many miles of roads should be improved with material of a permanent character as funds can be obtained for that purpose. The State System of Roads as outlined by the State Road Department included approximately thirty-six hundred miles. The system touches every County Seat, giving every county in the State at least one road upon which it is proposed to expend State and Federal funds. The entire system of thirty-six hundred miles as outlined should be hard-surfaced. Your committee has concluded that the rapidly increasing use of automobiles and the great demand of roads for transportation of all kinds will require greater width of hard surfacing; that it is the question of a short time before the nine-foot road should be discontinued.

The Resolution also calls for a report upon the "Cost of material, freights, labor and every item entering into the construction of roads."

It would appear that the freight on road building material such as crushed stone, sand, gravel, cement, brick, asphalt, etc., when same is transported for any distance in excess of one hundred miles, constitutes a very considerable part of the total cost of said material, ranging approximately all the way from 35 to 75 per cent.

In view of these facts it is recommended by your committee that a joint resolution of the Senate and House be adopted and transmitted to the Federal Railroad Administration urging that liberal reductions be made in freight rates on road building materials consigned to States, Counties or Municipalities.

"The location of material within the State" is another subject your committee was instructed to report upon. This is a subject that has been given close study and investigation by the State Road Department and the conclusions of the State Road Commissioner are given herewith as follows:

"While Nature has provided the State of Florida with a great diversity of road building materials, there are, unfortunately, comparatively few which are adaptable to high class construction. Although many miles of hereto-

fore serviceable road have been built with local materials, it would appear that traffic conditions are continually becoming more severe and that the best practice would demand that all future construction be of the most permanent materials obtainable. The Bureau of Public Roads, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., has prepared specifications for use in connection with the Federal Aid road work which will allow the use of a large part of Florida stone in the foundation or base course construction. However, very little, if any, of the local rock will meet the requirements for the wearing surface of roads.

"The Florida sands appear to meet the requirements of the above specifications for use in both asphalt and concrete construction."

Your committee does not recommend the further use of sand, clay, shell or marl construction for any but local roads subject to light traffic.

It is very unfortunate that experiments with Florida clays would indicate that paving brick can not be manufactured in this State. It is, however, recommended that the State Geologist be provided with sufficient funds to continue his investigation and experiments with the hope that clay may be located within the State that will properly vitrify and produce a satisfactory paving block.

As previously stated, the item of transportation constitutes a considerable portion of the cost of the road building materials. The other controlling factor is the price of labor. The average price of labor is today approximately double the price that prevailed in 1916, and this, together with increase in freight rates, has caused an advance in the cost of road building materials of from forty to one hundred per cent. It will therefore be unreasonable to expect high class construction under present conditions at the prices which obtained immediately prior to the war.

Your committee considers it important to call especial attention to, not only the high cost of, but also the great scarcity of labor. At present many works of development and improvement are being delayed by reason of an actual deficiency in the necessary supply of common labor. This fact, in our opinion, makes the labor of the State convicts upon the State roads a very essential part of the State's provision to meet the funds apportioned to

Florida under the terms of the Federal Aid road act as amended by the last session of Congress.

Your committee would respectfully recommend the immediate passage of the Bill submitted herewith providing for meeting the Federal Aid funds apportioned to this State. Of the total apportionment, under the original Federal Aid Road Act and the recent amendment thereto, amounting to \$3,150,258.97 the sum of \$338,652.69 was met by the Legislature of 1917. This leaves the sum of \$2,811,606.28 for which this Session of the Legislature must make provision for meeting with such funds as will be available prior to July 1st, 1921, and half of which will be available prior to July 1st, 1920. We would call attention at this point to the fact that convict labor is recognized as an equivalent of money in getting this Federal Aid.

Your committee would say still further that considering the stupendous growth of automobile traffic and the use of roads for transportation, we feel that roads are a public necessity for the use of the people of the entire nation and that it should be a function of the Federal Government to assume the responsibility for the roads over which our people travel as it is for the Government to assume responsibility for the delivery of mail, that a special department should be established for the purpose of acquiring, constructing and maintaining highways, and that a National system of not less than 150,000 miles of roads connecting up all the States should be constructed. At this particular period of our history our Government should issue bonds to the amount of approximately One Billion Dollars for the purpose of constructing National highways. Your committee feels that this new department of Government with its far reaching constructive work would dissolve the spread of Bolshevism and settle many of the labor problems that we are confronted with. We believe that a bond issue for this constructive work would meet with ready sale from the people as did the great Liberty Loans, and that such action on the part of our Government would induce such great development

throughout the land and create such prosperity that the bonded indebtedness would not be of serious concern.

Very respectfully submitted,
 F. O. MILLER,
 C. R. MATHIS,
 W. H. MARSHALL,
 DOYLE CARLTON,
 W. M. IGOU.

