

JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

Beginning the thirty-first Biennial Session of the Legislature of the State of Florida, under the Constitution of the State, A. D. 1885, begun and held at the Capitol, in the City of Tallahassee, Florida, on Tuesday, the eighth day of April, A. D. 1947, at 12:00 o'clock, noon, being the day fixed by the Constitution of the State of Florida for the convening of the Legislature.

Tuesday, April 8, 1947

The Senate convened at 12:00 o'clock, noon, and was called to order by Senator Walter W. Rose, retiring President of the Senate.

By direction of the President, the Secretary of the Senate called the roll of the hold-over members of the Senate in numerical order of Senatorial Districts and the following answered to their names:

Senator Newman C. Brackin—1st District.
Senator E. Bert Riddle—3rd District.
Senator T. Drew Branch—5th District.
Senator Harry E. King—7th District.
Senator W. B. Moon—9th District.
Senator Henry S. Baynard—11th District.
Senator D. C. Coleman—13th District.
Senator Charley E. Johns—15th District.
Senator G. Warren Sanchez—17th District.
Senator Walter W. Rose—19th District.
Senator G. C. Perdue—21st District.
Senator Harry P. Johnson—23rd District.
Senator Carl R. Gray—25th District.
Senator Edwin G. Fraser—29th District.
Senator Walter B. Fraser—31st District.
Senator N. Ray Carroll—33rd District.
Senator John R. Beacham—35th District.
Senator Lloyd F. Boyle—37th District.

The Secretary of the Senate announced that the Honorable R. A. Gray, Secretary of State, had certified to the election of certain Senators at the General Election on the 5th day of November, A. D. 1946, and at a Special Election held in the 27th Senatorial District on the 5th day of April, A. D. 1947, and that the certificate of the Secretary of State had been received and filed.)

By direction of the President, the Secretary of the Senate called the roll of the newly elected Senators in numerical order of Senatorial Districts, as certified to the Senate by the Secretary of State, and the following answered to their names:

Senator Philip D. Beall, Jr.—2nd District.
Senator C. L. Alford—4th District.
Senator A. L. Wilson—6th District.
Senator LeRoy Collins—8th District.
Senator W. T. Davis—10th District.
Senator Evans Crary—12th District.
Senator J. Wofford Lindler—14th District.
Senator A. G. McArthur—16th District.
Senator John E. Mathews—18th District.
Senator Wallace E. Sturgis—20th District.
Senator S. D. Clarke—22nd District.
Senator James A. Franklin—24th District.
Senator B. C. Pearce—26th District.
Senator Jeff Flake—27th District.
Senator Walter G. Walker—28th District.
Senator George W. Leaird—30th District.
Senator W. A. Shands—32nd District.
Senator Raymond Sheldon—34th District.
Senator William J. Ray—36th District.
Senator J. C. Getzen, Jr.—38th District.

The oath of office was then administered to the newly elected Senators by the Honorable Elwyn Thomas, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Florida.

The roll of the Senate, as constituted, was then called by

the Secretary and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President	Coleman	Johns	Ray
Alford	Collins	Johnson	Riddle
Baynard	Crary	King	Sanchez
Beacham	Davis	Leaird	Shands
Beall	Flake	Lindler	Sheldon
Boyle	Franklin	Mathews	Sturgis
Brackin	Fraser (29th)	McArthur	Walker
Branch	Fraser (31st)	Moon	Wilson
Carroll	Getzen	Pearce	
Clarke	Gray	Perdue	

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A quorum of the Senate was announced.

Prayer was offered by the Senate Chaplain, Reverend Ray Y. Walden.

The Senate then proceeded to the organization of the Body.

Senator Walter B. Fraser presented the name of Senator S. D. Clarke of the 22nd Senatorial District to be President of the Senate for the ensuing two years.

Senator McArthur moved that the nominations be closed.

Which was agreed to and it was so ordered.

The question was put, and upon call of the roll on the election of Senator Clarke the vote was:

Yeas—37

Mr. President	Collins	Johnson	Riddle
Alford	Crary	King	Sanchez
Baynard	Davis	Leaird	Shands
Beacham	Flake	Lindler	Sheldon
Beall	Franklin	Mathews	Sturgis
Boyle	Fraser (29th)	McArthur	Walker
Brackin	Fraser (31st)	Moon	Wilson
Branch	Getzen	Pearce	
Carroll	Gray	Perdue	
Coleman	Johns	Ray	

Nays—None

Senator Clarke not voting.

