Thursday, April 9, 1925

The Senate convened at 10 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, Butler, Calkins. Clark, Colson, Cone, Edge, Etheredge, Gillis, Hineley. Hale, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor, Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker-29.

A quorum present.

Prayer by Chaplain.

Reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The daily Journal of April 8th was corrected and, as corrected, was approved.

Mr. Hineley moved that the sad intelligence of the death of the son of Hon. J. M. Coe, member of this body, having come to us, the Senate desires to express to him and Mrs. Coe the deep sympathy of the body in their bereavement, and that the Secretary be instructed to convey to them by wire this sympathy, and that a suitable floral offering be forwarded to Senator and Mrs. Coe at an early date.

The motion was unanimously agreed to.

Mr. Calkins, chairman of the Committee on Rules and Proceeding, submitted the following report:

Hon. John S. Taylor,

President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Special Committee appointed to prepare and submit for approval a set of rules for the government of the Senate of 1925, beg leave to report that they have prepared a set of rules for the government of the Senate and submit the same herewith with recommendation that the same be adopted.

Respectfully this 9th day of April, 1925.

JAMES E. CALKINS, L. D. EDGE, JOHN J. SWEARINGEN

RULES AND PROCEDURE OF THE SENATE

RULE I.

DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT.

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1. The President shall take the chair on every Legislative day at the hour to which the Senate shall have adjourned at the last sitting, immediately call the Senate to order and on the appearance of a quorum cause the Journal of the preceedings of the last day's sitting to be read.

 ± 2 . He shall preserve order and decorum and in case of disturbance or disorderly conduct in the lobby, may cause the same to be cleared.

3. He shall have the general control, except as provided by rule or law, of the Senate Chamber and of the corridors and passages and of the unappropriated rooms in that part of the Capitol assigned to the use of the Senate, until further ordered.

4. He shall sign all addresses, writs, warrants and subpoenas of, or issued by order of, the Senate; and degide the questions of order subject to an appeal by any Senator, on which appeal no Senator shall speak more than once, unless by permission of the Senate. He may speak to points of order in preference to other Senators.

5. He shall rise to put a question, but may state it sitting; and shall put questions in this form, to-wit: "As many as are in favor (as the question may be), say 147 and after the affirmative voice is expressed, "As many as are opposed, say no;" if he doubts, or if a division is called for, the Senate shall divide, those in the affirmative of the question shall rise first from their seats, and then those in the negative, and the Secretary shall count the votes; if he still doubts, or a count is required by at least five Senators, he shall name one from each side of the question to tell the Senators in the affirmative and megative; which being reported he shall rise and state the decision. 6_n . He shall have the right to name any Senator to perform the duties of the chair but said substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment; provided, however, that in case of his illness, absence or other inability to discharge his duties, the President pro tem, shall discharge the duties in all respects as the President himself might do.

RULE II.

OF THE SENATORS.

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1. Every Senator shall be present within the Chamber of the Senate during its sittings, unless excused or necessarily prevented; and shall vote on each question put, unless he has a direct, personal, or pecuniary interest, in the event of such question, or is excused from voting by the Senate. Pairs shall be announced by the Secretary after the completion of the roll call, from a written statement sent to the desk by one Senator of the pair announcing how he and the Senator with whom he is paired would vote were they both voting.

RULE III.

QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE.

1. Questions of Privilege shall be first: Those affecting the rights of the Senate collectively, its safety, dignity, and the inegrity of its proceedings; second, the rights, reputation and conduct of Senators individually, in their representative capacity only; and shall have procedence of all other questions, except motions to adjourn.

RULE IV.

COMMITTEES.

1. Unless otherwise specially ordered by the Senate, the President shall appoint, at the commencement of the session, the following standing committees, viz:

On Audit and Control of Legislative Expenditures to consist of five members.

...On Rules and Proceedings, to consist of five members.

On Capitol, State Buildings and Grounds, to consist of five members.

On Miscellaneous Legislation, to consist of seven members.

On Pensions, to consist of five members.

On Banking, to consist of five members.

On Public Utilities, to consist of five members.

On Military Affairs, to consist of five members.

On Public Printing, to consist of five members.

On Corporations, to consist of five members.

On State Institutions, to consist of five members.

On Mining and Mineral Resources, to consist of five members.

On County Organizations, to consist of five members.

On Privileges and Elections, to consist of five members.

On Constitutional Amendments, to consist of five members.

On Insurance, to consist of five members.

On Game and Fisheries, to consist of seven members.

On Cities and Towns, to consist of five members.

On Prisons and Convicts, to consist of five members.

On Education, to consist of seven members.

On Temperance, to consist of five members.

On Public Roads and Highways, to consist of eleven members.

On Drainage, to consist of five members.

On Commerce and Navigation, to consist of seven members.

On Organized Labor, to consist of five members.

On Finance and Taxation, to consist of nine members

On Claims, to consist of five members.

On Public Health, to consist of five members.

On Engrossed Bills, to consist of five members.

On Enrolled Bills, to consist of five members. On Judiciary "A", to consist of nine members. On Judiciary "B", to consist of nine members. On Judiciary "C", to consist of nine members.

On Executive Communications, to consist of five merabers.

On Appropriation, to consist of nine members.

On Agriculture, to consist of seven members.

On Attaches, to consist of three members.

On Apportionment, to consist of nine members.

He shall also appoint all Select and Conference Committees, which shall be ordered by the Senate from time to time.

3. The first named member of the committee shall be the chairman; and in his absence, or being excused by the Senate, the next named member, and so on, as often as the case may happen.

4. No committee, except the Committee on Rules and Procedure, shall sit during the meeting of the Senate, without special leave.

5. The Committee on Engrossed Bills is authorized to employ, from time to time, such clerical assistance as may be required to properly engross and verify bills so engrossed.