And Senate Bills, by consent, were introduced.
 By Messrs. Carlton and Igou of Joint Committee—
 Senate Bill No. 105:

A bill to be entitled An Act assenting to and accepting to and accepting the provisions of An Act of Congress approved July 11, A. D. 1916, and all amendments thereto, the same being entitled "An Act to provide that the United States shall aid the States in the construction of rural post roads, and for other purposes" and providing for the levy of a tax on all taxable property in this State to meet the same.

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

By Messrs. Carlton and Igou of Joint Committee—
 Senate Bill No. 106:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 7325 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1917, the same being entitled "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."

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

Mr. King moved to waive the rules and that the Senate do now take up for consideration Senate Bill No. 40.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.
 Senate Bill No. 40:

A bill to be entitled An Act to legalize Special Tax Road District No. 5 of Citrus County, Florida, add additional territory to said district, and grant said district power and authority to construct and maintain a free or toll bridge across the Withlacoochee River at or near Rutland in both Citrus and Sumter counties; to

issue time interest bearing warrants in payment of any balance that may remain due, to authorize the assessment of a tax to support the same; to name trustees, their term of office and to prescribe their duties; to provide for the sale of said bridges, and the terms and conditions of such sale.

Was taken up.

Mr. King moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 40 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 40 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. King moved that the rules be further waived, and that Senate Bill No. 40 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

An Senate Bill No. 40 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 Anderson, Andrews, Bradshaw, Butler, Carlton, Cash, Crawford, Eaton, Hughlett, Hulley, Igou, Johnson, King, MacWilliams, Malone, McLeod, Moore, Oliver, Plympton, Roland, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Turner, Wilson—26.

Nays—None.

So the Bill passed, title as stated.

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

By unanimous consent—

Mr. Eaton, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16th, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

The Joint Committee to whom was referred—
(Senate Bill No. 67):

An Act to authorize the Board of Public Instruction for Escambia County, Florida, to issue and sell interest bearing time warrants for the purpose of securing money wherewith to purchase sites for and to repair, construct,

equip and furnish buildings, structures and grounds for schoolhouses in said county, and to provide for the validation of said warrants.

Have carefully examined the same and find it correctly enrolled.

The same having been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, we herewith present the same for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

O. M. EATON,

Chairman of Joint Committee on Part of the Senate.

The bill contained in the above report was duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in open session and ordered referred to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on the part of the Senate to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

Also by consent—

Mr. Eaton, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

The Joint Committee to whom was referred—
(Senate Bill No. 15):

An Act regulating the payment of the per diem and mileage and expenses of members of the Legislature and the per diem of employees of the Legislature.

Have carefully examined the same and found it correctly enrolled.

The same having been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, we herewith present the same for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

O. M. EATON,

Chairman of Joint Committee on the Part of the
Senate.

The bill contained in the above report was duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in open session and ordered referred to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on the part of the Senate to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

Also by consent—

Mr. Eaton, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1919.

Hon. James E. Calkins,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

The Joint Committee to whom was referred—
(Senate Bill No. 56):

An Act validating certain county warrants issued by the County Commissioners of Polk County, Florida, during the years 1918 and 1919 for the purpose of completing the system of hard roads constructed throughout said county, and for the purpose of paying interest on borrowed money for that purpose and giving the said County Commissioners power to pay said warrant with interest thereon.

Have carefully examined the same and found it correctly enrolled.

The same having been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, we herewith present the same for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

O. M. EATON,

Chairman of Joint Committee on the Part of the Senate.

The bill contained in the above report was duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in open session and ordered referred to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on the part of the Senate to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

By consent—

Mr. Carlton offered the following:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 8:

Whereas, an intelligent, thrifty and saving citizenship

is the greatest guaranty of the prosperity of a nation or any subdivision thereof; and,

Whereas, the United States Government, through a nation-wide educational campaign, is seeking to inculcate the science of wise spending and wise saving through the practice of intelligent personal economy and conservation; and,

Whereas, the United States Government, through the War Savings movement, is urging its citizenship to attain the goal of success through the systematic and business-like saving and investment of their savings in United States Government War Savings Certificates Stamps and Thrift Stamps; therefore,

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of Florida, That the citizens of the State of Florida be urged to the practice of wise spending and wise saving that by thrift they may acquire power, and by saving succeed; and, further,

Be It Resolved, That the citizenship of Florida set itself to the practice of thrift, giving expression thereof in the acquisition of United States Government War Savings Certificate Stamps and Thrift Stamps.

Which was read the first time.

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

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution was read the second time.

Mr. Carlton moved to adopt the resolution.

Which was agreed to.

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

By consent—

Mr. Cash introduced—

Senate Bill No. 107:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the teaching of the principles of thrift and savings in the public schools of the State of Florida.

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

The hour of adjournment (1:00 o'clock p. m.) having arrived, the Senate adjourned to 11:00 o'clock a. m. Thursday, April 17, 1919.