JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

Friday, May 8, 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, Etheredge, Gillis, Hale, Hineley, Hodges, Knight, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Singletary, Smith, Swearingen, Taylor (31st Dist.). Turnbull, Turner, Walker, Watson, Wicker—29.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Daily Journal of May 7th was corrected, and, as corrected, was approved.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE.

To the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Hon. John S. Taylor,

President of the Senate.

Hon. A. Y. Milam,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Gentlemen:

Your committee appointed pursuant to House Concurrent Resolution No. 17, adopted in the session of 1923 and filed at page 511 of the General Laws of 1923, beg leave to report that pursuant to the instructions contained in said resolution, they have:

1. Made an inspection of the property in the village of Ellenton, in Manatee County, Florida, known as "Gamble

Mansion" and find that same is a place of much natural beauty and was, in fact, the hiding place of Judah P. Benjamin for a time before his escape to England, and attached hereto as a part of this report, are the following exhibits:

A, B, and C-Photographic views of the old "Gamble Mansion."

D and E—Blue prints of that part of Ellenton whereon is situated the old "Gamble Mansion," showing its location with reference to the highways and roads of said village.

F—An account of the history of the old mansion and of the ecape of Judah P. Benjamin and some facts with reference to his life and achievements.

2. Determined that the property, which is described as follows, to-wit:

Lot known and designated as the "Mansion Lot" on plat of the Patten Hometead Subdivision as recorded in Plat Book 1, page 122, bounded on the north by lots 9 and 10, on the east by Great Ditch, on the south by lands of Dudley Patten and E. B. Patten, and on the west by lot 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 of said plat, lying and being in the northwest quarter of Section 17, Township 34 south, Range 18 east, of Manatee County, Florida,

Will be purchased by the public-spirited citizens of Manatee County, Florida, through the efforts of Judah P. Benjamin Chapter and the Daughters of Confederacy and donated to the State of Florida for a fitting memorial at a cash outlay of approximately \$3,000.00; and that said citizens of the community have obligated themselves to purchase said property for approximately said amount and have made substantial payment on same, and the money is therefore being solicited and acquired for the purpose of completing said purchase.

3. Carefully considered the matter and recommend that the property be acquired by the State of Florida, or some commission or agency thereof as may be determined; and that an appropriation of not less than \$10,000.00 be made from the funds not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of restoring "Gamble Mansion" and preserving same as a memorial to Judah P. Benjamin, one of the leaders of

Southern Confederacy, and as a fitting example of the typical Southern architecture.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GAMBLE MANSION COMMISSION.

By E. J. ETHEREDGE,

J. A. FORD,

WALLACE TERVIN.

Which was read, ordered to be spread on the Journal and was referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Mr. Russell, Chairman of the Committee on State Institutions, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber, Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on State Institutions, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 127:

A bill to be entitled An Act to place the Florida Farm Colony for Epileptics and the Feeble-Minded, located at Gainesville, Florida, under the supervision and control of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions of the State of Florida, and to abolish the Board of Managers heretofore having control and supervision of the said institution.

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

Very respectfully,

W. A. RUSSELL, Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 127, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Russell, Chairman of the Committee on State Institutions, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber, Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on State Institutions, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 374:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 2303 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida relating to lunatics or insane persons.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend

that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

W. A. RUSSELL, Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 374, 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, Florida, May 8, 1925.

If on. John S. Taylor,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred-

(House Bill No. 374):

An Act creating the Cedar Hammock Drainage District, providing the period of its existence, the manner in which the Board of Supervisors shall be elected, authorizing the said district to proceed with the drainage and reclamation of the land embodied in said district, under the provisions of Sections 1098 to 1152 of Revised Statutes of Florida of 1920, and acts amendatory thereto; and making applicable to said drainage district said laws.

Also-

(House Bill No. 643):

An Act establishing Special Tax School District Number Two in St. Johns County, Florida; defining its boundaries; providing for the appointment of trustees therefor; authorizing the levy of taxes upon the property in said district for the exclusive use of the public free schools therein situated; and authorizing said district to issue bonds under the General Laws of Florida, for the purpose of acquiring, building, furnishing and otherwise improving school buildings and school grounds within the said district.

