

If there has been a mistake in any of the figures of the budget, they ought to be corrected.

I do think however, Mr. President, this address by the Governor requires consideration before answer, and I am going to read the address and I am going to try to see if by making an answer I can help solve the problem. I do not propose to get into a personal argument with the Governor because, as I have frequently said, while this Governor is not my candidate, he is my Governor and I propose to treat him as long as it is humanly possible upon that basis.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. GELTZ. Mr. President, I move that the Senate do now adjourn until Thursday, June 12, 1941, at 12:30 o'clock, p. m., Eastern Standard Time.

Mr. EALY. Mr. President, I second the motion.

The motion was agreed to.

The Senate adjourned at 6:35 o'clock p. m., Eastern Standard Time until Tuesday, June 12, 1941, at 12:30 o'clock p. m., Eastern Standard Time.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

WEDNESDAY, June 11, 1941

The House met at 12 m.

The SPEAKER (Elmer Kilroy) in the Chair.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, Rev. Donald McFall offered the following prayer:

O God, our Father, as we awakened this morning, may we have looked out of our windows and beheld once again the beauty and glory of this new day. As we find our life bound up in the lives of other men within our State and Nation, may we realize that there are those who hunger and toil, those who suffer, those who aspire to greater heights, yea, all manner of men are linked up in the making of that which we call civilization.

Many long for a sign of recognition or a revealing word of kinship. Teach us, that we may come to know how Thy spirit flows through those who strive with love and intelligence to overcome misery and injustice. Be Thou our helper in the tasks that are ours this day. This we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

JOURNAL APPROVED

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the Journal of yesterday.

The Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of yesterday, when, on motion of Mr. LYONS, unanimously agreed to, the further reading was dispensed with and the Journal approved.

WILLISTOWN CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL WELCOMED

The SPEAKER. The Chair welcomes to the House this afternoon graduates of the Willistown Consolidated School who are guests of the gentlemen from Chester, Messrs. Leisey, Gyger and Rank.

BILL INTRODUCED AND REFERRED

By Mr. HERMAN. HOUSE BILL No. 1840.

An Act making an appropriation to the Board of

Finance and Revenue for the purpose of reimbursing persons firms corporations or partnerships for interest charges incurred by them due to the failure of the Commonwealth to pay contract obligations for printing paper or binding furnished to the Commonwealth by such persons firms corporations or partnerships within the fiscal biennium for which such printing paper or binding was contracted for under certain conditions.

Referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

SENATE MESSAGES

SENATE BILLS FOR CONCURRENCE

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, presented for concurrence bills numbered and entitled as follows:

SENATE BILL No. 1095. (HOUSE BILL No. 1841).

An Act to further amend paragraph nineteen of section one thousand two hundred and ten of the act approved the eighteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and eleven (P. L. 309), entitled "An act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania together with the provisions by which it shall be administered and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof providing revenue to establish and maintain the same and the method of collecting such revenue and repealing all laws general special or local or any parts thereof that are or may be inconsistent therewith" providing for minimum salary and increments of part-time teachers of children of exceptional physical or mental condition unable to attend regular public school and for payments by the Commonwealth on account thereof.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

SENATE BILL No. 1102. (HOUSE BILL No. 1842).

An Act to further amend the act approved the eleventh day of March one thousand nine hundred and nine (P. L. 13), entitled "An Act for the protection of the public health by prohibiting the sale offering for sale exposing for sale or having in possession with intent to sell of eggs unfit for food as therein defined and prohibiting the use of such eggs in the preparation of food products providing penalties for the violation thereof and providing for the enforcement thereof" by providing for the licensing by the Department of Agriculture of persons copartnerships associations and corporations engaged in the business of breaking eggs and separating the contents thereof for any purpose regulating the opening of eggs unfit for food and providing for the denaturing of such eggs authorizing the Department of Agriculture to take samples of eggs for the purpose of analysis further regulating the right to sell or otherwise deal with eggs subjected to incubation providing that certain violations of the act shall be punishable in summary proceedings prescribing penalties and repealing certain legislation.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

SENATE BILL No. 484. (HOUSE BILL No. 1843).

An Act defining the rate of interest and fixing the rate and the time from which interest shall begin to run on any award for damages for the taking of property in the construction or improvement of highways.

Referred to the Committee on Highways.

SENATE BILL No. 594. (HOUSE BILL No. 1844).

An Act to amend the act, approved the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven (P. L. 2051), entitled "An act relating to public assistance; providing for and regulating assistance to certain classes of persons designated and defined as dependent children,

aged persons, blind persons and other persons requiring relief; providing for the administration of this act by the Department of Public Assistance and county boards of assistance hereby created for this purpose; authorizing the Department of Public Assistance to cooperate with, and to accept and disburse moneys received from, the United States Government for assistance to such persons; providing for the liquidation of the State Emergency Relief Boards, Boards of Trustees of the Mothers' Assistance Fund, and Boards of Trustees of Pension Fund for the Blind; and repealing laws relating to mothers' assistance, pensions for the blind, old age assistance, and the State Emergency Relief board," as amended, by redefining assistance to include work relief, and authorizing the Department of Public Assistance, with the approval of the Governor, to administer work relief projects.

Referred to the Committee on Welfare.

SENATE BILL No. 1015. (HOUSE BILL No. 1845).

An Act authorizing and directing the county treasurers of the several counties in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to provide and maintain an index or indexed record of the several sales of property in their several counties for delinquent taxes, and providing that the reasonable cost thereof shall be borne by the several counties.

Referred to the Committee on Counties.

SENATE BILL No. 1021. (HOUSE BILL No. 1846).

An Act relating to soil conservation and soil erosion, and regulating land use practices contributing to soil wastage and soil erosion; providing for the organization of soil conservation districts, as governmental subdivisions; prescribing the officers and employes thereof, and defining their powers and duties; creating the State Soil Conservation Board in the Department of Agriculture and imposing powers and prescribing duties thereon relative to the enforcement of this act; imposing powers and duties upon all state agencies and state institutions of learning relative to the effecting of this act; authorizing county commissioners to make appropriations for the use of soil conservation districts within their counties: providing for the making of appropriations by the General Assembly; and repealing existing laws.

Referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

SENATE BILL No. 1094. (HOUSE BILL No. 1847).

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section thirteen Article three of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

RESOLUTION CONCURRED IN BY SENATE

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the resolution from the House of Representatives, as follows:

In the House of Representatives, June 10, 1941.

Resolved (if the Senate concur), that House Bill No. 1022, Printer's No. 640, entitled "An act to amend section thirteen and to further amend section eighteen of the act approved the eleventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one (P. L. 522), entitled as amended "An act relating to dogs, and the protection of live stock, poultry, and game birds raised in captivity from damage by dogs: providing for the licensing of dogs by the Secretary of Agriculture; providing for the enumeration of dogs by assessors; regulating the keeping of dogs, and authorizing their destruction in certain cases; providing for the protection of licensed dogs, and for dogs temporarily imported for trial, show, and

breeding purposes; prescribing certain privileges for hunting dogs and dogs owned or used by the Board of Game Commissioners: providing for the assessment of damages done to live stock, poultry, and game birds by dogs, and for live stock killed by, or dying from rabies, and for the illegal killing of licensed dogs and the payment of such damages by the Commonwealth; imposing powers and duties on certain State, county, city, borough, town, and township officers and employes directing the payment of all moneys collected into the State Treasury; and providing penalties," permitting certain dogs to be brought into the Commonwealth for hunting purposes by holders of non-resident hunting licenses, without securing a Pennsylvania dog license where the home states of such non-residents afford a similar exemption to residents of Pennsylvania"

be recalled from the Governor for the purpose of amendment.

RESOLUTION CONCURRED IN BY SENATE

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, informed that the Senate has concurred in the resolution from the House of Representatives, as follows:

In the House of Representatives, June 10, 1941.

Resolved (if the Senate concur), that House Bill No. 949, Printer's No. 717, entitled "An act to further amend section nine of the act approved the seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred and seventeen (P. L. 363) entitled 'An act relating to the organization jurisdiction and procedure of the orphans' courts the powers and duties of the judges thereof and appeals therefrom' by imposing liability on executors administrators or trustees for real estate brokers commissions in certain cases"

be recalled from the Governor for the purpose of amendment.

HOUSE BILLS CONCURRED IN BY SENATE

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bills from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows:

HOUSE BILL No. 238.

An Act requiring cities of the second class A, having fire departments, to allow members of said fire departments twenty-four consecutive hours of rest each week, and fourteen days vacation with pay each year, except in emergency cases.

HOUSE BILL No. 383.

An Act to further amend section one thousand five hundred three of the act, approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (P. L. 309), entitled "An act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," providing that school districts of the fourth class may employ at their own expense a medical inspector.

HOUSE BILL No. 392.

An Act authorizing county treasurers to execute and perfect deeds for seated lands sold for taxes by their predecessors in office.

HOUSE BILL No. 752.

An Act authorizing cities of the second class A with the

consent of the owners thereof to improve and beautify property adjoining or adjacent to State-owned hospitals within such cities.

HOUSE BILL No. 1072.

An Act to amend section five hundred and nineteen of the act, approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (P. L. 1278), entitled "An act relating to counties of the second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth classes; and revising, amending and consolidating the laws relating thereto," providing for the payment of the costs of viewers by the Commonwealth in certain cases.

HOUSE BILL No. 1413.

An Act requiring the Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, after the use of any highway as a detour has been discontinued, to restore promptly such highway to substantially the same condition as it was prior to its use as a detour.

HOUSE BILL No. 1257.

An Act to add section three and one-tenth to the act, approved the fifteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine (P. L. 134), entitled "An act relating to fireworks; defining fireworks; prohibiting the sale, offering or exposing for sale and use of fireworks except in certain cases; authorizing cities, boroughs, towns and townships to issue permits for fireworks displays, and to regulate the same; imposing duties on the Pennsylvania Motor Police, sheriffs, police officers and constables; and providing penalties," providing for an extension of time on permits for such displays when not made on the day designated in the permit.

HOUSE BILL No. 1346.

An Act designating certain days of each year as Arbor Days and Bird Days; one of which days shall be the ninth day of April except when the ninth day of April falls on Saturday, Sunday or Good Friday; providing that the week of the ninth of April be proclaimed as Conservation Week; and directing suitable observance of Arbor Days and Bird Days in public schools under the direction of superintendents and teachers.

HOUSE BILL No. 830.

An Act to further amend the act, approved the twenty-ninth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three (1933-34, P. L. 15), entitled, as last amended, "An act to regulate and restrain the sale, manufacture, possession, transportation, importation, traffic in, and use of alcohol, and alcoholic and malt or brewed beverages; conferring powers and imposing duties upon the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board and its agents, the Department of Public Instruction, other officers of the State government, courts, and district attorneys; authorizing the establishment and operation of State stores for the sale of such beverages not for consumption on the premises, and the granting of licenses, subject to local option, to sell such beverages for consumption on and off the premises; forbidding importation or bringing of such beverages into the State except as herein provided; prohibiting certain sales or practices in, connection with, and transactions in such beverages by licensees and others; providing for the forfeiture of certain property; making disposition of the receipts from, State stores and of fees; and imposing penalties," changing the provisions of said act with respect to natural wines, as herein defined.

HOUSE BILL No. 831.

An Act to re-enact and further amend the title and the act, approved the third day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three (P. L. 252), entitled as last amended "An act to regulate and restrain the traffic in malt and brewed beverages; as herein defined; providing for the licensing of the manufacture, transportation, sale

and distribution of such beverages; imposing license and permit fees, and providing for collection and distribution thereof; restricting ownership and interest in licensed places; permitting municipalities and townships, by vote of the electors, to prevent the licensing therein of places where such beverages may be sold for consumption on the premises, and regulating elections for this purpose; imposing duties upon the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, quarter sessions courts, district attorneys, the Department of Justice, proper authorities of political subdivisions of the State, and election officers; providing penalties; and repealing existing acts," including natural wines, as herein defined, within the provisions of said act; providing special licenses for the sale thereof, and authorizing retail dispensers to sell natural wines without further license.

With the information that the Senate has passed the same without amendment.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE

By unanimous consent leave of absence was granted as follows:

Mr. NORMAN WOOD for himself for the remainder of the week after today's session.

Mr. HUNTLEY for himself for the remainder of the week after 2 p. m. today.

Mr. FOOR for himself for the remainder of the week after today's session.

Mr. RANK for himself for the remainder of the week after today's session.

Mr. Voldow for Mr. ROSENFELD for the remainder of the week.

Mr. CULLEN for himself for the remainder of the week after today's session.

Mr. FLYNN for himself for the remainder of the week after today's session.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Mr. LESKO, from the Committee on State Government, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1771, entitled:

An Act requiring clerks of courts to forward to the Department of Health a certificate of decrees in divorce, annulment of marriage, adoption and annulment of adoption proceedings, providing for the registration of such certificates by the said Department, the issuance of certified copies thereof, and fixing fees and penalties.

Mr. PROSEN, from the Committee on State Government, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1643, entitled:

An Act to amend the act, approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine, (P. L. 343), entitled "An act relating to the finances of the State government; providing for the settlement assessment, collection, and lien of taxes, bonus, and all other accounts due the Commonwealth, the collection and recovery of fees and other money or property due or belonging to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof, including escheated property and the proceeds of its sale, the custody and disbursement or other disposition of funds and securities belonging to or in the possession of the Commonwealth, and the settlement of claims against the Commonwealth, the resettlement of accounts and appeals to the courts, refunds of moneys erroneously paid to the Commonwealth, auditing the accounts of the Commonwealth, and all agencies thereof, of all public officers collecting moneys payable to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof, and all receipts of appropriations from the

Commonwealth and imposing penalties; affecting every department, board, commission, and officer of the State government, every political subdivision of the State, and certain officers of such subdivisions, every person, association, and corporation required to pay, assess, or collect taxes, or to make returns or reports under the laws imposing taxes for State purposes, or to pay license fees or other moneys to the Commonwealth, or any agency thereof, every State depository and every debtor or creditor of the Commonwealth," by providing for the manner of payment of escheator's fees, informant's commissions, and other lawful charges due from moneys escheated to the Commonwealth and escheatable moneys paid to the Commonwealth without escheat, designating the funds to which said moneys shall be credited, and making an appropriation.

Mr. PROSEN, from the Committee on State Government, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1719, entitled:

An Act to add clause (k) to section two thousand one hundred two, and to repeal clause (d) of section two thousand one hundred ten of the act, approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine, (P. L. 177) entitled "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the Executive Department thereof and the administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof, including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative officers, and of the several administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and of certain other executive and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and commissions shall be determined," transferring the power to determine questions of fact regarding the purity of water supplied to the public from the Sanitary Water Board to the Department of Health, to conform with the provisions of the Public Utility Law.

Mr. EDWIN F. THOMPSON, from the Committee on Highways, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1835, entitled:

An Act creating a Highway Traffic Advisory Committee to the War Department of the United States of America; providing for its appointment; prescribing its powers and duties; and authorizing the use by the committee of the employes, equipment, supplies and facilities of certain State agencies.

Mr. BRADLEY, from the Committee on Building and Loan Associations, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1397, entitled:

An Act to amend the act approved the fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirty-three (P. L. 457), entitled "An act relating to the business of building and loan associations; providing for the organization and voluntary dissolution of such associations; defining the rights, powers, duties, liabilities, and immunities of such associations, and of their officers, directors, shareholder-solicitors, and other employes; prohibiting the transaction of business in this Commonwealth by foreign building and loan associations; conferring powers and imposing duties upon the courts, recorders of deeds, and certain State Departments, commissions, and officers; establishing limita-

tions of actions; imposing penalties; and repealing certain acts and parts of acts" as amended, by requiring certificates of the payment of taxes and other charges to be filed with the Department of State in certain cases.

