

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 23, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

(Senate Bill No. 167):

An Act to establish, organize and constitute a municipality and municipal government to be named and designated as the Town of Polk City, in the State of Florida; to define its territorial boundaries; to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges and for the exercise of same; and to authorize the imposition of penalties for the violation of its ordinances.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 143):

An Act to abolish the municipality known as the Town of Largo, in Pinellas County, Florida; to create and establish a municipality to be known as the City of Largo in Pinellas County, Florida; to legalize and validate the ordinances of said Town of Largo and official acts thereunder, and to adopt the same as the ordinances of said City of Largo; to validate the contracts of said Town of Largo; to regulate the bringing of suits against said city and providing for notice thereof, and to fix and prescribe the territorial limits, jurisprudence and powers of of said City of Largo and the jurisdiction and powers of its officers, and repealing Chapter 6715 of the Acts of 1913 and Chapter 7191 of the Acts of 1915.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 166):

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

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 18) :

An Act authorizing the County Commissions 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.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 145) :

An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of County Commissioners of Volusia County, Florida, to issue and sell for and on behalf of Turnbull Special Road and Bridge District of Volusia County, Florida, additional bonds to pay for the construction and completion of certain roads and bridges in the said Turnbull Special Road and Bridge District, and providing for the payment of said bonds.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 158) :

An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of County Commissioners of Volusia County, Florida, to issue and sell negotiable interest-bearing time warrants of said County in a sum or sums not to exceed in the aggregate ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars for the purpose of raising funds with which to construct and improve certain roads and bridges in County Commissioner's District No. 5, in said County, and providing for the payment of said time warrants.

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

Very respectfully,

S. W. ANDERSON,

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

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 22, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

(Senate Bill No. 169):

An Act to amend Section 71 of the Charter of the City of Bartow, as validated and confirmed in Chapter 9683 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1923, and relating to the assessment of Special Taxes by the City of Bartow.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 147):

An Act amending the Charter of the City of Bartow relating to the number of City Commissioners, their terms of office and the time of their election, and otherwise affecting the government, jurisdiction and powers of said City.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 105A):

An Act making an emergency appropriation for contingent expenses of the State for the remainder of the current fiscal year.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 156):

An Act creating the office of Auditor and Purchasing Agent for Dade County, Florida, prescribing his duties and fixing his salary.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 178):

An Act to authorize the City of Tampa to issue bonds.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 56):

An Act to create and establish a Municipality to be known and designated as the Town of Keystone Heights and to define its territorial boundaries and provide for the organization and government thereof, and for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges, and to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes therein; and to authorize the imposition of penalties for the violation of its Ordinances.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 146):

An Act to legalize and validate an election in the Town of Haines City on the 3rd day of January, A.D. 1925, in pursuance to Chapter 6940, of the Laws of the State of Florida, A.D. 1915, at which election amendments to the Charter of the Town of Haines City, were adopted, and to validate said amendments to said Charter, and also to validate all contracts, municipal assessments, appointment of officers, and all Acts done under and by virtue of said amendments.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 134):

An Act providing that the Town of Interlachen, Putnam County, Florida, be authorized to levy taxes annually, for municipal purposes, upon all real and personal property in said town, not exempt from taxation by the Constitution of the State of Florida, upon the principle established for State taxation; providing the maximum per centum of such levy; providing that such levy shall be uniform upon the same classes of property; and providing that all property in such Town shall be assessed at its full cash value as fixed by said town, providing that said Town be authorized to make its own assessments and place its own valuation upon said property, for the purpose of assessment and taxation, independent of any limitation placed thereon by State laws.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 179):

An Act providing for applying to the erection and purchase of Hospitals, or either, with such equipment and sites therefor as may be necessary, the proceeds of \$250,-

000 bonds of the City of Tampa heretofore voted for certain hospitals.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 177):

An Act to validate and ratify a certain contract for the construction of bridges in the City of Tampa, and to authorize the application of proceeds of certain bonds of said city heretofore voted so that the same may be used in the payment of the cost of said bridges.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 168):

An Act to validate, legalize and confirm all acts and proceedings of the City of Bartow, Florida, and its officers and agents, relating to the issuance of municipal bonds of said city in the sum of \$120,000.00 for the purpose of extending and improving the municipal water system of the City of Bartow; and in the sum of \$100,000.00 for the purpose of establishing a municipal hospital; and in the sum of \$50,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing the following described land in Polk County, Florida, to-wit: The south one-fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of Section 4, in Township 30, south of range 25 east, and establishing thereon public parks, play grounds and promenades; and in the sum of \$11,000.00 for the purpose of extending and improving the public sewerage system of the City of Bartow; and providing for the sale and delivery of said bonds, and the levy and collection of an annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest of the said bonds.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 84):

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Hardee County, Florida, to issue and sell notes, certificates of indebtedness, or bonds of said county, in an amount not to exceed one hundred twenty thousand dollars for the purpose of providing funds with which to complete the system of county highways now under construction, and providing for the levy and collection of an annual tax to pay the principal and interest thereof.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 176):

An Act to confer additional powers upon the City of Tampa in relation to the widening, extension and improvement of streets and other public ways, the laying of sidewalks, sewers and water mains, and the construction of bulkheads, seawalls and other retaining walls, with necessary filling and dredging, by special assessment or charge or by general taxation, or both, and to authorize said city to issue bonds and notes for the purpose of paying the cost thereof and the purpose of reimbursing funds from which the costs of similar improvements have been made, and to authorize liens upon property for all or a portion of such costs, and for the cost of clearing property of unsightly and unsanitary matter and the cost of filling in unsanitary excavations and depressions.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

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

Very respectfully,

S. W. ANDERSON,

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

The bills contained the above report were duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in open session and ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 16, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

(House Bill No. 21):

An Act to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate all acts and proceedings of the mayor and city council of the City of South Jacksonville in connection with the issuance of four hundred thousand (\$400,000.00) dollars municipal improvement bonds of said city, including the election held in said city on the third day of March, A. D. 1925, upon the question of the issuance of said bonds and legalizing, ratifying, confirming and validating said bonds.

Also—

(House Bill No. 129):

An Act repealing Chapter 8936, Laws of Florida, which is an Act providing for the appointment of a town marshal of the Town of DeFuniak Springs, Florida, for his suspension or removal from office, and relating to the powers and duties of the mayor and town council of the Town of DeFuniak Springs, Florida, in connection therewith.

Also—

(House Bill No. 23):

An Act to authorize the employment by the County Commissioners of the County of Escambia of special motorcycle police, to fix the bond thereof, to prescribe their powers, duties and compensation, and to fix their term of office.

Also—

(House Bill No. 86):

An Act validating and confirming an issue of Seventy-five Thousand (\$75,000.00) Dollars bonds issued by Special Tax School District Number Five, Hardee County, Florida, and authorizing and requiring the levy and col-

lection of a tax for the payment of the interest and principal thereof, as the same becomes due.

Also—

(House Bill No. 26) :

An Act to legalize and validate all Acts and proceedings heretofore done and had by the Town Council and the City Council, the Tax Collector, Tax Assessor, and all other town officials of of the City of Moore Haven, and the Town of Moore Haven, Florida, in connection with and relating to the assessment of taxes, either Town or Special, and providing that no future assessment or levy shall be void or invalidated on account of any irregularity, omission or formal defect in proceedings relating thereto.

Also—

(House Bill No. 66) :

An Act validating certain municipal improvement bonds of the City of Tarpon Springs, Florida, and proceedings pertaining thereto, and validating refunding bonds of said city, and proceedings pertaining thereto, to be issued for the purpose of refunding said municipal improvement bonds.

Also—

(House Bill No. 65) :

An Act to amend the Charter of the City of Tarpon Springs as provided for in the following Chapter and Sections of the Laws of Florida, to-wit: To amend Section 2 of Chapter 6784, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913 as amended by Section 1 of Chapter 7719, Acts of 1917, and further amended by Section 1, Chapter 8372, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1919, the same being part of the Charter of the City of Tarpon Springs with reference to the territorial limits and incorporation of the City of Tarpon Springs; also to amend Section 19 of Chapter 6784, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913, as amended by Section 15 of Chapter 8372, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1919, the same being part of the Charter of the City of Tarpon Springs with reference to the qualification of the electors of the City of Tarpon Springs.

Also—

(House Bill No. 67) :

An Act to amend Section 14 of Chapter 9097 of the Laws of Florida, Acts of 1921, the same being part of

the Charter of Tarpon Springs, with reference to the powers of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Tarpon Springs.

Also—

(House Bill No. 73) :

An Act to authorize the City of Fort Myers, in the County of Lee and the State of Florida, to issue bonds to the amount of \$445,000 for municipal improvements; to levy and collect annually, sufficient taxes for payment of the principal and interest thereof, and to validate proceedings heretofore had in connection therewith.

Also—

(House Bill No. 117) :

An Act to amend the Charter of the City of Ellenton, Florida, and Section Twenty-six (26) thereof, so as to permit the issuance of bonds in denomination of multiples of one hundred (100.00) dollars.

Also—

(House Bill No. 138) :

An Act authorizing Bay County Florida, to issue and sell bonds for the construction of a toll bridge across the east arm of St. Andrews Bay at a place known as Long Point, in said Bay County, Florida, also authorizing Bay County, Florida, to issue and sell bonds for the construction of a toll bridge across one arm of St. Andrews Bay, in said Bay County, Florida; and to provide for the levy and collection of taxes on property, and provide a sinking fund to raise said funds.

Also—

(House Bill No. 31) :

An Act validating and confirming an issue of fifty thousand (\$50,000 00) dollars bonds issued by Special Tax School District Number Five, Hendry County, Florida, and authorizing and requiring the levy and collection of a tax for the payment of the interest and principal thereof, as the same becomes due.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

The same having been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, we herewith

present the same for the signature of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,
S. W. ANDERSON,
Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled
Bills on the Part of the Senate.

The bills contained in the above report were duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in open session and ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 17, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

(House Memorial No. 2):

Directed to the President and Congress of the United State requesting the establishment of Military Schools or Camps for the purpose of training aviators upon the present government fields of Dorr and Carlstrom, located near Arcadia in DeSoto County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 76):

An Act providing for the appointment of the Marshal and Collector of the Town of Altamonte Springs, Florida, and repealing all laws and town ordinances making him elective by the electors.

Also—

(House Bill No. 119):

An Act to authorize the County of Orange to levy a special tax for the publicity purposes and providing for the expenditure thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 71):

An Act validating and confirming an issue of One Hundred Twelve Thousand (\$112,000.00) Dollars Bonds issued by Special Tax School District Number One (1), DeSoto County, Florida, and authorizing and requiring the levy and collection of a tax for the payment of the interest and principal thereof, as the same becomes due.

Also—

(House Bill No. 74):

An Act authorizing the City Commission of the City of Sanford, Florida, to beautify streets, avenue and parks of said city, and to appoint a committee to supervise such beautification and to prescribe the powers and duties of such committee and enforce its rules and regulations by ordinance, and to levy and collect a tax to pay the cost of such beautification.

Also—

(House Bill No. 70):

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of DeSoto County, Florida, to issue and sell notes, certificates of indebtedness or bonds of said county in an amount not to exceed one hundred fifty thousand dollars, for the purpose of providing funds with which to complete the system of county highways now under construction, and providing for the levy and collection of a tax to pay the principal and interest thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 116):

An Act to legalize, ratify, validate and confirm the proceedings of the City of Palmetto, Florida, in making certain local improvements therein, and the issuance and sale of bonds to pay the cost thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 209):

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Okeechobee, Florida, by resolution, to issue negotiable interest-bearing bonds, bearing six per

cent. (6%) interest per annum, payable semi-annually, in such form, date of maturity and time and place or places of payments as the said Board of County Commissioners may adopt, in the sum of \$200,000.00, the proceeds of which to be used for the construction of a courthouse for Okeechobee County, Florida, and for furnishing fixtures for said building, and for paving and work incidental to the preparation of the grounds around said building and to create a sinking fund for the payment of the principal and interest on said bonds and to provide for the sale and retirement of same; naming depositories for moneys derived from sale of said bonds and from tax for sinking fund for retirement of bonds.

Also—

(House Bill No. 140):

An Act giving and granting to the Board of County Commissioners of Bay County, Florida, and its successors in office, the consent and authority of the State of Florida to erect, construct, build, control and operate a bridge for highway purposes over and across the east arm of St. Andrews Bay, at a place known as Long Point, and also a bridge at a place on St. Andrews Bay known as Sulphur Point, the same being navigable water in the County of Bay, State of Florida.

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

Very respectfully,

S. W. ANDERSON,

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

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 22, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

(House Bill No. 139):

An Act authorizing Bay County, Florida, to issue and sell bonds for the purpose of improving, repairing and rebuilding roads and bridges in said Bay County, Florida, and to provide for the levy and collection of taxes on property and provide a sinking fund to raise said funds.

Also—

(House Bill No. 214):

An Act to extend the territorial limits of the City of Clearwater, Florida, and to provide for the taxation of the annexed territory.

Also—

(House Bill No. 159):

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Glades County, Florida, to change the location of that part of the bonded road in the Indian Prairie Special Road and Bridge District of Glades County, Florida, to such location as they may deem to be most economical, and to the best interest of the said Special Road and Bridge District.

Also—

(House Bill No. 147):

An Act to authorize the Board of Public Instruction of Bay County, Florida, to procure a loan of not exceeding one hundred thousand (\$100,000.00) dollars, and pay interest thereon at a rate not exceeding seven (7) per cent per annum, for the purpose of erecting a High School building in the City of Panama City, and wherein is to be maintained the County High School for said Bay County; to authorize said board in order to pro-

cure said loan, to issue and sell not exceeding one hundred thousand (\$100,000) dollars in principal amount of interest bearing coupon warrants; to make provision for a sinking fund for the retirement of said warrants, and the interest to become due thereon; to regulate the expenditure of the sum derived from the sale of said warrants; and to provide for the validation of said warrants.

Also—

(House Bill No. 152):

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Charlotte County, Florida, to issue \$75,000.00 of negotiable time warrants for the purpose of grading, hard surfacing and improving the roads of Charlotte County, Florida, for building bridges, in said county, and for the purpose of purchasing road building machinery.

Also—

(House Bill No. 212):

An Act validating and confirming an election held in the City of Clearwater, Florida, and the territory adjacent thereto on the 12th day of November, 1924, providing for the extension of the territorial limits of said city.

Also—

(House Bill No. 239):

An Act to amend Section 67 of Chapter 9840, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1923 and providing a method for the collection of taxes in the City of Moore Haven, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 226):

An Act to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as the Town of Oviedo, and to define its territorial boundaries, and to provide for its jurisdiction, government, powers and privileges.

Also—

(House Bill No. 232):

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Fort Pierce Inlet District, in St. Lucie County, Florida, to issue and sell the bonds of said District in the amount of Four Thousand Dollars for the purpose of improving and maintaining the Fort Pierce Inlet; providing for the levy

and collection of taxes to pay principal and interest of said bonds, and providing for an election to determine whether said bonds shall be issued.

Also—

(House Bill No. 302):

An Act to amend the Charter of the City of Punta Gorda, Charlotte County, Florida, by authorizing said city to issue time warrants of time certificates for the purpose of raising funds to pay off claims against the city parks, and to make improvements on the same, and to repair and protect the sea wall in front of said parks.

Also—

(House Bill No. 262):

An Act to prevent net and trap fishing in the fresh and salt waters in St. Lucie County, Florida, and to prohibit fishing with nets or traps within one hundred yards of any bridge, dock or pier in St. Lucie county.

Also—

(House Bill No. 306):

An Act to prohibit the trapping of wild game in Hamilton County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 305):

An Act to protect wild game in Election Districts Numbers Six, Seven and Eight, of Hamilton County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 200):

An Act establishing a Bird Reservation to be known as the Tamiami Bird Reservation in the County of Manatee.

Also—

(House Bill No. 187):

An Act authorizing and permitting Duval County, Florida, to acquire, by purchase or otherwise, certain property and to use, improve and dispose of the same in the manner herein set forth.

Also—

(House Memorial No. 1):

Memorializing the Interstate Commerce Commission for the relief of those engaged in agriculture and horticulture.

Also—

House Bill No. 151:

An Act authorizing the City of Titusville to issue bonds and to amend Section 39 relating to sale of bonds, of Chapter 6108 of the Laws of Florida, entitled, "An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Titusville, in the County of Brevard, and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as the City of Titusville, and to define its territorial boundaries and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges."