Also-

(House Bill No. 448):

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.

Also-

(House Bill No. 432):

An Act relating to the charter powers of the City of St. Cloud, and amending such charter powers as they now exist and granting to the said City of St. Cloud a commission form of government and authorizing said City of St. Cloud to act under a commission form of government and granting to said City of St. Cloud certain additional powers, rights and authorities, and fixing the duties and powers of the City Commission and City Manager of said City of St. Cloud, and providing for election of members of the City Commission, and approving, ratifying and confirming the amendments to the city charter of St. Cloud, adopted by said city pursuant to election held on the 6th day of January, A. D. 1925.

. 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. Smith, Chairman of the Committee on County Organizations, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber, Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on County Organizations, to whom was referred—

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.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend

that it do pass, with amendments.

Very respectfully,

J. SLATER, SMITH, Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 79, with committee amendments, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Smith, Chairman of the Committee on Insurance, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber, Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Insurance, to whom was referred-

Senate Bill No. 377:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 911 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida relating to Insurance campanies, Sick and Funeral Benefit companies and other associations, firms or individuals doing business in this State and providing for payment of licenses and license taxes and payment or percentage of receipts from policyholders, providing for the collection thereof, requiring reports and providing penalty for failure to comply therewith.

Have had the same under consideration and recommend

that it do pass.

Very respectfully, J. SLATER SMITH,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 377, contained in the above report, 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, Florida, May 8, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Roads and Highways, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 174:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 9311, Laws of Florida, approved June 8, 1923, entitled "An Act declaring, designating, and establishing a system of State Roads, providing for the location thereof, and providing that such roads when located and constructed shall become and be the property of the State."

Have had the same under consideration, and recom-

mend that it do not pass.

Very respectfully, HUGH HALE,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 174, contained in the above report, was placed on the table under the rule.

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

> Senate Chamber, Tallahassee, Florida, May 7, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

(House Bill No. 653):

An Act to create, establish and constitute certain territory in Lake County, Florida, as a Special Road and Bridge District to be known and designated as "Special Road and Bridge District No. 8 of Lake County, Florida:" providing for building, constructing and improving certain Roads and Bridges in said district, and precsribing the materials of which same shall be built, constructed and improved; providing for the issuance of bonds of said District, the proceeds of the sale of which shall be used for said purposes; providing for the levy and collection of taxes on all taxable property within said district for the purpose of creating a sinking fund to pay the principal and interest of said bonds; and prescribing the duties and powers of the Board of County Commissioners of Lake County, Florida, in relation to building, constructing and improving said roads and the issuance and sale of said bonds.

Also-

(House Bill No. 478):

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 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. 667):

An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the City of Fort Pierce in the County of St. Lucie, plorida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality to be known as City of Fort Pierce, and to define its territorial boundaries, and to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges.

Also-

(House Bill No. 651):

An Act to create, establish and constitute certain territory in Lake County, Florida, as a special road and bridge district to be known and designated as "Special Road and Bridge District No. 9 of Lake County, Florida'; providing for building, constructing, reconstructing and improving a certain road in said district and prescribing the materials of which same shall be built, constructed, reconstructed and improved; providing for the issuance of bonds of said district, the proceeds of the sale of which shall be used for said purposes; providing for the levy and collection of taxes on all taxable property within said district for the purpose of creating a sinking fund to pay the principal and interest of said bonds; and prescribing the duties and powers of the Board of County Commissioners of Lake County, Florida, in relation to building, constructing, reconstructing and improving said road, and the issuance and sale of said bonds.

Also-

(House Bill No. 642):

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

Also--

(House Bill No. 27):

An Act to define the boundary line between Glades and Palm Beach Counties.

Also-

(House Bill No. 449):

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 Memorial No. 5):

A memorial to the Congress of the United States asking for an appropriation to improve and deepen the Suwannee River from the Gulf to Branford, Florida.