6. The Committee on Enrolled Bills is authorized to employ, from time to time, such clerical assistance as may be required to properly enroll and verify bills so enrolled.

7. All applications to the Senate for clerical assistance to any committee, except the Committees on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, shall be referred to the Committee on Audit and Control of Legislative Expenses for investigation and report whether or not the proposed clerical assistance is necessary for the dispatch of public business.

8. The chairman of any committee which has been authorized to appoint a clerk shall, as soon as the appointment is made, certify the appointment and the name of the clerk with the date of appointment to the Chairman of the Committee on Audit and Control of Legislative Expenses, and the compensation of such clerk shall begin on the date that such certificate is filed with the chairman of the latter committee. All expenses incurred by any special committee shall be certified, with the items thereof, under oath, to the Chairman of the Committee on Audit and Control of Legislative Expenses, who shall keep on file all certificates made to him under this rule.

RULE V.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

1. Every bill, memorial and resolution shall be sent. endorsed with the name of the Senator introducing it, to the Secretary to be, by the President, referred and the title and reference thereof shall be entered on the Journal. Every bill and joint resolution and be presented fairly written without any erasure or interlineation or the President may refuse it, and the title shall also be placed on the outside cover under the number of the bill or joint resolution. All bills, local or general, shall be introduced in duplicate (the original and a copy), and the bill clerk shall keep a file for original bills and a separate file for duplicate bills. No original bill shall be allowed to be taken from the Clerk's file by anyone other than by a Senator or the proper committee to whom the bill has been referred, and in either event the bill clerk shall take the receipt of the Senator of Committee to whom any original bill is given. Each original bill introduced shall be accompanied by a duplicate copy of the title.

2. When a bill, resolution or memorial is introduced "by request" these words shall be entered upon the Journal.

RULE VI.

CALENDARS AND REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

1. There shall be three calendars of business.

(a) A general canlendar on which shall be placed atl bills and joint resolutions of a general nature, which shall be taken up on their various readings only in regular order, unless otherwise provided by the Committee on Rules and Procedure from time to time by reports, and approved by the Senate, or by the Senate on its own motion.

(b) A special calendar on which shall be placed all bills and joint resolutions of a local nature, which bills and joint resolutions shall be taken up on their various readings only in regular order, at such time as may be from time to time designated by the Committee on Rules and Procedure and approved by the Senate.

(c) A calendar to be known as House Calendar, which Calendar shall commence at such time as may be designated by the Committee on Rules and Procedure with the approval of the Senate, after the establishment of which, all House bills and House joint resolutions certified by the House shall be placed thereon and shall be considered at such times as shall be designated by the Committee on Rules and Procedure and approved by the Senate, or by the Senate on its own motion.

2. All reports of committees on bills and joint resolutions shall be delivered to the Secretary for reference to the proper Calendar under the direction of the President. in accordance with the foregoing clause, and the titles or subjects thereof shall be entered on the Journal and printed in the record, together with the fact that the same was reported favorably or unfavorably as the case may be.

3. That bills and joint resolutions reported adversely shall be laid on the table, unless the committee reporting a bill or resolution at the time, or any Senator at any time thereafter shall request its reference to the Calendar, when it shall be referred, as provided in clause one of this Rule, and when such bill or resolution is reached on the second reading it shall be the duty of the chairman of such committee to move the indefinite postponement of the Bill or Joint Resolution, and in such case the

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4. The chairman of each committee shall notify, in writing, immediately the introducer of each bill or joint resolution of any unfavorable report thereon by his committee.

5. Every bill and resolution referred to a committee shall be reported back to the Senate within five days from the day of its commitment, unless otherwise ordered by the Senate. Provided, the Senate may recall a bill or a joint resolution from a committee at any time and have same placed on the Senate Calendar.

6. Every committee reporting on a bill or joint resolution shall report in duplicate.

7. Presentation of reports of committees of conference shall always be in order, except when the Journal is being read, while the roll is being called, or the Senate is dividing on any proposition; and there shall accompany every such report a detailed statement sufficiently explicit to inform the Senate of the effect of such amendments or propositions will have upon the measure to which they relate.

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DECORUM AND DEBATE.

1. When any Senator desires to speak or deliver any matter to the Senate, he shall rise at his desk and respectfully address himself to "Mr. President" and, on being recognized, may address the Senate from any place on the floor, and shall confine himself to the question under debate, avoiding personalities.

2. When two or more members rise at once, the President shall name the Senator who is first to speak.

3. If any Senator, in speaking or otherwise transgress the rules of the Senate, the President shall, or any Senator may, call him to order; in which case he shall immediately sit down, unless permitted, on motion of another Senator, to explain, and the Senate shall, if appealed to, decide on the case without debate; if the decision is in favor of the Senator called to order, he shall be at liberty to proceed, but not otherwise; and if the case require it, he shall be liable to censure or such punishment as the Senate may deem proper.

4. No Senator shall speak more than once on one question, to the prevention of any other who has not spoken and is desirous to speak, nor more than twice without obtaining leave of the Senate; nor for any longer period of time than thirty minutes, without yielding the floor, except on expressed permission of the Senate.

5. While the President is putting a question no member shall walk out or across the hall, nor, when a Senator is speaking, pass between him and the Chair; and during the session of the Senate no Senator shall wear his hat, or remain by the Clerk's desk during the calling of the roll or the counting of the ballots, or smoke upon the floor of the Senate; and the Sergeant-at-Arms is charged with the strict enforcement of this clause.

6. No Senator speaking shall be interrupted by another, but by rising to call to order, or a question of privilege.

7. After a question is put to vote no Senator shall speak to it.

RULE VIII.

ON THE CALLS OF THE ROLL OF THE SENATE.