Also—

(House Bill No. 128):

An Act to abolish the present Municipality of Webster, Sumter County, Florida, and to establish, organize, and constitute a Municipality to be known and designated as the City of Webster, and to define its territorial boundaries, and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

Also—

(House Bill No. 154):

An Act to prescribe the open season for shooting and hunting deer in Duval County, Florida, and providing penalties for hunting, chasing or killing deer in said county except in the open season as provided by this Act.

Also—

(House Bill No. 165):

An Act to amend Section 1, Section 2 and Section 4, of Article V, of Chapter 5864, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1907, approved May 22nd, 1907, same being entitled "An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Wauchula, Florida, and organize a city government for the same, and to provide its jurisdiction and powers."

Also—

(House Bill No. 251):

An Act to legalize, ratify, validate, and confirm the proceedings of the Town of Moore Haven, Florida, in issuing bonds for sixty-three thousand three hundred (\$63,300.00) dollars for the purpose of constructing and maintaining a system of water works in said town

and for constructing, extending and maintaining and improving a system of electric lights or other illuminating works in said town, extending the town plans for paving streets and sidewalks in said town, for constructing and maintaining public parks in said town, and for refunding, repaying and discharging outstanding indebtedness of said town.

Also—

(House Bill No. 161):

An Act to validate bonds, taxes, levies and all orders, proceedings and decrees of the Circuit Court of Glades County, Florida, of and concerning the Diston Island Drainage District of Glades County, Florida, and Hendry County, in the State of Florida, and also all official Acts and Proceedings of persons and boards holding office and purporting to hold office in and under said Diston Island Drainage District.

Also—

(House Bill No. 300):

An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of County Commissioners of Volusia County, Florida, to issue and sell negotiable interest bearing time warrants of said county in a sum or sums not to exceed in the aggregate Forty Thousand (\$40,000.00) Dollars for the purpose of raising funds with which to construct and improve certain roads and bridges in County Commissioner's District No. 1 in said county, and providing for the payment of said time warrants.

Also—

(House Bill No. 160):

An Act to provide that all contracts for the expenditure of money arising from the sale of bonds of Glades County, Florida, or any road and bridge district in Glades County, Florida, shall be submitted to and approved by a board of bond trustees of said county or district before becoming effective, and providing that no material furnished or work done which is to be paid for from any bond fund in Glades County, Florida, or any road or bridge district thereof shall be accepted or paid for until such material or work shall have been inspected and approved by the respective bond trustees, and providing that no

extra charge shall be allowed for work done or material furnished and which is to be paid for from any bond funds of Glades County, Florida, or any road and bridge district thereof until the bond trustees have approved the payment for the same, and fixing the compensation of the said bond trustees.

Also—

(House Bill No. 274):

An Act to amend Section 17 of Chapter 6746 of the Laws of Florida, known as the Commission Government Charter of the City of Pensacola, relative to petition and election for the recall of the officers of said city.

Also—

(House Bill No. 238):

An Act to amend Section of Chapter 9840, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1923, pertaining to trials in the Mayor's or City Court in the City of Moore Haven, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 297):

An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of County Commissioners of Volusia County, Florida, to issue and sell negotiable interest-bearing time warrants of said county in a sum or sums not to exceed in the aggregate thirty-five thousand (\$35,000.00) dollars, for the purpose of raising funds with which to construct, repair, extend, improve, maintain, oil, hard-surface or otherwise improve all or any part of the public roads and highways, and to construct, repair, improve and maintain bridges and culverts, in County Commissioners' District No. 2, in said county, and acquiring machinery, tools, and equipment for the construction, maintenance and repair of said roads, bridges, and culverts, and for other county purposes, and providing for the payment of said time warrants.

Also—

(House Bill No. 250):

An Act to legalize, ratify, validate and confirm the proceedings of the Town of Moore Haven, Florida, in issuing bonds for the purpose of grading and paving certain streets in the said Town of Moore Haven and for water,

sewerage and sanitary improvements within the said Town of Moore Haven.

Also—

(House Bill No. 167):

An Act to authorize the Board of Public Instruction of Hernando County, Florida, to procure a loan of not exceeding seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00), and pay interest thereon at a rate not exceeding six per cent. (6%) per annum, for the purpose of acquiring land within said county and erecting thereon and furnishing a High School building to belong to the said Board, wherein to maintain a County High School for said Hernando County; to authorize said Board in order to procure said loan, to issue and sell not exceeding seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000.00) in principal amount of interest-bearing coupon bonds; to make provision for a sinking fund for the retirement of said bonds and the interest to become due thereon and to regulate the expenditure of the sum derived from the sale of said bonds.

Also—

(House Bill No. 156):

An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Glades County, Florida, to change the location of that part of the Road to be built from a County Bond Issue, between the Highlands County line and the Hendry County line through Glades County, Florida, to such a location as they may deem to be the most economical and to the best interest of Glades County, Florida, along which to build a hard-surfaced road.

Be leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

S. W. ANDERSON,

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

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The following message from the Governor was received and read:

State of Florida, Executive Department,
Tallahassee, April 27, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

(Senate Bill No. 28):

An Act to authorize the City of Fort Myers, in the County of Lee and State of Florida, to issue bonds to the amount of \$445,000 for Municipal Improvements, to levy and collect annually, sufficient taxes for payment of the principal and interest thereof, and to validate proceedings heretofore had in connection therewith.

Very respectfully,

JOHN W. MARTIN,
Governor.

Also the following—

State of Florida, Executive Department,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 27, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

(Senate Bill No. 13):

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

liens upon said abutting property by the said town for such cost, and the collection thereof.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 14)

An Act to 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.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 15):

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; prescribing 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.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 16):

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 within 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 reassessment on abutting property of any of said assessments, and to authorize the issuance and sale of negotiable gen-

eral obligation coupon bonds of said town, and the levy and collection of taxes for the payment of such bonds.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 17):

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.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 19):

An Act providing for the issuance and sale of bonds in the sum of \$125,000.00 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 hereof.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 48):

An Act to validate and confirm the proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, to authorize the issuance and sale of \$2,000,000 of Road Bonds of said county, and \$650,000 of Bridge Bonds of said county, and providing for the levy of a tax to pay the said bonds.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 65):

An Act authorizing the Board of Bond Trustees of Special Road and Bridge District Number Six, of Putnam County, Florida, to join or enter into an agreement with the State Road Department of Florida for the construction, or contracting the construction, of any of the roads and bridges described in Chapter 9582, Laws of Florida,

and authorizing said Board of Bond Trustees to increase the width and change the materials of any of said roads and bridges to conform to the requirements and specifications of said State Road Department; and to apply the proceeds of bonds of said district to the construction of such roads and bridges.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 68):

An Act to legalize and validate the proceedings of the Town of Hastings, Florida, for the issuance and sale of twenty-five thousand dollars Improvement Bonds of the Town of Hastings, Florida, issue of 1925 and authorizing the issuance of said bonds, and the levy of taxes thereon.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 94):

An Act to legalize, validate and confirm an election held in the City of Gainesville, a municipal corporation in Alachua County, State of Florida, on August 29th, A. D. 1924, under the provisions of an Ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Provide for the Issuance of Bonds of the Municipality of the City of Gainesville in the sum of Three Hundred Sixty-six Thousand Dollars for the Construction of Street Paving upon the Streets thereof, and for the extension of and Improvement of the Water and the Sewerage Systems of the City of Gainesville, for the Construction and Maintenance of a Hospital, and for the Construction or Acquisition of a City Building, and the Calling and Holding of a Special Election in said City for the Purpose of Deciding at said Election, by the Votes of the Qualified Electors of said City, who were qualified to Vote in the Annual City Election held on April 8th, 1924, and who pay a Tax upon Real or Personal Property, whether or not such bonds shall be issued as Provided for Herein," approved the 22nd, day of July A. D. 1924, to determine whether or not the said City of Gainesville should issue its bonds in the aggregate sum of Three Hundred Sixty-six Thousand Dollars, for the purposes specified therein; and legalizing and validating the bonds issued, or to be issued under the provisions of said Ordinance and the said Election; legalizing and confirming the expenditures provided for in said Ordinance for the objects and purposes mentioned

therein, and legalizing, validating and confirming any and all proceedings had in connection therewith.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 99):

An Act for certain special tax school districts in Polk County, Florida, to be reimbursed by the Board of Public Instruction for said county, from its general fund.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 106):

An Act to amend Sections 6, 14 and 17 of Chapter 9356 establishing a Criminal Court of Record in Polk County, Florida, said Section 6 relating to the salary of the Judge of said Court, said Section 14 relating to the summoning of Jurors for said Court, and said Section 17 relating to challenges in said Court.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 121):

An Act to legalize and validate the election held in the City of Live Oak, Florida, on the 25th day of March, A. D., 1924, to determine whether or not said City should issue bonds for certain Municipal Improvement purposes; to carry into effect, legalize, validate and confirm the results of said election; authorizing said City to issue bonds in the sum of \$9,500.00, with which to raise money for the purpose of paving Helvenston Avenue, pursuant to the results of said election; and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 122):

An Act to legalize and validate the election held in the City of Live Oak, Florida, on the 18th day of November, A. D. 1924, to determine whether or not said city should issue bonds in the sum of \$27,500.00, for certain municipal improvement purposes; to carry into effect, legalize, validate and confirm the results of said election; authorizing said city to issue said bonds; and repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act.

Very respectfully,
 JOHN W. MARTIN,
 Governor.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT
RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. Phillips—

Senate Bill No. 239:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing for Teacher-Training Departments in High Schools and making appropriations therefor.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Phillips moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 239 be read the second time in full.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 239 was read the second time in full.

Mr. Phillips moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 239 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 239, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Knight, McDaniels, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor, Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

By Mr. Malone—

Senate Bill No. 240:

A bill to be entitled An Act notifying by publication and requiring all persons against whose property tax sale certificates, or tax deeds have issued, which said tax sale certificates or tax deeds have been issued by the State of Florida, for State and county taxes, to pay, redeem or satisfactorily adjust the same, and to confirm, ratify, legalize and validate all tax sale certificates or tax deeds which have not been paid redeemed or settled after said notice.

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

By Mr. Malone—

Senate Bill No. 241:

A bill to be entitled An Act empowering and authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Florida, to cancel all county warrants and witness certificate heretofore issued by the Board of County Commissioners of Monroe County, Florida, being dated more than one year old.

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. Malone—

Senate Bill No. 242:

A bill to be entitled An Act amending Section 2280 of the General Revised Statutes of Florida in relation to the qualifications for professional engineers to obtain a license to practice profession of civil engineering.

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

By Mr. Malone—

Senate Bill No. 243:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Monroe County, Florida, to levy and assess annually, not more than three mills on the dollar on assessable value of real estate of Monroe County, Florida, for the purpose of advantageous advertising and publicity.

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. Malone—

Senate Bill No. 244:

A bill to be entitled An Act to enable municipalities of the State of Florida to adopt zoning regulations and to enforce the same, and providing for the creation of zoning commissions and boards of adjustment and prescribing their powers and duties.

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

By Mr. Malone—

Senate Bill No. 245:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing a supplemental, additional and alternative method for the establishment, government and maintenance of City Planning Boards within Municipalities of the State of Florida and prescribing their powers and duties.

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

By Mr. Swearingen—

Senate Bill No. 246:

A bill to be entitled An Act prescribing a limitation of time after which a person may not claim or recover lands as heir or devisee of a deceased person after the record of a deed, or deeds, made by one or more heirs or devisees of such decedent purporting to convey such lands.

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

By Mr. Phillips—

Senate Bill No. 247:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide that the regular biennial sessions of the Legislature which meet on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in April of each odd numbered year as provided by the Constitution shall be divided into two half sessions of thirty days each; and to fix the time of the holding of the second half session.

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

By Mr. Colson—

Senate Bill No. 248:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize in certain cases the admission of women as students in the University of Florida and to declare their qualifications, rights and privileges as students.

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

By Messrs. Coe, Clark and Gillis—

Senate Bill No. 249:

A bill to be entitled An Act to regulate the taking of fish in the fresh and salt waters of the counties of Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa and Walton, of the State

of Florida; to provide for the licensing of sport fishermen in the said counties; to provide for the enforcement thereof and a rule of evidence in prosecutions thereunder; and for the forfeiture of fishing tackle and devices unlawfully used.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Coe moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 249 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 249 was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Coe moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 249 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 249, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Clark, Coe, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Walker, Watson, Wicker—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By Mr. Knight—

Senate Bill No. 250:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide notice of mortgages of delinquent taxes on land mortgaged before sale.

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

By Mr. Knight—

Senate Bill No. 251:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing banks and trust companies to subscribe for or purchase stock in agricultural credit corporations.

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

By Mr. Coe—

Senate Bill No. 252:

A bill to be entitled An Act to define the grades of instruction to be taught in the uniform public schools of Florida, and to repeal Sections 530, 531, 532, 533, 534 and 535, Revised General Statutes of the State of Florida.

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

By Mr. Overstreet—

Senate Bill No. 253:

A bill to be entitled An Act to cure certain informalities in the execution of deeds and other instruments conveying or transferring real or personal property or in the relinquishment of dower by married women prior to the first day of April, A. D. 1925.

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

By Mr. Putnam—

Senate Bill No. 254:

A bill to be entitled An Act to legalize, ratify, validate and confirm the proceedings of the Town of Daytona Beach, Fla., in issuing bonds for the purpose of construction, reconstruction, repair, paving, re-paving, hard-surfacing, re-hard-surfacing, of streets, boulevards, highways, sidewalks and alleys in Town of Daytona Beach. Also in issuing bonds for the purpose of purchasing land and the erection of a city hall and fire station in the Town of Daytona Beach.

Which was read the first time by its title.

And the bill was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills.

By Mr. Putnam—

Senate Bill No. 255:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Daytona Beach in the County of Volusia and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known, described and designated as the City of Daytona Beach and to define its territorial boundaries and to provide for its officers, jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

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. Malone—

Senate Bill No. 256:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of Public Instruction of Monroe County, Florida, to employ a public school health nurse and to fix the salary of said nurse, and designate the fund out of which said nurse shall be paid.

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. Watson—

Senate Bill No. 257:

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate an issue of sidewalk improvement bonds of the Town of Lake Worth, Florida, in the sum of \$30,582.28 issued against certain sidewalk improvements in said town, and to validate a certain issue of improvement bonds in the sum of \$35,277.11 issued against certain street improvements in said town; to validate and confirm the assessments upon which said issues of bonds are based; to validate and confirm all acts and proceedings taken by said town in the making of said improvements, levying of said assessments and the issuance and sale of said bonds and declaring said bonds legal, valid and binding obligations of said town of Lake Worth, Florida.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Watson moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 257 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 257 was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Watson moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 257 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 257, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hineley, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Single-

tary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

By Senator Watson—

Senate Bill No. 258:

A bill to be entitled An Act to establish the City of Coral Gables, to provide for its government and to prescribe its jurisdiction and powers.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Watson moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 258 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 258 was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Watson moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 258 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 258, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hine'ey, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—27.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By Mr. Etheredge—

Senate Bill No. 259:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend An Act being An Act to incorporate the City of Bradentown in Manatee County, Florida, being Chapter 9692, Acts of the Legislature of 1923. Said amendatory Act providing the change of the City of Bradentown to the City of Bradenton, providing that "W" in Bradentown be stricken out, and there-

by changing the name of the City of Bradentown to the City of Bradenton.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Etheredge moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 259 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 259 was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Etheredge moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 259 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 259, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Clark, Coe, Colson, Conc, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hincley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson—28.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rules having been waived.

By permission—

Mr. Watson, Chairman of the Committee on Apportionment, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 27, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Reapportionment, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 211:

A bill to be entitled An Act to apportion the representa-

tion of the State of Florida in the Senate of the State of Florida, and to apportion the representation of the State of Florida in the House of Representatives of the State of Florida.

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

Very respectfully,

J. W. WATSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 211, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 24, 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 passed--

House Bill No. 468:

A bill to be entitled An Act to establish the municipality of Fort Myers, Florida; to authorize the issuance of bonds, to provide for an organization of a commission form of government, to fix its territorial limits, and to prescribe its jurisdiction and powers, and to ratify and confirm all elections held under the following charter heretofore held, and ratify and confirm all the acts and proceedings heretofore had under this charter by the officers and commission including the issuing and selling bonds of said city and all proceedings and acts relating thereto, and confirming all city officers, including said commissioners, now holding office in said City, and validating their respective tenure of office and granting them all the powers conferred under this charter.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 468, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 468 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 468 was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 468 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 468, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Butler, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 27, 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 passed—

House Bill No. 79:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing for the creation of Indian River County, in the State of Florida, and for the organization and government thereof.