Also-

(House Concurrent Resolution No. 10):

A Concurrent Resolution relative to the appointment of a committee to examine and report on the monument establishing the corner of intersection of the principal base and meridian of the State of Florida.

Also--

(House Bill No. 622):

An Act providing a supplemental additional and alternative method for the establishment, government and maintenance of a City Planning Board within the City of Leesburg, Lake County, Florida, and prescribing its power and duties.

Also---

(House Bill No. 645):

An Act validating and confirming an issue of one hundred and twenty thousand dollars six per cent road bonds of Hardee County, Florida, and authorizing and requiring the levy and collection of a tax for the payment of the principal and interest thereof as the same becomes due.

Also--

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(House Bill No. 649):

An Act authorizing Lake County, Florida, to construct maintain and operate a bridge across the St. Johns River in Lake and Volusia Counties; providing the manner in which the location of same shall be determined; authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of bonds of Lake County to finance the cost of construction of same; providing that said bridge may be operated as a free or a toll bridge, at the discretion of the Board of County Commissioners of said Lake County; prescribing the manner

in which funds derived from the payment of tolls shall be expended; and conferring upon said Lake County powers of eminent domain and all other general powers provided by law in connection therewith.

Also— (House Memorial No. 4):

A Memorial to the Congress of the United States asking that an appropriation be made for dredging, deepening and improving the St. Marks River from St. Marks to the Gulf of Mexico.

Also-

(House Bill No. 646):

An Act validating and confirming the proceeding relating to an issue of bonds by the Town of Pompano in the amount of fifteen thousand (\$15,000.00) dollars for the purpose of paying the cost of constructing authorized public improvements and the payment of existing indebtedness of said Town of Pompano and validating the bonds heretofore issued and authorizing sale of said bonds to the said amount.

, Beg leave to report that the same have this day been

presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully, S. W. ANDERSON,

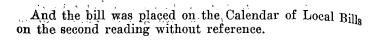
Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. Wicker— Senate Bill No. 380:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1, of Article 2, of Chapter 9950 of the Special Acts of the Legislature of 1923; being an Act creating a municipality known and designated as the City of Bushnell and defining its territorial boundaries and jurisdiction, and providing that said Chapter and the provisions thereof apply to, be binding upon and enforcible against new territory included herein and providing for the regulation of the filing of plats or maps of land within or contiguous to the city limits of the City of Bushnell.

Which was read the first time by its title.



By Mr. Smith— Senate Bill No. 381:

A bill to be entitled An Act for the payment of pension to Richard A. Davis of Baker County, Florida.

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

By Mr. Phillips— Senate Bill No. 382:

A bill to be entitled An Act for the payment of pension to J. Z. Wiggins of Columbia County, Florida.

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

By Mr. Etheredge—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 383:

A joint resolution proposing a revision of the Constitution of the State of Florida.

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

By permission-

Mr. T. T. Turnbull, Chairman of the Committee on Privileges and Elections, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber, Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1925.

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Privileges and and Elections, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 44:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 324 of the Revised General Statutes of the State of Florida relating to the assessment of party candidates by executive committees of each political party.

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

Very respectfully,

THEO. T. TURNBULL, Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 44, contained in the above report,

was placed on the table under the rules.

Mr. Singletary moved that Senate Bill No. 292 be made a continuing order for special consideration at 11:30 A. M. on Tuesday, May 12.

Which was agreed to.

And the bill took that course.

Mr. Russell gave notice that he will move to reconsider the vote by which Senate Bill No. 195 failed to pass the Senate.

Mr. Russell moved to waive the rules and that the motion to reconsider said vote, be now taken up and considered by the Senate.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

The question was put on the reconsideration of the vote by which the Senate failed to pass the bill.

The Senate reconsidered the said vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 195:

A bill to be entitled An Act defining the term "Embalming"; to provide a State Board of Embalming for the State of Florida; granting to such State Board certain powers, and prescribing certain duties of said board; regulating the profession of embalming in the State of Florida; fixing the license fees to be paid by embalmers, undertakers and dealers in burial supplies; prescribing qualifications of embalmers, and providing for the examination thereof; to provide for the better protection of lives and health and the prevention of the spread of infectious and contagious diseases; providing for the revocation of embalmers' license; and making unlawful violations hereof, and providing penalties for such violations.