1. Upon every roll call the names of the Senators shall be call alphabetically by surname, except where two or more have the same surname, in which case the number of the Senatorial District shall be added. 'The President's name shall be called at the end of the roll call.

2. In all calls of the Senate the doors shall be closed, the names of the Senators shall be called by the Secretary, and the absentees noted, and those for whom no sufficient excuse is made, may, by order of a majority of those present, be sent for and arrested, wherever they may be found, by officers to be appointed by the President for that purpose, and their attendance secured and retained; and the Senate shall determine upon what condition they shall be discharged.

3. On the demand of any Senator, or at the suggestion of the President, the names of Senators sufficient to make a quorum in the hall of the Senate but do not vote shall be noted by the Secretary and recorded in the Journal, and reported to the President with the names of the Senators voting, and be counted and announced in determining the presence of a quorum to do business.

RULE IX.

ON MOTIONS, THEIR PRECEDENCE, ETC.

1. Every motion made to the Senate and entertained by the President shall be reduced to writing on the demand of any member, and shall be entered on the Journal with the name of the Senator making it unless it is withdrawn the same day.

2. When a motion has been made, the President shall state it, or (if it be in writing) cause it to be read alond by the Secretary before being debated, and it shall then be in possession of the Senate, and may be withdrawn at any time before a decision or amendment.

3. When any motion or proposition is made, the question "WILL THE SENATE NOW CONSIDER IT?" shall not be put unless demanded by a member. 4. When a question is pending no motion shall be received but

(a) To adjourn.

(b) To suspend the rules.

(c) To adjourn to a time certain.

(d) To take a recess.

(e) To proceed to the consideration of the Executive business.

(f) To lay on the table.

(g) To postpone to a day certain.

(h) To commit.

(i) To amend or to substitute.

(j) To postpone indefinitely.

Which several motions shall have precedence as they stand arranged; and the motions relative to adjournment. to take a recess, to proceed to the consideration of Executive business, to lay on the table, shall be decided without debate; provided, however, that the introducer of the resolution, bill or motion, shall be allowed to speak for five minutes, when he desires to discuss the same, or he may divide his time with or may waive his right in favor of some Senator, before a motion to lay on the table shall be put.

5. When a substitute is offered and taken up for consideration it shall be subject to amendment in the same manner as the original proposition; and the effect of rejection of the substitute as amended, shall be to reinstate the original for consideration If a secondary matter be laid on the table, it shall not operate to carry the original matter with it.

6. The hour at which the Senate adjourns shall be entered on the Journal.

7. On the demand of any Senator, before the question is put, the question shall be divided if it include propositions so distinct in substance that one being taken away, a substantive proposition shall remain.

8. Pending a motion to suspend the rules, the President may entertain one motion that the Senate adjourn, but after the result thereon is announced he shall not entertain any other dilatory motion until the vote is taken on suspension. A motion to suspend the rules shall be decided without debate: Provided, however, that the mover shall be allowed to speak for one minute on explaining the reason for said motion.

RULE X.

RECONSIDERATION.

1. When a question has been decided by the Senate, any Senator voting with the prevailing side may, on the same day or on the next day of the session thereafter, move a reconsideration thereof, and such motion (except during the last seven calendar days of the session), shall be placed first in the order of the day for the day succeeding that on which the motion was made, and if the Senate shall refuse to consider, or upon reconsideration shall confirm its first decision, no further motion to reconsider shall be in order, unless by unanimous consent.

RULE XI.

OF AMENDMENTS.

1. When a motion or proposition is under consideration a motion to amend and a motion to amend that amendment shall be in order, and it shall also be in order to offer a further amendment by way of substitute to which one amendment may be offered, but which shall not be voted on until the original matter is perfected, but either may be withdrawn before amendment or decision is had thereon.

2. A motion to strike out the enacting clause of a bill shall have precedence of a motion to amend, and, if carried, shall be considered equivalent to its rejection.

3. No bill or joint resolution shall be amended except on second reading, or by unanimous consent.

4. A motion to strike out and insert is indivisable, but a motion to strike out being lost shall neither preclude amendment nor motion to strike out and insert; and no motion or proposition on a subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment.

RULE XII.

ORDER OF BUSINESS AND PROCEDURE.

1. The daily order of business shall be as follows: First: Roll Call.

Second: Prayer by Chaplain.

Third: Reading of the Journal.

Fourth: Correction and approval of the Journal.

Fifth: Reports of Committees.

Sixth: Introduction of resolutions and considerations of Senate resolutions.

Seventh: Introduction of bills and joint resolutions.

Eighth: Consideration of other resolutions.

Ninth: Messages from the Governor.

Tenth: Messages from the House of Representatives.

Eleventh: Orders of the day.

Twelfth: Consideration of bills and joint resolutions on third reading.

Thirteenth: Consideration of bills and joint resolutions on second reading.

Fourteenth: Miscellaneous business

Fifteenth: Petitions and memorials.

2. Business on the President's table shall be disposed of as follows:

Messages from the Governor shall be referred to the appropriate committee without debate. Reports and communications from the heads of departments, and other communications addressed to the Senate, and bills, resolutions and messages from the House may be referred to the appropriate committee in the same manner and with the same right of correction as bills presented by Senators; but Senate bills with House amendments may be at once disposed of as the Senate may determine; and House bills and House joint resolutions substantially the same as Senate bills and Senate joint resolutions favorably reported by a committee of the Senate may be substituted for such Senate bill or Joint resolution on motion of any Senator.

3. The unfinished business in which the Senate was engaged at the time of the last adjournment shall have the preference in the orders of the day after motions to reconsider have been disposed of.

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4. No bill or joint resolution shall be introduced by a member without special leave, except under the regular order of business, and all bills and joint resolutions when so introduced shall be committed before they are passed to second reading.