And Senator Clarke was elected President of the Senate for the ensuing two years.

Senator McArthur moved that a committee of three be appointed to escort the newly elected President to the rostrum of the Senate.

Which was agreed to.

The retiring President appointed Senators McArthur, Brackin, and Gray as the committee.

The committee escorted the newly elected President to the rostrum where he was received by the retiring President with due courtesy.

Senator Shands moved that a committee of three be appointed to escort Mrs. S. D. Clarke, wife of the newly elected President of the Senate; his daughter, Mrs. Elise Alexander; daughter-in-law, Mrs. S. D. Clarke, Jr.; and grandson, William Alexander, to seats on the rostrum.

Which was agreed to.

The retiring President appointed Senators Shands, Carroll, and Sturgis as the committee.

The committee escorted Mrs. Clarke, Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. Clarke, Jr., and William Alexander to the rostrum where they were received courteously by the retiring President and seated beside the newly elected President.

The Honorable Elwyn Thomas, Chief Justice of the Florida Supreme Court, administered the oath of office to Senator Clarke as President of the Senate.

Senator Rose, the retiring President, thereupon presented Senator Clarke, the newly elected President, to the Body and surrendered to him the Senate Gavel.

President S. D. Clarke addressed the Senate as follows:

My Fellow Senators:

I fear by a too partial selection you have conferred upon me honor of presiding over your deliberations. It is indeed a most cherished honor and one which by force of circumstances can come to only a limited number and ranks the highest honor that Senators can bestow upon a fellow member. My first experience as a member of the Legislature dates back to 1907 when I was chosen a member of the Lower House and again chosen to a seat in that body in the Session of 1909 I recovered from that sentence until the yearning for a return again struck me when I was elected as a member of the Senate to the Session of 1931 and since that time through the graces and generosity of the good people of my County, the 22nd Senatorial District, I have been returned uninterrupted to the present time, so that when my present term will have expired I will have served a period of 24 years in the Halls of the Legislature. During this term it has been a great pleasure and inspiration and the means of forming many most cherished friendships and associations which have been more firmly cemented as time went along. I am sensible of, and fully realize the handicap that faces me from the start in succeeding such a distinguished Parliamentarian and model presiding officer as my immediate predecessor, and by comparison know that I will be unable to live up to the high state of efficiency which was always so evident in his administration, but I do want you to know that it will be my earnest endeavour to render you the best service that I am capable of in an honest, fair, impartial and conscientious manner and to assure you that my every action will be prompted by honesty, justice and fairness without discrimination and I bespeak your kindly and charitable consideration for whatever mistakes or errors that I will make which I know will occur, and ask that you extend the broad "mantle of charity" over same and feel assured that such mistakes will have their origin in the head and not the heart.

I, like you, know that you fully realize the tremendous task that lies before us in the momentous times we are passing through and the challenge that we face. Under the stress of the times and the responsibilities resting upon us I am encouraged to believe that each of us will strive to do our utmost to render constructive and courageous service in our efforts to meet this challenge. The State and our people are expecting much of us and our task is hard and rugged, and it is my earnest wish and hope that we meet same in a spirit of harmony, understanding and cooperation, laying aside any and all prejudices or sinister motives or real or fancied animosities that we may have or may exist between us or any administrative branch of our Government, and that our discussions and deliberations be pitched upon a high plane symbolizing honesty, courage and statesmanship and so free from personalities and petty prejudices and grievances to the end that a successful victor may not boast, or a defeated foe complain, and I am sure that you will bring to your deliberations candor, calmness, and an enlightened intelligence, and I indulge the hope, that the result of our labors will remain to posterity a monument of your wisdom and patriotism. The responsibility of public officers to the people who are immediately interested in the manner in which their official duties are performed, constitutes one of the first principles of Republican Government, and cannot be parted from without danger of an abuse of power. The switch from full wartime output to full peacetime output requires a number of positive and immediate steps—the task is a test for all of us. Labor has a vital share, so has management, so has agriculture, so has the general public, and the Government as the representative of all elements of the public should do its

part to assist and encourage this great cooperative effort toward prosperity. I do not minimize the task ahead, but I feel confident of the outcome. We have overcome problems of war. It is unthinkable that we should not overcome the problems of the peace. If we are to build soundly for this post-war future, it seems to me that first of all we must establish the principle, learned at such great cost in the past decade, that no government can or should enter into direct competition with its citizens, nor can a government of a representative democracy do everything for everybody. Only if a constructive solution is found for these transitional problems will a world environment be established in which international peace can become a reality.