Also—

House Bill No. 122:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections land 2 of Chapter 8495 of the Acts of 1921, Laws of Florida; all of said Chapters of the Laws of Florida relating to fixing the compensation of members of county school boards in counties having a population between fifty thousand and fifty-five thousand persons according to the last Federal or State census.

Also—

House Bill No. 163:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1175 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida, same being Section 16 of Chapter 6453, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913, as amended by Section 7 of Chapter 9657, Acts of 1915, as amended by Section 4 of Chapter 7305 of the Acts of 1917, relating to tax sale certificates issued for non-payment of Everglades Drainage District taxes and vesting title to the lands embraced in such certificates in the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of the State of Florida.

Also—

House Bill No. 219:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the appointment of an Educational Survey Commission of the State of Florida; to define its powers and duties; to make an appropriation for the expense of such Commission, its servants and employees, and to prohibit interference with the work of such commission.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 79, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on Second reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 122, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 163, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

And House Bill No. 210, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Education.

Mr. Wicker moved to waive the rules and take up out of its order House Bill No. 342 for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

Also—

House Bill No. 342:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Sumter County to levy a special tax for publicity purposes.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate, and read the second time.

Mr. Wicker moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 342 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 342, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Butler, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Gillis, Hale, Malone, McDanicks, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—23.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

By Permission—

Mr. Hale (By Request) introduced—

Senate Bill No. 260:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 4, 7 and 9, of Chapter 7905, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1919, entitled "An Act relating to the inspection, measure-

ment, analysis and fixing the standards of certain oils and gases sold in this State; to authorize the collection of an inspection fee and disposition thereof; to provide for the appointment of an assistant State Chemist, Oil Inspectors, Clerical help and prescribe their duties; and to define the powers and duties of State Attorneys and the Commissioner of Agriculture in connection herewith; and to provide for the condemnation and confiscation of pumps used in violation of this Act.

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

By Mr. Hale—
Senate Bill No. 261:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present municipality of the Town of New Port Richey in the County of Pasco, Florida; to create and establish a new municipality to be known as the City of New Port Richey in Pasco County, Florida; to legalize and validate the ordinances of said Town of New Port Richey and official acts, and to adopt the same as those of said City of New Port Richey; to prescribe the time within which suits can be brought against said city and for notice thereof; to fix and provide the territorial limits, jurisdiction and powers of said city and the jurisdiction and powers of its officers; to validate all contracts of said Town of New Port Richey; to authorize said city to assess street improvement now in progress against the abutting property and to issue special improvement bonds to be paid for by street assessments.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Hale moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 261 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No 261 was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Hale moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 261 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 261, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Butler, Clark, Coe, Colson, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Malone,

McDaniels, Overstreet, Philips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Wicker—26.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Hale moved to waive the rules and take up out of its order House Bill No. 121 for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 121:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present Municipality of the Town of New Port Richey in the County of Pasco, Florida, to create and establish a new Municipality, to be known as the City of New Port Richey in Pasco County, Florida; to legalize and validate the ordinances of said Town of New Port Richey and Official Acts, and to adopt the same as the ordinances of said City of New Port Richey; to prescribe the time within which suits can be brought against said City and for notice thereof; to fix and provide the territorial limits, jurisdictions and powers of said City and the jurisdiction and powers of its officers. To validate all contracts of said Town of New Port Richey; to authorize said City to assess street improvement now in progress against the abutting property and to issue Special Improvement Bonds to be paid for by street assessments.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate and read the second time.

Mr. Hale moved that House Bill No. 121 be indefinitely postponed.

Which was agreed to.

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

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

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

Senate Bill No. 31:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing for the Drawing, Summoning and Impaneling of Juries for the Courts of the County Judges of the several counties of the State of

Florida, having no County Court, Criminal Court or Court of Record, and prescribing the manner of securing jurors to make up any deficiency thereof in the trial of any cause in such Courts.

Was taken up in its order for the reconsideration of the vote by which the Senate failed to pass Senate Bill No. 31.

Mr. Etheredge moved to reconsider the vote by which the Senate failed to pass Senate Bill No. 31.

The Senate, by a two-thirds vote, reconsidered its vote by which the bill failed to pass.

And the bill, title above stated, was again placed upon its passage:

Upon the passage of Senate Bill No. 31, title above stated, the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Clark, Coe, Etheredge, Gillis, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Seales, Singletary, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Watson, Wicker—16.

Nays—Messrs. Butler, Colson, Cone, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Rowe, Smith, Turnbull, Turner, Walker—14.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Committee Substitute for—
Senate Bill No. 53:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 715 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida, to provide for the return of property for taxation, for a punishment for failure to make such return, or for making fraudulent return, and for the prosecution of offenders; and to regulate the assessment of property where no return is made.

Was taken up in its order.

Mr. Coe moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 53 be placed back on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading for amendment.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And the bill was placed back on the Second Reading.

Mr. Coe offered the following amendment to Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 53:

In Section 1, line 23, after the word "taxes," insert the

words: "Provided, however, that no person shall be required to make return of intangible property, as now or hereafter defined, unless and until the same shall be classified by the Legislature, and a special rate of taxation thereon fixed."

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

Mr. Coe offered the following amendment to Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 53:

In Section 1, line 25, after the word "shall" and before the word "fail," insert the word "wilfully."

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

Mr. Coe offered the following amendment to Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 53:

In Section 1, lines 28, 29, 30, strike out the words: "and each day's failure so to make such return shall be and constitute a separate offense."

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

And Senate Bill No. 53, as amended, was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Mr. McDanie's moved to waive the rules and take up out of its order House Bill No. 420 for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 420—

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate certain bonds of Special Tax School District Number Four (4) of Calhoun County, Florida.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. McDaniels moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 420 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 420 was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. McDaniels moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 420 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 420, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Butler, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cnoc, Eiberedge, Gillis, Hale, Hiney, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Seales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson—28.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Committee substitute for—

Senate Bill No. 103:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the erection and operation of cold storage plants in the several counties of the State of Florida, for the furnishing of storage facilities for the storing of animal and vegetable products of the State of Florida to await favorable marketing conditions, to authorize counties to erect and operate cold storage plants and to provide for State assistance to the same under certain regulations; to prescribe the effect of receipts issued for products held on storage.

(As amended)—

Was taken up in its order and was referred to the Committee on Engrossed Bills.

Senate Bill No. 27:

A bill to be entitled An Act to require daily readings from the Holy Bible in all the public schools of the State of Florida.

Was taken up in its order.

And the consideration of the bill was passed over informally.

CONSIDERATION OF LOCAL BILLS ON THE THIRD READING.

House Bill No. 338:

A bill to be entitled An Act, to extend the corporate limits of the Town of Boynton, Palm Beach County, Florida, and to define, fix and establish the territorial area and boundaries of said City of Boynton, and to give the said

City of Boynton jurisdiction over the territory embraced in said extension.

Was taken up in its order and read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of House Bill No. 338 the roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Butler, Clark, Cee, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hincley, Knight, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Scales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

The consideration of Senate Bill No. 105 was informally passed.

Senate Bill No. 216:

A bill to be entitled An Act to secure and enforce the rights and interests of the State of Florida in the construction, maintenance and operation of the canal or waterway constructed and operated by the Florida East Coast Canal and Transportation Company.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Watson moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 216 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 216 was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Watson moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 216 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 216, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Mr. Watson moved that the time for adjournment be extended sixteen minutes.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Turnbull moved that the rules be waived and that

Senate Bill No. 216 be placed on second reading for purpose of amendment.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 216 was placed on second reading for the purpose of amendment.

Mr. Watson offered the following amendment to Substitute for Senate Bill No. 216:

In Section 2, line 8, strike out the word "empowered," and insert in lieu thereof the following: "required."

Mr. Watson moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Turnbull moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 216, as amended, be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 216, with title above stated, was read the third time in full, with amendment.

Ppon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Butler, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Hale, Hinely, Hodges, Malone, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor, Turnbull, Turner (31st Dist.), Turner, Water, Watson, Wicker—26.

Nay—Mr. Gillis—1.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Hodges moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Whereupon the Senate, at 6:16 o'clock P. M., stood adjourned until 11 o'clock A. M., Tuesday, April 23, A. D. 1925.

Tuesday, April 28, 1925

The Senate convened at 11 A. M. pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Edge, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniel's, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—32.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The daily Journal of April 27th was corrected, and, as corrected, was approved.

Mr. Wicker, Chairman of the Committee on Cities and Towns, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 27, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Cities and Towns, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 221:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing Cities and Towns to levy a tax for the support of musical organizations and providing a method of submitting to the qualified voters of the cities and towns the right to levy such tax and the right to revoke such authority.

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

Very respectfully,

N. J. WICKER,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 221, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Overstreet, Chairman of the Committee on Drainage, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 28, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Drainage, to whom was referred—
House Bill No. 162:

A bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit the obstruction of any canal drain ditch or water course, and prohibiting the damage or destruction of any works constructed by any drainage district organized under the General Drainage Law of the State of Florida, prescribing the penalty for any such violation.

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

Very respectfully,

M. O. OVERSTREET,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 162, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 23, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

(Senate Bill No. 162) :

An Act to establish, organize and constitute a municipality and municipal government to be named and designated as the Town of Polk City in the State of Florida, to define its territorial boundaries, to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges and for the exercise of same, and to authorize the imposition of penalties for the violation of its ordinances.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 143) :

An Act to abolish the municipality known as the Town of Largo in Pinellas County, Florida; to create and establish a municipality to be known as the City of Largo in Pinellas County, Florida, to legalize and validate the ordinances of said Town of Largo and official acts thereunder, and to adopt the same as the ordinances of said City of Largo; to validate the contracts of said Town of Largo, to regulate the bringing of suits against said city and providing for notice thereof, and to fix and prescribe the territorial limits, jurisprudence and powers of said City of Largo and the jurisdiction and powers of its officers, and repealing Chapter 6715 of the Acts of 1913 and Chapter 7191 of the Acts of 1915.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 166) :

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

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 18) :

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.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 145):

An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of County Commissioners of Volusia County, Florida, to issue and sell for and on behalf of Turnbull Special Road and Bridge District of Volusia County, Florida, additional bonds to pay for the construction and completion of certain roads and bridges in the said Turnbull Special Road and Bridge District, and providing for the payment of said bonds.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 158):

An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of County Commissioners of Volusia County, Florida, to issue and sell negotiable interest-bearing time warrants of said county in a sum or sums not to exceed in the aggregate ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars for the purpose of raising funds with which to construct and improve certain roads and bridges in County Commissioners' District No. 5 in said county, and providing for the payment of said time warrants.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

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

Very respectfully,

S. W. ANDERSON,

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

The bills contained in the above report were duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in open session and ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 28, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

(House Bill No. 393):

An Act to provide additional sections for the charter of the City of Manatee, Florida, with reference to zoning and germane powers to be exercised by the City Council of the said City of Manatee, Florida, and with reference to the issuance of bonds and the denomination thereof.

Also—

House Bill No. 360:

An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida, to issue and sell interest-bearing time warrants in the sum of two hundred and twenty-five thousand (\$225,000 00) dollars or any part thereof, for the purpose of resurfacing, repairing or reconstructing what is known as the Bay Shore Road in Hillsborough County, Florida, from Tampa-Plant City Road to the Manatee County line, or any part thereof; and also for repairing or reconstructing the bridges and culverts on said road or any part of it; for building new bridges or new culverts in the place of any bridge or culvert on said road, or any of them, or for doing all or any part of such work upon said road; and for the purpose of relaying, paving and widening to a width of fifteen (15) feet of that part of the Plant City and Crystal Springs Road, beginning at a point north of the limits of the city limits of the City of Plant City, where the fifteen (15) foot brick road now ends and running north to where the fifteen (15) foot asphalt-brick road begins, a distance of approximately four and one-half (4½) miles; also to hard surface that part of the

George Wilder Road beginning where the pavement now ends at the Platt Road and run east a distance of approximately one and one-fourth (1¼) miles to the Polk County Line.

Also—

(House Bill No. 25):

An Act ratifying, validating and confirming all of the proceedings taken for the creation and organization of the New Hall Drainage District and all the acts and proceedings taken by, for and on behalf of said district since the creation thereof, and all the acts and proceedings of the Circuit Court, of the Board of Supervisors, the Commissioners and all other officers of and agents of said drainage district, acting for and on behalf of said district, in carrying out the affairs of said district; and ratifying validating and confirming in and of tax levies and assessments which have been made by the Board of Supervisors of the said district upon the assessable and taxable property located within said District, authorizing the Board of Supervisors of said district to pay for work done and ratify amounts expended by the Drainage Commissioners of the Everglades Drainage District.

Also—

(House Bill No. 392):

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, to issue certain interest-bearing time warrants, negotiable notes or county script for the purpose of raising funds with which to secure machinery and other equipment for working the roads and drains in said County, and providing for the use of said machinery and equipment for County purposes, and providing for the rate of interest which said time warrants shall bear, how and where payable, period for which said warrants shall run, and providing for the levy of special taxes to cover this interest and to create a sinking fund for the redemption of said obligations, providing for the Board of County Commissioners to enter into contracts with reference to the use of said machinery.

Also—

(House Bill No. 395):

An Act to abolish the present municipal government of

the Town of MacClenny in the County of Baker, and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as MacClenny, and to define its territorial boundary and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

Also—

(House Bill No. 388):

An Act to ratify, approve, confirm and validate the actions of the Board of County Commissioners of Glades County, Florida, in passing resolutions calling the election, publishing notice of election, and giving notice of the same, printing of ballots, holding of election, canvassing the returns and declaring the results, providing for a Sinking Fund, the form of ballot adopted, time and place of payment and each and every step taken by the Board of County Commissioners and County Officers concerning the issuance and sale of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars of county bonds of Glades County, Florida, in the denomination of one thousand dollars each, the proceeds of one hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars of which is to be used for erecting and constructing a Court House in Glades County, Florida, and the proceeds of the remaining fifteen thousand dollars to be used for furnishing and equipping a Court House in Glades County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 351):

An Act to legalize and validate the organization of Special Road and Bridge District No. 11, of Brevard County, Florida, into a Special Road and Bridge District; to legalize and validate the issuance and sale of negotiable bonds against said Special Road and Bridge District No. 11, of Brevard County, Florida, in the sum of \$20,000.00.

Also—

(House Concurrent Resolution No. 3):

Relating to Senate Joint Resolution No. 358 which provides for "A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 1, of Article 9, of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to taxation and finance.

Also—

(House Bill No. 205):

An Act to prescribe the open and closed season for the

hunting of squirrels in Okaloosa County, Florida, and providing a penalty for violation of this Act.

Also—

(House Bill No. 350):

An Act authorizing the City of Punta Gorda to levy a tax for publicity purposes.

Also—

(House Bill No. 148):

An Act to regulate the catching of fish in certain rivers, creeks, bayous, cut-offs or inlets in Bay County, Florida; providing penalties for the violation thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 326):

An Act changing the name of Zolfo in Hardee County, Florida, to Zolfo Springs.

Also—

(House Bill No. 333):

An Act to validate the issuance and sale of \$1,000,000.00 of county road bonds of Manatee County, Florida, voted and provided for at an election held in the said county on February 23, A. D. 1925, and more particularly described in a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of said county, adopted January 5, 1925, said bonds to be dated as of April 1, 1925, validated by decree of Circuit Court of Manatee County, Florida, in Chancery, April 6, 1925, and all proceedings for the issuance of said bonds, and including the sale and delivery thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 173):

An Act to ratify and validate all acts and proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida, done and taken in construction, paving and improving a portion of Bayshore Boulevard and in constructing a seawall along the same portion of said boulevard, with cuts and fills, and in levying assessments for a part of the cost of said seawall, cuts and fills, and in authorizing \$157,000 county highway bonds.