Mr. FINNERTY, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1797, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the committee appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives to investigate the maintenance, operation and conduct of all State hospitals.

Mr. McDERMOTT, from the Committee on Public Utilities, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1013, entitled:

An Act to repeal section five of the act, approved the fourth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and five (P. L. 335), entitled "An act creating the Water Supply Commission of Pennsylvania; defining its duties; fixing the scope of its authority and powers, and making an appropriation for the payment of the salaries and expenses connected therewith," prohibiting the issuance of letters patent to water companies until approved by the Water Supply Commission.

Mr. MARKS, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1466, entitled:

An Act to amend the act, approved the third day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven (P. L. 1333), entitled "An act concerning elections, including general, municipal, special and primary elections, the nomination of candidates, primary and election expenses and election contests; creating and defining membership of county boards of elections; imposing duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, courts, county boards of elections; county commissioners; imposing penalties for violation of the act, and codifying, revising, and consolidating the laws relating thereto; and repealing certain acts and parts of acts relating to elections," by changing the procedure for and regulating elections by persons in actual military service, imposing duties upon the Secretary of the Commonwealth, courts, county boards of elections, and county commissioners, providing for reimbursement of counties for actual expenses incurred for canvassing the vote of electors in actual military service.

Mr. MARKS, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1467, entitled:

An Act to amend the act, approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (P. L. 1132), entitled "An act to provide for the permanent personal registration of electors in cities of the second class A as a condition of their right to vote at elections and primaries, and their enrollment as members of political parties as a further condition of their right to vote at primaries; prescribing certain procedure for the conduct of elections and primaries and the challenge and proof of qualifications of electors; and prescribing the powers and duties of citizens, parties, political bodies, registration commissions, commissioners, registrars, inspectors of registration and other appointees of registration commission, county election boards, election officers, municipal officers, departments and bureaus, police officers, courts, judges, prothonotaries, sheriffs, county commissioners, peace officers, county treasurers, county controllers, registrars of vital statistics, certain public utility corporations, real estate brokers, rental agents, and boards of school directors; and imposing penalties," as amended, by providing and providing for the registration of persons in military service to entitle them to vote at any election.

Mr. MARKS, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1468, entitled:

An Act to amend the act, approved the twenty-fifth day

of May, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (P. L. 814), entitled "An act to provide for the permanent personal registration of electors in cities of the second class as a condition of their right to vote at elections and primaries, and their enrollment as members of political parties as a further condition of their right to vote at primaries; prescribing certain procedure for the conduct of elections and primaries and the challenge and proof of qualifications of electors; and prescribing the powers and duties of citizens, parties, political bodies, registration commissions, commissioners, registrars, inspectors of registration and other appointees of registration commission, county election boards, election officers, municipal officers, departments and bureaus, police officers, courts, judges, prothonotaries, sheriffs, county commissioners, peace officers, county treasurers, county controllers, registrars of vital statistics, certain public utility corporations, real estate brokers, rental agents, and boards of school directors; and imposing penalties," as amended, by requiring and providing for the registration of persons in military service to entitle them to vote at any election.

Mr. MARKS, from the Committee on Elections, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1469, entitled:

An Act to amend the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (P. L. 849), entitled "An act to provide for the permanent personal registration of electors in cities of the third class as a condition of their right to vote at elections and primaries, and their enrollment as members of political parties as a further condition of their right to vote at primaries; prescribing certain procedure for the conduct of elections and primaries and the challenge and proof of qualifications of electors; and prescribing the powers and duties of citizens, parties, political bodies, registration commissions, commissioners, registrars, inspectors of registration and other appointees of registration commissions, county election boards, election officers, municipal officers, departments and bureaus, police officers, courts, judges, prothonotaries, sheriffs, county commissioners, peace officers, county treasurers, county controllers, registrars of vital statistics, certain public utility corporations, real estate brokers, rental agents, and boards of school directors; imposing penalties; and repealing existing legislation," as amended, by requiring and providing for the registration of persons in military service to entitle them to vote at any election.

Mr. BAKER, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1838, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation to the Department of Highways for the purpose of making a survey of a certain State highway; and conferring certain powers upon the Department of Highways.

Mr. COOK, from the Committee on Highways, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1765, entitled:

An Act repealing and abandoning as a State highway, State highway Routes 03123 and 03133 in Armstrong County; and providing for the reversion thereof to the townships.

Mr. MUIR, from the Committee on Highways, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1237, entitled:

An Act to amend Route 64248 of section two of the act, approved the first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three (P. L. 1172), entitled "An act establishing certain streets in boroughs and incorporated towns as State highways, and providing for their construction and maintenance at the expense of the Commonwealth.

Mr. MUIR, from the Committee on Highways, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1051, entitled:

A Supplement to the act approved the twenty-second

day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one (P. L. 720) entitled "An act providing for the taking over by the Commonwealth, under certain terms, conditions and limitations, of certain streets in cities of the second class, second class A, and third class as State highways, and for the improvement, construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and maintenance by the Commonwealth of certain defined widths of said streets; imposing duties on such cities and on public utility companies using such streets; providing that no assessment shall be made upon the Commonwealth in the elimination of any grade crossing thereon; authorizing cities, persons, associations, or corporations to enter into agreements with the Commonwealth to bear a portion of the cost of construction or maintenance; providing for the assessment of certain portions of the cost of street improvements on abutting property owners; regulating the replacement of certain facilities of public utility companies; prohibiting the opening of said streets after improvement without a permit, and providing penalty therefor; regulating the maintenance of detours; authorizing the increase of city indebtedness in certain cases; and appropriating money in the Motor License Fund for the purposes of this act," by establishing additional routes in the City of Jeannette.

Mr. NORMAN WOOD, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1827, entitled:

An Act making an appropriation out of the Motor License Fund to the Department of Highways to be used with the advice of the Pennsylvania Historical Commission for construction and improvement of roads within and approaches to The Ephrata Cloisters, and for the landscaping thereof.

Mr. TROUT, from the Committee on Highways, reported as committed House Bill No. 1826, entitled:

An Act to amend part of section two of the act, approved the twenty-second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one (P. L. 720), entitled "An act providing for the taking over by the Commonwealth, under certain terms, conditions, and limitations of certain streets in cities of the second class, second class A, and third class as State highways, and for the improvement, construction, reconstruction, resurfacing and maintenance by the Commonwealth of certain defined widths of said streets; imposing duties on such cities and on public utility companies using such streets; providing that no assessment shall be made upon the Commonwealth in the elimination of any grade crossing thereon; authorizing cities, persons, associations, or corporations to enter into agreements with the Commonwealth to bear a portion of the cost of construction or maintenance; providing for the assessment of certain portions of the cost of street improvements on abutting property owners; regulating the replacement of certain facilities of public utility companies; prohibiting the opening of said streets after improvement without a permit, and providing penalty therefor; regulating the maintenance of detours; authorizing the increase of city indebtedness in certain cases; and appropriating money in the Motor License Fund for the purpose of this act," changing a certain route in the City of Johnstown.

Mr. WATKINS, from the Committee on Highways, reported as committed House Bill No. 1483, entitled:

An Act to repeal the act approved the sixteenth day of January, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine (3 Sm. Laws, page 338), entitled "An act to declare Franklin creek, a public highway."

Mr. READINGER, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed House Bill No. 1832, entitled:

An Act making an emergency appropriation to the De-

partment of Highways for allocation to and distribution among boroughs and townships for the repair of certain roads and streets in Western Pennsylvania.

Mr. COOK, from the Committee on Highways, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1777, (Senate Bill No. 174), entitled:

A Supplement to the act, approved the twenty-second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one (P. L. 720), entitled, "An act providing for the taking over by the Commonwealth under certain terms, conditions, and limitations of certain streets in cities of the second class, and second class A, and third class, as state highways, and for the improvement, construction, reconstruction, resurfacing, and maintenance by the Commonwealth of certain defined widths of said streets, imposing duties on such cities, and on public utility companies using such streets, providing that no assessment shall be made upon the Commonwealth in the elimination of any grade crossing thereon, authorizing cities, persons, associations, or corporations to enter into agreements with the Commonwealth to bear a portion of the cost of construction or maintenance, providing for the assessment of certain portions of the cost of street improvements on abutting property owners, regulating the replacement of certain facilities of public utility companies, prohibiting the opening of said streets after improvement without a permit, and providing penalty therefor, regulating the maintenance of detours, authorizing the increase of city indebtedness in certain cases, and appropriating money in the Motor License Fund for the purposes of this act," by establishing additional routes in the City of Erie.

Mr. CULLEN, from the Committee on State Government, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1791, (Senate Bill No. 724), entitled:

An Act to amend section four hundred one of the act approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (P. L. 177), entitled "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the Executive Department thereof, and the administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof, including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools, or Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative officers, and of the several administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and commissions shall be determined," by providing for the length of the terms and the method of appointing the members of the boards of trustees of various State Schools and Teachers Colleges enumerated.

Mr. WOODSIDE, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1721, entitled:

An Act authorizing the Department of Property and Supplies, with the approval of the Governor and the Department of Welfare, to acquire a certain tract of land for the use of Pennsylvania Industrial School, and making an appropriation therefor.

Mr. MARKS, from the Committee on Elections, reported as amended, House Bill No. 1465, entitled:

An Act to amend the act, approved the twenty-ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (P. L. 487), entitled "An act to provide for the permanent personal registration of electors in boroughs, towns, and townships as a condition of their right to vote at elections and primaries, and their enrollment as members of political parties as a further condition of their right to vote at primaries; prescribing certain procedure for the conduct of elections and primaries and the challenge and proof of qualifications of electors; requiring the county commissioners of the various counties to act as a registration commission therefor; and prescribing the powers and duties of citizens, parties, political bodies, registration commissions, commissioners, registrars, inspectors of registration and other appointees of registration commissions, county election boards, election officers, municipal officers, departments and bureaus, police officers, courts, judges, prothonotaries, sheriffs, county commissioners, peace officers, county treasurers, county controllers, registrars of vital statistics, certain public utility corporations, real estate brokers, rental agents, and boards of school directors; and imposing penalties," as amended, by requiring and providing for the registration of persons in military service before they shall be entitled to vote at any election.

Mr. MARKS, from the Committee on Public Utilities, reported as amended, House Bill No. 1727, entitled:

An Act providing that proceedings, acts and bonds issued, by Authorities incorporated under the Municipality Authorities Act, as amended and supplemented, shall not be invalid by reason of certain circumstances.

Mr. MARKS, from the Committee on Public Utilities, reported as amended, House Bill No. 1728, entitled:

An Act relating to the compatibility of officer of members of the Boards and officers of the Authorities incorporated under the Municipality Authorities Act, as amended and supplemented.

Mr. O'BRIEN, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported as amended, House Bill No. 753, entitled:

An Act authorizing the Department of Property and Supplies, with the approval of the Governor and the Department of Welfare to acquire certain land adjacent to, and for the use of the Scranton State Hospital; providing for the improvement and use thereof; and making an appropriation.

Mr. POWERS, from the Committee on Constitutional Amendments, reported as amended, House Bill No. 1805 (Senate Bill No. 697), entitled:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to section one, article nine, of the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Mr. MALLOY, from the Committee on State Government, reported as amended, House Bill No. 871 (Senate Bill No. 9), entitled:

An Act concerning the permanent recordation of certain births, birth certificates, the issuance of copies of such certificates, and prescribing the procedure therefor; enlarging the powers and duties of the Department of Health and the Bureau of Vital Statistics.

Mr. FISS, from the Committee on Highways, reported as amended, House Bill No. 1573 (Senate Bill No. 30), entitled:

An Act providing for the establishment, construction, operation and maintenance of a mountain ridge road or parkway in the Pocono Mountains through, bordering or accessible to the counties of Monroe, Northampton, Carbon, Luzerne, Lackawanna, Wayne and Pike to be known as

the "Rim Parkway," providing for the creation of the Pennsylvania Parkway Commission, and conferring powers and imposing duties on said commission; authorizing the issuance of parkway revenue bonds of the Commonwealth, payable solely from tolls, to pay the cost of such parkway, providing that no debt of the Commonwealth shall be incurred in the exercise of any of the powers granted by this act; providing for the collection of tolls for the payment of such bonds and for the cost of maintenance, operation and repair of the parkway; making such bonds exempt from taxation; constituting such bonds legal investments in certain instances; prescribing conditions upon which such parkway shall become free; providing for condemnation; granting certain powers and authority to municipal subdivisions and other agencies of the Commonwealth to cooperate with the commission; conferring powers and imposing duties on the Department of Highways; authorizing the issuance of parkway revenue refunding bonds and making an appropriation.

Mr. THOMAS H. LEE, from the Committee on Public Utilities, reported as amended, House Bill No. 1828, (Senate Bill No. 787), entitled:

An Act to further amend the act, approved the twenty-eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven (P. L. 1053), entitled "An act relating to the regulation of public utilities; defining as public utilities certain corporations, companies, associations, and persons; providing for the regulation of public utilities, including, to a limited extent, municipalities engaging in public utility business, by prescribing, defining and limiting their duties, powers, and liabilities, and regulating the exercise, surrender or abandonment of their powers, privileges, and franchises; defining and regulating contract carriers by motor vehicle and brokers in order to regulate effectively common carriers by motor vehicle; conferring upon the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission the power and duty of supervising and regulating persons, associations, companies, and corporations, including, to a limited extent, municipal corporations subject to this act, and administering the provisions of this act; authorizing the commission to fix temporary rates; placing the burden of proof on public utilities to sustain their rates and certain other matters; authorizing a permissive or mandatory sliding scale method of regulating rates; providing for the supervision of financial and contractual relations between public utilities and affiliated interests, and supervision and regulation of accounts and securities or obligations issued, assumed, or kept by persons, associations, companies, corporations or municipal corporations subject to this act; conferring upon the commission power to vary, reform, or revise certain contracts; conferring upon the commission the exclusive power to regulate or order the construction, alteration, relocation, protection, or abolition of crossings of facilities of public utilities, and of such facilities by or over public highways, to appropriate property for the construction or improvement of such crossings, and to award or apportion resultant costs and damages; authorizing owners of such property to sue the Commonwealth for such damages; providing for ejectment proceedings in connection with the appropriation of property for crossings; conferring upon the commission power to control and regulate budgets of public utilities; imposing upon persons, associations, companies, and corporations (except municipal corporations) subject to regulation, the cost of administering this act; prescribing and regulating practice and procedure before the commission and procedure for review by the courts of commission action; giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive original jurisdiction over certain proceedings; prescribing penalties, fines, and imprisonment for violations of the provisions of this act, and regulations and orders of the commission, and the procedure for enforcing such fines and penalties; and repealing legislation supplied and superseded by or inconsistent with this act." by exempting certain transportation from the terms "common carrier by motor vehicle" and "contract carrier by motor vehicles;" further regulating the right to render service

as a contract carrier by motor vehicle; prohibiting the imposition of costs upon the commission in certain appeals to the Superior Court; subjecting persons and corporations to certain civil penalties for violating the act; prohibiting motor carriers, common carriers by airplane and any operator or employe of such carriers, and brokers from exceeding the authority of the certificate of public convenience granted such carriers and brokers; and changing the penalty with respect thereto; and eliminating the requirement that certain attempts to evade or defeat regulation for carriers or brokers must be fraudulent in order to be punishable

Mr. SHAFFER, from the Committee on Elections, reported as amended, House Bill No. 1603, (Senate Bill No. 169), entitled:

An Act to amend the act approved the twenty-fifth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven (P. L. 814), entitled "An act to provide for the permanent personal registration of electors in cities of the second class as a condition of their right to vote at elections and primaries, and their enrollment as members of political parties as a further condition of their right to vote at primaries; prescribing certain procedure for the conduct of elections and primaries and the challenge and proof of qualifications of electors; and prescribing the powers and duties of citizens, parties, political bodies, registration commissions, commissioners, registrars, inspectors of registration and other appointees of registration commissions, county election boards, election officers, municipal officers, departments and bureaus, police officers, courts, judges, prothonotaries, sheriffs, county commissioners, peace officers, county treasurers, county controllers, registrars of vital statistics, certain public utility corporations, real estate brokers, rental agents, and boards of school directors; and imposing penalties," abolishing the existing registration commission for cities of the second class and providing that the county commissioners of each county in which any such city is located shall act as a registration commission therefor, providing for the consolidation of the second class city general register with the general register of cities of the third class and boroughs, towns and townships of the county, providing for the transfer of the registration of electors upon change of residence from a third class city, borough, town or township in the same county, changing the period during which changes of enrollment of political party may be made, eliminating preparation and distribution of street lists, and permitting the destruction of certain records.

