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JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Dover, Delaware, January 6, 1931
11 o'clock A. M.

At a meeting of the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, convened and held at Dover on Tuesday, the Sixth Day of January A. D. 1931, and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and fifty-fifth.

The following named members-elect were present and took their seats:

NEW CASTLE COUNTY

- 1st Representative District, Jacob Scheifele
- 2nd Representative District, Harry B. Van Sciver
- 3rd Representative District, Walter G. Tatnall, Jr.
- 4th Representative District, William E. Virden
- 5th Representative District, Maurice A. Flynn, Jr.
- 6th Representative District, John T. Talley
- 7th Representative District, William C. Clark
- 8th Representative District, William F. Seal
- 9th Representative District, William F. Rupp
- 10th Representative District, Robert A. Barnes
- 11th Representative District, Herbert Wilson Price
- 12th Representative District, Harry C. Nickle
- 13th Representative District, E. Sherman Webb

14th Representative District, George C. Burge

15th Representative District, Walter E. Donovan

KENT COUNTY

1st Representative District, Estelle W. Tschudy

2nd Representative District, William F. Cummins

3rd Representative District, William T. Hollett

4th Representative District, Roger A. Davis

5th Representative District, Elmer E. Benson

6th Representative District, Elwood Cooper

7th Representative District, Frank B. Webb

8th Representative District, William Marion Stevenson

9th Representative District, James H. Raughley

10th Representative District, George H. Davis

SUSSEX COUNTY

1st Representative District, Willis J. Carey

2nd Representative District, Thomas A. Johnson

3rd Representative District, Irvin F. Smoot

4th Representative District, Irvin T. Hastings

5th Representative District, Charles A. Hastings

6th Representative District, John W. Messick

7th Representative District, Lee Stevens

8th Representative District, Carlton Lingo

9th Representative District, Bud Coy

10th Representative District, Edward C. Phillips

The names of the gentlemen who took their seats were called, all of whom answered to their names.

The House was called to order by Mr. Virden for temporary organization.

Prayer by the Rev. W. E. Matthews.

Mr. Lingo nominated Mr. Bud Coy for Temporary Speaker.

The vote was taken and Mr. Coy was declared elected and Mr. Flynn and Mr. Lingo were appointed to escort Mr. Coy to the Speaker's Chair.

Mr. Tatnall nominated Mr. Barnes for Temporary Clerk.

The vote was taken and Mr. Barnes was declared elected.

Mr. Van Sciver moved that a committee of three be appointed to notify the Judges of the Superior Court of the several Counties that the House of Representatives is ready to receive the certificate of Election of its members.

Motion prevailed.

The Temporary Speaker appointed the following committee:

Mr. Tatnall, Mr. Donovan and Mr. Benson who reported that the messenger from the Judges are present with the certificates.

Upon request the certificates were delivered to the Speaker's desk.

Mr. Scheifele moved that the certificates of the Temporary Speaker and the Temporary Clerk be read.

Motion prevailed and the certificates were read.

The State of Delaware, Sussex County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Sussex County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Bud Coy was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Nine in said County in General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the county, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Charles S. Richards and Richard S. Rodney, Judges constituting the Superior Court in Sussex County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said county, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be here-

unto affixed at the Court House in said county on this 6th day of November, A. D., 1930.

RICHARD S. RODNEY,

Associate Judge.

CHARLES S. RICHARDS,

Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, New Castle County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty, for New Castle County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Robert A. Barnes was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Ten in said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, James Pennewill and Herbert L. Rice, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in New Castle County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this eighth day of November, A.D. 1930.

JAMES PENNEWILL,

Chief Justice.

HERBERT L. RICE,

Resident Associate Judge.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver, a notary public, administered the oath of office as members of the House of Representatives to the Temporary Speaker and Temporary Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver the House recessed until 12:30 o'clock P.M.

Same day at 12:30 o'clock P.M.

The House met after recess.

Mr. Tatnall moved that the Temporary Speaker be authorized and directed to have read the certificates of the members-elect from the First Representative District of each County and the name only of the member and the district from which elected be read on the remaining certificates from the several Counties.

Motion prevailed and the certificates were read as directed.

The State of Delaware, New Castle County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty, for New Castle County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Jacob Scheifele was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number One in said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, James Pennewill and Herbert L. Price, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in New Castle County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this eighth day of November, A.D. 1930.

JAMES PENNEWILL,

Chief Justice.

HERBERT L. RICE,

Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, New Castle County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty, for New Castle County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Harry B. Van Sciver was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Two in said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, James Pennewill and Herbert L. Rice, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in New Castle County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this eighth day of November, A. D. 1930.

JAMES PENNEWILL,

Chief Justice.

HERBERT L. RICE,

Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, New Castle County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty, for New Castle County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Walter G. Tatnall, Jr., was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Three in said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, James Pennewill and Herbert L. Rice, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in New Castle County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this eighth day of November, A. D. 1930.