5. Any bill or resolution shall be read in full at the request of any Senator, unless objection be made, when the question shall be determined by the Senate without debate.

6. No bill or joint resolution shall pass to be engrossed without two several readings on two separate days.

7. All bills and joint resolutions after a second reading shall be committed to the Standing Committee on Engrossed bills, whose duty it shall be to strictly examine the same, and if found by them to be correctly engrossed, they shall so endorse on the same; Provided, That any bill or joint resolution which has passed second reading without amendment shall be placed on the Calendar of Bills on third reading without reference to said committee. unless the Senate shall order othewise; and such bill or joint resolution shall be considered as engrossed.

8. No engrossed bills or joint resolutions shall be amended without the unanimous consent of the members present, and when so amended shall be re-engrossed unless it is otherwise ordered by the Senate, and shall not lose its place on the calendar.

9. All resolutions requiring the concurrence of the House of Representatives shall be read to the Senate and lie over one day before final action thereon, unless otherwise ordered by the Senat.e

10. All orders or resolutions requiring information from the Governor. Cabinet Officers, or action of Committee shall be read to the Senate and acted upon as in case of motions, and shall be spread upon the Journals of the Senate.

11. Messages shall be sent to the House of Representatives by the Secretary, who shall previously endorse the final determination of the Senate thereon.

12. Whenever the Senator who introduced any bill or resolution is absent from the chamber when such bill or resolution is reached in its regular order on any of its readings, such bill or resolution shall be temporarily passed until the return of said Senator, when he shall have the privilege of calling up said bill or resolution out of its regular order on the calendar.

RULE XIII.

CHANGE OR SUSPENSION OF RULES.

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1. ... o rule shall be changed or suspended except by a vote of two-thirds of the members voting, a quorum being present; provided that the affirmative votes of seventeen Senators may change or suspend any rule.

RULE XIV.

OF ADMISSION TO THE FLOOR.

1. No person not a member of the Senate shall be allowed inside of the bar while the Senate is in session, eccept the Senators, the Governor, his Cabinet Officers, ex-Governors, United States Senators, members of the House of Representatives of the United States and of this State, and Judges of the Supreme and Circuit Courts; provided, that the President upon the suggestion of any member may invite any person within the bar of the Senate unless objection be made thereto, in which case a vote of the Senate shall be necessary, but in no case shall any record of such admission within the bar of the Senate be made in the Journal.

2. The President may admit to the floor, under such regulations as he may prescribe, stenographers and reporters wishing to take down the debates and proceedings, unless otherwise ordered by the Senate.

RULE XV.

PAY OF WITNESSES.

The rulee of paying witnesses subpœnad to appear before the Senate or either of its committees shall be as follows: For each day a witness shall attend, the sum of three dollars and fifty cents; for each mile he shall travel in coming to and going from the place of examination the sum of five cents each way, but nothing shall be paid for travel when the witness has been summoned at the place of trial.

RULE XVI.

MESSAGES.

Messages received from the House and the Governor giving notice of bills passed or approved, shall be entered in the Journal of the day's proceedings.

RULE XVII.

PRINTING.

No bill, order, resolution, or other matter for the use of the Senate, shall be printed without the special order of the Senate.

RULE XVIII.

TIME OF DAILY SESSIONS.

The Senate shall meet daily except Sundays. The hour for convening for the morning session shall be 11:00 a.m., and the hour for adjournment for said morning session shall be 1 p.m. When the Senate shall determine to hold morning and afternoon sessions, the hour for convening shall be as above prescribed, and the hour for convening for the afternoon session shall be 4.00 p.m., and the hour for adjournment shall be 6:30 p.m.

RULE XIX.

The Secretary of the Senate and the Sergeant-at-Arms shall be under the supervision of the President of the Senate.

The Assitant Sergeant-at-Arms, doorkeeper, janitor, and pages shall be under the supervision of the Sergeant-ar-Arms.

The Enrolling Secretary and all clerical assistants employed in the enrolling and verifying of enrolled bills shall be under the supervision of the chairman of the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

The Engrossing Secretary and all clerical assistants employed in the engrossing and verifying of engrossed bills shall be under the supervision of the chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

The stenographers and all other attaches, except as otherwise provided by the Senate, shall be under the supervision of the chairman of the Committee on Attaches.

RULE XX.

JEFFERSON'S MANUAL.

The rules of parliamentary practice comprised in Jelferson's Manual shall govern the Senate in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the Standing Rules and Orders of the Senate, or the Joint Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives.

RULE XXI.

OF THE JOURNAL.

It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary of the Senate to bind together one copy of the Journals of each day, after they shall have been approved by the Senate, and prepare an index upon forms to befurnished by the Attorney General's office, and said Journal shall be the official one of the Senate; that such index shall be plainly written or typed, and the Recording Secretary shall have twelve days after the Senate adjourns for completing the index.

RULES GOVERNING EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Rule 1. Where nominations shall be made by the Governor to the Senate, they shall, unless otherwise ordered by the Senate, lie over for action until the day succeeding the day upon which they were made; and the final question on every nomination shall be: "Will the Senate advise and consent to this nomination?" Which question shall not be put on the day on which the nomination is received.

Rule 2. Nominations neither approved nor rejected during the session at which they are made, shall not be acted upon at any succeeding session without again being made by the Governor; and if the Senate shall adjourn *sine die*, all nominations pending and not finally acted upon at the time of taking such adjournment, shall be returned to the Governor and shall not be acted upon afterwards, unless again submitted to the Senate by the Governor, and all motions pending to reconsider a vote upon nomination shall fail on such adjournment.