I know, and feel sure that you appreciate that there is no more important subject confronting us than the problem of taxation; all forms of government both state and local are undergoing adjustments in the transition from war time economy to a peace-time economy and our system has become complicated by the increasing number of new and enlarged services demanded of government by the payment of extensive State aid and by demands for additional funds for most State departments. I also feel sure that you fully appreciate the crisis that threatens us in the matter of education and our schools and it would appear imperative that substantial aid by way of increased appropriations be made otherwise the danger is great that the consequences will be alarming, and may constitute a threat to the public welfare. The quality of our citizenship depends to a large extent upon the teaching within our schools. There is no greater responsibility that devolves upon the Legislature than that of seeing that the children of the State receive every educational advantage. The salvation and preservation of a democratic State depends altogether upon an enlightened and intelligent people and electorate. We are also aware of the many other demands that are pressing in the matter of public health, welfare assistance and many others, but I am encouraged to believe that if we will consecrate our efforts in an honest, conscientious and cooperative manner that we will be able to solve the same. As is to be expected there will in all probability be many more bills offered providing for many new projects, the proposals may be good, but the acid test should be whether we can afford them. This is not the time for experiments in State expenditures. It is a time for sound economics and facing facts. In the consideration of the needs of our State and local governments we should be particularly alert. First we should operate under a balanced budget, and second, services and expenditures of vital concern to the people of our State should be first provided for. I am sure you will bring to your deliberations candor, calmness and a harmonious enlightened intelligence.

In conclusion, my fellow Senators, permit me to again express to you my heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the confidence reposed in me; I shall ever cherish the same as one of the landmarks in my life and feel ever grateful to you. My heart is constantly throbbing with the full pulse of gratitude for your favor, indulgence and support and I am deeply sensible of the fact that without these it will be difficult for me to sustain myself in the high station to which it was your pleasure to call me; it is my anxious desire to perform my duties honestly, fairly and impartially; if I fail, it will be because my powers are unequal to my wishes; because my utmost efforts cannot through frailty and weakness, attain the lofty standards ever present to my mind. May an all wise Providence guide and direct us in our deliberations and vouchsafe an harmonious, beneficial and constructive session for us.

I thank you my fellow Senators.

Senator Beacham moved that the foregoing address of the President be spread upon the Journal.

Which was agreed to and it was so ordered.

Senator Sheldon placed in nomination the name of Senator Charley E. Johns of the 15th Senatorial District to be President Pro Tempore of the Senate for the ensuing two years.

The question was put, and Senator Johns was unanimously elected President Pro Tempore of the Senate by a rising vote of the members.

Senator Sheldon moved that a committee of three be ap-

pointed to escort the newly elected President Pro Tempore, and Mrs. Johns, his wife, to seats on the rostrum.

Which was agreed to.

The President appointed Senators Sheldon, Fraser (29th), and Davis as the committee, and Senator Johns, President Pro Tempore, and Mrs. Johns, were duly escorted to the rostrum.

Senator Shands placed in nomination the name of Robt. W. Davis to be Secretary of the Senate for the ensuing two years.

Upon call of the roll on the election of Robt. W. Davis the vote was:

Yeas—38

Mr. President	Collins	Johnson	Riddle
Alford	Crary	King	Rose
Baynard	Davis	Leaird	Sanchez
Beacham	Flake	Lindler	Shands
Beall	Franklin	Mathews	Sheldon
Boyle	Fraser (29th)	McArthur	Sturgis
Brackin	Fraser (31st)	Moon	Walker
Branch	Getzen	Pearce	Wilson
Carroll	Gray	Perdue	
Coleman	Johns	Ray	

Nays—None

So Robt. W. Davis was elected Secretary of the Senate for the ensuing two years.

The Honorable Elwyn Thomas, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Florida, administered the oath of office to Robt. W. Davis as Secretary of the Senate.

Senator Brackin placed in nomination the name of D. H. McCallum to be Sergeant-At-Arms of the Senate for the ensuing two years.