JAMES PENNEWILL,
Chief Justice.

HERBERT L. RICE,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, New Castle County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty, for New Castle County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, William E. Virden was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Four in said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, James Pennewill and Herbert L. Rice, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in New Castle County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this eighth day of November, A. D. 1930.

JAMES PENNEWILL,
Chief Justice.

HERBERT L. RICE,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, New Castle County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty, for New Castle County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Maurice A. Flynn, Jr., was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Five in said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, James Pennewill and Herbert L. Rice, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in New Castle County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this eighth day of November, A. D. 1930.

JAMES PENNEWILL,
Chief Justice.

HERBERT L. RICE,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, New Castle County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty, for New Castle County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, John T. Talley was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Six in said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, James Pennewill and Herbert L. Rice, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in New Castle County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this eighth day of November A. D. 1930.

JAMES PENNEWILL,
Chief Justice.

HERBERT L. RICE,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, New Castle County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty, for New Castle County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, William C. Clark was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Seven in said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, James Pennewill and Herbert L. Rice, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in New Castle County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this eighth day of November A. D. 1930.

JAMES PENNEWILL,
Chief Justice.

HERBERT L. RICE,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, New Castle County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty, for New Castle County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, William F. Seal was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Eight in said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, James Pennewill and Herbert L. Rice, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in New Castle County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this eighth day of November A. D. 1930.

JAMES PENNEWILL,
Chief Justice.

HERBERT L. RICE,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, New Castle County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty, for New Castle County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, William F. Rupp was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Nine in said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, James Pennewill and Herbert L. Rice, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in New Castle County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this eighth day of November, A. D. 1930.

JAMES PENNEWILL,
Chief Justice.

HERBERT L. RICE,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, New Castle County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty, for New Castle County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Herbert Wilson Price, was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Eleven in said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, James Pennewill and Herbert L. Rice, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in New Castle County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this eighth day of November A. D. 1930.

JAMES PENNEWILL,
Chief Justice.

HERBERT L. RICE,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, New Castle County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty, for New Castle County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Harry C. Nickle was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Twelve in said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, James Pennewill and Herbert L. Rice, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in New Castle County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this eighth day of November A. D. 1930.

JAMES PENNEWILL,
Chief Justice.

HERBERT L. RICE,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, New Castle County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty, for New Castle County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Elmer Sherman Webb was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Thirteen in said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, James Pennewill and Herbert L. Rice, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in New Castle County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this eighth day of November, A. D. 1930.

JAMES PENNEWILL,
Chief Justice.

HERBERT L. RICE,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, New Castle County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty, for New Castle County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, George C. Burge, was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Fourteen in said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, James Pennewill and Herbert L. Rice, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in New Castle County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this eighth day of November, A. D. 1930.

JAMES PENNEWILL,
Chief Justice.

HERBERT L. RICE,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, New Castle County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and thirty, for New Castle County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Walter E. Donovan was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Fifteen in said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, James Pennewill and Herbert L. Rice, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in New Castle County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this eighth day of November, A. D. 1930.

JAMES PENNEWILL,
Chief Justice.

HERBERT L. RICE,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Kent County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty for Kent County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Estelle Tschudy was duly elected Representative for the First Representative District for said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Josiah O. Wolcott and William Watson Harrington, constituting the Superior Court for Kent County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County, on this sixth day of November, A. D. 1930.

J. O. WOLCOTT,

Chancellor.

W. W. HARRINGTON,

Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Kent County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty for Kent County according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, William F. Cummins was duly elected Representative for the Second Representative District for said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Josiah O. Wolcott and William Watson Harrington, constituting the Superior Court for Kent County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County, on this sixth day of November, A. D. 1930.

J. O. WOLCOTT,

Chancellor.

W. W. HARRINGTON,

Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Kent County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Kent County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, William T. Hollett was duly elected Representative for the Third Representative District for said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Josiah O. Wolcott and William Watson Harrington, constituting the Superior Court for Kent County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County, on this sixth day of November, A. D. 1930.

J. O. WOLCOTT,

Chancellor.

W. W. HARRINGTON,

Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Kent County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Kent County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Roger A. Davis was duly elected Representative for the Fourth Representative District for said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Josiah O. Wolcott and William Watson Harrington, constituting the Superior Court for Kent County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County, on this sixth day of November, A. D. 1930.

J. O. WOLCOTT,

Chancellor.

W. W. HARRINGTON,

Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Kent County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Kent County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Elmer E. Benson was duly elected Representative for the Fifth Representative District for said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Josiah O. Wolcott and William Watson Harrington, constituting the Superior Court for Kent County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County, on this sixth day of November, A. D. 1930.

J. O. WOLCOTT,

Chancellor.