Also—

(House Bill No. 345) :

An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Seminole County, Florida, to issue and sell interest-bearing time warrants, the proceeds derived from the sale thereof to be used for the purpose of building and constructing a common jail for Seminole County, and authorizing the levying of a special tax to create a sinking fund for the payment of the principal and interest of said time warrants at the maturity thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 353) :

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 9690 of the Acts of the Legislature of Florida, 1923, the same being an Act amending Chapter 5791 of the Acts of the Legislature of Florida, 1907, the same being an Act to establish, organize and constitute, a municipality in DeSoto County (now Hardee County), Florida, to be known and designated as the Town of Bowling Green and to define its territorial boundaries and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges, and to provide for the appointment of a Town Marshal by the Town Council of the Town of Bowling Green, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 348) :

An Act to amend Sections 17, 40, 113 of Chapter 9055, Laws of Florida, A. D. 1921, the same being: An Act to abolish the present municipality of the Town of Punta Gorda, DeSoto County, Florida, and to create and establish a municipal corporation to be known as the City of Punta Gorda, Florida; to prescribe the form of government, and to confer certain powers upon said municipality and its officers, and to provide a charter for the carrying into effect of the provisions of this Act.

Also—

(House Bill No. 362) :

An Act to validate and ratify a certain contract for the construction of bridges in the City of Tampa and to authorize the application of proceeds of certain bonds of said City heretofore voted so that the same may be used in the payment of the cost of said bridges.

Also—

(House Bill No. 292) :

An Act fixing and defining the corporate limits and territory of the City of Lakeland, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 376) :

An Act to authorize and empower the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, to borrow money in amounts not to exceed at any one time the aggregate of one hundred thousand dollars for the purpose of constructing or repairing public roads or bridges in the said County of Manatee, to issue their notes, warrants or other evidences of indebtedness therefore, and to authorize a tax levy for the payment of same.

Also—

(House Bill No. 347) :

An Act to legalize and validate the issuance and sale of negotiable bonds against Special Road and Bridge District No. 9, of Brevard County, Florida, in the sum of \$15,000.00 voted for to raise an additional sum to complete the construction of the roads and bridges located in said Special Road and Bridge District No. 9, of Brevard County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 213) :

An Act providing a supplemental, additional and alternative method of making local improvements in the City of Clearwater, a municipal corporation, authorizing and providing for special assessments for the cost thereof, and authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds of such municipality.

Also—

(House Bill No. 346) :

An Act to legalize and validate the organization of Special Road and Bridge District No. 9, of Brevard County, Florida, into a Special Road and Bridge District, to legalize and validate the issuance and sale of time warrants against said Special Road and Bridge District No. 9, of Brevard County, Florida, in the sum of \$30,000.00.

Also—

(House Bill No. 357) :

An Act providing for the sale and issuance of bonds in the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars by the County of Glades, State of Florida, for constructing roads and bridges in said county, providing for a sinking fund with which to pay the principal and interest on said bonds as same matures, and specifying what interest said bonds are to bear, the form of said bonds and the date of maturity of same.

Also—

(House Bill No. 324) :

An Act in relation to Special Road and Bridge District No. 5, of Brevard County, Florida, validating and confirming the proceedings to create such district and to issue bonds thereof to the amount of \$60,000.00 and authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds to the said amount.

Also—

(House Bill No. 337) :

An Act to extend the corporate limits of the City of Delray, Palm Beach County, Florida, and to define, fix and establish the territorial area and boundaries of said City of Delray, and to give the said City of Delray jurisdiction over the territory embraced in said extension.

Also—

(House Bill No. 332) :

An Act to validate the issuance and sale of \$100,000.00 of County Bridge Bonds of Manatee County, Florida, voted and provided for at an election held in the said county on February 23, A. D. 1925, and more particularly described in the Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of said County adopted on the date of January 5th, 1925, said bonds to be dated April 1, 1925, validated by decree of Circuit Court of Manatee County, Florida, in Chancery, April 6, 1925, and all proceedings of the issuance of said bonds and including the sale and delivery thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 291) :

An Act validating and confirming an election held in the City of Lakeland, Polk County, Florida, under date of December 30th, 1924, and validating and

confirming the canvass of the returns of said election and declaring certain herein described territory to be part of the corporate limits of the City of Lakeland, Polk County, Florida, as of December 31, 1924, and validating and confirming Ordinance No. 332 and validating and confirming Ordinance No. 393, of the City of Lakeland.

Also—

(House Bill No. 270):

An Act authorizing the Town of Dunnellon, in Marion County, Florida, to regulate, provide for and compel the construction and repair of sidewalks, foot pavements, curbs and gutters, and for grading and paving the same; and providing for the issuance of special assessment certificates for the cost of such work against the lot or lots along which such sidewalks, foot pavements, curbs or gutters shall be constructed or repaired, and for the enforcement and collection of such assessments.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

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

Very respectfully,

S. W. ANDERSON,

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

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

Mr. Calkins moved that Senate Bill No. 211 be made a special order for consideration for Thursday next.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 211 took its position on the Order of Day for said date.

On motion of Mr. Edge, 300 copies of the Senate Calendar was ordered to be printed, to take the place of the prior order for 200 copies.

On motion of Mr. Calkins, 200 copies of Senate Bill No. 211 was ordered to be printed.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS.

By Mr. Hineley—
Senate Bill No. 262:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 409 of the Revised General Statutes relating to Notice of Dissolution of Corporations.

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

By Messrs. Clark and Gillis—
Senate Bill No. 263:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for an additional Circuit Judge for the First Judicial Circuit of Florida, and to regulate the dispatch of business in said Circuit after such appointment.

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

By Mr. Russell—
Senate Bill No. 264:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing for the appointment of an additional circuit judge in and for the Eighth Judicial Circuit of Florida.

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

By Mr. Swearingen—
Senate Bill No. 265:

A bill to be entitled An Act in relation to Special Road and Bridge District Number 13, of Polk County, Florida, validating and confirming the proceedings to create such district and to issue bonds thereof to the amount of \$325,000.00 and authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds to the said amount.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Swearingen moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 265 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 265 was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Swearingen moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 265 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 265, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Edge, Etheredge, Gillis, Hincley, Hodges, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rules having been waived.

By Committee on Military Affairs—

Senate Bill No. 266:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 8502, Laws of Florida, being an Act entitled "An Act to regulate and provide for the military forces of the State of Florida, and to promote its efficiency; to prescribe rules, regulations and means for its organization, administration, armament, equipment, discipline, control and supervision; to provide for its maintenance, support and upkeep; to authorize and empower the Governor of Florida to make and publish rules and regulations for the reorganization of the Florida National Guard, in conformity to Acts of Congress relating to the National Guard; to authorize the Governor to take necessary steps for procuring aid, equipment and appropriations from the Federal Government for the National Guard; to provide means for the enforcement of this Act; to fix penalties and punishments for the violation of this Act; and to repeal Articles I, II and III of Chapter I, Military Code of Florida, under Title VIII, Revised General Statutes Florida, and being entitled: "An Act to amend Sections 19, 20, 21, 30, 32, 41, 44, 48, 50, 51, 52 and 53 of the Act approved June 7, 1923, the same being Chapter 9337, Laws of Florida, and being entitled: "An Act to amend Sections 19, 20, 21, 30, 32, 41, 44, 48, 50, 51, 52 and 53 of the Act approved May 5, 1921, entitled 'An Act to regulate and provide for the military forces of the State of Florida, and

promote their efficiency,' and for other purposes, being Chapter 8502 of the Laws of Florida." And repealing all laws or parts of laws in conflict herewith.

Which was read the first time by its title.

And Senate Bill No. 266 was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

By Mr. Clark—

Senate Bill No. 267:

A bill to be entitled An Act prohibiting the carrying on or engaging in games or sports on Sunday under certain circumstances; providing a penalty for the violation hereof, and repealing certain laws in conflict herewith.

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

By permission—

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

Senate Chamber,

Tallahassee, Fla., April 28, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred (with amendments) after third reading—

Senate Bill No. 216:

(Substitute for Senate Bill No. 104):

A bill to be entitled An Act to secure and enforce the rights and interests of the State of Florida in the construction, maintenance and operation of the canal or waterway constructed and operated by the Florida East Coast Canal and Transportation Company.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 53:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 715 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida, to provide for the return of property for taxation, for a punishment for failure to make such returns, or for making fraudulent return, and for the prosecution of offenders; and to regulate the assessment of property where no return is made.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 103:

(Committee Substitute for Special Committee Bill No. 103):

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for erection and operation of cold storage curing and drying plants; authorizing counties to erect and operate same and provide for State assistants under certain regulation and prescribe the effect of receipts issued for products held on storage.

Have carefully examined the same, and find same correctly engrossed, and return same herewith.

Very respectfully,

W. W. PHILLIPS,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bills Nos. 216 and 53, contained in the above report, were ordered to be referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

And Committee Substitute for Special Senate Bill No. 103 was placed on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Mr. Malone moved to waive the rules and take up out of its order House Bill No. 202 for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 202:

A bill to be entitled An Act creating an additional judicial circuit in the State of Florida, to be designated as the 19th Judicial Circuit, and to create the Circuit Court thereof, and to provide for a judge and state attorney for the said court, and defining and fixing the territorial limits and boundaries of the said 20th Judicial Circuit, and providing the time for holding the terms of court in said 19th Judicial Circuit, and prescribing the effects on pending cases, and making appropriation for the payment of salaries of the judge, state attorney and court reporter.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 202 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 202 was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 202 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 202, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Butler, Calkins, Coe, Cone, Edge, Etheredge, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Scales, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Watson, Wicker—25.

Nays—Messrs. Anderson, Clark, Colson, Gillis, Rowe, Singletary, Walker—7.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

Mr. Etheredge moved to waive the rules and take up out of its order House Bill No. 18 for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 18:

A bill to be entitled An Act defining and fixing the territorial limits and boundaries of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit; creating the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit; providing for a Circuit Judge and State Attorney in the Nineteenth Judicial Circuit and providing and fixing the time for holding the terms of the Circuit Court in said circuits; and defining its effect on pending litigation.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Etheredge moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 18 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 18 was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Etheredge moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 18 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 18, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Edge, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—28.

Nays—Messrs. Cone, Scale, Singletary—3.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

The President handed down the following appointment of the Joint Committee on the part of the Senate under House Concurrent Resolution No. 3: Senators Swearingen and Coe.

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

By unanimous consent—

Mr. Butler introduced—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 268:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 9 of Article XII of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to education.

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

By permission —

Mr. Butler introduced—

Senate Bill No. 269:

A bill to be entitled An Act governing the jurisdiction of the Circuit Courts of this State in validation of bonds where the municipality, taxing district or other political district or subdivision shall extend or lie in more than one county, or more than one judicial circuit, validating such decrees in such courses heretofore made and providing a limit of time in which such formerly made decrees may be attacked.

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

By Mr. Overstreet—

Senate Bill No. 270:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 3077 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida, relating to the duties of the Clerk of the several Circuit Courts of this State.

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

The following communication from the Governor was received and read:

State of Florida, Executive Department,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 28, 1925.

MESSAGE

SUBJECT: EDUCATION.

*Honorable John S. Taylor, President,
and Members of the Senate:*

Gentlemen:

There will be introduced in the House and Senate a Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 9 of Article XII to the Constitution which, if agreed to by the Legislature and approved by the people at the polls, will have the effect of conferring upon the Legislature the power to increase the County School Fund by direct appropriation from the State Treasury. If the child in the rural districts and poorer counties of this State is to enjoy equal educational advantages with the more favored child in the cities and wealthier counties the generous hand of the State cannot longer be withheld. It is an anomalous situation when a Legislature can appropriate *MILLIONS* for higher education and not *ONE CENT* for an essential common school education. No one would withhold from our institutions of higher learning funds necessary to their support. As Chairman of the State Board of Education and of the Budget Commission I was glad to advocate a liberal appropriation for these splendid institutions which are the pride of every patriotic citizen within the Commonwealth. I did this freely, but with the fixed conviction, however, that the time had come to do justice to the great mass of the youth of the State who will be deprived of the opportunity of sharing in these legislative appropriations. In that part of my message to the Legislature dealing with education I made the following statement:

“In the smaller and poorer counties sufficient revenue for operating the schools cannot be had outside of State aid or support, even though the property be assessed at its full cash value in these counties. We shall, therefore, have to find means other than the raising of values in these counties. Education in a democracy like ours is not a local question.”

Florida is a growing State, but her educational facilities are lagging behind her material development. Education and good roads are NOT A LOCAL CONCERN, but necessary to the State's fullest development. We should forget boundary lines that define counties and know none save those that mark the political limits of Florida. "Florida, One and inseparable," should be our motto in matters of legislation—particularly and especially those that affect the education of the youth of the State. I earnestly urge the submission of the proposed amendment to the electorate of the State. I CAN ADDRESS YOU ON NO SUBJECT MORE IMPORTANT.

Yours truly,
JOHN W. MARTIN,
Governor.

The above message from the Governor was referred to the Special Committee on the Governor's Message:

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 27, 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 passed—Senate Bill No. 258:

A bill to be entitled An Act to establish the City of Coral Gables, to provide for its government, and to prescribe its jurisdiction and powers.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

An Senate Bill No. 258, contained in the above message, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 23, 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 passed—

Senate Bill No. 235:

A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the receipt, deposit and disbursement of moneys received by Columbia County, Florida, from the State for gasoline taxes due said county; to require the County Commissioners of said county to deposit same to the credit of a special road fund for said county for certain roads; to provide for the employment by said county of a road superintendent; to prohibit the division of said moneys among the county commissioners' districts for general purposes; to provide for the expenditure of said moneys on certain roads which must be designated by the said County Commissioners jointly with the Board of Bond Trustees of said county; to prohibit the use of any of said funds to pay compensation of any of said County Commissioners or bond trustees.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 259:

A bill to be entitled An Act to incorporate the City of Bradentown in Manatee County, Florida, being Chapter 9692, Acts of the Legislature of 1923. Said amendatory Act providing the change of the City of Bradentown to the City of Bradenton, providing that the "W" in Bradentown be stricken out, and thereby changing the name of the City of Bradentown to the City of Bradenton.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bills Nos. 235 and 259, contained in the

above message, were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

By permission—

Mr. Hodges, Chairman of the Committee on Organized Labor, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 28, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Organized Labor, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 141—

A bill to be entitled An Act to establish an option system of Workmen's Compensation in the State of Florida, to provide for the amount thereof and the manner of exercising such option; to fix the rules of liability for persons and corporations refusing to accept such option; to provide for the collection of such compensation by legal process or otherwise; and to define and provide for the punishment of certain offenses committed in the enforcement or attempted enforcement of the provisions of this Act.

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

Very respectfully,

W. C. HODGES,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 141, contained in the above report, was placed on the table under the rule.

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 28, 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 passed—

Senate Bill No. 225 :

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing Jefferson County, Florida, to issue time warrants for the purpose of paying its one-third part of the cost of street paving around the county court house property of the said county in the Town of Monticello, Florida.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 226 :

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Jefferson County, Florida, to levy a special tax for publicity purposes and providing for the expenditure thereof.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 227 :

A bill to be entitled An Act to protect owners and operators of pound nets in the salt water of Levy County, Florida.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 228 :

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Levy County, Florida, to levy a special tax on all of the property within Levy County, Florida, for publicity purposes.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 230 :

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate the sale of bonds in the sum of twenty thousand dollars to be issued by Special Tax School District Number Three in Highlands County, Florida.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 231 :

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate bonds in the sum of forty thousand dollars to be issued by Special Tax School District Number Six, in Highlands County, Florida.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 232 :

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate bonds in the sum of one hundred thirty-five thousand dollars to be

issued by Special Tax District Number Two, in Highlands County, Florida.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 233:

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate bonds in the sum of thirty-five thousand dollars to be issued by Special Tax School District Number One, in Highlands County, Florida.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bills Nos. 225, 226, 227, 228, 230, 231, 232 and 233, contained in the above message, were read the first time by their title and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received.