Rule 3. All information or remarks concerning the character or qualifications, or the vote upon the confirmation of any person nominated by the Governor to office, shall be kept a secret; but the fact that a nomination has been made shall not be regarded as a secret after time has expired when a motion to reconsider may be made, and it shall be considered a breach of privilege for any Senator to break this rule.

Rule 4. When acting on executive business the Chamber shall be cleared of all persons except the Secretary of the Senate, who shall be sworn to keep the secrets of the Senate.

Rule 5. The legislative proceedings and executive proceedings of the Senate shall be kept in separate books.

Rule 6. Nominations approved or definitely acted upon by the Senate shall not be returned by the Secretary of the Senate to the Governor until the expiration of the time limited for making a motion to reconsider the same, or while a motion to reconsider is pending, unless otherwise ordered by the Senate.

Rule 7. No transcript of the executive records shall be furnished unless by special order of the Senate.

Rule 8. All confidential communications made by the Governor shall be by the members and officers of the Senate kept secret.

Rule 9. Communications from the Governor as to the suspension or removal of officers shall be considered in executive session, and, unless otherwise ordered, shall lie over for action to the executive session next succeeding that at which they are laid before the Senate.

The final question on every suspension or removal of officers shall be, "Will the Senate consent to the suspension and removal of said officer?" or, "Will the Senate, upon the recommendation of the Governor, remove said officer?" as the case may require.

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JOINT RULES.

Rule 1. While bills and joint resolutions are on their passage between the two houses, they shall be on paper and under the signature of the Secretary or Clerk of each House respectively.

Rule 2. After a bill or joint resolution shall have passed both Houses it shall be duly enrolled as provided by Chapter 7346, Acts of 1917, by the Enrolling Clerk of the House of Representatives or Enrolling Secretary of the Senate, as the bill may have originated in the one or the other House, before it shall be presented to the Governor of the State or filed with the Secretary of State.

Rule 3. When a bill or joint resolution is enrolled it shall be examined by the Standing Committees of the Senate and the House of Representatives on Enrolled Bills, acting conjointly, who shall carefully compare the enrollment with the engrossed bill or joint resolution as passed by the two Houses, and correcting any errors that may be discovered in the enrolled bill or joint resolution, make their report forthwith to their respective Houses.

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Rule 4. After examination and report, each bill and joint resolution shall be submitted to the introducer for his inspection, upon his request, and thereafter shall be signed in the respective Houses, first by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Clerk thereof, then by the President of the Senate and Secretary thereof.

Rule 5. That the Committee of the Senate on Enrolled Bills and the Committee of the House on Enrolled Bills shall constitute a Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Rule 6. After a bill shall have been thus signed in each House, it shall be presented by the said committee to the Governor of the State for his approval, it being first indorsed on the back thereof, certifying in which House the same originated, which endorsement shall be signed by the Secretary or Clerk, as the case may be, of the House in which it did originate, entered on the Journal of each House. The same committee shall report the day of presentation to the Governor, which time shall also be carefully entered on the Journal of each House.

Rule 7. All orders, resolutions and votes which are to be presented to the Governor of the State for his approval shall also in the same manner be previously enrolled, examined and signed, and shall be presented in the same manner and by the same committee as provided in cases of bills.

Rule 8. Before being put upon its passage, every resolution in either house, to which the concurrence of the other may be necessary (except a question of adjournment) shall receive two readings, which (unless two-thirds of the members present decide otherwise) shall be upon two different days; and the Clerk upon proceeding thereto shall announce whether the same be the first or second of such readings; and all such resolutions upon their passage shall be certified, of course, and without the necessity of any motion or vote to that effect by the Clerk or Secretary respectively of the House so passing said resolution to the other.

Rule 9. Joint Resolutions shall, prior to their passage, receive three readings, which (unless two-thirds of the members present shall decide otherwise) be upon three diffrent days; and the Clerk upon proceeding thereto, shall announce whether the same be the first, second or third reading; and upon their passage, such resolutions shall be certified by the House so passing the same to the other in like manner to that prescribed in joint rule number eight for concurrent resolutions.

On motion of Mr. Calkins, the report was read by parts in order that amendments can be made to each part as read.

Mr. Phillips offered as a substitute the following amendment to Rule 7, Part 4, of Standing Rules of Senate, 1925:

Strike out the words: "30 minutes" and insert in lieu thereof the words: "45 minutes".

Mr. Phillips moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr Malone moved that the Senate do not adopt Rule 7, part 4.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Rowe offered the following amendment to Joint Rule No. 4:

After the word "Inspection" insert the words "upon his request."

Mr. Rowe moved the adoption of the amendment.

which was agreed to.

Mr. Scales moved that the further consideration upon the matter of the adoption of the report be deferred until Monday, April 13th, and that fifty copies of the proposed Rules be printed.

Which was not agreed to.

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Mr. Phillips offered the following amendment to Rule 15:

Where the words "two dollars per day" appear, strike out and insert in lieu "three fifty per day."

Mr. Phillips moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Malone moved that Rule XIII of the printed Rules of 1923 be substituted for Rule XIII as it appears in the committee report.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Calkins moved that the Rules as amended be now adopted as the Rules governing this body.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Calkins moved that 200 copies of the Rules and committee assignments be printed.

Which was agreed to.

The President handed down the following committee appointments:

STANDING COMMITTEES OF THE SENATE 1925 SESSION.

AUDIT AND CONTROL OF LEGISLATIVE EXPENDITUBLES.

L. Day Edge. Chairman.

Howard G. Putnam.

S. W. Anderson.

D. N. Cone.

D. E. Knight.

RULES AND PROCEEDINGS.

James E. Calkins, Chairman.

W. C. Hodges.

W. W. Clark.

D. E. Knight.

J. Turner Butler.

CAPITOL STATE BUILDINGS AND GBOUNDS.