W. W. HARRINGTON,

Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Kent County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Kent County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Elwood Cooper was duly elected Representative for the Sixth Representative District for said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Josiah O. Wolcott and William Watson Harrington, constituting the Superior Court for Kent County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County, on this sixth day of November, A. D. 1930.

J. O. WOLCOTT,

Chancellor.

W. W. HARRINGTON,

Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Kent County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Kent County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Frank B. Webb was duly elected Representative for the Seventh Representative District for said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Josiah O. Wolcott and William Watson Harrington, constituting the Superior Court for Kent County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County, on this sixth day of November, A. D. 1930.

J. O. WOLCOTT,

Chancellor.

W. W. HARRINGTON,

Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Kent County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Kent County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, William Marion Stevenson was duly elected Representative for the Eighth Representative District for said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Josiah O. Wolcott and William Watson Harrington, constituting the Superior Court for Kent County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County, on this sixth day of November, A. D. 1930.

J. O. WOLCOTT,

Chancellor.

W. W. HARRINGTON,

Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Kent County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Kent County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, James Harry Raughley was duly elected Representative for the Ninth Representative District for said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Josiah O. Wolcott and William Watson Harrington, constituting the Superior Court for Kent County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County, on this sixth day of November, A. D. 1930.

J. O. WOLCOTT,

Chancellor.

W. W. HARRINGTON,

Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Kent County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Kent County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, George H. Davis, was duly elected Representative for the Tenth Representative District for said County in the General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Josiah O. Wolcott and William Watson Harrington, constituting the Superior Court for Kent County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County, on this sixth day of November, A. D. 1930.

J. O. WOLCOTT,

Chancellor.

W. W. HARRINGTON,

Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Sussex County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Sussex County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Willis J. Carey was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number One in said County in General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Charles S. Richards and Richard S. Rodney, Judges constituting the Superior Court in Sussex County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said county, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this sixth day of November, A. D. 1930.

RICHARD S. RODNEY,
Associate Judge.

CHARLES S. RICHARDS,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Sussex County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Sussex County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Thomas A. Johnson was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Two in said County in General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Charles S. Richards and Richard S. Rodney, Judges constituting the Superior Court in Sussex County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this sixth day of November, A. D., 1930.

RICHARD S. RODNEY,
Associate Judge.

CHARLES S. RICHARDS,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Sussex County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Sussex County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Irvin F. Smoot was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Three in said County in General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Charles S. Richards and Richard S. Rodney, Judges constituting the Superior Court in Sussex County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this sixth day of November, A. D., 1930.

RICHARD S. RODNEY,
Associate Judge.

CHARLES S. RICHARDS,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Sussex County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Sussex County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Irvin T. Hastings was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Four in said County in General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Charles S. Richards and Richard S. Rodney, Judges constituting the Superior Court in Sussex County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this sixth day of November, A. D., 1930.

RICHARD S. RODNEY,
Associate Judge.

CHARLES S. RICHARDS,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Sussex County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Sussex County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Charles A. Hastings was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Five in said County in General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Charles S. Richards and Richard S. Rodney, Judges constituting the Superior Court in Sussex County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this sixth day of November, A. D., 1930.

RICHARD S. RODNEY,
Associate Judge.

CHARLES S. RICHARDS,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Sussex County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Sussex County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, John W. Messick was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Six in said County in General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Charles S. Richards and Richard S. Rodney, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in Sussex County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this sixth day of November, A. D., 1930.

RICHARD S. RODNEY,
Associate Judge.

CHARLES S. RICHARDS,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Sussex County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Sussex County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Lee Stevens was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Seven in said County in General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Charles S. Richards and Richard S. Rodney, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in Sussex County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this sixth day of November, A. D., 1930.

RICHARD S. RODNEY,
Associate Judge.

CHARLES S. RICHARDS,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Sussex County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Sussex County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Carlton H. Lingo was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Eight in said County in General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Charles S. Richards and Richard S. Rodney, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in Sussex County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this sixth day of November, A. D., 1930.

RICHARD S. RODNEY,
Associate Judge.

CHARLES S. RICHARDS,
Resident Associate Judge.

The State of Delaware, Sussex County, ss.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That at the General Election held on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in November in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, for Sussex County, according to the Constitution and Laws of the State of Delaware, Edward C. Phillips was duly elected Representative for Representative District Number Ten in said County in General Assembly; which is manifest by calculating and ascertaining the aggregate amount of all the votes given for each person voted for in all the hundreds and election districts of the County, according to the provisions made by law in this behalf.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, We, Charles S. Richards and Richard S. Rodney, the Judges constituting the Superior Court in Sussex County, who have met and ascertained the state of the election throughout the said County, as the law requires, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the said Superior Court to be hereunto affixed at the Court House in said County on this sixth day of November, A. D., 1930.

RICHARD S. RODNEY,
Associate Judge.

CHARLES S. RICHARDS,
Resident Associate Judge.