Mr. LOVETT from the Committee on Rules reported as committed Senate Concurrent Resolution Serial No. 124.

Mr. HARKINS, from the Committee on Education, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1704, entitled:

An Act authorizing the Department of Public Instruction, with the approval of the Board of Trustees of the Indiana State Teachers' College, to contract with the Borough of Indiana for the erection of a sewage disposal plant and the connection therewith and use thereof, by the Indiana State Teachers' College, and the payment of part of the cost of maintenance thereafter; and making an appropriation.

Mr. STOCKHAM, from the Committee on Public Utilities, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1837, entitled:

An Act to further amend clauses (6) and (7) of section two and section nine hundred eight of the act, approved the twenty-eighth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven (P. L. 1053), entitled "An act relating to the regulation of public utilities; defining as public utilities certain corporations, companies, associations, and persons; providing for the regulation of public utilities, including, to a limited extent, municipalities engaging in public utility business, by prescribing, defining, and limiting their duties, powers, and liabilities, and regulat-

ing the exercise, surrender or abandonment of their powers, privileges, and franchises; defining and regulating contract carriers by motor vehicle and brokers in order to regulate effectively common carriers by motor vehicle; conferring upon the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission the power and duty of supervising and regulating persons, associations, companies, and corporations, including, to a limited extent, municipal corporations subject to this act, and administering the provisions of this act; authorizing the commission to fix temporary rates; placing the burden of proof on public utilities to sustain their rates and certain other matters; authorizing a permissive or mandatory sliding scale method of regulating rates; providing for the supervision of financial and contractual relations between public utilities and affiliated interests, and supervision and regulation of accounts and securities or obligations issued, assumed, or kept by persons, associations, companies, corporations or municipal corporations subject to this act, conferring upon the commission power to vary, reform, or revise certain contracts; conferring upon the commission the exclusive power to regulate or order the construction, alteration, relocation, protection, or abolition of crossings of facilities of public utilities, and of such facilities by or over public highways, to appropriate property for the construction or improvement of such crossings, and to award or apportion resultant costs and damages; authorizing owners of such property to sue the Commonwealth for such damages; providing for ejectment proceedings in connection with the appropriation of property for crossings; conferring upon the commission power to control and regulate budgets of public utilities; imposing upon persons, associations, companies, and corporations (except municipal corporations) subject to regulation, the cost of administering this act; prescribing and regulating practice and procedure before the commission and procedure for review by the courts of commission action; giving the court of common pleas of Dauphin County exclusive original jurisdiction over certain proceedings; prescribing penalties, fines, and imprisonment for violations of the provisions of this act and regulations and orders of the commission, and the procedure for enforcing such fines and penalties; and repealing legislation supplied and superseded by or inconsistent with this act," changing the definitions of "Common Carrier by Motor Vehicle" and "Contract Carrier by Motor Vehicle," and giving the Public Utility Commission the right to inspect and access to facilities and records of all persons and corporations subject to said act.

Mr. McCLANAGHAN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1585, entitled:

An Act authorizing political subdivisions to accept in full payment of municipal claims, taxes, penalties, interest and costs such amount as may be fixed for the discharge thereof in proceedings under the National Bankruptcy Act.

Mr. D'ORTONA, from the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1770, entitled:

An Act to amend the title and to further amend section forty-three of the act, approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and one (P. L. 4933), entitled "An act providing for the examination, licensure, and registration of persons, firms, or corporations engaged or engaging in the business or work of plumbing or house drainage, and prescribing certain rules, regulations, and requirements for the construction of plumbing, house drainage, and cesspools in cities of the second class; and imposing fines, penalties, and forfeitures for violation thereof," by permitting the use of enclosed woodwork about sinks in all except tenement-houses and lodging-houses in cities of the second class, second class A, and third class.

Mr. MAXWELL, from the Committee on Public Health

and Sanitation, reported as committed, House Bill No. 934, entitled:

An Act for the preservation of eyesight and the prevention of blindness; declaring a policy in reference thereto; conferring powers and imposing duties on the Department of Health; and prescribing qualifications for persons administering such work.

Mr. MARSHALL M. COHEN, from the Committee on Judiciary General, reported as committed, House Bill No. 1697 (Senate Bill No. 122) entitled:

An Act to amend subsection (b) of, and to add subsection (e) to, section twenty-eight of the act, approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen (P. L. 447), entitled as amended, "An act relating to the administration and distribution of the estates of decedents and of minors, and of trust estates; including the appointment, bonds, rights, powers, duties, liabilities, accounts, discharge and removal of executors, administrators, guardians, and trustees, herein designated as fiduciaries; the administration and distribution of the estates of presumed decedents; widow's and children's exemptions; debts of decedents, rents of real estate as assets for payment thereon, the lien thereof, sales and mortgages of real estate for the payment thereof, judgments and executions therefor, and the discharge of real estate from the lien thereof; contracts of decedents for the sale or purchase of real estate; legacies, including legacies charged on land; the discharge of residuary estates and of real estate from the lien of legacies and other charges; the appraisal of real estate devised at a valuation; the ascertainment of the curtilage of dwelling houses or other buildings devised; the abatement and survival of actions; and the substitution of executors and administrators therein; the survival of causes of action and suits thereupon by or against fiduciaries; investments by fiduciaries; the organization of corporations to carry on the business of decedents; the audit and review of accounts of fiduciaries; refunding bonds; transcripts to the court of common pleas of balances due by fiduciaries; the rights, powers and liabilities of nonresident and foreign fiduciaries; the appointment, bonds, rights, powers, duties and liabilities of trustees durante absentia; the recording and registration of decrees, reports and other proceedings, and the fees therefor; appeals in certain cases; and, also, generally dealing with the jurisdiction, powers, and procedure of the orphans' court in all matters relating to fiduciaries concerned with the estates of decedents," authorizing executors of a will with the approval of orphans' court, to sell at private sale the real and personal estate of the decedent although the will directs such sale to be public, and to purchase real and personal estate of the decedent when sold at private sale

Mr. PAUL A. BRUNNER, from the Committee on Highways, reported as committed, House Resolution No. 98.

Mr. McDERMOTT, from the Committee on Liquor Control, re-reported as amended, House Bill No. 259, entitled:

An Act to further amend sections four hundred eleven, of the act, approved the twenty-ninth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three (P. L. 15, 1933-34) entitled as amended "An act to regulate and restrain the sale, manufacture, possession, transportation, importation, traffic in, and use of alcohol, and alcoholic and malt or brewed beverages; conferring powers and imposing duties upon the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board and its agents, the Department of Public Instruction, other officers of the State Government, courts, and district attorneys; authorizing the establishment and operation of State stores for the sale of such beverages not for consumption on the premises, and the granting of licenses, subject to local option, to sell such beverages for consumption on and off the premises; forbidding importation or bringing of such beverages into the State except as herein provided: prohibiting certain sales or practices

in, connection with, and transactions in such beverages by licensees and others; providing for the forfeiture of certain property; making disposition of the receipts from State stores and of fees; and imposing penalties," by further fixing the hours during which liquor, malt or brewed beverages may be sold;

Mr. YOUNG, from the Committee on Elections, re-reported as amended, House Bill No. 636, entitled:

An Act to amend the act, approved the thirtieth day of March, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (P. L. 115), entitled "An act to provide for the permanent personal registration of electors in cities of the first class as a condition of their right to vote at elections and primaries, and their enrollment as members of political parties as a further condition of their right to vote at primaries; prescribing certain procedure for the conduct of elections and primaries and the challenge and proof of qualifications of electors; and prescribing the powers and duties of citizens, parties, bodies of electors, registration commissions, commissioners, registrars, inspectors of registration and other appointees of registration commission, election officers, municipal officers, departments, and bureaus, police officers, courts judges, prothonotaries, sheriffs, county commissioners, peace officers, county treasurers, county controllers, registrars of vital statistics, real estate brokers, rental agents, certain public service companies, persons, firms, and corporations operating vehicles for moving furniture and household goods, and boards of school directors; and imposing penalties," as amended, redefining the powers and duties of the registration commission and its employes; revising the provisions regulating the filing of removal notices and the cancellation of registrations; changing the provisions and times for registration, change of party enrollment and the cancellation of registrations; imposing duties on certain city officers; revising the procedure on appeals to the courts; providing for the manner of reckoning time; and imposing additional penalties.

Mr. HOLLAND, from the Committee on Appropriations, re-reported as amended, House Bill No. 777, entitled:

An Act to amend section two thousand five hundred five A of the act, approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (P. L. 177), entitled "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the Executive Department thereof and the administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers thereof, including the board of trustees of State Normal Schools, or Teachers Colleges; abolishing, creating, reorganizing or authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative departments, boards, and commissions; defining the powers and duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative officers, and of the several administrative departments, boards, commissions, and officers; fixing the salaries of the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, and certain other executive and administrative officers; providing for the appointment of certain administrative officers, and of all deputies and other assistants and employes in certain departments, boards, and commissions; and prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of certain departments, boards and commissions shall be determined," further regulating and fixing of maximum and minimum salaries by the Department of Public Assistance and the employment Board, and providing for increases of salaries in certain cases.

Mr. FINESTONE, from the Committee on Public Utilities, re-reported as amended, House Bill No. 1322, entitled:

An Act to further amend the act approved the twenty-eighth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five (P. L. 463), entitled as amended "An act providing for the incorporation, as bodies corporate and politic, of "Authorities" for municipalities, counties, and townships; defining the same; prescribing the rights, powers, and duties of such Authorities; authorizing such

Authorities to acquire, construct, improve, maintain, and operate projects, and to borrow money and issue bonds therefor; providing for the payment of such bonds, and prescribing the rights of the holders thereof; conferring the right of eminent domain on such Authorities; authorizing such Authorities to enter into contracts with and to accept grants from the Federal Government or any agency thereof; and for other purposes," by changing the method by which notice of the formation of a municipal authority shall be made public; further regulating incorporation purposes and existence of the authority; defining procedure whereby an authority can enter into contracts and dispose of its bonds; imposing additional qualifications and duties on members of the authority; imposing civil liability on members of the board and officers of an authority in certain cases; requiring annual audits; imposing additional duties on the court of common pleas; giving authorities right of eminent domain in certain cases; and extending with certain limitations the power of Authorities to make certain purchases.

Mr. BENTZEL, from the Committee on Highways, re-reported as committed, House Bill No. 486, entitled:

An Act to facilitate vehicular traffic between the western and eastern sections of the Commonwealth, and afford transportation for defense purposes by providing for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a turnpike, from a point at Middlesex in Cumberland County to a point on the boundary line between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey; and conferring powers, and imposing duties on the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission; authorizing the issuance of turnpike revenue bonds of the Commonwealth, payable solely from tolls, to pay the cost of such turnpike; providing, that no debt of the Commonwealth shall be incurred in the exercise of any of the powers granted by this act; providing for the collection of tolls for the payment of such bonds, and for the cost of maintenance, operation, and repair of the turnpike, making such turnpike bonds exempt from taxation, constituting such bonds legal investments in certain instances, requiring suits against the commission to be brought in Dauphin County, prescribing conditions upon which such turnpike shall become free; providing for grade separations, grade changes and relocation, and restoration of public roads and state highways affected by the turnpike; providing for condemnation, granting certain powers and authority to municipal subdivisions, and agencies of the Commonwealth to cooperate with the commission; and authorizing the issuance of turnpike revenue refunding bonds.

Mr. BONEY, from the Committee on Appropriations, re-reported as committed, House Bill No. 667, entitled:

An Act creating an independent board to be known as The Regulatory Board of Review; conferring powers and duties on said Board, describing procedure on appeals to said Board and to the courts of common pleas; and making an appropriation.

Mr. McKINNEY, from the Committee on Appropriations, re-reported as committed, House Bill No. 1722, entitled:

An Act authorizing the Department of Property and Supplies, with the approval of the Governor and the Board of Trustees of Warren State Hospital, to acquire a certain tract of land for the use of said hospital, and making an appropriation therefor.

Mr. McKINNEY, from the Committee on Judiciary General, re-reported as committed, House Bill No. 1611, entitled:

An Act creating a presumption of release or discharge of certain mortgages held by the Commonwealth; and requiring the Department of Justice to enter satisfaction thereof at the cost of the property owners.

Mr. MALLOY, from the Committee on Appropriations, re-reported as amended, House Bill No. 1530, entitled:

An Act authorizing and directing the Department of Highways to erect and construct a bridge over the Lackawanna River between a point in or near the borough of Blakely, Lackawanna County, and a point in or near the borough of Olyphant in Lackawanna County to provide the necessary approaches thereto; and making an appropriation.

REPORT ON SEWING PROJECTS

Mr. SHAW. Mr. Speaker, I desire to read into the record a letter just received by the House Committee appointed in January to investigate the sewing projects. This letter is from a project located in the city of Philadelphia. It reads as follows

"Mr. Shaw, and members of the Investigating Committee, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

"Gentlemen:

"We workers employed on the above project deeply appreciate what you and your committee have done for us. We are enjoying the privilege of working for our livelihood. It would be a great pleasure to have your committee visit our project before the Legislature adjourns so we may thank you in person for the support you have given us. Thank you again for your interest that you have taken in us."

PERMISSION GRANTED COMMITTEES TO MEET DURING SESSION

Mr. SHAW asked and obtained permission for the Committee on Welfare to meet during the session of the House.

Mr. FALKENSTEIN asked and obtained permission for the Committee on Public Utilities to meet during the session of the House.

MR. WALTER E. ROSE IN THE CHAIR

BILLS ON FIRST READING

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1101, entitled:

An Act to amend sections one thousand five hundred and one, and one thousand five hundred and eight of the act approved the first day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three (P. L. 103), entitled "An act concerning townships of the second class and amending, revising, consolidating, and changing the law relating thereto," further regulating sewer connections and sewer district assessments in certain cases.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1710, entitled:

An Act creating a Board of Inspection in the Department of Public Works in cities of the first class; imposing powers and duties on such board and cities of the first class and any lessee of water or gas mains owned by such city; prescribing rights of persons suffering damage to property or personal injuries because of defective conditions of such mains and imposing liability on cities of the first class and lessees of water or gas mains owned by such city; and repealing inconsistent legislation.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1738, entitled:

An Act to amend Route 22045 of the act, approved the twenty-second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one (P. L. 594), entitled "An act establishing certain township roads as State highways; authorizing their construction, maintenance, and improvement under certain conditions and restrictions; limiting the obligation of the Commonwealth in the construction of certain structures located on such highways; conferring certain powers upon the Department of Highways and local authorities, persons, associations and corporations for sharing the cost of the maintenance and construction of such highways; and making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of said act."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1739, entitled:

An Act to amend Route 38043 of the act, approved the twenty-second day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one (P. L. 594), entitled "An act establishing certain township roads as State highways; authorizing their construction, maintenance, and improvement under certain conditions and restrictions; limiting the obligation of the Commonwealth in the construction of certain structures located on such highways; conferring certain powers upon the Department of Highways and local authorities, persons, associations and corporations for sharing the cost of the maintenance and construction of such highways; and making an appropriation to carry out the provisions of said act."