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 28, 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 passed—

Senate Bill No. 137:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 60, 73, 75, 102 and 114 of Chapter 9875, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1923, approved May 7, 1923, being "An Act to Abolish the present Municipal Government of the City of Palatka, in the County of Putnam, in the State of Florida, and to create, establish and organize a municipality in the County of Putnam, State of Florida, to be known and designated as the City of Palatka, and to define its territorial boundaries, and to provide for its government, jurisdiction, powers, franchises and privileges."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 186:

A bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and validate all proceedings taken and had in the matter of incorporating and organizing the Harney Drainage District in Hillsborough County, State of Florida, and the election of the Board of Supervisors and the appointment of the officers of said Drainage District and the appraisal of rights-of-way and holding basins and the assessments made for the benefits derived from the construction of the improvements set out in the plan of reclamation against the lands comprehended within said Drainage District and the taxes assessed and levied against said lands; and the resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors of said Drainage District for the issue and sale of one hundred and twenty thousand (\$120 000.00) dollars of bonds of said Drainage District, together with the form of bond and the coupon thereto attached, and the bonds and coupons thereto attached, issued and sold under the said resolution.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 223:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 19 and 38 of the charter of the Town of Monticello, Florida, embraced in Chapter 9026 (No. 631), of the Laws of Florida, the same being entitled "An Act to incorporate and establish a municipal government for the Town of Monticello, in the County of Jefferson, and State of Florida, provide for its government, prescribe its jurisdiction and powers, and to abolish the present corporation of said town."

Also—

Senate Bill No. 224:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing Jefferson County, Florida, through its Board of County Commissioners, to make conveyance to the Town of Monticello, Florida, a municipal corporation, of certain lands to be used by said Town for street and municipal purposes.

Very respectfully,

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

And Senate Bills Nos. 137, 186, 223, and 224, contained in the above message, were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 28, 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 passed --
House Bill No. 520:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 8920, Laws of 1921, in reference to the Charter of the City of Bonifay, Florida.

Also—

House Bill No. 521:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and empower the County Commissioners of Pasco County, Florida, to levy an annual tax for county publicity purposes and extend the funds so raised for advertising the resources of Pasco county.

Also—

House Bill No. 522:

A bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit and make it unlawful for live stock to run or roam at large within certain territorial limits of Jackson County, Florida; to provide for the impounding and sale of said live stock when found running or roaming at large in violation of this Act, and to provide for the recovery of damages suffered by persons or property by reason thereof, and to provide for a referendum in connection therewith.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 520, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed

on the calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 521, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 522, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

The following message from the House of Representatives was received and read—

Also—

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 28, 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 passed—

House Bill No. 510:

A bill to be entitled An Act to create, establish and organize a municipality in the County of Pasco and State of Florida to be known and designated as the City of Port Richey; to define its territorial boundaries, jurisdiction, powers and privileges; and to designate the persons who shall serve as officers of said city until the election and qualifications of its officers at the general election.

Also—

House Bill No. 515:

A bill to be entitled An Act being an Act to incorporate the City of Bradentown in Manatee County, Florida, being Chapter 9692, Acts of the Legislature of 1923, said amendatory Act providing the change of the City of Bradentown to the City of Bradentown to the City of Bradenton, providing that the "w" in Bradentown be

stricken out, and thereby changing the name of the City of Bradentown to the City of Bradenton.

Also—

House Bill No. 517:

A bill to be entitled An Act validating and confirming certain elections; the election of officers; and Acts of the City Council of the City of Waldo, Alachua County, Florida.

Also—

House Bill No. 518:

A bill to be entitled An Act to repeal Chapter 8275, Special Acts of 1919, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Town of Indian Beach of the County of Manatee, State of Florida" and to provide for the payment of any existing indebtedness and the distribution of any assets of said town.

Also—

House Bill No. 519:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the paving of the public roads outside the corporate limits of municipalities, and for assessing the costs thereof against abutting property owners, in the County of Sarasota, and giving the Board of County Commissioners of said county full power and authority therefor.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

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

And House Bill No. 510, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 515, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 517, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 518, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 519, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 28, 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 passed—
House Bill No. 495:

A bill to be entitled An Act to extend the corporate limits of the City of Leesburg, Florida; and providing for the calling and holding of an election for the approval of this act.

Also—

House Bill No. 496:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present Municipal government of the Town of Ocee, in the County of Orange, and the State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a Municipality to be known and designated as the City of Ocee, and to define its territorial boundaries, and to provide for its form of government, jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

Also—

House Bill No. 497:

A bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and validate the issue of negotiable bonds of the City of Cocoa, Brevard County, Florida, in order to raise money to be used to pay the city's share of the cost of the following improvements,

in the following amounts and for the following purposes, namely: One hundred eighty-six thousand (\$185,000.00) dollars for the purpose of opening, widening, and paving certain streets of said City of Cocoa, known and designated as "City of Cocoa Paving Bonds." Fourteen thousand (\$14,000.00) dollars for the purpose of erecting public buildings, wharves, piers, docks, causeways, seawalls, or other public improvements for the use of the City of Cocoa, designated as "City of Cocoa Dock Bonds." Ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars for the purpose of constructing, extending and improving a system of waterworks within said City of Cocoa, for the use of the City of Cocoa, designated as "City of Cocoa Water Works Bonds, Second Issue." Fifteen thousand (\$15,000.00) dollars for the purpose of constructing, extending and maintaining a system of sewers within said city, for the use of the City of Cocoa, designated as City of Cocoa Sewerage Bonds, Second Issue."

Also—

House Bill No. 503:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Chapter 8659 of the Special Acts adopted by the Legislature of the State of Florida, in regular session, in 1921, providing for the appointment of an Official Court Reporter for the Criminal Court of Record, in and for Dade County, Florida, and fixing the fee; and compensation of said reporter.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 495, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 496, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 497, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed

on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 503, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 28, 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 passed—
House Bill No. 488:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing, ratifying, validating, approving and confirming all acts and proceedings of the Town of Lantana, in Palm Beach County, Florida, and its officials in relation to the issuance of bonds of the Town of Lantana, in Palm Beach County, Florida, in the sum of ninety thousand dollars (\$90,000.00) for the purpose of defraying the expenses of certain public improvements of the said Town of Lantana, Florida; authorizing, ratifying, validating and approving certain ordinances and resolutions of the Town of Lantana, Florida; authorizing, ratifying, validating, approving and confirming the bonds of the Town of Lantana, Florida, in the sum of ninety thousand (\$90,000.00) dollars for the purpose of defraying the expenses of certain public improvements of the said Town of Lantana, Florida, issued in pursuance of an election held in and for said Town of Lantana, Florida, on the 20th day of January, A. D. 1925.

Also—

House Bill No. 490:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing, ratifying, validating, approving and confirming all acts and pro-

ceedings of said Town of Palm Beach, in Palm Beach County, Florida, and its officials in relation to the issuance of bonds of the Town of Palm Beach, in Palm Beach County, Florida, in the sum of seventy-five thousand (\$75,000.00) dollars for constructing and erecting a town hall in and for the Town of Palm Beach, in Palm Beach County, Florida; authorizing, ratifying, validating, approving and confirming certain ordinances and resolutions of the Town of Palm Beach, in Palm Beach County, Florida; authorizing, ratifying, validating, approving and confirming the bonds of the said Town of Palm Beach, in Palm Beach County, Florida, in the sum of seventy-five thousand (\$75,000.00) dollars, for the purpose of constructing and erecting a town hall in the said Town of Palm Beach, in Palm Beach County, Florida, issued in pursuance of an election held in and for said Town of Palm Beach, in Palm Beach County, Florida, on the 24th day of March, A. D. 1925.

Also—

House Bill No. 494:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing for an additional, supplemental or alternative method for enforcing the collection of taxes on real estate by the City of Leesburg, Florida.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 488, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 490, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 494, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 28, 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 passed—
House Bill No. 487:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 12, 14, 17, 20, 21, 23, 24, 25, 27, 31, 36, 43, 46, 66, 69, 80, 94 and 96, of Chapter 7683, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1917, as amended by Chapter 9016, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1921, the same being An Act to amend Sections 24, 25, 27, 38, 39, 40, 43, 49, 56 and 58 of An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Palm Beach, in Palm Beach County, Florida; to legalize and validate the ordinance of said Town of Palm Beach and official act thereunder; to create and establish a new municipality to be known as the Town of Palm Beach, Palm Beach County, Florida; to fix and provide its territorial limits, jurisdiction and powers and the jurisdiction and powers of its officers, by Chapter 7683, Laws of Florida, approved June 8, A. D. 1917; and also to make further amendments to said Chapter 7683, Laws of Florida, above mentioned; to provide when the registration book of the Town of Palm Beach, in Palm Beach County, Florida, shall be opened; to provide for the employment of a Town Marshal for the Town of Palm Beach, and to prescribe his duties, powers, and responsibilities; to validate and confirm judgments, tax sales, tax certificates and certificates of indebtedness of the Town of Palm Beach, and to provide for the enforcement and collection thereof; of provide for the requisition and enforcement of liens and assessment against property abutting on or especially benefitted by municipal improvements; to provide for a financial budget for said Town of Palm Beach; to provide for the issuance and payment of certificates of indebtedness of the Town of Palm

Beach; to provide for the creation of a Board of Equalization of taxes for said Town of Palm Beach, and to prescribe the procedure before the aforesaid board; to fix the compensation of the Councilmen of said Town of Palm Beach, and to declare vacancies in said council, and to provide for the filling of such vacancies; to provide that the Town of Palm Beach shall not be annexed to nor consolidated with any other incorporation, city or town without the consent of a two-thirds (2-3) majority of the registered voters actually voting at any election to be held in said Town of Palm Beach; to provide for the non-liability of the Town in certain matters; to provide for filing notice of claims against said Town, and limiting the time during which action can be brought.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 487, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 28, 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 passed—
House Bill No. 474:

A bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and confirm the acts and proceedings of the Board of Public Instruction of Lake County, Florida, in connection with the issuance of bonds of Special Tax School District No. 36 in said county, in the sum of ten thousand (\$10,000.00) dollars.

Also—

House Bill No. 475:

A bill to be entitled An Act to create, establish and organize a municipality to be known and designated as the Town of Mountverde, in Lake County, Florida; to define its territorial boundaries; and to provide for its government, jurisdiction, powers, franchises and privileges.

Also—

House Bill No. 478:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Winter Park, in the County of Orange, State of Florida; to create, establish, organize and incorporate a city and a municipal corporation to be known and designated as the City of Winter Park; to designate the territorial boundaries of said municipality; and to define and prescribe the jurisdiction, powers, privileges and functions of said municipality.

Also—

House Bill No. 485:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Lantana, in the County of Palm Beach and State of Florida; and to organize and establish a new government for the same; to prescribe its jurisdiction and powers; and to authorize the imposition of penalties for the violation of its ordinances.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

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

And House Bill No. 474, contained in the foregoing message was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the second reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 475, contained in the foregoing message was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the second reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 478, contained in the foregoing message was read the first time by its title and was placed

on the Calendar of Local Bills on the second reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 485, contained in the foregoing message was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the second reading without reference.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 28, 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 passed—
House Bill No. 467:

A bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and validate all proceedings taken and had in the matter of incorporating and organizing the Harney Drainage District in Hillsborough County, State of Florida, and the election of the Board of Supervisors and the appointment of the officers of said Drainage District and the appraisal of right of way and holding basins and the assessments made for the benefits derived from the construction of the improvements set out in the plan of reclamation against the lands comprehended within said drainage district and the taxes assessed and levied against said lands, and the resolution adopted by the Board of Supervisors of said Drainage District for the issue and sale of One Hundred and Twenty Thousand (\$120 000 00) Dollars of bonds of said Drainage District, together with the form of bond and the coupon thereto attached, and the bonds and coupons thereto attached issued and sold under the said resolution.

Also—

House Bill No. 470:

A bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and confirm the acts and proceedings of the Board of Public Instruction of Lake County, Florida, in connection with the issuance of bonds of Special Tax School District No. 16 in

said County, in the sum of eighty-five thousand dollars (\$85,000.00).

Also—

House Bill No. 471:

A bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and confirm the acts and proceedings of the Board of Public Instruction of Lake County, Florida, in connection with the issuance of bonds of Special Tax School District No. 6 in said county, in the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000.00).

Also—

House Bill No. 472:

A bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and confirm the acts and proceeding of the Board of Public Instruction of Lake County, Florida, in connection with the issuance of bonds of Special Tax School District No. 19 in said county, in the sum of One Hundred Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00).

House Bill No. 473:

A bill to be entitled An Act to legalize and confirm the acts and proceedings of the Board of Public Instruction of Lake County Florida, in connection with the issuance of bonds of Special Tax School District No. 21 in said county, in the sum of Sixty Thousand (\$60,000.00) Dollars.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

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

And House Bill No. 467, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 470, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 471, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 472, contained the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 473, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 28, 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 passed—

House Bill No. 449:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the City of St. Cloud to issue bonds for public improvements and to assess and collect taxes on the taxable property within the corporate limits of said City of St. Cloud for the purpose of retiring such bonds.

Also—

House Bill No. 458:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 47 of Chapter 8318, Special Acts of 1919, entitled "An Act to Abolish the present Municipal Government of Okeechobee, in Okeechobee County, Florida, to legalize and validate the ordinances of said City of Okeechobee, and all official acts thereunder, to create and establish a new municipality to be known as the City of Okeechobee, in Okeechobee County, Florida, and to fix and provide its territorial limits, jurisdiction and powers, and jurisdiction and the powers of its officers."

Also—

House Bill No. 462:

A bill to be entitled An Act to protect the fish within the

waters of Clay County except the St. Johns River, and to provide certain ways that fish may be taken within a certain time and define the water of Clay County, and to provide punishment for violation of this Act.

Also—

House Bill No. 464:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of DeSoto County, Florida, to issue county bonds in an amount not to exceed three hundred thousand dollars (\$300 000 00) to provide funds with which to purchase a site and to erect and equip a general hospital in said county, and to provide for the levy and collection of an annual tax to pay the principal and interest of the said bonds.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 449, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 458, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 462, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 464, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., 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 passed—

House Bill No. 428:

A bill to be entitled An Act to create and incorporate a Special Taxing District in St. Lucie and Brevard Counties, Florida, to be known and designated as Sebastian Bridge District; prescribing the boundaries thereof; to provide for the government and administration of said District; naming the Commissioners thereof and providing for an election for the selection of their successors; to define the powers and purposes of said district and of the Board of Commissioners thereof; to authorize said Board to construct and maintain a bridge in said District across Indian River; to construct all other works necessary or proper in connection with said bridge; to provide for the acquiring by purchase, gift, condemnation or otherwise of any property needed for District purposes; to empower the Board of Commissioners of said District to levy and collect taxes for District purposes; to authorize said Board to borrow money and issue and sell bonds to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act; to provide for an election to determine whether bonds of the said District shall be issued; to authorize and empower said Board of Commissioners to make and enforce regulations for the use of said bridge, and to fix and collect tolls for the use of said bridge; to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act; and prescribing penalties therefor; and generally to provide for the construction and maintenance of a bridge in said district.

Also—

House Bill No. 443:

A bill to be entitled An Act to make it unlawful for live stock to run or roam at large in certain parts of Glades County, Florida, to provide for the impounding and sale of such live stock so running at large; to provide penalties

for the violation of this act; and providing that persons damaged by such stock running at large may recover therefor from the owner of such live stock.

Also—

House Bill No. 448:

A bill to be entitled An Act creating the Tampa Gap Drainage District in Manatee County, Florida, providing for said district to proceed with the drainage and reclamation of the land embodied in said district under the provisions of Section 1734 et. seq. of Revised General Statutes of Florida of 1920, and acts amendatory thereto, and making applicable to said drainage district said laws.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk of House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 428, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 443, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 448, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 18, 1925.

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

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to in-

form the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 155:

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate and confirm all State and County assessments of lands for taxes for the year 1924 in Escambia County, Florida; to validate and confirm all uncancelled and unredeemed tax sale certificates upon which no deed has been made issued in pursuance of sales for taxes heretofore made by any State Tax Collector or State Collector of Revenue embracing lands in said County of Escambia, and to validate and confirm all proceedings, assessments and sales upon which such certificates are based; to cure all defects, omissions, errors and irregularities in such assessments, proceedings and sales and in the said assessments for 1924; to provide for the redemption, sale and assignment of such of said certificates as are held by the State; to fix the time for such redemption; and to declare that the invalidity of any portion of this Act shall not affect the validity of the remainder.

Also—

House Bill No. 192:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 3135, Revised General Statutes of Florida, relating to the taking of testimony in chancery after issue.

Also—

House Bill No. 231:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of Florida to sell the moss from any lands belonging to the State of Florida, including sovereignty lands, and providing that the proceeds from such sales shall be paid into the State School Fund.

Also—

House Bill No. 289:

A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the punishment of derogatory statements affecting building and loan associations.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 155, contained in the above mes-

sage, was read the first time by its title and was placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on Second Reading without reference.