R. H. Rowe, Chairman.

J. H. Colson.

H. N. Walker.

Hugh Hale.

N. J. Wicker.

MISCELLANEOUS LEGISLATION.

D. Stuart Gillis, Chairman.

J. II. Colson.

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J. Slater Smith.

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PENSIONS.

D. E. Knight, Chairman.
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PUBLIC UTILITIES.

D. N. Cone, Chairman.
John M. Coe.
D. E. Knight.
James E. Calkins.
J. Turner Butler.

MILITARY AFFAIRS.

A. M. Taylor, Chairman.
S. A. Hinely.
N. J. Wicker.
W. W. Clark.
John W. Watson.

PUBLIC PRINTING.

W. W. Phillips, Chairman.
W. J. Singletary.
John W. Watson.
M. O. Overstreet.
H. N. Walker.

CORPORATIONS.

L. Day Edge, Chairman. J. Turner Butler. J. Slater Smith. M. O. Overstreet. W. W. Phillips.

STATE INSTITUTIONS.

W. A. Russell, Chairman.W. C. Hodges.J. H. Colson.D. Stuart Gillis.H. N. Walker.

MINING AND MINERAL RESOURCES.

W. R. McDaniel, Chairman, John J. Swearingen, Howard G. Putnam, S. A. Hinely, J. W. Turner.

COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS.

J. Slater Smith, Chairman. D. Stuart Gillis. W. H. Malone. Hugh Hale. Howard G. Putnam.

PRIVILEGES AND ELECTIONS.

T. T. Turnbull, Chairman,R. H. Rowe,D. E. Knight,J. H. Scales,N. J. Wicker,

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

J. Turner Butler, Chairman, W. C. Hodges, John M. Coe, E. J. Etheredge, W. J. Singletary.

INSURANCE.

J. Slater Smith. Chairman. R. H. Rowe. W. J. Singletary. W. H. Malone. N. J. Wicker.

GAME AND FISHERIES.

S. A. Hinely, Chairman, J. Turner Butler, John M. Coe, J. W. Turner, J. H. Scales, Hugh Hale, L. Day Edge.

CITIES AND TOWNS.

N. J. Wicker, Chairman. W. W. Clark. W. A. Russell. S. A. Hinely. H. N. Walker.

PRISONS AND CONVICTS.

M. O. Overstreet, Chairman.
W. W. Phillips.
D. A. Knight.
Howard Putnam.
W. W. Clark.

EDUCATION.

J. H. Colson, Chairman.
L. Day Edge.
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T. T. Turnbull.
S. W. Anderson.

TEMPERANCE.

E. J. Etheredge, Chairman.
W. J. Singletary.
D. Stuart Gillis.
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PUBLIC ROADS AND HIGHWAYS.

Hugh Hale, Chairman.
W. W. Phillips.
John J. Swearingen.
M. O. Overstreet.
W. J. Singletary.
J. H. Scales.
J. Slater Smith.
J. W. Turner.
John W. Watson.
T. T. Turnbull.
J. Turner Butler.

DRAINAGE.

M. O. Overstreet, Chairman.
E. J. Etheredge.
W. H. Malone.
John W. Watson.
D. Stuart Gillis.

COMMERCE AND NAVIGATION.

John M. Coe, Chairman. W. H. Malone. J. Turner Butler. James E. Calkins. J. W. Turner. John W. Watson. W. R. McDaniel.

Organized Labor.

W. C. Hodges, Chairman, John M. Coe. John W. Watson, J. H. Scales, Hugh Hale.

FINANCE AND TAXATION.

W. J. Singletary, Chairman,
S. W. Anderson,
John M. Coc,
John J. Swearingen,
M. O. Overstreet,
T. T. Turnbull,
J. H. Scales,
Howard G. Putnam,
J. Slater Smith,

CLAIMS.

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H. N. Walker, Chairman,
T. T. Turnbull,
W. J. Singletary,
S. A. Hineley,
A. M. Taylor.

PUBLIC HEALTH.

- J. W. Turner, Chairman.
- D. N. Cone.
- J. H. Colson.
- T. T. Turnbull.
- E. J. Etheredge.

Engrossed Bills.

W. W. Phillips, Chairman, W. W. Clark. L. Day Edge. W. A. Russell, W. R. McDaniel.

ENROLLED BILLS.

S. W. Anderson, Chairman. D. N. Cone. J. Slater Smith. W. W. Clark. James E. Calkins.

JUDICIARY "A".

W. H. Malone, Chairman. John M. Coe, J. Turner Butler. D. Stuart Gillis. W. J. Singletary. L. Day Edge. N. J. Wicker. A. M. Taylor. W. R. McDaniel.

JUDICIARY "B".

John J. Swearingen. Chairman.

- W. C. Hodges.
- R. H. Rowe.
- D. E. Knight.
- S. W. Anderson.
- M. O. Overstreet.
- J. W. Turner. D. N. Cone.

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JUDICIARY "C".

W. W. Clark, Chairman,
T. T. Turnbull,
Hugh Hale,
James E. Calkins,
E. J. Etheredge,
J. H. Colson,
W. A. Russell,
S. A. Hinely,
J. H. Scales,

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS.

James E. Calkins, Chairman, W. C. Hodges, John J. Swearingen, Hugh Hale, W. W. Phillips,

APPROPRIATIONS.

W. C. Hodges, Chairman,
S. W. Anderson,
John J. Swearingen,
M. O. Overstreet,
L. Day Edge,
J. H. Colson,
James E. Calkins,
A. M. Taylor,
J. W. Turner,

AGRICULTURE.

Howard G. Putnam, Chairman, J. Slater Smith, E. J. Etheredge, W. A. Russell, W. W. Phillips, S. W. Anderson, D. Stuart Gillis,

APPORTIONMENT.