Was again taken up upon its passage.

Mr. Clark moved to waive the rules and that Senate Bill No. 195 be placed back upon the second reading for further amendment and that the further consideration of the bill be temporarily passed over for consideration.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTA. TIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Florida, May 7, 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. 42:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for the payment of the expenses of the members of the Florida State Canal Commission for securing the construction of the Atlantic, Gulf and Mississippi Canal, created by Chapter 8578, Laws of Florida, Acts of 1921, in the performance of their duties under said Act.

Also-

Senate Bill No. 126:

A bill to be entitled An Act to fix the salaries of judges of the criminal courts of record in certain counties in the State of Florida.

Also-

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.

Also---

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-prof 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 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 with their members and with other associations enabling them to carry out their purposes; to provide 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.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bills Nos. 42, 126, 289 and 290, contained in the foregoing message, were read the first time by their titles and referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also-

The following message from the House of Representatives was read:

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 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 passedHouse Committee Substitute for-

Senate Bill No. 60:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing for the admission in evidence in certain cases of certified copies of portions of certain records and documents involving the title to real estate.

As a substitute for—Senate Bill No. 60:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing for the admission in evidence in certain cases of certified copies of portions of certain records and documents.

Which is also returned herewith.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully, B. A. MEGINNISS.

Chief Clerk House of Representatives: And House Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 60,

and House Committee Substitute for Senate Bill No. 60, contained in the above message, was read the first time by its title and referred (with Senate Bill No. 60) to the Committee on Judiciary A.

Also-

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

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 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. 184:

A bill to be entitled An Act to regulate the Practice of Dentistry in the State of Florida.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully, B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives. And House Bill No. 184, contained in the above message,

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

Also—

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

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1925.

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

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed— Senate Bill No. 202:

A bill to be entitled An Act relating to the government of the City of Jacksonville; conferring additional jurisdiction, powers and duties on said city; and authorizing said city to acquire, construct, own and operate public auditoriums, radio broadcasting stations, aeroplane landing fields, golf courses, yacht basins, and athletic and recreation fields, grounds and stadiums; and to charge admission to or rentals or fees for the use or enjoyment thereof; and to use any lands now owned by said city and to acquire lands, by purchase, lease or condemnation, for any of the aforesaid purposes.

Also-

Senate Bill No. 203:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the City of Jacksonville to issue bonds or certificates of indebtedness for erecting, constructing, equipping and furnishing a police headquarters, city jail, and a sub-station or substations, in said city.

Also--

Senate Bill No. 204:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the City of Jacksonville to issue bonds or certificates of indebtedness for acquiring, erecting, constructing, improving, maintaining and operating athletic and recreation fields, grounds and stadiums, and certain buildings and improvements for use in conection therewith.

Also-

Senate Bill No. 213:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish present municipal government of the Town of Murray Hill in the County of Duval and State of Florida, and to establish, organize and constitute a municipality and municipal government to be named and designated as the Town of Murray Hill, Duval County, Florida; to define its territorial boundaries; to provide for its jurisdiction, powers and privileges and for the exercise of the same, and provide for the imposition of penalties for violation of its laws and ordinances.

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

And Senate Bills Nos. 202, 203, 204 and 213, 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, Florida, May 8, 1925.

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

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed— Senate Bill No. 236:

A bill to be entitled An Act to legalize, validate and confirm the establishment and all acts in the establishment of the Town of Cross City, Florida, and to legalize, validate and confirm all elections whether special or general, held in said town, and to legalize validate and confirm all ordinances passed by the Town of Cross City, Dixie County, Florida, not inconsistent with the general laws of Florida, through its various municipal officers, and to ratify all tax assessment rolls for the year 1924 assessed and levied for municipal purposes.

Also-

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.

Also-

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.

Also-

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.

Also-

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.

Also-

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.