And House Bill No. 192, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

And House Bill No. 231, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Finance and Taxation.

And House Bill No. 289, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and was referred to the Committee on Banking.

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 28, 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 passed—
Senate Bill No. 249:

A bill to be entitled An Act to regulate the taking of fish in the fresh and salt waters of the Counties of Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa and Walton, of the State of Florida; to provide for the licensing of sport fishermen in the said Counties; to provide for the enforcement thereof and a rule of evidence in prosecutions thereunder; and for the forfeiture of fishing tackle and devices unlawfully used.

With the following amendment:

In Section 8, line 4, after the word "other," insert the words "in any one day."

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

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

And Senate Bill No. 249, together with the amendments of the House of Representative thereto, as contained in the foregoing message, was placed before the Senate for consideration.

Mr. Coe moved that the Senate do concur to House Amendment contained in the above message.

Which was agreed to.

And Senate Bill No. 249, as amended by the House of Representatives and concurred in by the Senate, was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate Bill No. 27:

A bill to be entitled An Act to require daily readings from the Holy Bible in all the public schools of the State of Florida.

As amended.

Was taken up in its order and

The consideration of the same was informally passed.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS ON THE SECOND READING.

Senate Bills Nos. 105 and 123 were taken up in their orders and the consideration of the same was informally passed.

Senate Bill No. 64:

A bill to be entitled An Act prescribing the essential features of Orders of Publication in certain Chancery Suits in the courts of this State, and fixing the length of time, the manner and the place of publication of such orders.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate, and read the second time in full.

The following committee amendment to Senate Bill No. 64 was read:

(2). If there is no newspaper published in said county, then three notices thereof shall be posted in three different places in the said county, one of which shall be posted at the front door of the court house in said county, and the proof of the posting shall be made by affidavit of the Clerk of the Court issuing said notice.

Mr. Clark offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 64; as a substitute for Committee Amendment No. 2.

In Section 1, line 19, strike out the words "in a newspaper published in any adjoining County", and insert in lieu thereof the following: "three copies thereof shall be posted twenty-eight days prior to the return day thereof in three different places in the said County, one of which shall be at the front door of the Court House in said County, and the proof of the posting shall be made by affidavit of the Clerk issuing said notice.

Mr. Clark moved the adoption of the substitute amendment.

Which was agreed to.

And the substitute was adopted in lieu of the Committee amendment.

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

Senate Bill No. 38:

A bill to be entitled An Act to make recitals in decrees, judgments, deeds of conveyance and powers of attorney prima facie evidence of the facts so recited when such decree, judgment, deed of conveyance or power of attorney has been recorded more than twenty years; and to prescribe the conditions under which such recitals shall be received in evidence.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate, and read the second time.

There being no amendment, Senate Bill No. 38 took its position on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Mr. Knight requested that Senate Bill No. 251 be withdrawn from the committee to which it was referred and that it be referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

Which request was granted.

Senate Bills Nos. 3 and 45 were taken up in their orders and the consideration of the same was informally passed over.

Senate Bill No. 70:

A bill to be entitled An Act relating to husband and wife and their rights, obligations and property, the wages and earnings of married women, the domicile of married women, the homestead and the home and prohibiting the devise of

either and the alienation of either except by joint consent of husband and wife, and to estates by entirety; to remove the disabilities of coverture and minority; to fix the rights of husband and wife in the property of the other on the death of either to authorize either spouse to function as the agent of the other; and to repeal Sections 3801, 3802, 3803, 3804, 3805, 3806, 3807, 3808, 3809, 3810, 3811, 3812, 3813, 3814, 3948, 3949 and 3953 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida, relating to conveyances, sales, mortgages, relinquishment of dower, separate acknowledgements, contracts, covenants, powers of attorney, and specific performance of contracts, of married women, and the custody and management of their property, and all other laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Etheredge moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 70 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 70 was read the second time by its title only.

And the bill took its position on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 32:

A bill to be entitled An Act establishing a Spring Term of the First Judicial Circuit Court of this State for Santa Rosa County and prescribing the time and place for holding the same.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate, and read the second time.

There being no amendment, Senate Bill No. 32 took its position on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 101:

A bill to be entitled An Act to require the State Board of Pensions of the State of Florida, to increase the pension of Sarah Franklin, of Hernando County, State of Florida, from Twenty-five (\$25.00) Dollars to Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars per month.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate, and read the second time.

There being no amendment, Senate Bill No. 101 took its position on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Senate Bill No. 85:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 7 of Chapter 8414, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1921, relating to the setting out of fires in the Everglades Drainage District and prescribing punishment therefor.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate, and read the second time.

There being no amendment, Senate Bill No. 85 took its position on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Mr. Etheredge moved that the time of adjournment be extended fifteen minutes.

Which was agreed to.

Senate Bill No. 81:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 5295 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida, same being Section 28 of Chapter 6456, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913, prescribing penalty for damaging drainage works or obstructing flow of water in Everglades Drainage District.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate, and read the second time.

There being no amendment, Senate Bill No. 81 took its position on the Calendar of Bills on the Third Reading.

Mr. Malone moved to substitute House Bill No. 30 for Senate Bill No. 47.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Malone moved to waive the rules and take up out of its order House Bill No. 30 for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And--

House Bill No. 30:

A bill to be entitled An Act vesting in the Trustees of the Internal Improvement Fund of Florida, the title to certain lands in Hendry County, Florida, described in State Deed Number 21,284, executed by said Trustees to convey and confirm such lands to the persons to whom such lands have been previously conveyed by said Trustees or their grantees.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate, and read the second time in full.

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

In Section 1, strike out the figures 21284 in the bill and title and insert in lieu thereof the following: 17016.

Mr. Malone moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Malone moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 30, as amended, be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 30, with title above stated, was read the third time in full, as amended.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Clark, Coo, Cone, Etheredge, Hale, Malone, McDaniel, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Watson, Wicker—20.

Nays—Messrs. Butler, Edge, Gillis, Hinceley, Hodges, Knight, Singletary, Turner, Walker—9.

So the bill passed, title as stated, and the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives under the rule.

By permission—

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 27, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

(Senate Bill No. 169):

An Act to amend Section 71 of the Charter of the City of Bartow, as validated and confirmed in Chapter 9683 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1923, and relating to the assessment of Special Taxes by the City of Bartow.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 147):

An Act amending the Charter of the City of Bartow

relating to the number of City Commissioners, their terms of office and the time of their election, and otherwise affecting the government, jurisdiction and powers of said City.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 105A):

An Act making an emergency appropriation for contingent expenses of the State for the remainder of the current fiscal year.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 156):

An Act creating the office of Auditor and Purchasing Agent for Dade County, Florida, prescribing his duties and fixing his salary.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 178):

An Act to authorize the City of Tampa to issue bonds.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 56):

An Act to create and establish a Municipality to be known and designated as the Town of Keystone Heights and to define its territorial boundaries and provide for the organization and government thereof, and for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges, and to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes therein; and to authorize the imposition of penalties for the violation of its Ordinances.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 146):

An Act to legalize and validate an election in the Town of Haines City on the 3rd day of January, A. D. 1925, in pursuance of Chapter 6940, of the Laws of the State of Florida, A. D. 1915, at which election amendments to the charter of the Town of Haines City were adopted, and to validate said amendments to said charter, and also to validate all contracts, municipal assessments, appointment of officers, and all acts done under and by virtue of said amendments.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 134):

An Act providing that the town of Interlachen, Putnam County, Florida, be authorized to levy taxes annually for municipal purposes upon all real and personal property in said town, not exempt from taxation by the Constitution of the State of Florida, upon the principles established for State taxation; providing the maximum per centum of such levy; providing that such levy shall be uniform upon the same classes of property; and providing that all property in such town shall be assessed at its full cash value as fixed by said town, and providing that said town be authorized to make its own assessments and place its own valuation upon said property, for the purpose of assessment and taxation, independent of any limitation placed thereon by State laws.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 179):

An Act providing for applying to the erection and purchase of hospitals, or either, with such equipment and sites therefor as may be necessary, the proceeds of \$250,000 bonds of the City of Tampa heretofore voted for certain hospitals.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 177):

An Act to validate and ratify a certain contract for the construction of bridges in the City of Tampa, and to authorize the application of proceeds of certain bonds of said city heretofore voted so that the same may be used in the payment of the cost of said bridges.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 168):

An Act to validate, legalize and confirm all acts and proceedings of the City of Bartow, Florida, and its officers and agents, relating to the issuance of municipal bonds in said City in the sum of \$120,000.00 for the purpose of extending and improving the municipal water system of the City of Bartow; and in the sum of \$100,000.00 for the purpose of establishing a Municipal Hospital; and in the sum of \$50,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing the following described land in Polk County,

Florida, to-wit: the South one-fourth ($\frac{1}{4}$) of Section 4, in Township 30, South of Range 25 East, and establishing thereon public parks, playgrounds and promenades; and in the sum of \$41,000.00 for the purpose of extending and improving the public sewerage system of the City of Bartow; and providing for the sale and delivery of said bonds, and the levy and collection of an annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest of the said bonds.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 84):

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Hardee County, Florida, to issue and sell notes, certificates of indebtedness, or bonds of said county, in an amount not to exceed one hundred twenty thousand dollars for the purpose of providing funds with which to complete the system of county highways now under construction, and providing for the levy and collection of an annual tax to pay the principal and interest thereof.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 176):

An Act to confer additional powers upon the City of Tampa in relation to the widening, extension and improvement of streets and other public ways, the laying of sidewalks, sewers and water mains, and the construction of bulkheads, sea walls and other retaining walls, with necessary filling and dredging by special assessment or charge or by general taxation, or both, and to authorize said city to issue bonds and notes for the purpose of paying the cost thereof and the purpose of reimbursing funds from which the costs of similar improvements have been made, and to authorize liens upon property for all or a portion of such costs, and for the cost of clearing property of unsightly and unsanitary matter and the cost of filling in unsanitary excavations and depressions.

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

Very respectfully,

S. W. ANDERSON,
Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled
Bills on the Part of the Senate.

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

Senate Chamber,
 Tallahassee, Fla., April 27, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

(House Bill No. 271):

An Act to repeal Section 13 of Chapter 8993 of the Special Acts of 1921, relating to canvass by candidates for votes for the office of City Commissioner of the City of Lake City, Columbia County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 272):

An Act to amend Section 9 and Section 10, of Chapter 8993, Laws of Florida, 1921, entitled "An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the City of Lake City, in the County of Columbia, in the State of Florida, and to create, establish and organize a municipality to be known and designated as the City of Lake City, and define its territorial boundaries, and to provide for its government, jurisdiction, powers, franchises and privileges," and providing for the ratification of the same by the qualified electors of said City of Lake City, and for the election of two commissioners.

Also—

(House Bill No. 260):

An Act to create and incorporate a special taxing district, in St. Lucie County, Florida, to be known and designated as Wabasso Bridge District, prescribing the boundaries thereof, to provide for the government and administration of said district, to define the powers and purposes of said district and of the Board of Commissioners thereof, to authorize said Board to construct and maintain a bridge in said district across the Indian River, to construct and

build a road connecting said bridge with the Atlantic Ocean and the Dixie Highway and to build a park between said bridge and the Atlantic Ocean, to construct all other works necessary or proper in connection with said bridge, to provide for the acquiring by purchase, gift, condemnation or otherwise of any property needed for district purposes; to empower the Board of Commissioners of said District to levy and collect taxes for district purposes, to authorize said Board to borrow money and issue and sell bonds to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act, to provide for the election of said Commissioners and an election to determine whether bonds of the district shall be issued, to authorize and empower said Board of Commissioners to make and enforce regulations for the use of said bridge and to fix and collect tolls for the use of said bridge, to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act, and prescribing penalties therefor, and generally to provide for the construction and maintenance of a bridge in said district.

Also—

(House Bill No. 254):

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 9855, Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to amend Section eleven (11) of Chapter 8318, Laws of Florida, 1919, entitled An Act to abolish the present municipal government of Okeechobee, in Okeechobee County, Florida, to legalize and validate the ordinances of said City of Okeechobee, and all official acts thereunder, to create and establish a new municipality, to be known as the City of Okeechobee, in Okeechobee County, Florida, and to fix and provide its territorial limits, jurisdiction and powers, and the jurisdiction and powers of its officers. Also repealing all laws in conflict therewith."

Also—

(House Bill No. 255):

An Act amending Section 29 of Chapter 8318 of the Laws of Florida, being an Act entitled "An Act to abolish the present municipal government of Okeechobee, in Okeechobee County, Florida, to legalize and validate the ordinances of said City of Okeechobee, and all official acts thereunder, to create and establish a new municipality to be known as the City of Okeechobee, in Okeechobee County,

Florida, and to fix and provide its territorial limits, jurisdiction and powers, and jurisdiction and powers of its offices.”

Also—

(House Bill No. 352) :

An Act to legalize and validate the organization of Special Road and Bridge District No. 12, of Brevard County, Florida, into a Special Road and Bridge District; to legalize and validate the issuance and sale of negotiable bonds against said Special Road and Bridge District No. 12, of Brevard County, Florida, in the sum of \$75,000.00.

Also—

(House Bill No. 334) :

An Act to legalize, ratify, confirm and validate all acts and proceedings of the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of McIntosh, Florida, in issuing street improvement bonds for the purpose of paving, grading, filling, draining and otherwise improving Avenue “G” or Main street in the Town of McIntosh, in Marion County, Florida, said bonds to be dated April 1st, A. D. 1925, and being in the denomination of \$700.00 each.

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

Very respectfully,

S. W. ANDERSON.

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

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

Whereupon the Senate, at 1:05 o'clock P. M., stood adjourned until 11 o'clock A. M. Wednesday, April 29, A. D. 1925.

Wednesday, April 29, 1925

The Senate convened at 11 A. M. pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Edge, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineicy, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniel's, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—32.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The daily Journal of April 28th was corrected, and, as corrected, was approved.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 28, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

(House Bill No. 393):

An Act to provide additional sections for the charter of the City of Manatee, Florida, with reference to zoning and germane powers to be exercised by the City Council of the said City of Manatee, Florida, and with reference to the issuance of bonds and the denomination thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 360):

An Act authorizing and empowering the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida, to issue and sell interest-bearing time warrants in the sum of two hundred twenty-five thousand (\$225,000.00) dollars, or any part thereof, for the purpose of resurfacing, repairing or reconstructing what is known as the Bay Shore Road in Hillsborough County, Florida, from Tampa-Plant City Road to the Manatee County Line, or any part thereof; and also for repairing or reconstructing the bridges and culverts on said road or any part of it; for building new bridges or new culverts in the place of any bridge or culvert on said road, or any of them, or for doing all or any part of such work upon said road; and for the purpose of relaying, paving and widening to a width of fifteen (15) feet of that part of the Plant City and Crystal Springs Road, beginning at a point north of the limits of the city limits of the City of Plant City, where the fifteen (15) foot brick road now ends and running north to where the fifteen (15) foot asphalt-brick road begins, a distance of approximately four and one-half ($4\frac{1}{2}$) miles; also to hard surface that part of the George Wilder Road beginning where the pavement now ends at the Platt Road and run east a distance of approximately one and one-fourth ($1\frac{1}{4}$) miles to the Polk County Line.

Also—

(House Bill No. 25):

An Act ratifying, validating and confirming all of the proceedings taken for the creation and organization of the New Hall Drainage District and all the acts and proceedings taken by, for and on behalf of said District since the creation thereof, and all the acts and proceedings of the Circuit Court of the Board of Supervisors, the Commissioner and all other officers and agents of said Drainage District, acting for and on behalf of said district in carrying out the affairs of said district; and ratifying, validating and confirming in and of tax levies and assessments which have been made by the Board of Supervisors of said district, upon the assessable and taxable property located within said district, authorizing the Board of Supervisors of said district to pay for work done and ratify amounts

expended by the Drainage Commissioners of the Everglades Drainage District.

Also—

(House Bill No. 392):

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, to issue certain interest-bearing time warrants, negotiable notes or county script for the purpose of raising funds with which to secure machinery and other equipment for working roads and drains in said county, and providing for the use of said machinery and equipment for county purposes, and providing for the rate of interest which said time warrants shall bear, how and where payable, period for which said warrants shall run, and providing for the levy of special taxes to cover this interest and to create a sinking fund for the redemption of said obligations providing for the Board of County Commissioners to enter into contracts with reference to the use of said machinery.