Mr. Virden nominated Mr. Bud Coy for speaker. Mr. Flynn nominated Mr. William T. Hollett. Upon request Mr. Tatnall occupied the Chair. The roll was called and Mr. Coy having received the required constitutional majority was declared elected.

Mr. Van Sciver moved that a committee of two be appointed to escort the Speaker-elect to the Chair.

In accordance therewith Mr. Virden and Mr. Flynn were appointed as a committee.

Mr. Van Sciver moved that the oath of the Speaker be administered by a Notary Public.

Motion prevailed and Mr. Herman Taylor administered the oath of office.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE }
 County of Kent, } ss.

I, Bud Coy, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the Speaker of the One Hundred and Third session in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

BUD COY

Sworn and subscribed to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931.

HERMAN C. TAYLOR,

Notary Public.

Mr. Van Sciver moved that the Temporary Speaker administer the oath of office to the other members-elect in groups of five (5).

Motion prevailed and the Temporary Speaker proceeded to administer the oath of office to said members.

All members having been duly sworn and subscribed to the oath of office, the roll was called and the Temporary Speaker announced the House ready to proceed to permanent organization.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver the House recessed until 2:30 o'clock P. M.

Same Day—2:30 o'clock P. M.

The House met after recess.

New Castle County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. One in New Castle County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

JACOB SCHIEFELE

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

New Castle County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Two in New Castle County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

HARRY B. VAN SCIVER

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

New Castle County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Three in New Castle County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

WALTER G. TATNALL, JR.

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

New Castle County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Four in New Castle County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any

money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

WILLIAM E. VIRDEN

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

New Castle County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Five in New Castle County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

MAURICE A. FLYNN, JR.

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

New Castle County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Six in New Castle County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

JOHN T. TALLEY

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

New Castle County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Seven in New Castle County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

WILLIAM C. CLARK

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

New Castle County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Eight in New Castle County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

WILLIAM F. SEAL

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

New Castle County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Nine in New Castle County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further

solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

WILLIAM F. RUPP

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

New Castle County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Ten in New Castle County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

ROBERT A. BARNES

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

New Castle County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Eleven in New Castle County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

HERBERT WILSON PRICE

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY .

New Castle County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Twelve in New Castle County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

HARRY C. NICKLE

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

New Castle County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Thirteen in New Castle County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

E. SHERMAN WEBB

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

New Castle County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Fourteen in New Castle County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or

promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

GEO. C. BURGE

Sworn to this 6th day of January A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

New Castle County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Fifteen in New Castle County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

WALTER E. DONOVAN

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Kent County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. One in Kent County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

ESTELLE W. TSCHUDY

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Kent County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Two in Kent County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

WM. F. CUMMINS

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Kent County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Three in Kent County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

WM. T. HOLLETT

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Kent County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Four in Kent County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or

promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

ROGER A. DAVIS

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Kent County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Five in Kent County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

ELMER E. BENSON

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Kent County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Six in Kent County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A.D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

ELWOOD COOPER

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Kent County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Seven in Kent County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

FRANK B. WEBB

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Kent County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Eight in Kent County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

W. MARION STEVENSON

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Kent County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Nine in Kent County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the

giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

JAMES H. RAUGHLEY

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Kent County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Ten in Kent County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

GEO. H. DAVIS

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Sussex County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. One in Sussex County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

WILLIS J. CARY

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Sussex County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Two in Sussex County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

T. A. JOHNSON

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Sussex County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Three in Sussex County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930,) according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

IRVIN F. SMOOT

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Sussex County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Four in Sussex County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further

solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

IRVIN T. HASTINGS

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Sussex County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Five in Sussex County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

CHARLES A. HASTINGS

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Sussex County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Six in Sussex County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

JOHN W. MESSICK

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Sussex County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Seven in Sussex County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

LEE STEVENS

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Sussex County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Eight in Sussex County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

CARLTON L. LINGO

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Sussex County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Nine in Sussex County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any

money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

BUD COY

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

JOHN E. DAVIDSON, N.P.

Sussex County, The State of Delaware, ss.

I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Representative in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware from Representative District No. Ten in Sussex County (to which office I was elected at the General Election held in said State in the year A. D. 1930), according to the best of my ability; and I do further solemnly swear that I have not directly or indirectly paid, offered or promised to pay, contribute or offered or promised to contribute any money or other valuable thing as a consideration or reward for the giving or withholding a vote at the election at which I was elected to said office.

EDWARD C. PHILLIPS

Sworn to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931, before me.

BUD COY

Mr. Virden nominated Mr. David Hollett for Chief Clerk.

Mr. Flynn nominated Mr. Guy Wheatley.