John W. Watson, Chairman. L. Day Edge. W. W. Clark. Hugh Hale. T. T. Turnbull. J. Turner Butler. John J. Swearingen. W. W. Phillips. W. H. Malone.

ATTACHES.

S. A. Hineley, Chairman.

A. M. Taylor.

E. J. Etheredge.

The Secretary was directed to place the committee assignments in the printed copies of the new Rules.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Etheredge offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 6-

Be it resolved by the Senate, That the President appoint a standing Committee on Citrus Fruits, to be composed of five Senators, and that the Rules Committee be instructed to include such committee in the list of Standing Committees of the Senate.

Mr. Etheredge moved to adopt the resolution.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Resolution No. 6 was adopted.

Mr. Hodges offered the following resolution: Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2:

By Mr. Hodges-

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring, That Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2 adopted by the Senate and the House on April 8, 1925. be and the same is hereby amended so as to provide that three members on said committee shall be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and two members thereon shall be appointed by the President of the Senate.

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Hodges moved to waive the rules, and that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2 be read the second time.

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

Mr. Hodges moved to adopt the resolution.

Which was agreed to.

The resolution was adopted and ordered to be immediately certified to the House of Representatives.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. Russell--

Senate Bill No. 1:

A bill to be entitled An Act to fix the salaries of the Circuit Judges of the State of Florida, and providing for the payment of their traveling expenses.

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

By Mr. Phillips---

Senate Bill No. 2:

A bill to be entitled An Act to establish a State printing office for the State of Florida, to provide for its equipment, operation and maintenance, and to make appropriations therefor.

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

By Mr. Hodges--

Senate Bill No. 3:

A bill to be entitled An Act to repeal Chapter 9201 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1923, relative to the creation of a Live Stock Sanitary Board; fixing quarantine areas and carrying on tick eradication work, etc.

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

By Mr. Hodges-

Senate Bill No. 4:

A bill to be entitled Λn Act to regulate the salary of the elerks and employees in the Executive Departments of the State Government.

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

Senate Bill No. 5:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish occupation licenses in the State of Florida.

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

By Mr. Hodges--- <

Senate Joint Resolution No. 6:

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to Section Seven (7) of Article Sixteen (16) of the State Constitution, relating to the creation of offices and the terms thereof.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida, That the following amendment to Section Seven (7) of Article Sixteen (16) of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to the creation of offices and the terms thereof is hereby agreed to and shall be submitted to the electors of the State for their adoption or rejection at the next general election hereafter; that is to say, that Section Seven (7) of Article Sixteen (16) of the Constitution of the State of Florida shall be amended to read as follows:

Section 7. The Legislature shall not create any office the term of which shall be longer than four years and shall not create any new department of State government or any sub-department of the present State government, or any commission, unless it is first found necessary for the general well being of the State and agreed to by a two-thirds vote of the Senate and a two-thirds vote of the House of Representatives.

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

By Mr. Hodges—

Senate Bill No. 7 :

A bill to be entitled An Act to create a State Board of Mechanic Examiners, give them certain authority, prescribing its duty; compensation; powers; permitting them to make rules and regulations; prescribing examinations for mechanics; prescribing fees paid by applicants for examination; application of moneys; awarding of a badge to parties passing examination; prescribing penalty for persons working without complying with the provisions of this Act. Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Organized Labor.

By Mr. Hodges-

Senate Bill No. 8:

A bill to be entitled An Act to appropriate moneys for erection and furnishing a State public building for uses of State Administrative Departments.

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

By Mr. Hodges-

Senate Bill No. 9:

A bill to be entitled An Act to levy a tax on dealers in cigarettes at retail; provide for collection of tax; use of stamps as evidence of payment; prescribe a penalty for violation of the Act or counterfeiting of stamps; prescribe rules of evidence for the trial of persons violating the Act and to appropriate the funds raised into the general revenue fund of Florida.

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

By Mr. Etheredge—

Senate Bill No. 10:

A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the powers and authority of married women to sue and be sued, contract and be contracted with, to manage, alienate, convey, mortgage and control their property; to be liable for their acts and torts, as if unmarried, and to provide that husbands shall not be liable for the obligations of the wife unless he binds himself thereto in writing.

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

By Mr. Etheredge—

Senate Bill No. 11:

A bill to be entitled An Act to protect and regulate the salt-water fishing industry in the State of Florida.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game and Fisheries. By Mr. Clark—

Senate Bill No. 12:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish Special Tax School Districts No. 2 Cora, No. 3 Jay, No. 11 Mt. Carmel and No. 13 Ebenezer, of Santa Rosa County, State of Florida, and to establish a consolidated special tax district including the territory covered by said abolished districts, to be known as Consolidated Special Tax School District No. 9-B Jay.

Which was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills without reference.

By Mr. Clark-

Senate Bill No. 13:

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate and ratify all proceedings of the Town Council of the Town of Milton, Santa Rosa County, State of Florida, for widening and extending the pavement upon that portion of Oak Street between Willing street and Elmira street; assessing the cost on abutting property, and providing for the claim and retention of lieus upon said abutting property by the said town for such cost, and the collection thereof.

Which was read the first time by its title.

And the bill was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

By Mr Clark---

Senate Bill No. 14:

A bill to be entitled An Act to be validate and ratify all proceedings of the Town of Milton, Santa Rosa County. for paving and improving certain public streets of said town, assessing part of the cost on abutting property and providing for the issuance and sale of Improvement Certificates therefor; to authorize the reassessment on abutting property of any of said assessments; and to authorize the issuance of negotiable general obligation coupon bonds of said town in lieu of or substitution for said improvement certificates, and the levy and collection of taxes for the payment of said bonds.

Which was read the first time by its title.