Upon call of the roll on the election of D. H. McCallum the vote was:

Yeas—38

Mr. President	Collins	Johnson	Riddle
Alford	Crary	King	Rose
Baynard	Davis	Leaird	Sanchez
Beacham	Flake	Lindler	Shands
Beall	Franklin	Mathews	Sheldon
Boyle	Fraser (29th)	McArthur	Sturgis
Brackin	Fraser (31st)	Moon	Walker
Branch	Getzen	Pearce	Wilson
Carroll	Gray	Perdue	
Coleman	Johns	Ray	

Nays—None

So D. H. McCallum was elected Sergeant-At-Arms of the Senate.

The Honorable Elwyn Thomas, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Florida, administered the oath of office to D. H. McCallum as Sergeant-At-Arms of the Senate.

Senator Collins moved that Miss Kate Inman be named Reading Secretary of the Senate.

The question was put.

Which was agreed to and it was so ordered.

Senator McArthur moved that Miss Ruth Morse be named Head Stenographer of the Senate.

The question was put.

Which was agreed to and it was so ordered.

Senator Baynard moved that a committee of three be appointed to wait upon the Governor and inform His Excellency that the Senate is now organized and ready to proceed to the business of the session, awaiting any message he may wish to convey to the Body.

Which was agreed to.

The President appointed Senators Baynard, Mathews, and Brackin as the committee.

The committee withdrew.

Senator Crary moved that a committee of three be appointed to notify the House of Representatives that the Senate is now organized and ready to proceed with the business of the thirty-first Biennial Session of the Legislature.

Which was agreed to.

The President appointed Senators Crary, Getzen, and Walker as the committee.

The committee withdrew.

Senator Rose moved that the Rules of the 1945 session be adopted to govern the Senate until such time as the Committee on Rules and Calendar may report Rules for the 1947 session, and the same may be adopted by the Senate.

Which was agreed to and it was so ordered.

Senator Shands moved that the flowers which have been so generously contributed to the members of the Senate for the beautification of the Senate Chamber on the opening day be given to the patients of the Dale Mabry hospital at Tallahassee, with the permission of the respective Senators.

Which was agreed to and it was so ordered.

The committee appointed to wait upon the Governor and notify His Excellency of the organization of the Senate appeared at the Bar of the Senate, reported to the President that its duty had been performed and the Governor requested the committee to convey the following message to the Senate:

*Honorable S. D. Clarke,
President of the Senate
Capitol*

Dear Senator Clarke:

I desire to address your Honorable Body in joint session with the House of Representatives, this afternoon, April 8, at three o'clock.

Sincerely,

MILLIARD F. CALDWELL,
Governor.

Whereupon the committee was discharged.

A committee from the House of Representatives composed of Messrs. Clement of Pinellas, Murray of Polk, and Collins of Sarasota appeared at the Bar of the Senate and notified the Senate that the House of Representatives is duly organized and ready to proceed with the business of the session.

The committee withdrew.

The committee appointed to notify the House of Representatives of the organization of the Senate appeared at the Bar of the Senate and reported to the President that its duty had been performed.

Whereupon the Committee was discharged.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

By Senator Mathews—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1:

WHEREAS, His Excellency, Millard F. Caldwell, Governor of Florida, has expressed a desire to address the Legislature of Florida in Joint Session on this day, Tuesday, April 8, 1947, at three o'clock P. M.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING:

That the Senate and the House of Representatives convene in Joint Session in the Chamber of the House of Representatives at 3 o'clock, P. M., this day, Tuesday, April 8, 1947, for the purpose of receiving His Excellency's message.

Which was read the first time in full.

Senator Mathews moved that the rules be waived and Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 be read the second time in full.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 was read the second time in full.

The question was put on the adoption of the Concurrent Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 was adopted, and ordered to be immediately certified to the House of Representatives, by waiver of the rules.

By Senators Mathews, Clarke, Shands, Pearce, Sheldon, Sanchez, Fraser (29th) and Johns—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2:

WHEREAS, Henry Ford, internationally famous automobile manufacturer, passed away this morning in his eighty-fourth year, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ford, through manufacturing more motor vehicles than any other person or firm in the history of the automobile and becoming during his life one of the greatest stimulants to economic development on earth, and, by being the first person to set the price of the automobile at a figure the ordinary person could afford, made motor vehicle ownership more common than was ever the case with horse-drawn vehicles and thus so stimulated travel that our people know their country much better than ever in history, and