The roll was called and Mr. Hollett having received a constitutional majority was declared elected.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss:

I, David Hollett, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Chief Clerk for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

DAVID HOLLETT

Sworn and subscribed to this 6th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY

Mr. Tatnall introduced the following resolution which, on his further motion, was adopted:

House Resolution No. 1.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That the said House proceed to the nomination and election of the following officers to serve during the session of the One Hundred and Third General Assembly of the State of Delaware, the said election to be given via voce vote on roll call.

Speaker's Clerk, Chief Clerk, Assistant Clerk, Bill Clerk, Assistant Bill Clerk, Attorney, Sergeant-at-Arms, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, Document Clerk, Assistant Document Clerk, Floor Messenger, Page, Telephone Messenger, Mail Clerk, Door Keeper, Chaplain, Cloak Room Attendant, Reading Clerk, and Assistant Reading Clerk.

Mr. Carey nominated Mr. D. Lynn assistant Clerk of the House. There being no other nominations, Mr. D. Lynn was declared elected.

Mr. Burge nominated Mr. J. D. Reynolds Reading Clerk. Mr. Flynn nominated Mr. John E. Glynn Reading Clerk. Mr. Reynolds having received the required constitutional majority, he was declared elected.

Mrs. Tschudy nominated Mr. G. Gunning for Assistant Reading Clerk. There being no other nominations, Mr. G. Gunning was declared elected.

Mr. Benson nominated Rev. White for Chaplain. Mr. Flynn nominated Rev. A. R. Benson for Chaplain. Rev. White having received the required constitutional majority, he was declared elected.

Mr. Lingo nominated Mr. Frank Day Sergeant-at-Arms. Mr. Flynn nominated James Biddle Sergeant-at-Arms. Mr. Frank Day having received the required constitutional majority, he was declared elected.

Mr. Stevens nominated Mr. L. Lathbury for Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms. There being no other nominations, Mr. L. Lathbury was declared elected.

Mr. Johnson nominated Mr. Irvin Spanish as Document Clerk. There being no other nominations, Mr. Irvin Spanish was declared elected.

Mr. Lingo nominated Mr. K. O. Warrington for Floor Messenger. There being no other nominations, Mr. K. O. Warrington was declared elected.

Mr. Phillips nominated Mr. C. Clifton for Page. Mr. Flynn nominated Thomas Oliphant for Page. Mr. C. Clifton having received the required constitutional majority, he was declared elected.

Mr. R. A. Davis nominated Mr. Freeman Camile for Telephone Messenger. Mr. Flynn nominated Mr. E. R. Wilson for Telephone Messenger. Mr. Freeman Camile having received the required constitutional majority, he was declared elected.

Mr. Benson nominated Mrs. Vera G. Davis for Bill Clerk. Mr. Flynn nominated George Hanson for Bill Clerk. Mrs. Vera G. Davis having received the required constitutional majority, she was declared elected.

Mr. Clark nominated Mr. Julian Walker for Attorney. Mr. Flynn nominated Mr. James Wolcott for Attorney. Mr. Julian Walker having received the required constitutional majority, he was declared elected.

Mr. Scheifele nominated Lillian V. Hulse for Stenographer. Mr. Flynn nominated Estella Warner for Stenographer. Lillian V. Hulse having received the required constitutional majority, she was declared elected.

Mr. Messick nominated Mr. Americus Betts for Stenographer. There being no other nominations, Mr. Americus Betts was declared elected.

Mr. Seal nominated Mr. Horace Guthrie for Mail Clerk. There being no other nominations, Mr. Horace Guthrie was declared elected.

Mr. Talley nominated Mr. T. H. Dunn for Door Keeper. There being no other nominations, Mr. T. H. Dunn was declared elected.

Mr. Clark nominated Mr. Herbert McDonald for Cloak Room Attendant. There being no other nominations, Mr. Herbert McDonald was declared elected.

Mr. Rupp nominated Mr. William Dean for Assistant Document Clerk. There being no other nominations, Mr. William Dean was declared elected.

Mr. Barnes nominated Mrs. Virginia Walton Stenographer. There being no other nominations, Mrs. Walton was declared elected.

Mr. Nickle nominated Mr. Fred D. Nelson for Assistant Bill Clerk. There being no other nominations, Mr. Nelson was declared elected.

Mr. M. L. Davis, Secretary of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, the House concurring therein, that when the Session of the Legislative Day of Tuesday, January 6, 1931, is at an end, the two houses of General Assembly shall adjourn until 11 o'clock A. M., January 12, 1931.

And presented the same to the House.

Senate Concurrent Resolution having been read was concurred in by the House.

On Motion of Mr. Van Sciver the House adjourned until 11 o'clock Monday, January 12, 1931.

January 12, 1931

Dover, Del., January 12, 1931—11 o'clock A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. A. L. White.

Roll called.

Members present: Barnes, Benson, Burge, Carey, Clark, Cooper, Cummins, Davis, G. H., Davis, R. A., Donovan, Flynn, Hastings, C. A., Hastings, I. T., Johnson, Hollett, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Phillips, Price, Raughley, Rupp, Scheifele, Seal, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Tatnall, Tschudy, Van Sciver, Virden, Webb, E. S., Webb, F. B., Mr. Speaker—35.

Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Previous Session, when Mr. Virden moved so much be considered the reading of the Journal and the Journal be approved. Motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver the Oath of Office was administered to the following officers: Mr. D. Lynn, Assistant to Chief Clerk George W. Gunning, Assistant Reading Clerk, and John D. Reynolds, Reading Clerk; Frank K. Day, Sergeant-at-Arms; Lewis Lathbury, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms; Irving Spanish, Document Clerk; K. O. Warrington, Floor Messenger; Freeman Camile, Telephone Messenger; Lillian B. Hulse, Stenographer; Virginia Walton, Stenographer; Americus Betts, Stenographer; C. Clifton, Page; H. G. McDonald, Cloak Room Attendant; Thomas H. Dunn, Door Keeper; William D. Dean, Assistant Document Clerk; Fred D. Nelson, Assistant Bill Clerk; Horace D. Guthrie, Mail Clerk.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, Duane Lynn, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Assistant Chief Clerk for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

DUANE LYNN

Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,

Speaker of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, George W. Gunning, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Assistant Reading Clerk for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

GEORGE W. GUNNING,
Employee

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,
Speaker of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, John D. Reynolds, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Reading Clerk for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

JOHN D. REYNOLDS,
Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY
Speaker of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, Frank L. Day, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Sergeant-at-Arms for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

FRANK L. DAY,
Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,
Speaker of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, Lewis Lathbury, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

LEWIS LATHBURY,
Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,
Speaker of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, Irvin C. Spanish, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Document Clerk for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

IRVIN C. SPANISH,
Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,
Speaker of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, K. O. Warrington, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Floor Messenger for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

K. O. WARRINGTON,
Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,
Speaker of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, Freeman Camile, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Telephone Messenger for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

FREEMAN CAMILE,

Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,

Speaker of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, Lillian V. Hulse, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Stenographer for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

LILLIAN V. HULSE,

Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931

BUD COY,

Speaker of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, Virginia A. Walton, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Stenographer for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

VIRGINIA A. WALTON,

Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,

Speaker of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, Americus Betts, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Stenographer for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

AMERICUS BETTS,

Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,

Speaker of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, Chas. E. Clifton, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Page for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

CHAS. E. CLIFTON,

Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,

Speaker of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, H. G. McDonald, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Cloak Room Attendant for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

H. G. McDONALD,

Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,

Speaker of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, Thomas H. Dunn, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Door Keeper for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

THOMAS H. DUNN,

Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,

Speaker of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, Wm. D. Dean, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Assistant Document Clerk for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

WM. D. DEAN,

Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,

Speaker of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, Fred D. Nelson, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Assistant Bill Clerk for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

FRED D. NELSON,

Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,

Speaker of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
 County of Kent, } ss.

I. Horace D. Guthrie, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Mail Clerk for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

HORACE D. GUTHRIE,

Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,

Speaker of the House.

RULES OF ORDER

Rule 1. The House of Representatives shall meet every day (Sunday excepted) at eleven o'clock A. M., unless otherwise ordered.

Rule 2. Every day, before the House proceeds to other business, the Clerk of the House shall call the names of the members in alphabetical order and shall read the journal of the preceding legislative day, which may then be corrected by the House.

Rule 3. In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, a majority of all the members elected to the House shall constitute a quorum to do business, but a smaller number may adjourn from day to day.

Rule 4. The daily order of business shall be as follows:

1. Calling of House to Order.
2. Prayer by Chaplain.
3. Calling of Roll.
4. Reading of Journal.
5. Communications from the Speaker and presentation of Petitions and Memorials.
6. Reports from Standing Committees in regular order.
7. Reports from special committees in order of appointment.
8. Introduction of new business by districts and first and second readings of bills and resolutions when required by rules.
9. Business on the Calendar.
10. Miscellaneous.

DUTIES OF THE SPEAKER

Rule 5. He shall take the presiding officer's chair at the hour to which the House shall have adjourned and call the members to order, when he will have the Chaplain offer a prayer and the Clerk call the roll, and, if a constitutional quorum be present, the daily order of business shall be proceeded with.

Rule 6. He shall have general direction of the House Chamber and shall preserve order and decorum. In debate he shall prevent personal reflection and confine the members to the question under discussion. No member shall have the floor except when recognized by the Speaker.

Rule 7. He shall decide all questions of order or may submit the question to the House. An appeal from his decision may be made by any member, if properly seconded, but no debate shall be allowed thereon until appeal is taken.

Rule 8. He may name a member to perform the duties of presiding officer, but such substitution shall not extend beyond an adjournment, except when the Speaker obtains leave of absence, in which case he may depute a member as Speaker pro tempore during such leave, which leave shall not exceed five days.