And the bill was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference. By Mr. Clark-

Senate Bill No. 15:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Town Council of the Town of Milton, Santa Rosa County, Florida, to make certain improvements to streets, sidewalks, and other public places, and to certain private property within the town, partly at the cost of the town and partly at the cost of the abutting property owners; perscribing a method of procedure for doing such work; providing for special assessments upon the property of abutting owners for cost of such work, prescribing the effect of such assessments and the manner of collecting and enforcing the same; authorizing the said Town Council to issue and sell certain improvement bonds, prescribing the effect of such bonds and limiting the terms and interest rate thereof.

Which was read the first time by its title.

And the bill was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

By Mr. Clark—

Senate Bill No. 16:

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate and ratify all proceedings of the Town of Milton, Santa Rosa County. Florida, for paving and improving a certain portion of Elmira Street and a certain portion of Canal Street, with in the said town, assessing part of the cost on abutting property, and providing for the collection of such assessments and for the issuance and sale of Improvement Bonds of the said town therefor; to authorize the re-assessment on abutting property of any of said assessments. and to authorize the issuance and sale of negotiable general obligation coupon bonds of said town, and the levy and collection of taxes for the payment of such bond.

Which was read the first time by its title.

And the bill was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

By. Mr. Clark—

Senate Bill No. 17 :

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Rosa County to require the supervisor of registration to revise the registration books of the county and to employ a person to assist the supervisor in such work and to pay for such work and prescribe the duties of such supervisor and of the Board of County Commissioners in relation to such work.

Which was read the first time by its title.

And the bill was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

By Mr. Clark—

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Senate Bill No. 18:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the County Commissioners of Santa Rosa County to levy and collect a tax for a court house, or court house and jail, during the years 1927, 1928, and 1929; providing for the expenditure of the funds derived from such tax and the tax already levied for that purpose; authorizing said board to invest the funds derived from such tax, and the tax already levied for that purpose, and to construct one or both of such buildings before all funds shall have been derived from such tax, and to evidence any balance due by time warrants; providing for the payment of any deficiency, and for the disposition of any excess funds, and ratifying all acts of the said board with relation thereto.

Which was read the first time by its title.

And the bill was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

By Mr. W. W. Clark—

Senate Bill No. 19:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing for the issuance and sale of bonds in the sum of \$125,000 by the Board of Public Instruction of the County of Santa Rosa, State of Florida, to fund the outstanding indebtedness of the said Board of Public Instruction; providing a sinking fund with which to pay the principal and interest of said bonds as same mature, specifying what interest said bonds are to bear, the date and maturity of the same, prescribing certain duties of the said Board of Public Instruction; prohibiting said board from borrowing money after the sale of such bonds, and prescribing penalties for a violation thereof.

Which was read the first time by its title.

And the bill was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference. By Mr. Etheredge-

Senate Bill No. 20:

A bill to be entitled An Act validating and confirming an issue of thirty thousand (\$30,000.00) dollars bonds issued by Special Tax School District Number 13, DeSoto County, Florida, and authorizing and requiring the levy and collection of a tax for the payment of the interest an l principal thereof, as the same becomes due.

Which was read the first time by its title.

And the bill was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second reading without reference.

By Mr. Etheredge-

Senate Bill No. 21:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the City Council of the City of Arcadia, Florida, to issue bonds for municipal improvements in an amount not to exceed three hundred fifty thousand (\$350,000.00) dollars, prescribing the denomination, the rate of interest, and the maturities of the said bonds, and providing for the levy of a tax to pay the principal and interest thereof.

Which was read the first time by its title.

And the bill was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

By Mr. Rowe—

Senate Bill No. 22:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide a penalty to be imposed upon any person or persons who, with intent to hinder, delay, defraud, or defeat the holder of a chattel mortgage or written conditional sale contract, shall pledge mortgage, sell, hide, conceal, transfer, or refuse on demand of the holder of such mortgage or contract to reveal the location of personal property subject to such mortgage or written conditional sale contract, or who shall, with such intent, remove such property beyond the limits of the county where such mortgage was given, or where such written conditional sale contract was entered into, and prescribing a rule of evidence in such case.

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

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By Mr. Rowe-

Senate Bill No. 23:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 3213 of the Revised General Statutes of the State of Florida, relating to quieting title and removing clouds from title to real estate.

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

By Mr. Taylor—

Senate Bill No. 24:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 5529 of the Revised General Statutes of the State of Florida, relative to the sale of narcotics.

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

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 8, 1925.

Hon. John S. Taylor, President of the Senate.

Sir:

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

Be it Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives Concurring; That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House appoint a joint committee of two members from each of their respective bodies to act as a joint Legislative Committee on Governor's message; to prepare bills in furtherance of the recommendations of that message when the same may seem advisable.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1, contained in the above message, was referred to the committee on enrolled bills.

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The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

> House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Fla., April 9, 1925.

Hen. John S. Taylor, President of the Senate.

Sir:

l am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the Speaker has appointed the following members on the committee on the part of the House as provided for in—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1:

Be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring: That the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives appoint a joint committee of two members from each of their respective bodies to act as a Joint Legislative Committee on Governor's Message; to prepare bills in furtherance of the recommendations of that message when the same may seem advisable.

Messrs. Hunter and Turnbull.

Very respectfully, B. A. MEGINNISS, Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

The Secretary announced that under Senate Resolution No. 4 the Secretary has appointed Luna Bowdoin as Index Secretary of the Senate, and that he had also appointed Miss Doris Sims and Mrs. Charlotte Midyette as verifiers.

Mr. Phillips moved that the Senate do now adjourn to eleven o'clock to-morrow.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon the Senate stood adjourned to eleven o'clock A M., Friday, April 10th, 1925.