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1370, entitled:

An Act to amend section eighteen of article nineteen of the act, approved the twenty-fifth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (P. L. 581), entitled "An act for the better government of cities of the first class of this Commonwealth," further regulating the removal, discharge or reduction in pay or position of officers, clerks and employes in the classified civil service.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1802, entitled:

An Act providing for, and requiring in certain cases, preference in appointments to public position for honorably discharged persons, who served in the military or naval service during any War in which the United States was engaged.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the first reading and consideration of House Bill No. 1231, entitled:

An Act to promote the general welfare and to protect the health, safety, morals and standards of living of the people of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by providing for the elimination of wage and hour standards detrimental to the health, safety, morals and standard of

living of workers, to establish minimum wage and maximum hour standards; to prescribe the powers and duties of the Department of Labor and Industry under this act, and for other purposes.

And said bill having been read at length the first time, Ordered, To be laid aside for second reading.

The SPEAKER (Elmer Kilroy) IN THE CHAIR

The SPEAKER. The Chair thanks the gentleman from Cambria, Mr. Rose, for presiding.

BILLS SIGNED BY SPEAKER

Bills numbered and entitled as follows having been prepared for presentation to the Governor, and the same being correct, the titles were publicly read as follows:

HOUSE BILL No. 238.

An Act requiring cities of the second class A having fire departments to allow members of said fire departments twenty-four consecutive hours of rest each week and fourteen days vacation with pay each year except in emergency cases

HOUSE BILL No. 383.

An Act to further amend section one thousand five hundred three of the act, approved the eighteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and eleven (P. L. 309), entitled "An act to establish a public school system in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, together with the provisions by which it shall be administered, and prescribing penalties for the violation thereof; providing revenue to establish and maintain the same, and the method of collecting such revenue; and repealing all laws, general, special or local, or any parts thereof, that are or may be inconsistent therewith," providing that school districts of the fourth class shall employ at their own expense a medical inspector.

HOUSE BILL No. 392.

An Act authorizing county treasurers to execute and perfect deeds for seated lands sold for taxes by their predecessors in office.

HOUSE BILL No. 752.

An Act authorizing cities of the second class A, with the consent of the owners thereof to improve and beautify property adjoining or adjacent to State-owned hospitals, within such cities.

HOUSE BILL No. 830.

An Act to further amend the act approved the twenty-ninth day of November, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three (1933-34 P. L. 15) entitled as last amended "An act to regulate and restrain the sale manufacture possession transportation importation traffic in and use of alcohol and alcoholic and malt or brewed beverages conferring powers and imposing duties upon the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board and its agents the Department of Public Instruction other officers of the State government courts and district attorneys authorizing the establishment and operation of State stores for the sale of such beverages not for consumption on the premises and the granting of licenses subject to local option to sell such beverages for consumption on and off the premises forbidding importation or bringing of such beverages into the State except as herein provided prohibiting certain sales or practices in connection with and transactions in such beverages by licensees and others providing for the forfeiture of certain property making disposition of the receipts from State stores and of fees and imposing penalties" changing the provisions of said act with respect to natural wines as herein defined

HOUSE BILL No. 831.

An Act to re-enact and further amend the title and the act approved the third day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-three (P. L. 252) entitled as last amended "An act to regulate and restrain the traffic in malt and brewed beverages as herein defined providing for the licensing of the manufacture transportation sale and distribution of such beverages imposing license and permit fees and providing for collection and distribution thereof restricting ownership and interest in licensed places permitting municipalities and townships by vote of the electors to prevent the licensing therein of places where such beverages may be sold for consumption on the premises and regulating elections for this purpose imposing duties upon the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board quarter sessions courts district attorneys the Department of Justice proper authorities of political subdivisions of the State and election officers providing penalties and repealing existing acts" including natural wines as herein defined within the provisions of said act providing special licenses for the sale thereof and authorizing retail dispensers to sell natural wines without further license.

HOUSE BILL No. 1072.

An Act to amend section five hundred and nineteen of the act approved the second day of May, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 1278), entitled "An act relating to counties of the second third fourth fifth sixth seventh and eighth classes and revising amending and consolidating the laws relating thereto" providing for the payment of the costs of viewers by the Commonwealth in certain cases.

HOUSE BILL No. 1257.

An Act to add section three and one-tenth to the act, approved the fifteenth day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine (P. L. 134), entitled "An act relating to fireworks; defining fireworks; prohibiting the sale, offering or exposing for sale and use of fireworks, except in certain cases; authorizing cities, boroughs, towns and townships to issue permits for fireworks displays, and to regulate the same; imposing duties on the Pennsylvania Motor Police, sheriffs, police officers and constables; and providing penalties," providing for an extension of time on permits for such displays when not made on the day designated in the permit.

HOUSE BILL No. 1346.

An Act designating certain days of each year as Arbor Days and Bird Days one of which days shall be the ninth day of April except when the ninth day of April falls on Saturday Sunday or Good Friday providing that the week of the ninth of April be proclaimed as Conservation Week and directing suitable observance of Arbor Days and Bird Days in public schools under the direction of superintendents and teachers

HOUSE BILL No. 1413.

An Act requiring the Department of Highways of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, after the use of any highway as a detour has been discontinued, to restore promptly such such highway to substantially the same condition as it was prior to its use as a detour.

Whereupon,

The SPEAKER, in the presence of the House, signed the same.

PERMISSION GRANTED COMMITTEE TO MEET DURING SESSION

Mr. BROWN asked and obtained permission for the Committee on Judiciary General to meet during the session of the House.

CONDOLENCE RESOLUTION

Messrs. McDERMOTT, RAUSCH and LICHTENWALTER offered a privileged resolution which was read, considered and adopted as follows:

In the House of Representatives, June 11, 1941.

The members of this House who served at any time during the period from 1915 to 1923, or during the legislative session of 1935, will not fail to remember the gentleman from the Second District of Lehigh County, the Honorable Albert E. Rinn, father of grade crossing and Sunday trucking legislation, whose poise and eloquence in support of the measures which he so valiantly championed have inspired many an otherwise tedious legislative session.

Our esteemed ex-member was born at Easton on June 6th, 1864, and has devoted twenty-two of his seventy-seven years to the service of his community and State. At the present time he is serving as the "venerable squire" of Upper Saucon Township in his county of Lehigh where he conducts one of the busiest justice of the peace offices in the county; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the House of Representatives hereby congratulates its one time member on the occasion of his recent birthday, and for his splendid record of service and achievements. We wish him many years of continued health and happiness, in which to further serve, accomplish and enjoy life, and be it further

Resolved, That a certified copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Chief Clerk to the Honorable Albert E. Rinn at his home on Rural Route No. 3 out of Bethlehem.

SENATE MESSAGE

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced presented an extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows:

In the Senate, April 14, 1941.

Whereas, The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania recognizing the duty of the Commonwealth to provide for its unfortunate blind citizens has provided for the payment to them of a pension; and

Whereas, The Federal Government contributes toward the care of blind persons but insists that moneys apportioned to any state for such purpose must and can only be contributed on a basis of the actual need of the blind; and

Whereas, This Commonwealth receives no part of Federal funds apportioned for blind persons because its system of assistance for the blind is on a liberal pension basis instead of the basis of actual need as required by the Federal Social Security Act; therefore be it

Resolved (if the House concur), That the Congress of the United States is hereby memorialized to amend the Social Security Law of the Federal Government by providing for the contribution of Federal funds for assistance to blind persons to states which provide for such assistance either on a basis of actual need or on a pension basis; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy hereof be transmitted to the President and Vice President of the United States, to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Congress of the United States and to the Senators and Representatives in the Congress of the United States from this Commonwealth.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution of the Senate?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

PERMISSION GRANTED COMMITTEES
TO MEET DURING SESSION

Mr. SARRAF asked and obtained permission for the Committee on Public Health and Sanitation to meet during the session of the House.

Mr. O'BRIEN asked and obtained permission for the Committee on Liquor Control to meet during the session of the House.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE
ON HOUSE BILL No. 376

Mr. KNOBLE. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up the report of the Committee of Conference on House Bill No. 376, Printer's No. 913.

The report was read by the Clerk as follows:

To the Members of the Senate and House of Representatives:

We, the undersigned, Committee of Conference on the part of the Senate and House of Representatives for the purpose of considering House Bill No. 376, entitled:

"An act to amend section eight hundred sixty-five of the act, approved the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 872) entitled 'An act to consolidate, amend and revise the penal laws of the Commonwealth, by prohibiting the sale, exposing for sale, and offering for sale of certain lubricants in a manner to deceive the purchaser.'"

Respectfully submit the following bill as our report:

J. W. Carr
Thomas B. Wilson
(Committee on the part
of the Senate.)

James J. McLane
Mathew T. Knoble
(Committee on the part
of the House of Representatives.)

An Act to amend section eight hundred sixty-five of the act approved the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 872), entitled "An act to consolidate amend and revise the penal laws of the Commonwealth" by prohibiting the sale exposing for sale and offering for sale of certain lubricants in a manner to deceive the purchaser

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows

Section 1 Section eight hundred sixty-five of the act approved the twenty-fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine (Pamphlet Laws 872) entitled "An act to consolidate amend and revise the penal laws of the Commonwealth" is hereby amended to read as follows

Section 865 Fraudulent Dealings in Liquid Fuels and Oils
(a) Whoever stores sells exposes for sale or offers for sale any liquid fuels lubricating oils lubricants mixtures of lubricants adulterated oils reclaimed oils or falsely labeled oils or other similar products in any manner so as to deceive or tend to deceive the purchaser as to the nature origin quality [and] grade or identity of the product so sold or offered for sale or whoever stores sells exposes for sale or offers for sale in any manner so as to deceive or tend to deceive the purchaser any lubricating oil lubricants mixtures of lubricants adulterated oils or falsely labeled oils which had been once used for lubrication purposes and subsequently reclaimed re-refined or reconditioned without clearly indicating or setting forth such fact on the container pump or distributing device used shall be subject to the penalties provided in clause (f) of this section

(b) Whoever stores keeps exposes for sale offers for sale or sells from any tank or container or from any pump

or other distributing device or equipment any other liquid fuels lubricating oils or other similar products than those indicated by the name trade name symbol sign or other distinguishing mark or device of the manufacturer or distributor appearing upon the tank container pump or other distributing equipment from which the same are sold offered for sale or distributed shall be subject to the penalties provided by clause (f) of this section

(c) Whoever disguises or camouflages his own equipment by imitating the design symbol trade name of the equipment under which recognized brands of liquid fuels lubricating oils and similar products are generally marketed shall be subject to the penalties provided by clause (f) of this section

(d) Whoever exposes for sale offers for sale or sells under any name in general use any liquid fuels lubricating oils or other like products except those manufactured or distributed by the manufacturer or distributor marketing liquid fuels lubricating oils or other like products under such trade name or substitutes mixes or adulterates the liquid fuels lubricating oils or other similar products sold offered for sale or distributed under such trade name shall be subject to the penalties provided by clause (f) of this section

(e) Whoever aids or assists any other person in the violation of the provisions of this section by depositing or delivering into any tank receptacle or other container any other liquid fuels lubricating oils or like products than those intended to be stored therein and distributed therefrom as indicated by the name of the manufacturer or distributor or the trade name of the product displayed on the container itself or on the pump or other distributing device used in connection therewith shall be subject to the penalties provided by clause (f) of this section

(f) Whoever violates any of the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be sentenced to pay a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500) for the first offense and or not more than two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for each subsequent offense or in the case of the second or subsequent conviction shall undergo imprisonment of not more than one (1) year or both."

On the question,

Will the House adopt the report of the Committee of Conference?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—201

Achterman,	French,	Malloy,	Royer,
Auker,	Gallagher,	Marks,	Rush,
Eaker,	Gates,	Maxwell,	Sarge,
Balthaser,	Gerard,	McClanaghan,	Sarraf,
Daugher,	Gillan,	McClister,	Scanlon,
Bentley,	Gillette,	McDermott,	Schwab,
Bentzel,	Goodwin,	McDowell,	Serrill,
Boles,	Greenwood,	McFall,	Shaffer,
Doney,	Gross,	McGrath,	Shaw,
Dower,	Gryskewicz,	McIntosh,	Shepard,
Bradley,	Gyger,	McKinney,	Simons,
Breth,	Habbyshaw,	McLanahan,	Skale,
Bretherick,	Haberien,	McLane,	Snyder,
Brown,	Haines,	McMillen,	Sollenberger,
Brunner, C. H.,	Kall,	McSurdy,	Sorg,
Brunner, P. A.,	Hamilton,	Melchiorre,	Stambaugh,
Burns,	Hare,	Mihm,	Stank,
Durris,	Harkins,	Modell,	Stine,
Cadwalader,	Karmuth,	Monks,	Stockham,
Chorvensak,	Harris,	Mooney,	Tarr,
Chudoff,	Heatherington,	Moran,	Tate,
Cochran,	Helm,	Moul,	Taylor,
Cohen, M. M.,	Hering,	Muir,	Thompson, E. F.,
Cohen, R. E.,	Herman,	Munley,	Thompson, R. L.,
Cook,	Hersch,	Nagel,	Trout,
Cooper,	Hewitt,	Nunemacher,	Turner,
Cordier,	Hirsch,	O'Brien,	Van Allsburg,
Corrigan,	Holland,	O'Connor,	Verona,
Croop,	Huntley,	O'Dare,	Vincent,
Cullen,	Imbrie,	O'Mullen,	Vogt,
Dalrymple,	James,	O'Neill,	Voidow,
	Jefferson,	Owens,	Voorhees,

Dennison,	Jones, G. E.,	Petrosky,	Wagner,
DiGenova,	Jones, P. N.,	Pettit,	Watkins,
Dix,	Keenan,	Polaski,	Weingartner,
Dolan,	Kenehan,	Polen,	Weiss,
D'Ortona,	Kilne,	Powers,	Welsh, E. B.,
Duffy,	Knoble,	Prosen,	Welsh, M. J.,
Early,	Kolankiewicz,	Rank,	Wilkinson,
Eckels,	Komorofski,	Rausch,	Williams,
Elder,	Krise,	Readinger,	Winner,
Ellott,	Lee, T. H.,	Reagan,	Wood, L. H.,
Ely,	Lelsey,	Reese, D. P.,	Wood, N.,
Falkenstein,	Leonard,	Reese, R. E.,	Woodring,
Finestone,	Lesko,	Regan,	Woodside,
Finnerty,	Levy,	Reynolds,	Wright,
Fiss,	Loydic,	Rhea,	Yeakel,
Fleming,	Lichtenwalter,	Riley,	Yester,
Fletcher,	Longo,	Rooney,	Young,
Flynn,	Lovett,	Rose, S.,	Kilroy,
For,	Lyens,	Rose, W. E.,	Speaker.

NAYS—0

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative, and the report of the Committee of Conference was adopted.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF CONFERENCE ON HOUSE BILL No. 316

Mr. JAMES. Mr. Speaker, I desire to call up the report of the Committee of Conference on House Bill No. 316, Printer's No. 914.

The report was read by the Clerk as follows:

To the Members of the Senate and House of Representatives.