Rule 9. He shall sign all bills and resolutions requiring the signature of the Speaker in the presence of the House, after their titles shall have been publicly read immediately before signing, and the facts of the signing shall be entered upon the Journal; all writs, warrants and subpoenas issued by the House shall be signed by him and attested by the Clerk.

Rule 10. He shall determine the principal object of a bill or joint resolution and assign such bill or joint resolution to a committee to which such subject matter is appropriate.

Rule 11. He shall appoint all special committees unless otherwise ordered by the House.

DUTIES OF MEMBERS

Rule 12. Every member shall be in his seat at the hour to which the House shall have been adjourned, but any member desiring to be absent from a session may be excused by the presiding officer.

Rule 13. A member shall not be permitted to make a motion or address the Speaker unless such member be at his own desk and when about to communicate any matter to the House or to speak in debate, he shall rise and respectfully address himself to "Mr. Speaker," confining his remarks to the subject before the House and avoiding personal reflections. No member shall speak more than twice on the same subject without leave of the House.

Rule 14. No member nor any other person shall be permitted to walk out or across the House while the Speaker is putting the question or addressing the House; nor in such case or when a member is speaking shall entertain private discourse; nor while a member is speaking pass between him and the presiding officer.

Rule 15. A member transgressing the rules of the House in debate shall be called to order by the Speaker or by any member through the Speaker; the member so called to order shall immediately take his seat, unless permitted by the House to explain; the House shall if appealed to, decide on the case without debate; if there be no appeal, the decision of the Speaker shall be submitted to, and if the case requires it, the member so called to order shall be liable to the censure of the House.

Rule 16. A member shall not be interrupted when speaking, except to a call to order by the Speaker, or by a member through the Speaker, or by a member to explain (or by a motion for the previous question or to adjourn); nor shall any member be referred to by name in debate, unless for transgression of the rules of the House and then by the Speaker only.

COMMITTEES

Rule 17. The standing committees of the House, consisting of five members each, except the committee on Passed Bills of three members, to be appointed by the Speaker and to continue during the session, shall be as follows:

Committee on Accounts.

Committee on Agriculture.

Committee on Appropriations.

Committee on Charities.

Committee on Claims.

Committee on Corporations—Municipal.

Committee on Corporations—Private.

Committee on Judiciary, Crimes and Punishment.

Committee on Education.

Committee on Federal Relations.

Committee on Elections.

Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game.

Committee on Forestry and Public Lands.

Committee on Insurance and Banking.

Committee on Labor.

Committee on Manufacturers and Commerce.

Committee on Military Affairs.

Committee on Miscellaneous.

Committee on Passed Bills.

Committee on Printing.

Committee on Public Buildings and Public Highways.

Committee on Public Health.

Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

Committee on Revised Statutes.

Committee on Rules.

Committee on Temperance.

Committee on Stationery and Supplies.

Rule 18. Committee meetings shall be held as far as possible when the House is not in session and committee meetings shall not be held while the House is in session without the consent of the Speaker.

Rule 19. Committee reports shall be printed, written or typewritten, and if so desired, the minority of a committee may make a report.

Rule 20. The committee of the Whole shall proceed under the rules of the House as far as the same may be applicable.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Rule 21. Every bill and resolution shall be introduced by motion for leave, by order of the House or by report of a committee.

Rule 22. Every bill and resolution, to which the concurrence of both houses of General Assembly may be necessary, shall be introduced with an original and four duplicate copies, the duplicate copies shall be marked "duplicate" and at all times every bill and resolution shall be under the general supervision of the Clerk of the House. Until its passage by the House, the original copy of every bill and resolution shall at all times remain in the custody of the Chairman of the committee to which it was referred or the Clerk of the House.

All bills and resolutions shall be either printed or typewritten and backed and no erasures or interlineations shall be allowed.

Rule 23. Every bill and joint resolution, except as to style or form, shall receive three separate readings; the first and second readings shall be had on the same day, the second reading may be by title only.

Rule 24. A bill of joint resolution shall not be passed upon the same day it has been reported to the House by the committee having charge of such bill or resolution, nor in absence of the member who introduced the same, without his written consent.

Rule 25. Any resolution carrying an appropriation or disposal of public moneys shall not be passed by the House on the same day that it shall have been introduced and read.

Rule 26. Every bill and resolution may be amended at any time before final action is taken, and in the substitution of a bill or resolution after it has been referred to a committee, the original bill or resolution shall receive its third reading before any action is taken on the substitutes, if so requested by the member who introduced the original bill or resolution.

Rule 27. Every bill or joint resolution which shall have been in committee for a period of ten days or more, shall, upon request or eighteen members of the House, in writing, be reported to the House for a decision as to its further disposal.

Rule 28. Every bill and resolution, to which the concurrence of both houses of the General Assembly may be necessary, shall upon its passage in the House be certified to by the Clerk of the House and the date of the passage of the same noted at the foot on the backing thereof.