Also—

(House Bill No. 395):

An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of MacClenny, in the County of Baker, and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known and designated as MacClenny, and to define its territorial boundary and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

Also—

(House Bill No. 388):

An Act to ratify, approve, confirm and validate the actions of the Board of County Commissioners of Glades County, Florida, in passing resolutions calling the election, publishing notice of election, and giving notice of the same, printing of ballots, holding of election, canvassing the returns and declaring the results, providing for a sinking fund, the form of ballot adopted, time and place of payment and each and every step taken by the Board of County Commissioners and county officers concerning the issuance and sale of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars of county bonds of Glades County, Florida, in the denomination of one thousand dollars each, the proceeds of one hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars of which

is to be used for erecting and constructing a Court House in Glades County, Florida, and the proceeds of the remaining fifteen thousand dollars to be used for furnishing and equipping a Court House in Glades County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 351):

An Act to legalize and validate the organization of Special Road and Bridge District No. 11, of Brevard County, Florida into a special Road and Bridge District; to legalize and validate the issuance and sale of negotiable bonds against said Special Road and Bridge District No. 11, of Brevard County, Florida, in the sum of \$20,000.00.

Also—

(House Concurrent Resolution No. 3):

Relating to Senate Joint Resolution No. 358, which provides for "A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 1, of Article 9, of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to taxation and finance.

Also—

(House Bill No. 205):

An Act to prescribe the open and closed season for the hunting of squirrels in Okaloosa County, Florida, and providing a penalty for violation of this Act.

Also—

(House Bill No. 350):

An Act authorizing the City of Punta Gorda to levy a tax for publicity purposes.

Also—

(House Bill No. 148):

An Act to regulate the catching of fish in certain rivers, creeks, bayous, cut offs or inlets in Bay County, Florida; providing penalties for the violation thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 326):

An Act changing the name of Zolfo in Hardee County, Florida, to Zolfo Springs.

Also—

(House Bill No. 333) :

An Act to validate the issuance and sale of \$1,400,000.00 of County Road Bonds of Manatee County, Florida, voted and provided for at an election held in the said County on February 23, A. D. 1925, and more particularly described in a Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of said County, adopted January 5th, 1925, said bonds to be dated as of April 1, 1925, validated by decree of Circuit Court of Manatee County, Florida, in Chancery April 6, 1925, and all proceedings for the issuance of said bonds, and including the sale and delivery thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 173) :

An Act to ratify and validate all Acts and proceedings of the Board of County Commissioners of Hillsborough County, Florida, done and taken in constructing, paving and improving a portion of Bayshore Boulevard and in constructing a seawall along the same portion of said Boulevard, with cuts and fills, and in levying assessments for a part of the cost of said seawall, cuts and fills, and in authorizing \$157,000 County Highway Bonds.

Also—

(House Bill No. 345) :

An Act to authorize the Board of County Commissioners of Seminole County, Florida, to issue and sell interest bearing time warrants, the proceeds derived from the sale thereof to be used for the purpose of building and constructing a common jail for Seminole County, and authorizing the levying of a special tax to create a sinking fund for the payment of the principal and interest of said time warrants at the maturity thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 356) :

An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 9699 of the Acts of the Legislature of Florida, 1923, the same being An Act amending Chapter 5791 of the Acts of the Legislature of Florida, 1907, the same being An Act to establish, organize and constitute a municipality in DeSoto County (now Hardee County), Florida, to be known and designated as the Town of Bowling Green and to define its territorial

boundaries and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges, and to provide for the appointment of a town marshal by the Town Council of the Town of Bowling Green, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 348) :

An Act to amend Sections 17, 40, 113 of Chapter 9055, Laws of Florida, A. D. 1921, the same being, "An Act to abolish the present municipality of the Town of Punta Gorda, DeSoto County, Florida, and to create and establish a municipal corporation to be known as the City of Punta Gorda, Florida, to prescribe the form of government, and to confer certain powers upon said municipality and its officers, and to provide a charter for the carrying into effect of the provisions of this Act."

Also—

(House Bill No. 362) :

An Act to validate and ratify a certain contract for the construction of bridges in the City of Tampa and to authorize the application of proceeds of certain bonds of said City heretofore voted so that the same may be used in the payment of the cost of said bridges.

Also—

(House Bill No. 292) :

An Act fixing and defining the corporate limits and territory of the City of Lakeland, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 376) :

An Act to authorize and empower the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, to borrow money in amounts not to exceed at any one time the aggregate of One Hundred Thousand Dollars for the purpose of constructing or repairing public roads or bridges in the said County of Manatee, to issue their notes, warrants or other evidences of indebtedness therefor, and to authorize a tax levy for the payment of same.

Also—

(House Bill No. 347) :

An Act to legalize and validate the issuance and sale of negotiable bonds against Special Road and Bridge District

No. 9, of Brevard County, Florida, in the sum of \$15,000.00 voted for to raise an additional sum to complete the construction of the roads and bridges located in said Special Road and Bridge District No. 9, of Brevard County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 213) :

An Act providing a supplemental, additional and alternative method of making local improvements of the City of Clearwater, a municipal corporation, authorizing and providing for special assessments for the cost thereof, and authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds of such municipality.

Also—

(House Bill No. 346) :

An Act to legalize and validate the organization of Special Road and Bridge District No. 9, of Brevard County, Florida, into a Special Road and Bridge District; to legalize and validate the issuance and sale of time warrants against said Special Road and Bridge District No. 9, of Brevard County, Florida, in the sum of \$30,000.00.

Also—

(House Bill No. 357) :

An Act providing for the sale and issuance of bonds in the sum of forty thousand dollars by the County of Glades, State of Florida, for constructing roads and bridges in said county, providing for a sinking fund with which to pay the principal and interest on said bonds as same matures, and specifying what interest said bonds are to bear, the form of said bonds and the date of maturity of same.

Also—

(House Bill No. 324) :

An Act in relation to Special Road and Bridge District No. 5, of Brevard County, Florida, validating and confirming the proceedings to create such district and to issue bonds thereof to the amount of \$60,000.00 and authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds to the said amount.

Also—

(House Bill No. 337) :

An Act to extend the corporate limits of the City of

Delray, Palm Beach County, Florida, and to define, fix and establish the territorial area and boundaries of said City of Delray, and to give the said City of Delray jurisdiction over the territory embraced in said extension.

Also—

(House Bill No. 332):

An Act to validate the issuance and sale of \$100,000.00 of county bridge bonds of Manatee County, Florida, voted and provided for at an election held in the said county on February 23, A. D. 1925, and more particularly described in the resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of said county, adopted on the date of January 5th, 1925, said bonds to be dated April 1, 1925 validated by decree of Circuit Court of Manatee County Florida, in Chancery, April 6, 1925, and all proceedings for the issuance of said bonds, including the sale and delivery thereof.

Also—

(House Bill No. 291):

An Act validating and confirming an election held in the City of Lakeland, Polk County, Florida, under date of December 30, 1924, and validating and confirming the canvass of the returns of said election and declaring certain herein described territory to be part of the corporate limits of the City of Lakeland, Polk County, Florida, as of December 31, 1924, and validating and confirming Ordinance No. 382 and validating and confirming Ordinance No. 393, of the City of Lakeland.

Also—

(House Bill No. 290):

An Act authorizing the Town of Dunnellon, in Marion County, Florida, to regulate, provide for and compel the construction and repair of sidewalks, foot pavements, curbs and gutters, and for grading and paving the same; and providing for the issuance of special assessment certificates for the cost of such work against the lot or lots along which such sidewalks, foot pavements, curbs or gutters shall be constructed or repaired, and for the enforcement and collection of such assessments.

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

Very respectfully,

S. W. ANDERSON,
Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled
Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Wicker, Chairman of the Committee on Cities and Towns, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 28, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Cities and Towns, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 245:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing a supplemental, additional and alternative method for the establishment, government and maintenance of City Planning Boards within municipalities of the State of Florida and prescribing their powers and duties.

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

Very respectfully,

N. J. WICKER,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 245, contained in the above report, was placed on the table under the rule.

Mr. Wicker, Chairman of the Committee on Cities and Towns, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 28, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Cities and Towns, to whom was referred —

Senate Bill No. 244:

A bill to be entitled An Act to enable municipalities of the State of Florida to adopt zoning regulations and to enforce the same, and providing for the creation of zoning commissions and boards of adjustment and prescribing their powers and duties.

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

Very respectfully,

N. J. WICKER,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 244, contained in the above report, was placed on the table under the rule.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 28, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred (with amendments) after second reading—

Senate Bill No. 64:

A bill to be entitled An Act prescribing the essential features of orders of publication in certain Chancery suits in the Courts of this State and fixing the length of time, the manner and place of publication of such orders.

Also—

Senate Bill No. 249 (after third reading):

A bill to be entitled An Act to regulate the taking of fish in the fresh and salt waters of the Counties of Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa and Walton, of the State of Florida; to provide for the licensing of sport fishermen in the said Counties; to provide for the enforcement thereof and a rule of evidence in prosecutions thereunder; and for the forfeiture of fishing tackle and devices unlawfully used.

Have carefully examined the same, and find same correctly engrossed, and return same herewith.

Very respectfully,

W. W. PHILLIPS,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 64, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

And Senate Bill No. 249 was referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—
House Bill No. 103:

A bill to be entitled An Act to require daily readings from the Holy Bible in all the public schools of the State of Florida.

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

Very respectfully,

J. H. COLSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 103, contained in the above report, was placed on the table under the rule.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 234:

A bill to be entitled An Act empowering Cities, Towns

and Counties in the State of Florida to provide, maintain and conduct supervised recreation systems; to acquire, establish, conduct and maintain playgrounds, recreation centers and other recreational facilities and activities and to vote bonds and an annual tax therefor; defining the powers of such Municipalities and Counties, their governing bodies, School Board and Park Boards in connection with all such matters, and providing for the creation of playgrounds and recreation boards or commissions, the election and the terms of the members thereof.

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

Very respectfully,

J. H. COLSON,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 234, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—
House Bill No. 210:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize the appointment of an Educational Survey Commission of the State of Florida; to define its powers and duties; to make an appropriation for the expense of such Commission, its servants and employees, and to prohibit interference with the work of such Commission.

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

Very respectfully,

J. H. COLSON.

Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 210, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on second reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 248:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize in certain cases the admission of women as students in the University of Florida and to declare their qualifications, rights and privileges as students.

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

Very respectfully,
J. H. COLSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 248, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on second reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 252:

A bill to be entitled An Act to define the grades of instruction to be taught in the uniform public schools of Florida, and to repeal Sections 530, 531, 532, 533, 534 and 535, Revised General Statutes of the State of Florida.

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

Very respectfully,

J. H. COLSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 252, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Clark, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary C, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary C, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 267:

A bill to be entitled An Act prohibiting the carrying on or engaging in games or sports on Sunday under certain circumstances, providing a penalty for the violation hereof, and repealing certain laws in conflict herewith.

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

Very respectfully,

W. W. CLARK,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 267, contained in the above report, was placed on the table under the rule.

Mr. Clark, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary C, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary C, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 162:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 5496 of

the General Revised Statutes of the State of Florida relating to desertion of wife and children.

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

Very respectfully,

W. W. CLARK,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 162, contained in the above report was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Clark, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary C. submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary C, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 263:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for an additional Circuit Judge for the First Judicial Circuit of Florida, and to regulate the dispatch of business in said Circuit after such appointment.

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

Very respectfully,

W. W. CLARK,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 263, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Clark, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary C. submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary C, to whom was referred.

Senate Bill No. 182:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 3885 and 3886 of Revised General Statutes of Florida, 1920, relative to exemption of wages from garnishment.

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

Very respectfully,

W. W. CLARK,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 182, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Clark, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary C, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary C, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 112:

A bill to be entitled An Act to permit and provide for the recording in the public records of any other county of certified copies of deeds, mortgages and other instruments recorded in the public records of any county and to prescribe the effect of the record of such certified copies heretofore or hereafter made.

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

Very respectfully,

W. W. CLARK,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 112, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Clark, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary C, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary C, to whom was referred—
House Bill No. 398:

A bill to be entitled An Act relating to every county where there are more than 100,000 inhabitants and where more than two Circuit Judges reside, to authorize and empower the Clerk of the Circuit Court to record any and all instruments filed for record, by a photographic process in its most general sense not excluding any heretofore or hereafter devised however designated, such as may be recommended by the clerk and approved by the Board of County Commissioners, and to direct the Board to provide out of the general revenue funds adequate for making and preserving such records.

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

Very respectfully,

W. W. CLARK,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 398, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

REPORTS OF ENROLLING COMMITTEE.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 28, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

(House Bill No. 396):

An Act to legalize and validate an election held in Special Tax School District No. 2, of Suwannee County, Florida, and to authorize the issuance and sale of bonds voted in said election.

Also—

(House Bill No. 349):

An Act providing a supplemental, additional and alternative method of making local improvements in the City of Punta Gorda, Florida, authorizing and providing for special assessments for the costs thereof, and authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds of said municipality in connection with said local improvements, said bonds to be general obligations of the municipality.

Also—

(House Bill No. 380):

An Act to provide for the creation of a municipal corporation to be known as the Town of Gulf Stream, in Palm Beach County, Florida, to fix and determine the territorial limits, jurisdiction and powers of said town and the jurisdiction and powers of its officers.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

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

Very respectfully,

S. W. ANDERSON,

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

The bills, contained in the above report, were duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in

open session and ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

(Senate Bill No. 258):

An Act to establish the City of Coral Gables, to provide for its government and to prescribe its jurisdiction and powers.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

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

Very respectfully,

S. W. ANDERSON,

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

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

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Constitutional Amendments, to whom was referred—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 6:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section Seven (7) of Article Sixteen (16) of the Constitution of Florida relating to the creation of offices and the terms thereof.

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

Very respectfully,
J. TURNER BUTLER,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Joint Resolution No. 6, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 240:

A bill to be entitled An Act notifying by publication and requiring all persons against whose property tax sale certificates, or tax deeds have issued which said tax sale certificates or tax deeds have been issued by the State of Florida, for State and County taxes, to pay, redeem or satisfactorily adjust the same, and to confirm, ratify, legalize and validate all tax sale certificates or tax deeds which have not been paid, redeemed or settled after said notice.

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

Very respectfully,

W. H. MALONE,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 240, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

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

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 242:

A bill to be entitled An Act amending Section 2380 of the General Revised Statutes of Florida, in relation to the qualifications for professional engineers to obtain a license to practice profession of civil engineering.

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

Very respectfully,

W. H. MALONE,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 242, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. W. H. Malone, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary A, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary A, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 269:

A bill to be entitled An Act governing the jurisdiction of the Circuit Courts of this State in validation of bonds where the municipality, taxing district or other political district or subdivision shall extend or lie in more than one County, or more than one Judicial Circuit, validating such decrees in such courses heretofore made and providing a limit of time in which such formerly made decrees may be attacked.

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

Strike out Section 5 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Section 5. Any action for validation heretofore brought by any municipality, special taxing district or political district or subdivision which extends into more than one county or Judicial Circuit, whereby bonds or certificates of indebtedness have been validated in which the proceedings have been brought in one county and a decree has been entered said decree shall be binding on all of the citizens, property owners, or tax payers of each municipality, district or subdivisions unless within thirty days of recording of said final decree in each county any of which is comprised in said district an action proceeding or motion is made to set aside said decree, saving and excepting from the operations of this Section all actions pending at the time this Act becomes a law.

Very respectfully,

W. H. MALONE,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 269, contained in the above report, together with Committee amendment, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Hale, Chairman of the Committee on Public Roads and Highways, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 28, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Roads and Highways, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 93:

A bill to be entitled An Act locating the General Offices and Official Headquarters of the State Road Department at Gainesville, Florida, and providing for the location of Division of Branch Offices elsewhere in the State of Florida.

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

Very respectfully,

HUGH HALE,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 93, contained in the above report, was placed on the table under the rule.

Mr. Phillips moved to waive the rules and that the Senate do now take up and consider House Bill No. 186, which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 186:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing for the appointment of an additional Circuit Judge in and for the Third Judicial Circuit of Florida.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Phillips moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 186 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 186, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Phillips moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 186 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 186, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Pending which Mr. Anderson moved that the further consideration of the bill be temporarily passed.