We, the undersigned, Committee of Conference on the part of the Senate and House of Representatives for the purpose of considering House Bill No. 316, entitled:

"An act authorizing certain officers on active duty with the armed forces of the United States to act as notaries public; and requiring certification of their authority."

Respectfully submit the following bill as our report:

Thomas B. Wilson
Paul M. Crider
H. Jerome Jaspán

(Committee on the Part of the Senate.)

J. Harold Levy
James E. Lovett
Benjamin F. James

(Committee on the Part of the House of Representatives.)

An Act authorizing certain officers on active duty with the armed forces of the United States to act as notaries public and requiring certification of their authority

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows

Section 1 All officers on active duty with the armed forces of the United States holding the rank of at least major or lieutenant commander members of any general or special court martial all summary court officers and judge advocates are hereby authorized and empowered to act as notaries public with the same rights and powers as though duly commissioned and qualified as such according to law including among others the right to take within or without this Commonwealth the acknowledgment of any deed or other instrument in writing. Provided That the acknowledgment be accompanied by the certificate of the commanding officer or adjutant of the unit to which such officer is assigned and if unassigned the commanding officer or adjutant of the area or district to whom such officer reports for duty certifying the officer taking the acknowledgment held such rank or was detailed to such duty at the time of taking said acknowledgment and containing reference to this Act.

Section 2 The following parts of acts are hereby repealed

Sections one and two of the act approved the twenty-second day of April, one thousand eight hundred sixty-three (P. L. 572) entitled "An act to authorize certain military officers to take affidavits testimony and acknowledgments of the execution of deeds and other instruments of writing of persons in the military service of this state or the United States"

Section one of the act approved the fourteenth day of March one thousand nine hundred nineteen (P. L. 18) entitled "An act conferring upon judge advocates of the United States Army the powers of notaries public declaring the effect thereof validating notarial acts heretofore performed by judge advocates and declaring the effect thereof"

Section one of the act approved the seventh day of June one thousand nine hundred nineteen (P. L. 422) entitled "An act authorizing certain officers of the United States Army to take acknowledgments of deeds and other instruments in writing validating certain acknowledgments and repealing the act approved the first day of May one thousand nine hundred and nineteen"

All other acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed

Section 3 The provisions of this act shall become effective immediately upon final enactment.

On the question,

Will the House adopt the report of the Committee of Conference?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—201

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| Achterman, | French, | Malloy, | Royer, |
| Auker, | Gallagher, | Marks, | Rush, |
| Baker, | Gates, | Maxwell, | Sarge, |
| Balthaser, | Gerard, | McClanaghan, | Saraf, |
| Baughner, | Gillan, | McClester, | Scanlon, |
| Bentley, | Gillette, | McDermott, | Schwab, |
| Bentzel, | Goodwin, | McDowell, | Serrill, |
| Boles, | Greenwood, | McFall, | Shaffer, |
| Boney, | Gross, | McGrath, | Shaw, |
| Bower, | Gryskewicz, | McIntosh, | Shepard, |
| Bradley, | Gyger, | McKinney, | Simons, |
| Breth, | Habbyshaw, | McLanahan, | Skale, |
| Bretherick, | Haberlen, | McLane, | Snyder, |
| Brown, | Haines, | McMillen, | Sollenberger, |
| Brunner, C. H., | Hall, | McSurdy, | Sorg, |
| Brunner, P. A., | Hamilton, | Melchiorre, | Stambaugh, |
| Burns, | Hare, | Mihm, | Stank, |
| Burriss, | Harkins, | Modell, | Stine, |
| Cadwalader, | Harmuth, | Monks, | Stockham, |
| Chervenak, | Harris, | Mooney, | Tarr, |
| Chudoff, | Featherington, | Moran, | Tate, |
| Cochran, | Helm, | Moul, | Taylor, |
| Cohen, M. M., | Hering, | Muir, | Thompson, E. F., |
| Cohen, R. E., | Herman, | Munley, | Thompson, R. L., |
| Cook, | Hersch, | Nagel, | Trout, |
| Cooper, | Hewitt, | Nunemacher, | Turner, |
| Cordier, | Hirsch, | O'Brien, | Van Allsburg, |
| Corrigan, | Holland, | O'Connor, | Verona, |
| Croop, | Huntley, | O'Dare, | Vincent, |
| Cullen, | Imbrie, | O'Mullen, | Vogt, |
| Dalrymple, | James, | O'Neill, | Voldow, |
| Dennison, | Jefferson, | Owens, | Voorhees, |
| DiGenova, | Jones, G. E., | Petrosky, | Wagner, |
| Dix, | Jones, P. N., | Pettit, | Watkins, |
| Dolon, | Keenan, | Polaski, | Weingartner, |
| D'Ortona, | Fenehan, | Polen, | Welss, |
| Duffy, | Kline, | Powers, | Welsh, E. B., |
| Early, | Knoble, | Prosen, | Welsh, M. J., |
| Eckels, | Kolankiewicz, | Rank, | Wilkinson, |
| Elder, | Komorofski, | Rausch, | Williams, |
| Elliot, | Krise, | Readinger, | Winner, |
| Ely, | Lee, T. H., | Reagan, | Wood L. H., |
| Falkenstein, | Lelsey, | Reese, D. P., | Wood, N., |
| Finestone, | Leonard, | Reese, R. E., | Woodring, |
| Finnerty, | Lesko, | Regan, | Woodside, |
| Fiss, | Levy, | Reynolds, | Wright, |
| Fleming, | Leydic, | Rhea, | Yeakel, |
| Fletcher, | Lichtenwalter, | Riley, | Yester, |
| Flynn, | Longo, | Rooney, | Young, |
| Foor, | Lovett, | Rose, S., | Kilroy, |
| | Lyons, | Rose, W. E., | Speaker. |

NAYS—0

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative, and the report of the Committee of Conference was adopted.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

BILLS ON SECOND READING

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 997, entitled:

An Act to amend subsection (e) of section three hundred and one of the act, approved the twenty-first day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine (P. L. 566), entitled "An act defining the liability of an employer to pay damages for occupational disease contracted by an employe arising out of and in the course of employment; establishing an elective schedule of compensation; providing procedure for the determination of liability and compensation thereunder; imposing duties on the Department of Labor and Industry, the Workmen's Compensation Board, Workmen's Compensation Referees, and deans of medical schools; creating a medical board to determine controverted medical issues; establishing an Occupational Disease Fund in custody of the State Workmen's Insurance Board; imposing upon the Commonwealth a part of the compensation payable for certain occupational diseases; making an appropriation; and prescribing penalties," by allowing common law actions in certain cases.

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

Agreeably to order,

The House proceeded to the second reading and consideration of House Bill No. 674, entitled:

An Act to amend the act approved the ninth day of April, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine (P. L. 177), entitled "An act providing for and reorganizing the conduct of the executive and administrative work of the Commonwealth by the Executive Department thereof and the administrative departments boards commissions and officers thereof including the boards of trustees of State Normal Schools or Teachers Colleges abolishing creating reorganizing or authorizing the reorganization of certain administrative departments boards and commissions defining the powers and duties of the Governor and other executive and administrative officers and of the several administrative departments boards commissions and officers fixing the salaries of the Governor Lieutenant Governor and certain other executive and administrative officers providing for the appointment of certain administrative officers and of all deputies and other assistants and employes in certain departments boards and commissions and prescribing the manner in which the number and compensation of the deputies and all other assistants and employes of certain departments boards and commissions shall be determined" as amended by making certain changes in the name qualification powers and duties of the State Board of Examiners for the Registration of Nurses and providing for the election of a Director of Nursing Education who shall also be Secretary and Executive Officer of the Board and an Assistant Director of Nursing Education who shall also be Assistant Secretary and Assistant Executive Officer of the Board and other officers and employes thereof

And said bill having been read at length the second time and agreed to.

Ordered, To be transcribed for a third reading.

PERMISSION TO ADDRESS HOUSE

Mr. WOODSIDE asked and obtained unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. Speaker, I understand that the Democratic members of this House are about to hold a caucus. I realize that this is a rather unusual and unique request, but I am practical; I have been around here long enough to know that when the majority Members of this House in caucus decide to do a thing it will be done, and if they desire not to do a thing it will not be done. So I am going to call upon them now to take into consideration a thing that has seemed to me to be of great importance to many people of Pennsylvania. I call your particular attention to the fact that this coming Friday is Friday the thirteenth, and that it in fact will be a "Friday the Thirteenth" to about eighteen thousand people in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania because it will be a payless payday to about that many people in Pennsylvania.

Some time ago, near the end of the biennium, when it was evident that there would not be a complete program put through in time to meet the appropriations at this payday there was introduced in the Senate by the gentleman from Dauphin, Senator M. Harvey Taylor, a bill providing for the payment of employes during the month of June. This is not an unusual proceeding. Whenever the session has extended beyond the end of the biennium this procedure was followed. It was followed at times when the House and the Senate were of the same political faith; it was followed back in 1935 when this House was Democratic and the administration was Democratic and the Senate of Pennsylvania was Republican. It is a practice which as long as I know has always been followed.

As far as I can recall there has never been an occasion when the House and the Senate or either of them deliberately enforced upon the employes of this Commonwealth a situation wherein they would not be paid. This does not apply only to the few employes in the departments here on the hill; it applies practically to all the employes of the Commonwealth throughout the state. In fact there are 9,200 of them employed in the various institutions under the Department of Health and Department of Welfare throughout the state. Most of these employes, I would say at least seventy-five per cent of them receive \$2,000 or less. Probably fifty per cent of them receive \$1,400 or less. It now is practically impossible to pass the bill by the thirteenth, but if action is not taken in this House immediately upon this bill the payment will be delayed a considerable length of time. Many of these people need their money and need it badly. I am not concerned about the Governor or the judges or the heads of departments; they represent a very minor group and they can afford to live a few days or a few weeks without receiving their pay promptly without any great amount of inconvenience, but the clerks, the stenographers, the people on the Hill and throughout the Commonwealth, other than in this section, need the money; they are looking forward to their payday, they have commitments, their insurance is due, they have bills to pay, their rent is due, many of them need money to keep on living. Many of them have families; many of them are supporting large families on small incomes.

You people on the other side have on numerous occasions during this session indicated that you feel that many of them were not receiving proper wages, and you are

saying that they ought to receive more. I say to you in a spirit of fairness, to Republicans and Democrats both, isn't it right and fair and just that that bill, which has passed the Senate and which is now resting in the Appropriations Committee should be reported out so that these people will receive their pay? Goodness knows it is bad enough under any circumstances to use one bill to try to force another bill, but, Mr. Speaker, I feel in appealing to the fairness of the gentlemen on the other side that certainly we consider it a most reprehensible thing for any party to use a bill of this type to try to force any other sort of issue. This is the thing to meet the situation; it is a practice which has been followed and which is not new, and I appeal to you as gentlemen, to your fairness, to your sincerity, to your honesty of purpose, and ask you whether you in your caucus will not decide that that bill to pay these employes during the balance of this month, and as soon as possible—their pay that will be due on Friday—that you take action and report it, or see that it is reported out to the floor of the House.

PERMISSION TO ADDRESS HOUSE

Mr. ACHTERMAN asked and obtained unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. Speaker, in reply to the words of the gentleman from Dauphin may I state that the condition in which the administration finds itself is due solely to the inactivity on the part of the Senate. There is legislation and has been legislation over there sufficiently long for the Senate to have acted, in which the problem on Friday the thirteenth of June or any other subsequent payday in this state, funds would be not only available, but the authority would be existing to utilize those funds to pay all the workers on the payrolls of Pennsylvania. Why the Senate has taken the time that they have is beyond me. Why they do not desire to approach the problem and solve it is beyond me. However, I firmly believe that I can clearly see what is in the mind of the Governor of Pennsylvania when in a newspaper conference he made the statement that he felt it perhaps would be advisable to hold the legislature in continuous session.

It becomes more and more apparent to me, Mr. Speaker, that the Governor of Pennsylvania has that particular thought in mind that he shall keep the legislature here in continuous session, and to that end he has sought to have legislation passed that would take care of our problems bi-monthly or monthly or perhaps daily.

Now, as you men know and as I know, that never was anticipated or thought of under the fabric of our constitution. It was always the thought that the Legislature would meet once every two years and there proceed to pass legislation that would take care of the problems of the state for the two year period. Apparently the Governor in spite of the Constitution of Pennsylvania proposes to this House and to the Senate that we are going to pass piece-meal legislation and remain in continuous session. He does not desire to face the problems, he does not apparently desire to sit down in conference to work out the problems. He intends to tell us from day to day what we shall do. That is what is endeavored to be done in this particular piece of legislation, and if he and his employes find themselves in this precarious position of which the minority floor leader spoke, may they turn to the Governor of Pennsylvania and may they turn to the Republican

Administration and point the finger of accusation and ask why they are unable to function as they say they are.

I am saying to the Governor and to the Republican administration that we have a problem here in Pennsylvania. The Democratic party wants to sit down and work it out; they are anxious and willing to sit down and work it out, and once the Senate moves, I am hopeful, Mr. Speaker, that they will consent to sit down and work out the problems. Until then undoubtedly the Governor of Pennsylvania will be asking us from day to day to pass piece-meal legislation to solve a problem that we should solve in its entirety and not in parcels.

PERMISSION TO ADDRESS HOUSE

Mr. WOODSIDE asked and obtained unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. Speaker, I think it is absolutely unfair for the gentleman on the other side to stand up on the floor of this House and have the audacity to suggest that the delay is the result of the Senate's inactivity. Does the gentleman mean that the general appropriations bill that was held by his own committee for one hundred seventeen days and referred to the committee of the Senate on May twenty-eight should be enacted into law, gone over by the Governor and signed before the end of the biennium, or even before this date? If the gentleman does, he is suggesting a thing which has never happened in the history of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and which he knows would be the most impossible sort of situation. Not only that, here we have a bill referred to the Committee on Appropriations in the House on May 28th. It is the General Appropriations bill. In order to hurry it, it was that very day reported from committee; that very day read for the first time, and then sent back to the committee for consideration. You talk about taking it as it is. Why gentlemen, you had lying on your desk until yesterday your tax bills, your tax anticipation note bill. They were in the Senate as I pointed out yesterday for a period of three days. The least possible number of days for any bill to be in the Senate under our constitution. Yet the gentleman from Monroe, Mr. Achterman, has the audacity to stand up and tell you Democrats and us Republicans and expect the people of Pennsylvania to believe that the Senate is responsible for the situation which has been created.

I say, Mr. Speaker, let us get that picture. You all know that for 112 days you had the budget, you had the Governor's picture, and within less than a week before the end of the biennium you put out what you called an alternative budget, and the truth of the matter is, as was admitted on the floor of this House, certain items were omitted from that budget. Certain items which should have been in it were omitted from it. Estimates of revenue were increased, taxes reduced, surpluses ignored, deficiency appropriation bills which had been passed entirely ignored, and then you say, "Well the Senate ought to act on this." Act how? Take your suggestions? If they would there would be available for relief approximately \$90,000,000, which as you know and I know will not be enough to see us through to the next regular session of the Legislature.

Now, Mr. Speaker, the gentleman comes along and says, I imagine he means the Senate, is holding up the General Appropriation Bill, and that it could have been passed

and signed by the Governor in order that they get their pay on June 13. Yet, as it was argued out here before and as the gentleman well knows, and as the Constitution and the laws of this Commonwealth very properly provide, the Governor should have at least thirty days after the session to pass upon the bills, and the General Appropriation Bill should be one of the last that it should be necessary for him to pass upon.