WHEREAS, the educational effect of Mr. Ford's work is so great as to be beyond ordinary calculation, enabling geographers, scientists and explorers in general to know more about adjacent countries than formerly they did about their own, probably having had a greater indirect effect in bringing about an improved highway system than any other person, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ford was a friend to Florida spending many winters in the state helping to advertise and develop it, NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, First, that the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Florida express their regret at the passing of this great man whose achievements have been of such an extraordinary nature, and

BE IT RESOLVED, Second, that the educational development of America has been tremendously influenced and the cause of individualism in business and achievement generally has lost a friend,

BE IT RESOLVED, Third, That the Senate and House hereby jointly express their sympathy to the bereaved family, and feel that it can look back with pride to the influence and achievements of this great American.

BE IT RESOLVED, Fourth, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of Mr. Ford and to the Press.

Which was read the first time in full.

Senator Mathews moved that the rules be waived and Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2 be read the second time in full.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2 was read the second time in full.

The question was put on the adoption of the Concurrent Resolution.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2 was adopted, and ordered to be immediately certified to the House of Representatives by waiver of the rules.

The President announced the appointment of the following standing committees for the 1947 session:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK—A. L. Wilson, Chairman; C. L. Alford, Vice Chairman; Newman C. Brackin, A. G. McArthur, B. C. Pearce, G. Warren Sanchez, N. Ray Carroll, J. C. Getzen, Jr., G. C. Perdue, J. Wofford Lindler, Jeff Flake.

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS—W. A. Shands, Chairman; Walter B. Fraser, Vice Chairman; Newman C. Brackin, E. Bert Riddle, A. L. Wilson, Harry E. King, LeRoy Collins, George W. Leaird, Carl R. Gray, Walter G. Walker, John R. Beacham, N. Ray Carroll, Edwin G. Fraser.

COMMITTEE ON ATTACHES AND EFFICIENCY—J. Wofford Lindler, Chairman; E. Bert Riddle, Vice Chairman; Carl R. Gray, W. A. Shands, B. C. Pearce.

COMMITTEE ON AVIATION AND RADIO—Carl R. Gray, Chairman; James A. Franklin, Vice Chairman; W. B. Moon, Edwin G. Fraser, D. C. Coleman, Raymond Sheldon, John E. Mathews, George W. Leaird.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING AND BUILDING AND LOANS—N. Ray Carroll, Chairman; Evans Crary, Vice Chairman; D. C. Coleman, Newman C. Brackin, LeRoy Collins, A. L. Wilson, John R. Beacham.

COMMITTEE ON CITIES AND TOWNS—Raymond Sheldon, Chairman; Harry E. King, Vice Chairman; LeRoy Collins, G. Warren Sanchez, W. A. Shands, B. C. Pearce, William J. Ray.

COMMITTEE ON CITRUS FRUITS—Harry E. King, Chairman; Harry P. Johnson, Vice Chairman; Henry S. Baynard, Wallace E. Sturgis, Jeff Flake, Lloyd F. Boyle, Evans Crary, Walter G. Walker, James A. Franklin, William J. Ray, Walter W. Rose.

COMMITTEE ON CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS—Wallace E. Sturgis, Chairman; Evans Crary, Vice Chairman; William J. Ray, A. G. McArthur, W. T. Davis, Lloyd F. Boyle, Harry E. King.

COMMITTEE ON CONTROL OF LEGISLATIVE EXPENDITURES—W. T. Davis, Chairman; A. L. Wilson, Vice Chairman; C. L. Alford, Henry S. Baynard, Walter W. Rose.

COMMITTEE ON CORPORATIONS—Walter G. Walker, Chairman; Edwin G. Fraser, Vice Chairman; N. Ray Carroll, Philip D. Beall, Jr., Harry P. Johnson.

COMMITTEE ON COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS—Henry S. Baynard, Chairman; George W. Leaird, Vice Chairman; W. B. Moon, W. A. Shands, G. C. Perdue, John E. Mathews, Jeff Flake.

COMMITTEE ON DRAINAGE AND WATER CONSERVATION—John R. Beacham, Chairman; George W. Leaird, Vice Chairman; Walter W. Rose, A. G. McArthur, Jeff Flake, D. C. Coleman, Lloyd F. Boyle, J. Wofford Lindler, B. C. Pearce.

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION—LeRoy Collins, Chairman; E. Bert Riddle, Vice Chairman; J. Wofford Lindler, Walter W. Rose, Walter G. Walker, W. A. Shands, D. C. Coleman, Carl R. Gray, G. C. Perdue.

COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS—G. C. Perdue, Chairman; T. Drew Branch, Vice Chairman; A. L. Wilson, W. T. Davis, LeRoy Collins, Edwin G. Fraser, G. Warren Sanchez, W. B. Moon, Newman C. Brackin.

COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS—J. Wofford Lindler, Chairman; Walter B. Fraser, Vice Chairman; D. C. Coleman, G. C. Perdue, Wallace E. Sturgis.

COMMITTEE ON EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS—Henry S. Baynard, Chairman; N. Ray Carroll, Vice Chairman; C. L. Alford, E. Bert Riddle, Walter B. Fraser.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND TAXATION—A. G. McArthur, Chairman; J. C. Getzen, Jr., Vice Chairman; Philip D. Beall, Jr., Henry S. Baynard, Evans Crary, W. T. Davis, Walter W. Rose, Wallace E. Sturgis, B. C. Pearce, Raymond Sheldon, William J. Ray, Lloyd F. Boyle, Charley E. Johns.

COMMITTEE ON FORESTRY AND PARKS—C. L. Alford, Chairman; J. Wofford Lindler, Vice Chairman; T. Drew Branch, D. C. Coleman, N. Ray Carroll, G. C. Perdue, G. Warren Sanchez.

COMMITTEE ON GAME AND FISHERIES—B. C. Pearce, Chairman; Newman C. Brackin, Vice Chairman; N. Ray Carroll, Walter B. Fraser, T. Drew Branch, James A. Franklin, G. C. Perdue.

COMMITTEE ON INSURANCE—James A. Franklin, Chairman; Charley E. Johns, Vice Chairman; Harry E. King, Edwin G. Fraser, W. A. Shands, Henry S. Baynard, LeRoy Collins.

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY "A"—John E. Mathews, Chairman; George W. Leaird, Vice Chairman; Raymond Sheldon, Henry S. Baynard, G. Warren Sanchez, Wallace E. Sturgis, J. C. Getzen, Jr.

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY "B"—Lloyd F. Boyle, Chairman; James A. Franklin, Vice Chairman; Walter G. Walker, Harry E. King, Harry P. Johnson, Evans Crary, LeRoy Collins.

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY "C"—Philip D. Beall, Jr., Chairman; William J. Ray, Vice Chairman; W. T. Davis, A. G. McArthur, Walter W. Rose, John R. Beacham, Charley E. Johns.

COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRY—Harry P. Johnson, Chairman; Charley E. Johns, Vice Chairman; Carl R. Gray, Raymond Sheldon, John E. Mathews, Wallace E. Sturgis, N. Ray Carroll, B. C. Pearce, G. C. Perdue.

COMMITTEE ON MISCELLANEOUS LEGISLATION—Edwin G. Fraser, Chairman; Henry S. Baynard, Vice Chairman; J. C. Getzen, Jr., W. T. Davis, D. C. Coleman, Walter W. Rose, Charley E. Johns, A. G. McArthur, A. L. Wilson, Raymond Sheldon, George W. Leaird, Carl R. Gray, John R. Beacham.

COMMITTEE ON MOTOR VEHICLES—J. C. Getzen, Jr., Chairman; Edwin G. Fraser, Vice Chairman; T. Drew Branch, Newman C. Brackin, Raymond Sheldon.

COMMITTEE ON OIL AND NATURAL RESOURCES—Evans Cray, Chairman; N. Ray Carroll, Vice Chairman; A. L. Wilson, W. B. Moon, G. Warren Sanchez, Harry P. Johnson, Walter B. Fraser, J. C. Getzen, Jr., Jeff Flake.

COMMITTEE ON PENSIONS AND CLAIMS—E. Bert Riddle, Chairman; B. C. Pearce, Vice Chairman; Walter W. Rose, LeRoy Collins, W. T. Davis, W. B. Moon, Edwin G. Fraser, J. C. Getzen, Jr.

COMMITTEE ON PRISON AND CONVICTS—D. C. Coleman, Chairman; Charley E. Johns, Vice Chairman; John E. Mathews, E. Bert Riddle, Jeff Flake.

COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS—G. Warren Sanchez, Chairman; John E. Mathews, Vice Chairman; William J. Ray, Harry E. King, Harry P. Johnson, James A. Franklin, Evans Cray.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH—W. B. Moon, Chairman; Newman C. Brackin, Vice Chairman; Philip D. Beall, Jr., Carl R. Gray, Raymond Sheldon, John R. Beacham.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ROADS AND HIGHWAYS—T. Drew Branch, Chairman; Walter B. Fraser, Vice Chairman; Newman C. Brackin, Philip D. Beall, Jr., E. Bert Riddle, C. L. Alford, W. T. Davis, Harry P. Johnson, G. Warren Sanchez, Lloyd F. Boyle, J. C. Getzen, Jr., Charley E. Johns, Jeff Flake.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC UTILITIES—George W. Leaird, Chairman; W. A. Shands, Vice Chairman; B. C. Pearce, Walter G. Walker, Lloyd F. Boyle, Evans Cray, Wallace E. Sturgis, Henry S. Baynard, James A. Franklin.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLICITY AND ADVERTISING—Walter B. Fraser, Chairman; Harry P. Johnson, Vice Chairman; A. L. Wilson, Walter G. Walker, LeRoy Collins, John E. Mathews, G. Warren Sanchez, G. C. Perdue, Jeff Flake, John R. Beacham.

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND CALENDAR—Walter W. Rose, Chairman; John R. Beacham, Vice Chairman; Lloyd F. Boyle, Raymond Sheldon, A. G. McArthur, W. A. Shands, D. C. Coleman.

COMMITTEE ON STATE INSTITUTIONS—Jeff Flake, Chairman; A. L. Wilson, Vice Chairman; C. L. Alford, Wallace E. Sturgis, Philip D. Beall, Jr., Harry E. King.

COMMITTEE ON TEMPERANCE—William J. Ray, Chairman; J. C. Getzen, Jr., Vice Chairman; Philip D. Beall, Jr., Wallace E. Sturgis, D. C. Coleman, John R. Beacham, C. L. Alford, Jeff Flake, J. Wofford Lindler, Charley E. Johns, Newman C. Brackin.

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND TRAFFIC—Charley E. Johns, Chairman; George W. Leaird, Vice Chairman; Evans Cray, Lloyd F. Boyle, J. Wofford Lindler, James A. Franklin, W. T. Davis.

COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS—Carl R. Gray, Chairman; James A. Franklin, Vice Chairman; Wallace E. Sturgis, Philip D. Beall, Jr., B. C. Pearce, Walter B. Fraser, W. B. Moon.

COMMITTEE ON WELFARE—Newman C. Brackin, Chairman; LeRoy Collins, Vice Chairman; Raymond Sheldon, E. Bert Riddle, C. L. Alford, T. Drew Branch, W. T. Davis, Carl R. Gray, Walter G. Walker, William J. Ray.

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following Message from the House of Representatives was received and read:

Tallahassee, Florida,
April 8, 1947

Hon. S. D. Clarke,
President of the Senate:
Sir:

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

By Senator Mathews—
Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1:

WHEREAS, His Excellency, Millard F. Caldwell, Governor of Florida, has expressed a desire to address the Legislature of Florida in Joint Session on this day, Tuesday, April 8, 1947, at three o'clock P. M.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING:

That the Senate and the House of Representatives convene in Joint Session in the Chamber of the House of Representatives at 3:00 o'clock, P. M., this day, Tuesday, April 8, 1947, for the purpose of receiving His Excellency's message.

Respectfully,
LAMAR BLEDSOE,
Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1, contained in the above Message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Senator Beacham moved that the Senate do now recess until 2:30 o'clock P. M., this day.

Which was agreed to.

And the Senate recessed at 1:18 o'clock P. M. until 2:30 o'clock P. M., this day.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Senate reconvened at 2:30 o'clock P. M., pursuant to recess order.

The President in the Chair.

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

Mr. President	Collins	Johnson	Riddle
Alford	Cray	King	Rose
Baynard	Davis	Leaird	Sanchez
Beacham	Flake	Lindler	Shands
Beall	Franklin	Mathews	Sheldon
Boyle	Fraser (29th)	McArthur	Sturgis
Brackin	Fraser (31st)	Moon	Walker
Branch	Getzen	Pearce	Wilson
Carroll	Gray	Perdue	
Coleman	Johns	Ray	

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A quorum present.

Pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1 the Senate formed in processional order and marched in a body to the hall of the House of Representatives in the order of their services as Senators, preceded by the President and the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, who were preceded by the Secretary of the Senate, the way being opened to the hall of the House of Representatives for the Senators by the Sergeant-At-Arms of the Senate.

The House of Representatives received the Senate in due form.

Honorable Thos. D. Beasley, Speaker of the House of Representatives, received the President of the Senate on the rostrum and requested him to preside over the joint assembly.

The President in the Chair.

By direction of the President, the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives called the roll of the House of Representatives and the following members answered to their names:

Mr. Speaker:

Messrs:

Akerman	Davis	MacWilliam	Schuh
Alexander	Dayton	Martin	Sellar
Andrews	Dekle	McAlpin	Shepperd
Baker	Dowda	McClure	Simpson
Barnhill	Drummond	McKendree	Smith, J. S.
Botts	Dunn	McKenzie	Smith, L. W.
Branch	Elliott	McMullen	Smith, M. B.
Bronson	Floyd	Melvin	Smith, R. C.
Brown	Fuqua	Merritt	Stewart
Bryant	Gautier	Midyette	Stirling
Burnsed	Gilmore	Morgan	Stokes
Burton	Hardin	Moore	Strayhorn
Camp	Hawkins	Morrow	Tapper
Carraway	Hendry	Murray	Taylor
Carter	Hethcox	Odham	Usina
Clark, C. L.	Horne	Oelkers	Wainwright
Clark, M. C.	Hough	Papy	Walton
Clement	Howell	Peacock, J. T.	Williams, G. K.
Cobb, Tyn	Ingraham	Peacock, J. R.	Williams, J. J.
Cobb, T. T.	Jenkins	Peeples	Wilson
Collins	Johnson	Potter	Wotitzky
Cook	Kelly	Roberts	Yeomans
Courtney	Lantaff	Rowell	
Crews	Luckie	Saunders	

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A quorum of the House of Representatives was declared present.

By direction of the President, the Secretary of the Senate called the roll of the Senate and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President	Collins	Johnson	Riddle
Alford	Crary	King	Rose
Baynard	Davis	Leaird	Sanchez
Beacham	Flake	Lindler	Shands
Beall	Franklin	Mathews	Sheldon
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Coleman	Johns	Ray	

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A quorum of the Senate was declared present.

The President announced a quorum of the joint assembly present.

Mr. Collins, of Sarasota, moved that a committee be appointed to notify the Governor that the Senate and the House of Representatives were now in joint session assembled and ready to receive His Excellency's message.

Which was agreed to.

The President appointed Senators Carroll and Franklin and Messrs. Collins of Sarasota, Simpson of Jefferson, and Murray of Polk, as the committee.

The committee withdrew.

Honorable R. A. Gray, Secretary of State; Honorable J. Tom Watson, Attorney General; Honorable Clarence M. Gay, Comptroller; Honorable J. Edwin Larson, Treasurer; Honorable Nathan Mayo, Commissioner of Agriculture; Honorable Colin D. English, Superintendent of Public Instruction; constituting the Cabinet, appeared in a body at the Bar of the House of Representatives and were seated immediately in front of the rostrum.

The committee appointed to wait upon the Governor reappeared in the hall of the House of Representatives escorting His Excellency, Millard F. Caldwell, Governor of Florida.

The Governor was received by the joint assembly standing.

The President presented His Excellency to the joint assembly and the Governor thereupon delivered his message to the Legislature in joint session assembled.

Following the Governor's address, Senator Beacham moved that the Senate do now withdraw from the joint assembly and resume its session in the Senate Chamber.

Which was agreed to.

The Senate returned to the Senate Chamber in processional order and resumed its session at 4:05 o'clock P. M.

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

Mr. President	Collins	Johnson	Riddle
Alford	Crary	King	Rose
Baynard	Davis	Leaird	Sanchez
Beacham	Flake	Lindler	Shands
Beall	Franklin	Mathews	Sheldon
Brackin	Fraser (29th)	McArthur	Sturgis
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Senator Johns moved that a committee be appointed to escort Mr. Doyle Conner of Bradford County, President of the Future Farmers of America, to a seat on the rostrum of the Senate.

Which was agreed to.

And the President appointed Senators Johns, Coleman and Johnson as the committee.

Senator McArthur moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

And the Senate stood adjourned at 4:16 o'clock P. M., until 11:00 o'clock A. M., Wednesday, April 9, 1947.