Mr. Hodge moved as a substitute that House Bill No. 186 be made a Special Order for tomorrow morning at 11:15.

Mr. Rowe moved as a substitute for both motions that the further consideration of said bill be deferred until Monday at 4 o'clock.

The motion was agreed to and the bill was made a Special order for Monday at 4 o'clock p. m.

Mr. Colson moved to waive the rules and take up out of its order House Bill No. 517 for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 517:

A bill to be entitled An Act validating and confirming certain elections; the election of officers; and Acts of the City Council of the City of Waldo, Alachua County, Florida.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

Mr. Colson moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 517 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 517, with title above state, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Colson moved that the rules be waived and that House Bill No. 517 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 517, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Edge, Etheredge, Gillis, Hineley, Knight, McDaniels, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turner, Walker, Wicker—24.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

The following communication from the Secretary of State was received and read:

Office of the Secretary of State,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 29, 1925.

*Hon. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate,
Tallahassee, Florida.*

My Dear Sir:

I am transmitting to you, as President of the Senate, an ornamental gavel, accompanied by copy of letter received in connection with it, which will, I am sure, be of interest to you and to the members of the State Senate.

Yours very truly,

II. CLAY CRAWFORD,
Secretary of State.

City of Cambridge, Massachusetts,
Office of Board of Park Commissioners,
April 2, 1925.

Secretary of State,
Tallahassee, Florida.

Dear Sir:

The Board of Park Commissioners have been delegated by the City Council to present two gavels, made from Washington elm, one to the Speaker of the House, and one to the Speaker of the Senate of your State.

I am writing to request the name of the custodian to whom the gavels should be mailed.

The gavels you understand, are not for use, but rather for ornamentation of the desks of the presiding officers and not presented to the officers personally.

I thank you for your kindness.

Respectfully,

ROSE E. MANNING,
Clerk of the Board.

Mr. Hodges moved that a committee of two be appointed to express to the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Cambridge, Mass., the appreciation of this Senate.

Which was agreed to.

Messrs. Hodges and Gillis were appointed as such committee.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Etheredge—
Senate Bill No. 271:

A bill to be entitled An Act fixing the compensation of county commissioners of counties which have a population of more than Two Thousand Four Hundred and Forty (2,440) and not more than Two Thousand Five Hundred (2,500) according to the Federal census of 1920, and which had a total assessed valuation of One Million Eight Hundred Twenty-seven Thousand No Hundred and Twenty-three Dollars (\$1,827,023.00).

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Etheredge moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 271 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 271, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Etheredge moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 271 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 271, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Edge, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Swearingen, Taylor 31st Dist.), Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—28.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

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

By Mr. Etheredge—
Senate Bill No. 272:

A bill to be entitled An Act permitting the Board of County Commissioners of counties which have a population of more than two thousand four hundred and forty (2,440) and not more than two thousand five hundred (2,500) according to the Federal census of 1920, and which had a total assessed valuation of one million eight hundred twenty-seven thousand no hundred and twenty-three (\$1,827,023.00) to levy a millage not to exceed ten (10) mills for the general funds of said county.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Etheredge moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 272 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 272, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Etheredge moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 272 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 272, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Cone, Edge, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—26.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated, and the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately.

By Mr. Etheredge—
Senate Bill No. 273:

A bill to be entitled An Act fixing the compensation of the Superintendent of Public Instruction in counties which have a population of more than two thousand four hundred and forty (2,440) and not more than two thousand five hundred (2,500) according to the federal census of 1920, and which had a total assessed valuation of one million eight hundred twenty seven thousand no hundred and twenty-three dollars (\$1,827,023 00).

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Etheredge moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 273 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 273, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Etheredge moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 273 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 273, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas— Mr. President, Messrs. Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Conc, Edge, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hodges, Knight, McDaniel's, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By Mr. Colson—

Senate Bill No. 274:

A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the protection of the property of the State Institutions of the State of Florida, and belonging to the State Board of Control or to the State Plant Board of said State of Florida, from vandalism and other acts and injuries to said property; and also relating to the protection of soil, muck, clay, rock, minerals, timber and other natural resources or property; and also relating to the protection of game, song bird or other birds and wild animals and relating to the taking of fish from the said property and on the said property of said Board of Control and State Plant Board and under the jurisdiction of the State Institutions of Learning of the State of Florida.

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

By Mr. Turner—

Senate Bill No. 275:

A bill to be entitled An Act granting pension to Isham Stephens, of Levy County, Florida.

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

By Mr. Watson—

Senate Bill No. 276:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend and re-enact the Charter of the City of Miami in the County of Dade, and to fix the boundaries and provide for the government, powers and privileges of said city and means for exercising the same; and to authorize the imposition of penalties for the violation of ordinances, and to ratify certain acts and proceedings of the commission and of the officers of the city.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Watson moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 276 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 276, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Watson moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 276 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 276, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Edge, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Singletary, Smith, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By Mr. Swearingen—

Senate Bill No. 277:

A bill to be entitled An Act to empower and authorize the City of Lake Alfred, a municipal corporation of Florida, to borrow money.

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. Swearingen—

Senate Bill No. 278:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and empower the City Commission of the City of Winter Haven, Florida, a municipal government under the laws of the State of Florida, to make and issue interest-bearing bonds aggregating the sum of \$90,000 00, for the purpose of funding and liquidating an indebtedness of approximately \$0 000.00, incurred by the Town Council of the former Town of Winter Haven, and by the City Commission of said City of Winter Haven extending over a period of several years for various municipal purposes, said bonds to bear interest not to exceed six per cent. per annum, to be in denominations of \$1,000.00 each, to be retired at the rate of \$6,000.00 each year; and to create a sinking fund for the payment of the principal and interest 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. Swearingen—

Senate Bill No. 279:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 10 of Chapter 6685 of Special Laws of Florida, regular session of 1913, relating to tax assessments by the City of Lake Alfred, Florida.

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. Swearingen—

Senate Bill No. 280:

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate and legalize an election held in and for the City of Winter Haven, on the 27th day of November, A. D. 1923; to validate

and legalize the Charter of the City of Winter Haven, which was adopted by the electors of said City at said election held on the 27th day of November, A. D. 1923; and to validate and legalize all contracts, municipal assessments, ordinance; and resolutions, appointments and election of officers and all other acts which have been done under and by virtue of said Charter, and providing a form and method of government for said City of Winter Haven.

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. Putnam—

Senate Bill No. 281:

A bill to be entitled An Act to approve, legalize, ratify, confirm and validate all the acts and proceedings of the City of New Smyrna, Florida, and its City Commission, other officers and agents, in relation to the annexation of certain tracts of land lying contiguous to the territorial limits of said city and within the same county, to-wit, Volusia County, and granting to said city all of the public property, rights, franchises, easements, streets, roads and public highways located and dedicated, acquired, laid out, platted and conveyed to the public in all the territory so annexed.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 281 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 281, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 281 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 281, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coc. Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hincley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Putnam, Rowe,

Russell, Singletary, Smith, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—27.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated, and the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By Mr. Putnam—

Senate Bill No. 282:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and empower the City Commission of the City of New Smyrna, Volusia County, Florida, to issue and sell negotiable interest bearing time warrants of said city in an amount not to exceed in the aggregate Six Thousand (\$6 000.00) Dollars, in such denomination as said City Commission may deem proper, to mature at a time not longer than ten years from the date of issuance, and to bear interest not to exceed eight per cent per annum, payable semi-annually, for the purpose of raising funds with which to extend the sanitary sewerage system of the said City of New Smyrna, Florida; to provide the manner of execution and sale of said warrants and to provide for the payment thereof and the raising of funds for such payment.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 282 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 282, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 282 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 282, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Clark, Coe, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Wicker—25.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By Mr. Putnam—

Senate Bill No. 283:

A bill to be entitled An Act ratifying, confirming, validating and legalizing the assessments, valuations of properties and levies of taxes by the City of New Smyrna, Volusia County, Florida, for the years A. D. 1923 and 1924, and authorizing the collection of said taxes in manner provided by law.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 283 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 283, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 283 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 283, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Cone, Etheredge, Gillis, Ha'e, Hine'cy, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Putnam, Row., Russell, Singletary, Smith, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Wicker—26.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By Mr. Putnam—

Senate Bill No. 284:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and empower the City of New Smyrna, Florida, to levy a special tax, not exceeding one-half mill upon the real and personal property therein, for the purpose of maintaining a public library in said city.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 284 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 284, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 284 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 284, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Single-tary, Smith, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Wicker—23.

Nays—None.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By Mr. Putnam—

Senate Bill No. 285:

A bill to be entitled An Act to authorize and empower the City Commission of the City of New Smyrna, Volusia County, Florida, to issue and sell negotiable interest bearing time warrants of said City in an amount not to exceed in the aggregate seventy-five thousand (\$75,000.00) dollars, in such denomination as said said City Commission may deem proper; to mature at a time not longer than twenty (20) years from the date of issuance; and to bear a rate of interest not exceeding eight per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, for the purpose of raising funds with which to construct a river front park within the corporate limits of the City of New Smyrna, Florida; to provide the manner of execution and sale of said warrants; and to provide for the payment thereof and the raising of funds for such payment.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 285 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 285, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 285 be read the third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 285, with title above stated, was read the third time in full.

Upon passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Core, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Smith, Taylor (31st Dist.), Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Wicker—26.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately, the rule having been waived.

By Mr. Putnam—

Senate Bill No. 286:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the City of New Smyrna, in Volusia County, State of Florida, and to create, establish and organize a municipality to be known and designated as the City of New Smyrna, and to define its territorial boundaries and provide for its government, jurisdiction, powers, franchises and privileges.

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. Taylor, of the 11th—

Senate Bill No. 287:

A bill to be entitled An Act to regulate and define the practice of Cosmetic Therapy; to create and provide for the appointment of a Board of Examiners of Cosmetic Therapy; to define the powers and duties of said board, and to provide a penalty for the violation of this Act.

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

By Mr. Hale—

Senate Bill No. 288:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 8401, Acts of 1921, Laws of Florida, relating to the definition and punishment of the offense of passing worthless checks, and making provision for certain rules of evidence and certain forms of accusations in such cases.

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

By Joint Committee on Citrus Fruits—

Senate Bill No. 289:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Sections 5719 and 5723 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida relating to the definition of trusts and to prohibit combinations of capital, skill or acts by two or more persons, firms, corporations or associations of persons, or of either two or more of them, entered into for the purpose of restricting trade or commerce, increasing or reducing prices, preventing competition, or fixing and controlling prices.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Etheredge moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 289 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 289, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Etheredge moved that Senate Bill No. 289 remain on its second reading.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

By Joint Committee on Citrus Fruits—

Senate Bill No. 290:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 4510 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida, as amended by Chapter 9144 of the Laws of Florida, Acts of 1923, and Section 4514 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida, relating to the Incorporation of Agricultural and horticultural Non-profit Co-operative Associations and powers conferred upon such Associations; to empower such Associations to organize, form, operate, own, control, have interest in, own stock of, or be a member of any other corporation or corporations, with or without capital stock, engaged in handling any of the agricultural or horticultural products handled by such associations, or the by-products thereof; to empower said associations to enter

into marketing contracts with their members and with other associations enabling them to carry out their purposes; to provide to such associations legal remedies for the breach or threatened breach of such marketing contracts; and to repeal all laws or parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Etheredge moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill 290 be read the second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 290, with title above stated, was read the second time by its title only.

Mr. Etheredge moved that Senate Bill No. 290 remain on its second reading.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

On motion of Mr. Etheredge, Senate Bills Nos. 289, 290 and 51 were made a special order for consideration at 11:30 o'clock A. M. Friday, May 1, 1925.

By permission—

Mr. Singletary introduced—

Senate Bill No. 291:

A bill to be entitled An Act to prohibit any drainage district, road district, or other special district in this State from levying or collecting any benefit tax or other tax upon any of the school lands or seminary lands, the title to which is vested in the State Board of Education of the State of Florida, and to repeal all general or special laws which are in conflict with this Act.

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

By Joint Committee on Appropriations—

Senate Bill No. 292:

A bill to be entitled An Act making appropriations for salaries and other current expenses of the State for two years from June 30, 1925.

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

On motion of Mr. Hodges, 500 copies of Senate Bill No. 292 was ordered to be printed for the use of both Houses.

Mr. Hodges moved that Senate Bill No. 292 be made a special order for consideration at 11:30 o'clock on Tuesday, May 5th.

Mr. Knight moved to substitute the motion by placing the consideration of said bill at 11:30 o'clock Thursday, May 7th.

The substitute motion was agreed to.

And the bill took its position on the Orders of the Day for that day and hour.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., April 29, 1925.

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

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the Speaker, under the provisions of House Concurrent Resolution No. 3, has appointed as the Committee on the part of the House as provided for therein—Messrs. Weeks (Chairman), Davis and Parrish.

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

Also—

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, April 29, 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 passed—

House Bill No. 144:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the selection drawing and empaneling of jurors in the County Judges Court, and providing for a regular term of County Judges Court for the trial of cases.

Also—

House Bill No. 190:

A bill to be entitled An Act to require all Official Boards of the State of Florida, counties and municipalities and legal subdivisions of this State having power to contract, to give preference to material men, contractors, builders, architects, engineers and laborers who are citizens of the State of Florida.

Also—

House Bill No. 228:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 7 of Chapter 8414, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1921, relating to the setting out of fires in the Everglades Drainage District, and prescribing punishment therefor.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

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

And House Bill No. 144, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary C.

And House Bill No. 190, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary B.

And House Bill No. 228, contained in the foregoing message, was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Judiciary A.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS ON THIRD READING.

Senate Bill No. 27:

A bill to be entitled An Act to require daily readings from the Holy Bible in all the Public Schools of the State of Florida.

Was taken up in its order and read the third time in full.

On motion of Mr. Phillips, the time of adjournment was extended to 1:15 o'clock P.M.

Pending the further consideration of the bill—

On motion of Mr. Etheredge the time for adjournment was extended to 1:30 o'clock.

Mr. Anderson moved that House Bill No. 79 be referred to the Committee on County Organizations.

Which was agreed to.

And the bill was so referred.

Mr. Calkins moved that the Senate do take a recess until 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. Turnbull moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

The question was put upon the motion of Mr. Turnbull to adjourn.

Which motion was lost.

Mr. Calkins withdrew his motion to take a recess.

Senate Bill No. 27, title as above stated, was put upon its passage.

Upon the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Edge, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Phillips, Putnam, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—19.

Nays—Messrs. Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Hinely, Hodges, Overstreet, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Taylor (31st Dist.)—13.

So the bill passed, title as stated, and the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives under the rule.

Explanation of Senator Hodges' vote on the passage of Senate Bill No. 27:

Senator Hodges votes "No" on Senate Bill No. 27 because to his mind it is contrary to the spirit of both the Federal and State Constitutions, which records both National and State Governments against interference by legislative Act with religious worship by citizens.

Senator Russell of the 26th District asked and granted the privilege of explaining his vote on Senate Bill No. 27, and having the same spread upon the Senate Journal, which explanation follows:

"I am a believer in the Bible; I believe in its Divine inspiration; I read it and would that I might conform my life more fully to its precepts. It is the most wonderful

book in the world and its outstanding greatness and glory can only be explained in the fact that it is God's revealed word to man. I believe in the Christian religion, but I also believe that religion should be the voluntary act of the individual, and should never be forced by the State. Legal Christianity is a contradiction of terms. When Christianity asks the aid of Government beyond mere impartial protection, it denies itself. Its laws are divine, and not human. Its essential interests lie beyond the reach and range of human government. United with Government, religion never rises above the merest superstition; united with religion, government never rises above the merest despotism. And all history shows us that the more widely and completely they are separated, the better it is for both. In my opinion this bill, which seeks to make the reading of the Bible in the Public Schools of the State compulsory, if enacted into law, would violate (if not the letter) the spirit of the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Florida. Believing this I must vote "No" on this Bill."

"W. A. RUSSELL."

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

Whereupon the Senate, at 1:30 o'clock P. M., stood adjourned until 11 o'clock A. M. Thursday, April 30, A. D. 1925.

Thursday, April 30, 1925

The Senate convened at 11 A. M. pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

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

Mr. President, Messrs. Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Clark, Coe, Colson, Cone, Edge, Etheredge, Gillis, Ha'e, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Malone, McDaniels, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Singletary, Smith, Swear-