Now, that is the situation. It is known to anybody that knows anything about the government of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. It is known by you men who have been around here, it is known by you men who have studied the problem, and yet they put out on May 28 the General Appropriation bill, and now refuse to make any appropriation so that the functions of the government may be carried on. Then you say that it is somebody else's fault. Gentlemen, I appeal to you in fairness to take the facts,—all you need to do is to take your histories and look up the dates, don't take my word, don't take the word of Leo Achterman, but look up the facts, look at the books and you will see what the story is; you will see that there is no responsibility on the part of the Senate for delaying this situation. You had it within your power to say whether the employes of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania are going to receive their pay or not during the month of June. I suggest to you that you get that bill out in fairness to those employes.

Your heart bleeds for those employes, particularly when there is any bill up regulating the salary of any employes. Here is your chance without additional cost to the Commonwealth to show your sympathy for them. Just lay aside politics, forget any squeeze play that there might be in anybody's mind, and do what you know, what must be known down in the heart of every one of you is the right thing to do, the only honest thing, the only correct thing that you can do with that bill today, and that is to report out the Taylor Bill from the Committee on Appropriations.

PERMISSION TO ADDRESS HOUSE

Mr. ACHTERMAN asked and obtained unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. Speaker, of course, the remarks the gentleman made are similar to those he has been making for some time on the floor of this House. My answer is the same, that it so happens as to the legislation we passed to the Senate was legislation that every Member of this House and every member of the Senate knew we intended to act upon; it was only a question of what amendments might be inserted in the particular bills. The study of revenues, the study of expenditures, all of the studies presumably were being made by the proper committees.

I am confident now that the Senate Committee on Finance did not make a study. They assumed apparently we would accept at face value the figures inserted by the Governor of this Commonwealth, although every Member of this House and I presume every Member of the Senate knew that the majority party had no intention of doing that very thing.

Now the gentleman says "Let us refer to the records to see whether the Senate is moving rapidly." Then he points with great pride to the fact that the tax measures were passed or else amended in the Senate, and they said "Here are the important measures." Certainly nothing ex-

traordinary, Mr. Speaker, in the fact that the Senate did act on those measures promptly. They knew they were in this House and they knew they were coming over in some form. They apparently had made some study of that subject and were able to act. Why couldn't they act on the other measures? They had the same knowledge on the other measures that they had on the tax measures. The very fact, Mr. Speaker, that they sent that bill back so promptly is indicative that the charge I am making against the Senate is a proper charge; they help substantiate that charge by the manner in which they acted.

Let us go a step further, let us take the tax anticipation notes. In that particular bill the amount of revenues to be collected by the State was inserted. Was the Senate unable to act on that? Oh no, they moved promptly on that. How and why? Did they make a study or did they report it out in the manner that the Governor wished them to do without a study?

In other words, Mr. Speaker, what I am pointing out to the Members of this House is this: that the Senate when it wishes has made its study; when it is not desirous of reporting, apparently it has not made a study.

They can not take such a position; they can not blow hot and cold at the same time; they either made a study or let the Governor make it for them. If they have let the Governor do it, then let them proceed to amend the bill and put the legislation in a position where we can go into a conference.

No, I say to you, Mr. Speaker, that is not the intention of the administration, The intention of the administration is to hold the Legislature in session until it has broken the power of the Legislature to the will of the Governor. I am saying that we are going to face this problem not piece-meal, Mr. Speaker, but in its entirety, and we are calling upon the Republican party to insist that their administration do that very thing, meet the entire problem and not offer piece-meal legislation.

PERMISSION TO ADDRESS HOUSE

Mr. WOODSIDE asked and obtained unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. Speaker, in my first remarks I intimated that I did not feel it was right to definitely state that I felt this particular bill was being used by the leaders on that side as a squeeze play on the Senate of Pennsylvania. The answer of the gentleman from Monroe, Mr. Achterman, has definitely proven to you men, to the Republicans on this side and to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that that is the purpose.

Now, I think, Mr. Speaker, that is reprehensible. I think it is reprehensible for a man to get up here on the floor of the House and state in the debate on this question what has been stated, because it indicates clearly and conclusively one thing, and that is that the only reason for holding this piece of legislation in this Committee is to use it as a squeeze play on the Senate. You are not going to pass upon this piece of legislation on its merits, and you admit that if you continue to hold it in committee.

You are using eighteen thousand employes, about twelve to fifteen thousand of whom are receiving two thousand dollars or less, many of them supporting families, and you are going to use them; you are going to say to them, "You are going to have payless paydays for days or weeks for sure, and maybe for months." Why? "In order that we

can use your pay as a lever to force the Senate of Pennsylvania to accept our program."

Gentlemen, that is not fair, that is not honest, that is not sincere. You are not passing upon this legislation, if you do this thing, on its merits. I have confidence that every one of you individually, dealing with the merits of this bill in your committee, would favor putting it out. I have confidence in your individual sincerity and honesty of purpose, I have confidence that you individually would all, and do all agree with me that this bill ought to be passed and passed promptly.

I cannot conceive that you as a group will continue in the thought that was expressed today and continue to use this bill as a lever to force your program, your impossible program may I say, down the throats of the Senate. If your program has merit, I think that merit ought to be sufficient to support it, but I do not think, Mr. Speaker and members of the House, that you ought to bring into this case these employes of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in an effort to force this thing on the Senate.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS

There will be a caucus of the Philadelphia Democratic Delegation on Saturday morning at 10:30 Daylight Saving Time in Democratic Headquarters, Philadelphia.

The Philadelphia "Democratic First Termers" will hold their regular dinner next week.

Invitations have been issued to several prominent officials of the Commonwealth. Time and place shall be announced later.

REPUBLICAN CAUCUS

Mr. WOODSIDE. Mr. Speaker, there will be a caucus of the Republican Members of the House in the old caucus room on the third floor immediately after the announcement of recess.

RECESS

The SPEAKER. If there is no objection the Chair is about to declare a recess for one hour.

The Chair hears none and a recess is declared.

AFTER RECESS

The time of recess having expired the house was called to order.

THE SPEAKER (Elmer Kilroy) IN THE CHAIR.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE GOVERNOR

The Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL No. 610

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Governor's Office, Harrisburg, June 11, 1941.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 610, Printer's No. 701, entitled "An Act to amend clause forty-seven of section two thousand four hundred three of the act approved the twenty-third day of June, one thousand nine

hundred thirty-one (P. L. 932) entitled 'An act relating to cities of the third class and amending revising and consolidating the law relating thereto' changing the qualifications of historical societies to receive appropriations and limiting the amount of such appropriations."

ARTHUR H. JAMES.

The Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL No. 764

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Governor's Office, Harrisburg, June 11, 1941.
To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 764, Printer's No. 625, entitled "An Act to add section nine hundred thirty-eight to the act approved the third day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-seven (P. L. 1225), entitled 'An act concerning game and other wild birds and wild animals and amending revising consolidating and changing the law relating thereto' providing for the establishment regulation and use of special dog training areas."

ARTHUR H. JAMES.

The Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL No. 572

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Governor's Office, Harrisburg, June 11, 1941.
To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 572, Printer's No. 884, entitled, "A Supplement to the act approved the twenty-seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred thirty-nine (Appropriation Acts page sixty) entitled 'An act to provide for the ordinary expenses of the Executive Legislative and Judicial Departments of the Commonwealth interest on the public debt and the support of the public schools for two years beginning June first one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine and for the payment of bills incurred and remaining unpaid at the close of the fiscal year ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine' providing for deficiencies in certain appropriations made by the act for the fiscal biennium ending May thirty-first one thousand nine hundred forty-one."

ARTHUR H. JAMES.

The Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL No. 374

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Governor's Office, Harrisburg, June 11, 1941.
To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 374, Printer's No. 47, entitled, "An act to add clause (e) to section four of the act approved the second day of July, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-five (P. L. 540) entitled 'An act defining the term "fiduciary" prescribing the nature and kind of investments which may be made by such fiduciaries validating certain investments heretofore made

by such fiduciaries and repealing acts and parts of acts inconsistent herewith' by permitting fiduciaries holding mortgages to accept deeds in lieu of foreclosures and prescribing the effect thereof."

ARTHUR H. JAMES.

The Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL No. 310

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Governor's Office, Harrisburg, June 11, 1941.
To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 310, Printer's No. 587, entitled, "An Act making an appropriation to the State Veterans' Commission for certain expenses of the commission and for the assistance of needy Pennsylvania veterans of any war or their dependents."

ARTHUR H. JAMES.

The Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL No. 104

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Governor's Office, Harrisburg, June 11, 1941.
To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 104, Printer's No. 421, entitled, "An Act to further amend section seven of the act approved the fifth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four (P. L. 223 1933-34) entitled 'An act providing compensation to certain persons who served in the military or naval forces of the United States during the World War the war between the United States and Spain the China Relief Expedition or in the Philippines or Guam providing the method of making payment to representatives of persons who because of death or incapacity cannot personally receive compensation imposing certain duties on the Adjutant General making an appropriation and repealing inconsistent legislation and providing penalties' extending the time during which application may be filed for veterans' compensation."

ARTHUR H. JAMES.

The Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL No. 1240

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Governor's Office, Harrisburg, June 11, 1941.
To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 1240, Printer's No. 382, entitled, "An Act fixing the fee to be charged by the local authorities in cities of the first class for furnishing certified copies of the record of any birth death or marriage which had been registered in the office of such local authorities prior to the taking effect of the Act approved June seventh one thousand nine hundred fifteen (P. L. 900) and for searches of the files and records when no certified copy is made."

ARTHUR H. JAMES.

The Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

APPROVAL OF HOUSE BILL No. 1255

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Governor's Office, Harrisburg, June 11, 1941.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

I have the honor to inform you that I have this day approved and signed House Bill No. 1255, Printer's No. 417, entitled, "An Act authorizing cities of the first class which have issued or may hereafter issue bonds to redeem the same and issue and sell new bonds therefor."

ARTHUR H. JAMES.

CONGRATULATORY RESOLUTION

Mr. RHEA offered a privileged resolution which was read, considered and adopted as follows

In the House of Representatives, June 11, 1941.

Whereas, the holy state of matrimony is an honorable institution; and

Whereas, by the payment on the barrel-head of a modest fee for a license, even members of the General Assembly of Pennsylvania are permitted to be joined in sacred wedlock; and

Whereas, the Honorable Charles E. Voorhees of Philadelphia County is to be married to Miss Dorothy Andrus on Saturday, June 14, 1941 in the City of New York now; therefore be it

Resolved, That this House extends its congratulations and felicitations to the said Charles E. Voorhees and wishes him a long and prosperous married life, and further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the happy couple immediately.

SENATE MESSAGES

SENATE ADOPTS CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT
ON HOUSE BILL No. 316

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, informed that the Senate has adopted the report of the Committee of Conference on the subject of the difference existing between the two Houses on House Senate Bill numbered and entitled as follows:

HOUSE BILL No. 316.

An Act authorizing certain officers on active duty with the armed forces of the United States to act as notaries public; and requiring certification of their authority.

SENATE ADOPTS CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT
ON HOUSE BILL No. 376

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, informed that the Senate has adopted the report of the Committee of Conference on the subject of the difference existing between the two Houses on House Senate Bill numbered and entitled as follows:

HOUSE BILL No. 376.

An Act to amend section eight hundred sixty-five of the act approved the twenty-fourth day of June one thousand nine hundred and thirty-nine (P. L. 872), entitled "An act to consolidate amend and revise the penal laws of the Commonwealth" by prohibiting the sale exposing for sale and offering for sale of certain lubricants in a manner to deceive the purchaser

RECESS

The SPEAKER. If there is no objection the Chair is about to declare a recess for five minutes. The Chair hears none and a recess is declared.

AFTER RECESS

The time of recess having expired the House was called to order.

THE SPEAKER (Elmer Kilroy) IN THE CHAIR.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE GOVERNOR

The Secretary to the Governor being introduced, presented a communication in writing from His Excellency the Governor, which was read as follows:

REQUEST TO ADDRESS JOINT SESSION

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania,
Governor's Office, Harrisburg, June 11, 1941.

To the Honorable, the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

If it meets with the approval of the General Assembly, I should like to address the members in Joint Session this afternoon at four o'clock, Eastern Standard Time.

ARTHUR H. JAMES.

GOVERNOR INVITED TO ADDRESS JOINT SESSION

Mr. ACHTERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I move that His Excellency the Governor of the Commonwealth be invited to the Hall of the House to address the General Assembly at a time to be fixed by concurrent resolution.

The motion was agreed to.

SENATE MESSAGES

JOINT SESSION

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced presented an extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows:

Resolved, (if the House of Representatives concur) That the Senate and the House of Representatives meet in joint session Wednesday, June 11, 1941, at 4:00 p. m. o'clock (Eastern Standard Time), in the Hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of hearing an address of His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution of the Senate?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

RESOLUTION FOR CONCURRENCE

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced presented an extract from the Journal of the Senate, which was read as follows:

Resolved (if the House of Representatives concur) That a committee of three on the part of the Senate be appointed to act with a similar committee on the part of the House of Representatives (if the House shall appoint such committee), to escort His Excellency, the Governor, to the Hall of the House to address the Members of the General

Assembly in Joint Session this day at four o'clock p. m. (Eastern Standard Time).

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the House of Representatives for its concurrence.

On the question,

Will the House concur in the resolution of the Senate?

It was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair appoints as a Committee on the part of the House to act with a similar committee on the part of the Senate to escort the Governor to the Hall of the House, Messrs. READINGER, SCANLON and ROYER.

RESOLUTION

COMMITTEE TO ESCORT SENATE TO HALL OF HOUSE

Mr. GERARD offered the following resolution which was read, considered and adopted:

Resolved, That the Speaker appoint a committee of two to escort the Members of the Senate to the Hall of the House this day at 4 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of attending the Joint Session of the General Assembly.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED

The SPEAKER. The Chair appoints as a committee to escort the Senate to the Hall of the House, Messrs. GERARD and CHARLES H. BRUNNER.

QUESTION OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Mr. COOPER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to a question of personal privilege.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Allegheny will state his question of personal privilege.

Mr. COOPER. Mr. Speaker, on page 1546 of the Legislative Journal appears the following question which was asked of me by the gentleman from Lancaster, Mr. Marshall M. Cohen:

"Mr. Speaker, does the gentleman from Allegheny, Mr. Cooper, recall how he voted on House Bill 226?"

Mr. Speaker, at that point in the Journal appears the following:

"Mr. Cooper. Mr. Speaker, I most assuredly do. I voted in the affirmative".

Mr. Speaker, the remarks attributed to me in the Legislative Journal were not uttered by me, but were uttered by the gentleman from Allegheny, Mr. Goodwin, who thought at the time he was being interrogated.

I therefore ask that this correction be made in the Legislative Journal.

SENATE MESSAGES

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED FOR CONCURRENCE

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows:

HOUSE BILL No. 253.

An Act providing for the appointment, powers and con-

trol of members of volunteer fire companies as special fire police; and conferring powers on them at fires attended by their fire companies in any city, borough, town and township.

With the information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives, is requested.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the amendments. The Clerk read the amendments as follows:

Amend section 1, page 2, line 1, by inserting after the word "sworn" the words "and displaying a badge of authority".

Amend section 3, page 2, by inserting after the word "shall" at the end of line 22 the words "display a badge of authority and shall"; also same page, line 25, by inserting after the word "serving" the words "or if none of a member of the Pennsylvania Motor Police".