Very respectfully, B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives. And Senate Bills Nos. 236, 241, 243, 256, 279 and 277, contained in the foregoing message, were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills. Also---

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1925.

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

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has indefinitely postponed—

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.

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, May 8, 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—

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 \$90,000.00, 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.

Also-

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, ordinances 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.

Also—

Sénate Bill No. 298:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section Four (4) of Chapter 9505—(No. 387) of the Special Acts of the Legislature of the State of Florida of 1923, the same being An Act limiting the amount of tonnage by motor vehicles, and restricting the use of trailers and log, timber, turpentine or other carts, wagons, or vehicles and well machines, over certain roads in Levy County, Florida, and regulating the speed of and the use of wagons, carts, machines or disc harrows, automobiles, or other vehicles.

over the roads of said county, and authorizing the County Commissioners to bring suit in certain cases.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bills Nos. 278, 280, and 298, contained in the foregoing message, were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also--

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

Senate Bill No. 314:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section Three of Chapter 7450, Acts of 1917, Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to provide for the employment of detective by the Solicitor of the Criminal Court of Record of Dade County, Florida, to provide for funds to pay such detectives."

Also--

Senate Bill No. 335:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Escambia County, Florida, to use any unexpended balances of the amount or amounts designated in the resolutions of said commissioners calling the \$2,000,000.00 bond election held in said county on September 29, 1920, for the construction or repair of any road or roads designated in said resolutions.

Also-

Senate Bill No. 337:

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate and legalize an election held in and for the Town of Fort Meade, Florida,

on the 22nd day of April, A. D. 1925; to validate and legalize the charter of the City of Fort Meade, which was adopted by the electors of said Town of Fort Meade at said election held on the 22nd day of April, A. D. 1925; and providing a form and method of government for said City of Fort Meade.

Also-

Senate Bill No. 338:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 18, 19, 20, 52, 98, 108 and 115 of the Charter of the City of Bartow as validated and confirmed in Chapter 9683 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1923, being "An Act to validate, and legalize, an election held in and for the City of Bartow on the 13th day of December, A. D. 1921; to validate and legalize the Charter of the City of Bartow, which was adopted by the electors of said City at said election held on the 13th day of December, A. D. 1921; and to validate and legalize all contracts, municipal assessments, ordinances 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 Bartow", and relating to the method of enacting and making ordinances effective, the duties of the City Treasurer and Collector, the collection of taxes, the sale of public services, the borrowing of money, the elections and qualifications of voters of said City; and otherwise affecting the government, jurisdiction and powers of said City of Bartow.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And Senate Bills Nos. 314, 335, 337 and 338, contained in the foregoing message, were referred to the Committee on Enrolled Bills.

Also-

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

55---S. B.

House of Representatives, Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1925.

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

Sir:

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

Senate Bill No. 339:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 34 of Chanter 9844 of the Acts of the Legislature of 1923, being "An Act to abolish the present municipality of Mulberry, in Polk County, Florida; to create and establish a new municipality to be known as "City of Mulberry," in Polk County, Florida; to legalize and validate the ordinances of said Municipality of Mulberry and official acts thereunder: and to adopt the same as ordinances of said "City of Mulberry"; to prescribe the time of limitation of actions on certain suits; to fix and precribe the territorial limits and powers of said "City of Mulberry," in Polk County, Florida, and the jurisdiction and powers of its officers, and to provide for a referendum on the question of the voters' accentance of this charter," and relating to the assessment of taxes by said City of Mulberry, and otherwise affecting the government, jurisdiction and powers of said city.

Also-

Senate Bill No. 340:

A bill to be entitled An Act to make valid certain municipal improvement bonds of the Town of Belleair Heights; to define the authority of the said town; to issue certain improvement certificates, and to validate certain proceedings in respect of the issuance and sale of said bonds.

Also-

Senate Bill No. 342:

A bill to be entitled An Act to abolish the present municipality of the Town of Dunedin, Pinellas County, Florida, and to create and establish a municipal corporation to be known as the City of Dunedin, Pinellas County, Florida; to prescribe the territorial limits thereof; to prescribe the