On the question,

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—201

Achterman,	French,	Marks,	Rush,
Auker,	Gallagher,	Maxwell,	Sarge,
Baker,	Gates,	McClanaghan,	Sarrafi,
Balthaser,	Gerard,	McClester,	Scanlon,
Baughner,	Gillan,	McDermott,	Schwab,
Bentley,	Gillette,	McDowell,	Serrill,
Bentzel,	Goodwin,	McFall,	Shaffer,
Boles,	Greenwood,	McGrath,	Shaw,
Boney,	Gross,	McIntosh,	Shepard,
Bower,	Gryskewicz,	McKinney,	Simons,
Bradley,	Gyger,	McLanahan,	Skale,
Breth,	Habbyshaw,	McLane,	Snyder,
Bretherick,	Haberlen,	McMillen,	Sollenberger,
Brown,	Haines,	McSurdy,	Sorg,
Brunner, C. H.,	Hall,	Melchiorre,	Stambaugh,
Brunner, P. A.,	Hamilton,	Mihm,	Stank,
Burns,	Hare,	Modell,	Stine,
Burris,	Harkins,	Monks,	Stockham,
Cadwalader,	Harmuth,	Mooney,	Tarr,
Chervenak,	Harris,	Moran,	Tate,
Chudoff,	Heatherington,	Moul,	Taylor,
Cochran,	Helm,	Muir,	Thompson, E. F.,
Cohen, M. M.,	Hering,	Munley,	Thompson, R. L.,
Cohen R. E.,	Herman,	Nagel,	Trout,
Cook,	Hersch,	Nunemacher,	Turner,
Cooper,	Hewitt,	O'Brien,	Van Allsburg,
Cordier,	Hirsch,	O'Connor,	Verona,
Corrigan,	Holland,	O'Dare,	Vincent,
Croop,	Imbrie,	O'Mullen,	Vogt,
Cullen,	James,	O'Neill,	Voldow,
Dalrymple,	Jefferson,	Owens,	Voorhees,
Dennison,	Jones, G. E.,	Petrosky,	Wagner,
DiGenova,	Jones, P. N.,	Pettit,	Watkins,
Dix,	Keenan,	Polaski,	Weingartner,
Dolon,	Kenehan,	Polen,	Weiss,
D'Ortona,	Kline,	Powers,	Welsh, E. B.,
Duffy,	Knoble,	Prosen,	Welsh, M. J.,
Early,	Kolankiewicz,	Rank,	Wilkinson,
Eckels,	Komorowski,	Rausch,	Williams,
Elder,	Krise,	Readinger,	Winner,
Elliott,	Lee, T. H.,	Reagan,	Wood, L. H.,
Ely,	Leisey,	Reese, D. P.,	Wood, N.,
Falkenstein,	Leonard,	Reese, R. E.,	Woodring,
Finestone,	Lesko,	Regan,	Woodside,
Finnerty,	Levy,	Reynolds,	Wright,
Fiss,	Leydic,	Rhea,	Yeakel,
Fleming,	Lichtenwalter,	Riley,	Yester,
Fletcher,	Longo,	Rooney,	Young,
Flynn,	Lovett,	Rose, S.,	Kilroy,
Floor,	Lyons,	Rose, W. E.,	Speaker.
	Malloy,	Roy,	

NAYS—0

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative and the amendments were concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED
FOR CONCURRENCE

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows:

HOUSE BILL No. 398.

An Act authorizing the Department of Highways to take over bridges, viaducts and other structures on State highways for the purpose of construction, reconstruction, maintenance and repair thereof when such highways are designated as essential National Defense Highways.

With the information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives, is requested.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the amendments. The Clerk read the amendments as follows:

Amend Section 1, page 1, line 4, by striking out the word "shall" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "may"; also same page, line 5, by inserting after the word "authorities" the words "with the approval of the Governor"; also same page, line 8, by inserting after the word "city" the words "of the third class".

On the question,

Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?

Agreeably to the provisions of the Constitution the yeas and nays were taken and were as follows, viz:

YEAS—201

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| Achterman, | French, | Marks, | Rush, |
| Auker, | Gallagher, | Maxwell, | Sarge, |
| Baker, | Gates, | McClanaghan, | Sarrat, |
| Balthaser, | Gerard, | McClester, | Scanlon, |
| Baughner, | Gillan, | McDermott, | Schwab, |
| Bentley, | Gillette, | McDowell, | Serrill, |
| Bentzel, | Goodwin, | McFall, | Shaffer, |
| Boles, | Greenwood, | McGrath, | Shaw, |
| Boney, | Gross, | McIntosh, | Shepard, |
| Bower, | Gryskiewicz, | McKinney, | Simons, |
| Bradley, | Gyger, | McLanahan, | Skale, |
| Breth, | Habbyshaw, | McLane, | Snyder, |
| Bretherick, | Haerberien, | McMillen, | Sollenberger, |
| Brown, | Haines, | McSurdy, | Sorg, |
| Brunner, C. H., | Hall, | Melchiorre, | Stambaugh, |
| Brunner, P. A., | Hamilton, | Mihm, | Stank, |
| Burns, | Hare, | Modell, | Stine, |
| Burris, | Harkins, | Monks, | Stockham, |
| Cadwalader, | Harmuth, | Moran, | Tarr, |
| Chervenak, | Harris, | Moul, | Tate, |
| Chudoff, | Heatherington, | Muir, | Taylor, |
| Cochran, | Helm, | Mooney, | Thompson, E. F., |
| Cohen, M. M., | Hering, | Munley, | Thompson, R. L., |
| Cohen, R. E., | Herman, | Nagel, | Trout, |
| Cook, | Hersch, | Nunemacher, | Turner, |
| Cooper, | Hewitt, | O'Brien, | Van Allsburg, |
| Cordier, | Hirsch, | O'Connor, | Verona, |
| Corrigan, | Holland, | O'Dare, | Vincent, |
| Coop, | Imbrie, | O'Mullen, | Vogt, |
| Cullen, | James, | O'Neill, | Voldow, |
| Dalrymple, | Jefferson, | Owens, | Voorhees, |
| Dennison, | Jones, G. E., | Petrosky, | Wagner, |
| DiGenova, | Jones, P. N., | Pettit, | Watkins, |
| Dix, | Keenan, | Polaski, | Weingartner, |
| Dolon, | Kenehan, | Polen, | Wells, |
| D'Ortona, | Kline, | Powers, | Welsh, E. E., |
| Duffy, | Knoble, | Prosen, | Welsh, M. J., |
| Early, | Kolankiewicz, | Rank, | Wilkinson, |
| Eckels, | Komorofski, | Rausch, | Williams, |
| Elder, | Krise, | Readinger, | Winner, |
| Elliott, | Lee, T. H., | Reagan, | Wood, L. H., |
| Ely, | Leisey, | Reese, D. P., | Wood, N., |
| Falkenstein, | Leonard, | Reese, R. E., | Woodring, |
| Finestone, | Lesko, | Regan, | Woodside, |
| Finnerty, | Levy, | Reynolds, | Wright, |
| Fiss, | Leydic, | Rhea, | Yeakel, |
| Fleming, | Lichtenwalter, | Riley, | Yester, |
| Fleming, | Longo, | Rooney, | Young, |

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| Fletcher, | Lovett, | Rose, S., | Kilroy, |
| Flynn, | Lyons, | Rose, W. E., | Speaker. |
| Foor, | Malloy, | Royer, | |

NAYS—0

The majority required by the Constitution having voted in the affirmative, the question was determined in the affirmative, and the amendments were concurred in. Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

AMENDED HOUSE BILL RETURNED
FOR CONCURRENCE

The Clerk of the Senate being introduced, returned bill from the House of Representatives numbered and entitled as follows:

HOUSE BILL No. 811.

An Act to further amend section three of the act approved the nineteenth day of February, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six (P. L. 16), entitled, as amended "An act regulating, under permit, through the Pennsylvania Liquor Control Board, the manufacture, production, distillation, development, use in manufacture, denaturization, redistillation, rectification, blending, recovery, re-use, holding in bond, holding in storage by bailees for hire, and transportation for hire, of any alcohol, alcoholic liquid or alcoholic beverage, by certain persons; requiring the registration of Federal permits; also providing for fees and the disposition thereof, and for appeals to the courts; also authorizing the inspection of the records of permittees and purchasers of said alcohol, alcoholic liquid, and alcoholic beverages; also declaring certain places nuisances and providing for their abatement also providing for penalties; and also repealing all acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act," further providing for the rights of manufacturers of wine.

With the information that the Senate has passed the same with amendments, in which the concurrence of the House of Representatives, is requested.

The SPEAKER. The Clerk will read the amendments. The Clerk read the amendments as follows:

Amend Section 3, page 3, line 8, by striking out the light-faced bracket before the word "except"; also same page, at the end of line 26, by inserting light-faced brackets before and after the word "permit-holding"; also at the end of same line by inserting after the word "permit-holding" the word "licensed"; also same page, line 27, by inserting after the word "Stores" the words "or to distributors or importing distributors holding special licenses under the "Beverage License Law" and its amendments"; also same page, at the end of line 29, by inserting a light-faced bracket before the word "permit"; also at the end of same line by inserting after the word "permit" the word "license"; also on page 4, at the beginning of line 1, by striking out the light-faced bracket before the word "at"; also same page, line 2, by inserting light-faced brackets before and after the word "permit"; also same line by inserting after the word "permit" the word "license"; also same page, line 3, by inserting light-faced brackets before and after the word "permits"; also same line by inserting after the word "permits" the word "licenses"; also same page, line 5, by inserting light-faced brackets before and after the word "permit"; also same line by inserting after the word "permit" the word "license"; also same page, line 6, by inserting light-faced brackets before and after the word "permit-holding"; also same line by inserting after the word "permit-holding" the word "licensed"; also same page, at the end of line 7, by striking out the light-faced bracket after the word "Stores"; also same line, by inserting after the word "Stores" the words "or to distributors or importing distributors holding special licenses under the 'Beverage License Law' and its amendments".

On the question,
 Will the House concur in the amendments made by the Senate?
 Mr. ACHTERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I move that the House do non-concur in the amendments made by the Senate.
 The motion was agreed to.
 Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate accordingly.

REPORT AND DISCHARGE OF COMMITTEE

Mr. CHARLES H. BRUNNER. Mr. Speaker, your committee appointed to wait upon the Senate and escort them to the Hall of the House for the Joint Session has performed that duty and the Senate is now present.
 The SPEAKER. The Committee is discharged with the thanks of the House.

The President pro tempore of the Senate is invited to preside over the Joint Session of the General Assembly.
 The Members of the Senate and House will remain standing until called to order by the President of the Senate.

JOINT SESSION

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE EALY. The Joint Assembly will be in order pending the arrival of the Governor.

The SERGEANT-AT-ARMS OF THE SENATE. Mr. President pro tempore I present to you the Committee appointed to escort the Governor to the Hall of the House.

Mr. MALLERY. Mr. President pro tempore, we have the pleasure and the honor of presenting to you His Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, the Honorable Arthur H. James.

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE EALY. Mr. Speaker, Members of the Joint Session, I have the honor and pleasure of presenting the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the Honorable Arthur H. James who will now address you.

MESSAGE OF GOVERNOR ARTHUR H. JAMES

GOVERNOR JAMES, Senator Ealy, Speaker Kilroy, and Members of the General Assembly:

Pennsylvania at this moment is in the most tangled financial situation of its history.

With a few exceptions, Pennsylvania's departments of government have not one cent of money legally available to conduct any of the normal State activities. This is true of all of the various General Fund departments of State Government.

We have no money legally available to meet State pay-rolls due next week.

We have relief funds for only two weeks.

Except for relief checks, these departments are operating entirely on credit.

This situation is due to the deliberate action of a group of Democrats in the House of Representatives who bottled up the budget program when it was presented last February 3rd, and kept it under lock and key until the closing days of May, when it was changed to a form not acceptable under the laws of this Commonwealth and passed by the House too late for the necessary and proper corrections to be made before this biennium began.

The effects of the long delay in budget action were to

compel the State to stop payment on a long list of subsidies and appropriations to prevent our running out of cash. The inconvenience and distress which resulted was, of course, obvious to those responsible for the delay in action on the budget. Such considerations, however, did not sway the so-called Democratic leaders from their policy of delay.

The agencies which have suffered and who are entitled to know where the responsibility lies include the following:

- The first, second and third class school districts;
 - About 200 State-aided hospitals and homes;
 - State-aided welfare institutions;
 - Fourteen State-aided universities and medical colleges.
- Checks long overdue could have been sent these institutions weeks and months ago, if the Democratic leadership of Pennsylvania's House of Representatives had acted at the proper time. For example, thousands of teachers' salaries are still unpaid as the result of the vicious political tactics of these representatives of Pennsylvania's men and women.

We now are at the deadline at which immediate action is necessary if the Commonwealth is to keep the pledge made by both Republican and Democratic members of the Legislature, when we borrowed from certain funds to maintain relief—the pledge that the money would be returned during the current month. These moneys were to have been returned by means of the sale of tax anticipation notes.

Legislation for this purpose was introduced long ago. As is necessary under the law, these bills set forth the official estimate of revenue. The super-optimists of the lower House insisted on increasing these estimates.

The bonds cannot be sold with any except the official estimates of revenue printed in the bill. The entire tax anticipation note program has been held up wilfully and deliberately, for political purposes, on the sole excuse that certain individual Democratic leaders valued their own estimates of revenue ahead of the official estimates of the State.

The amount of money being held up as a sop to the pride of the Democrats, who have tried to second guess the Department of Revenue on estimates for the current biennium, reaches the staggering total of \$85,445,700. All of this money either is payable now or will be payable by the time tax anticipation notes can make it available.

The separate items involved are as follows:

Motor License Fund	\$47,550,000
Liquid Fuels Tax Fund	11,000,000
Liquor License Fund	7,250,000
Fire Insurance Tax Fund	2,300,000
State School Fund	2,000,000
Sinking Fund Payments on Veterans Bond Issue	2,150,000

The specific amounts already overdue, and which can only be paid when the tax note program is agreed upon, are as follows:

Second and Third Class School Districts	\$2,426,455
First Class School Districts	1,475,814
State-aided Universities and Colleges	2,492,596
State-aid Hospitals and Homes	2,248,164

In addition, the Deficiency Bill calls for appropriations of \$4,552,671, most of which goes to distressed school dis-

tricts and which also can be paid only from money raised by sale of these tax notes.

Repeated conferences have been held in the past few days, attempting to obtain from the Democratic Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, his consent to the passage of the enabling legislation. This compromise was with the thought of issuing the notes against taxes already in effect—a total of approximately \$373,000,000. This would be more than ample for the proposed tax sale.

The Chairman emphatically declined to accept the official estimates which must be the basis if the notes are to find purchasers.

Thus far he has refused to accept any except his own estimates which, of course, have no standing at law. He has refused to agree to the program even when his suggestion that the enabling act carry the words "at least" before the official estimates of revenue was accepted by the Republicans.

I will leave to some further occasion discussion of the question whether this line of conduct is service, politics or sabotage, but in the meantime I must warn this legislative body that today is the last day on which action can be taken without violating our specific pledge as to the time when these borrowings are repaid.

I find no indications thus far of any intention of those who hold the reins for the Democratic party to budge an inch from their outrageous position. They appear to think that they have the Administration by the throat and can dictate to it with impunity. Their position appears to be that they will not vote for a balanced budget. My position is just as definite.

Since there appears to be no limit on the duration of the deadlock, the time has come when it is necessary that we find means of financing certain customary activities of the State and such special defense services as may be cared for.

Therefore, I am recommending to the Pennsylvania Senate that it immediately proceed with the passage of the General Appropriation Bill in the form in which it came from the House. This bill can be finally passed this week and thereby be ready for my signature next Monday or Tuesday.

This bill provides for "the ordinary expenses of the executive, legislative and judicial departments of the Commonwealth, interest on the public debt, and the support of the public schools."

Its passage, even in the mangled form in which it was adopted by the lower House, will nevertheless furnish funds for the maintenance of most of the regular activities of State Government.

It does not include subsidies for hospitals or for educational and welfare institutions.

It does not include relief.

The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania must have cash, and must have it immediately, to prevent our hospitals, our universities and public schools from closing, and to give succor to our old people, our blind and unemployed.

The appropriations as listed are subject to reduction in such amounts as I deem proper. Such appropriations as have been made excessive by the Democratic bloc which has seized control of the lower House, can easily be rectified at the time I sign the bill. Appropriations which have been cut too low, or which have been deleted entirely, cannot be corrected at that time, but the omissions can be remedied by separate appropriation bills.

For example, the Democratic House saw fit to delete all funds for parole supervision. Presumably this was done under the misapprehension that if the new Parole Bill passes, the appropriation to the Department of Justice would be unnecessary. Those responsible overlooked the fact, however, that the proposed parole legislation would not take effect for a year.

Some further provision will be necessary to prevent the entire collapse of parole supervision during the coming twelve months.

Various other similar reductions and deletions should be corrected, and this can be done by means of independent or supplementary appropriation bills.

In general, it may be said that speedy adoption of this bill, without further attempts at adjusting its inequities, offers the only means by which normal and the emergency defense activities of the State can be financed at an early date.

Signing of the bill will permit State payrolls to be met with a minimum of delay.

Further, when it becomes effective, money will be made available for defense activities, such as the Defense Corps, the State Council of Defense, and certain special requirements as occur in the Department of Commerce, the Department of Health, and other administrative departments.

Embraced in this bill are the appropriations for the maintenance of hospitals under State supervision. The bill was amended in the House with the apparent intent of covering the hospitals whose taking over by the State is still under discussion.

No provision having been made by the Legislature to raise moneys to cover the \$12,000,000 additional cost which would be saddled upon the State by the taking over of these institutions, and no final decision having been made by the Legislature on my urgent recommendation that the effective date of these laws be postponed for two years and, further, it appearing that the appropriations included for the purpose are inadequate to carry out this program, I shall therefore reduce the appropriations in this field to the amounts set forth in my budget message of last February.

If the Democratic leadership of the Legislature insists on its unwise determination to force this additional expenditure upon the State, in spite of the urgent recommendation of Washington that new expenditures of this nature be postponed until after the present National emergency, I must insist that revenues for this purpose be found.

Appropriations not backed up by revenues do not pay the bills. Neither do wishful thinking and kited estimates give the State one cent more of revenue.

The so-called Democratic budget is a humbug and a fraud, and those who drafted it are well aware of the fact.

It does not balance with itself.

Omissions and shortages have been brought to light totalling at least \$15,800,000 of expenditures that its drafters knew were inescapable—more than twice the total of recommended tax reduction.

It calls for expenditure of many millions of dollars more than revenues which are in sight.

More than be given serious consideration in its present form, because it does not balance with itself and does not balance with the official estimates of revenues, by which myself and other State officials are bound.

Its discrepancies have been pointed out to its authors

and they have done nothing to correct those discrepancies.

Talk of a "compromise" in this matter is absurd. Where is the room for compromise between a bridge which is long enough and a bridge which is too short?

A balanced budget for Pennsylvania at this time would bridge the chasm of deficit and lead the way to major tax reductions in 1943. A red ink budget, such as the Democratic leadership is urging, would leave the State so far in debt at the end of the current biennium that any major tax reduction program would be impossible.

Enactment of the General Appropriation Bill, as recommended above, does not solve the budget problem. It does not appreciably change that problem. The same basic issues remain:

Shall Pennsylvania's books be balanced, or shall we keep a mortgage upon our house of government?

I was elected by a huge majority when I ran for Governor on a pledge of putting the State's books in balance and of working for major tax reductions. I believe that the vast majority of the men and women of this State still believe in and support that program.

I do not believe that the shallow political tricks of a handful of ambitious Democratic bosses are fooling any one but themselves.

I do not propose to surrender to any shotgun tactics on the floor of the House.

My record as Governor during this period of international crisis, my response to President Roosevelt's plea for unity, the non-partisan and non-political measures I have taken in any field touching upon National Defense are well known to everyone.

I have carefully refrained from injecting political considerations into the situation.

Republican members of both Houses of the Legislature have followed the same course.

Our efforts to be impartial have been taken advantage of, not by Democrats in general so much as by small groups of officials and so-called leaders who came back into power as deadhead passengers on the Roosevelt Express. Their abuse of power is approaching a scandal.

I have refrained from engaging in a public battle over this matter in the hopes that the saner counsel which unquestionably comes from the public-minded rank and file of the Democratic party would convince their so-called leaders that this is no time for them to play political parlor tricks with the taxpayers' money.

It now appears that certain of these leaders have the bit in their teeth and are deaf, not only to common sense, but to the wishes and welfare of the rest of their party, both in Pennsylvania and at Washington.

If they are determined to sell their party down the river by insisting in their efforts to wreck the state's financial program, I suppose that I, as a Republican, should not object to this form of political suicide on their part.

But as Governor of a great state, faced with some of the most serious problems in our history; as a public official seeking earnestly and diligently to serve the general need in an hour of crisis; as a Republican who has sought sincerely to respond both to the imperative need and the President's explicit call for unified non-political action in this time of emergency—in a word, as a man who takes his oath of office seriously, I do object to any course on anyone's part which can undermine the Com-

monwealth's ability to do its full share in whatever tasks are before it.

I propose to fight out the cause of a balanced budget along lines of economy and good governmental house-keeping, if it takes all summer.

Reluctant as I am in this period of emergency to embark on what will inevitably turn into a political battle, I wish to serve notice on those whom I believe to be putting partisan greed and political chicanery ahead of their sworn duty to State and Nation that, in the cause of sound finances for the men and women of this Commonwealth, there will be no surrender.

PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE EALY. The Chair wishes to express the thanks of the General Assembly to the Governor for his message on the fiscal policies of the Commonwealth.

The purpose for which the Joint Session was called has been consummated. The Joint Session is now adjourned. The Senators will return to the Senate Chamber and resume their duties.

THE SPEAKER (Elmer Kilroy) IN THE CHAIR.

RESOLUTIONS

RECALLING HOUSE BILL No 1088 FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. SAMUEL ROSE offered the following resolution which was twice read, considered and adopted:

In the House of Representatives, June 11, 1941.

Resolved (if the Senate concur), that House Bill No. 1088, Printer's No. 313, entitled "An act prohibiting the employment of or the acceptance of employment by any female for the purpose of tending bar over which bar alcoholic malt or vinous beverages are sold excepting on sale licensees and the wives of on-sale licensees providing penalties for a violation thereof repealing all inconsistent legislation," be recalled from the Governor for further consideration.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

RECALLING HOUSE BILL No. 1259 FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. CHERVENAK offered the following resolution which was twice read, considered and adopted:

In the House of Representatives, June 11, 1941.

Resolved (if the Senate concur), that House Bill No. 1259, Printer's No. 555, entitled "An act authorizing the creation of and providing for and regulating the maintenance and operation of a county employes' retirement system in counties of the fourth class imposing certain charges on counties and fixing penalties", be recalled from the Governor for the purpose of amendment.

Ordered, That the Clerk present the same to the Senate for concurrence.

PERMISSION TO ADDRESS HOUSE

Mr. ACHTERMAN asked and obtained unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. Speaker, I listened with attention to the remarks of the Governor made a short time ago. Unfortunately I have not had in advance a copy of that address, therefore I do not intend at this time to answer in detail the remarks of the Governor, but I do feel that in passing, Mr. Speaker, some sort of a brief digest of his remarks should be made.

Perhaps the one thing that struck me most forcibly was the Governor's comment about the huge majority he had when he ran for Governor, and the intimation that it could be done again.

I couldn't for my party, wish it better luck than that this same man should head their ticket. I say, Mr. Speaker, if he did he would know the esteem and the confidence that the people of Pennsylvania have in him. Let me point in his same speech to the reason why I make those remarks. You will recall that he said, "If you want tax reduction in 1943." That is the same old battle cry of infamous misrepresentation and deception. You recall and I recall this same Governor that just addressed you went throughout the state of Pennsylvania talking about the savings he was going to make and pass on to the people of Pennsylvania.

Well, Mr. Speaker, he did not do it in 1939 and he has admitted he is not going to do it in 1941, unless the Democrats force him to do it.

Then he raises the battle cry of politics. Did you ever hear more politics from the rostrum than you heard today? How and why? "Oh," he says, "we'll give you tax reduction in 1943." Do you think the people of Pennsylvania believe that he is sincere in that statement, when you already have the story of what he did in 1939 and what he wants to do in 1941? When he wants something, he is strong on the promises, but after he secures what he wants he forgets his promises.

Perhaps, Mr. Speaker, there is something else of importance that the Governor said. I listened with approval when he told the Senate they ought to go to work. I checked on the Senate. You know, Mr. Speaker, with this serious financial problem he speaks about that the Commonwealth is faced with, the Finance Committee of the Senate did not meet today and has not been doing much meeting since we first came here. Yes, I can say to Governor James, "You had better tell your Finance Committee of the Senate to go to work." There is the crux of our problem and there, Mr. Speaker, in that Senate lies the political problem today.

Then this governor says this, "Our hospitals don't have any money." What has that got to do with it under the circumstances? We have not met our February payments nor any other payments that this selfsame Governor should have seen that his budget of 1939 would make it possible to pay? What has he done with the moneys that he so confidently told the people of Pennsylvania he had for the operation of this government and for our hospitals and colleges? Passing it on to 1941. No, that's no answer. Mr. Speaker, the charity specified is hospitals. He knows that he should have made those payments in February as well as the later payments, and he knows he should have had his budget in such condition that he could make those payments.

Now, Mr. Speaker, raising the same battle cry of politics, he said, "Why it's the budget of 1941." The budget of 1941 should pay the bills of 1939? He is not going to fool anyone with that statement.

Then as to the question as to whether or not we are willing to talk to the Governor. Today is the first that I learned that the Governor approved the story or rather the message that was delivered to me only yesterday afternoon. Only about twenty-four hours before this crisis did I learn that this Governor was willing that his offices and departments cooperate on the problem, would

be willing to study it. Apparently he has changed his mind somewhat on that now, but only yesterday the minority leader of this House approached me and told me that the Budget Office and Revenue Office was willing to meet with us to discuss this problem? Then I inquired about the Senate and learned what? Well, maybe and maybe not; at least no one has been designated there, and our conversation was left with the understanding that the Senate would be contacted for the purpose of their designating someone to study with us and with the Governor's office.

Mr. Speaker, I ask you in sincerity and I ask the people of Pennsylvania, does that sound like a man desirous of solving the problems of Pennsylvania or does it sound like a man who is desirous of raising a political flag, claiming that he is crucified but unwilling to step forward to study? Infamous deception from beginning to end, I brand that speech.

PERMISSION TO ADDRESS HOUSE

Mr. WOODSIDE asked and obtained unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. Speaker, I intend to make no reference to the political remarks which were made by the gentleman from Monroe, nor do I expect to make any detailed answer to the statement which he just made concerning the proposed conference. As a matter of fact, I think some of the things which led up to that, and the discussions which were held between himself and myself were of a confidential nature, and fearing that I might divulge something that would not be fair to either him or to me or to the administration, I am not going to make any further reference to that point.

As I understood the Governor's speech and as I recall it, he made references to the conferences which were held between the gentleman from Monroe and the Budget Secretary concerning the Tax Anticipation Notes bill. I made reference on the floor of the House a number of times to the importance of that bill, and I have related in detail the history of that bill and of the action of the Democratic party and their delays concerning it. I shall make no further reference to that. I did make reference to the amendment which was suggested and which it was understood by me have been agreed upon between the gentleman from Monroe and the Budget Secretary some time ago. If that amendment had been adopted, the Tax Anticipation Notes bill could have been passed, and the pledge that was made by this House of Representatives to the people of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania could have been kept. But they have refused to agree to take action on the amendment about which the conferences of the gentleman from Monroe and the Budget Secretary were held. That is the matter to which the Governor was referring in his speech when he talked about the conferences between the Democratic floor leader and the members of his cabinet.

PERMISSION TO ADDRESS HOUSE

Mr. ACHTERMAN asked and obtained unanimous consent to address the House.

Mr. Speaker, I just wish to clarify the remarks made by the gentleman from Dauphin as to whether or not I have violated a confidence with regard to a proposed

meeting. The remarks, may I say, Mr. Speaker, when Mr. Woodside approached me I was not informed that the suggestions were made in confidence. . . .

Mr. WOODSIDE. Mr. Speaker . . .

The SPEAKER. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Dauphin, Mr. Woodside.

Mr. WOODSIDE. Mr. Speaker, I ask the gentleman to yield for a moment until I make a statement on that point.

The SPEAKER. Will the gentleman from Monroe yield for a moment?

Mr. ACHTERMAN. I shall, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. WOODSIDE. Mr. Speaker, I did not say that the gentleman had violated a confidence. I said that I did not care to go into the matter further because I feared I might violate a confidence with him and with the administration and therefore, I would not make any further statement on it in public until I talked about it in private with him. I did not accuse him of violating a confidence.

Mr. ACHTERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Dauphin. I misunderstood him.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

Mr. McDERMOTT, from the Committee on State Government, reported as amended, House Bill No. 1484, entitled:

An Act to amend section one of the act approved the seventh day of June, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen (P. L. 600), entitled "An act providing that appointive officers and employes, employed by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in its civil service, or by any department, bureau, commission, or office thereof, or by any county, municipality, township, or school district, shall not be deemed or held to have resigned or abandoned their offices or employments by reason of enlistment, enrollment, or draft in the military or naval service of the United States or any branch or unit thereof, in time of war or contemplated war; prohibiting the removal from their offices or employments of such officers and employes during the period of their service in the Army or Navy; directing that one-half of the salaries or wages of such officers or employes as have dependent wives, children, or parents, and not exceeding two thousand dollars per annum, be paid during the term of their service in the Army or Navy to such dependents; authorizing the employment during said term of substitutes to perform the duties theretofore performed by such officers or em-

ployes, respectively, and providing for the compensation of such substitutes," by extending provisions to include certain provisional employes of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in its civil service.

Mr. HOLLAND, from the Committee on Education, reported as amended, House Bill No. 846, entitled:

An Act requiring school boards in all school districts to grant leave of absence to all school employes who shall volunteer or be called for military naval or similar service under the Selective Service Law of 1940 or subsequent laws of the United States of America and to all school employes in the National Guard, land or naval reserve forces who shall be called for active duty; preserving certain contracts, salaries, increments, retirement rights, seniority, State contributions and grants to local school boards, eligibility lists, re-employment; requiring school boards to employ substitutes in places of such employes reserving all rights and privileges of employes granted leaves of absence under the provisions herein; superseding or repealing all contrary laws.

Mr. DiGENOVA, from the Committee on Welfare, reported as amended, House Bill No. 539, entitled:

An Act to further amend section four of the act, approved the twenty-fourth day of June, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven (P. L. 2045), entitled "An act relating to the support of indigent persons publicly cared for or assisted; providing for the support of such persons by certain relatives, and for the recovery of public moneys expended for care and assistance from the property and estates of such persons; providing for guardians of the person and property of such persons; providing for the arrest and seizure and sale of the property of deserters; and providing procedure," by exempting certain property from execution in certain cases.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Committee appointed to investigate the Bureau of Vital Statistics will hold a public hearing in the New House Caucus Room on Wednesday, June 11 at 6:30 p. m., E. S. T.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. DALRYMPLE. Mr. Speaker, I move that this House do now adjourn until Thursday, June 12, 1941, at 10 a. m.

The motion was agreed to, and (at 4:42 p. m.) the House adjourned.