Said bill or resolution shall then be delivered by the Clerk as soon as possible into the custody of the bill clerk, who shall attach a proper parchment backing to the same and initial, seal or stamp each and every page of each bill or resolution and immediately return the same to the Clerk of the House.

MOTIONS

Rule 29. Every motion, except to adjourn, shall be entered on the Journal with the name of the mover, and any motion, if so desired by the mover, and consented to by the seconder, may be withdrawn before amendment or decision thereon and the proceedings in relation to the same shall be expunged from the Journal.

Rule 30. Every motion, except for leave to introduce a bill or resolution or for reading of the same, the daily adjournment of the House or to refer or postpone any subject, shall, if required by the Speaker or requested by any member, be reduced to writing by the mover, or may be typewritten as the mover may prefer.

Rule 31. Every motion, if seconded, shall be repeated by the Speaker, or presiding officer, before debate or discussion thereon; and if there has been any debate or discussion, the motion shall again be repeated distinctly by the Speaker or presiding officer before putting the question in the following terms: "As many as are in favor of the

question say Aye," and, after the affirmative is expressed, "As many as are opposed, say No."

Rule 32. Every motion shall be decided in a fair and impartial manner by the speaker or presiding officer, and the vote of a majority of the members present and voting shall prevail, unless contrary to these rules or in conflict with the provisions of the Constitution. The Speaker or presiding officer, if necessary for a fair decision, may cause, or any member may call for, a division, and the members voting in the affirmative shall be required to rise, and after the Clerk has counted and noted those so voting, the question shall be reversed. Excepting when provided by the Constitution, the yeas and nays shall be taken, only on motion that the names of those so voting be entered on the Journal.

Rule 33. Every motion to adjourn shall be in order (unless such motion has just immediately been decided, or the House is voting on another question) and shall be decided without debate.

Rule 34. The only motions, except as otherwise provided, that shall be permitted to interrupt the business regularly before the House, are as follows:

A motion to amend, commit or postpone.

A motion to lay on the table.

A motion for the previous question.

Rule 35. A motion for the previous question shall not be entertained except at the request of five members rising for that purpose, and shall be determined without debate; but, when the previous question has been called and sustained, it shall not cut off any pending amendment. The vote shall be taken without debate, first on the amendments in their order and then on the main question.

Rule 36. A motion for the reconsideration of a question which has been decided shall be made and seconded by a member who voted with the majority of the original question; and no motion for reconsideration shall be in order unless made on the same day or one of the three next succeeding days of actual session of the House thereafter. In the application of this rule the word "Majority" shall be construed to mean the number of votes that were sufficient to prevail in the decision of the original question.

CALENDAR

Rule 37. The Clerk of the House shall keep a calendar of business on which shall be placed the number and subject of all bills and resolutions referred to committee and the name of the introducer thereof; and, if reported from committee, the action of the committee thereon. Said bills and resolutions shall be kept on the calendars until

final action is taken thereon, and such as lie over and other matters undisposed of, shall be placed in the order in which they are presented, and a printed copy of the calendar of both Houses placed on the desk of each member at the opening of the morning session.

Rule 38. The business on the calendar shall be taken up at the hour of two o'clock on each day of the session and disposed of in the order in which it stands thereon, excepting that the unfinished business in which the House was engaged at the time of adjournment of the previous session shall have the preference or unless there be an order of the day, and if so, as soon thereafter as the order of the day shall be disposed of.

A vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting shall be required to take up any matter out of its order on the calendar or to make any matter the order of the day for a particular time.

MISCELLANEOUS

Rule 39. Messages from the House shall be conveyed by the Clerk or a member, as the Speaker may direct, and when messages are conveyed to the House by a messenger from the Governor or by a member of the State Senate, the members of the House shall rise. Messages to the House shall not be received while the House is voting on a question or a member is speaking.

Rule 40. Before any petition or memorial addressed to the House shall be presented, a brief statement of the contents shall be made by the introducer, and, upon motion, shall be received at the Clerk's table and read; unless the reference is objected to by a member at the time the petition or memorial is read, it shall be referred without further motion.

Rule 41. The rules of the House shall not be changed or suspended except by a vote of a constitutional majority of the members, but in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with these rules, the rules of parliamentary practice comprised in Roberts' Rules of parliamentary practice comprised in Roberts' Rules of Order Revised are not applicable, the rules of parliamentary practice comprised in Jefferson's Manual shall govern in-so-far as they may be applicable and not inconsistent with these rules.

CHAIRMAN

Mr. Virden introduced the following resolution which, on his further motion, was adopted:

House Resolution No. 2:

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives, that the Senate be requested to hold a joint session at twelve o'clock noon, on Monday, January 12th, 1931, in the House Chamber, for the purpose of receiving the biennial message of His Excellency, Governor C. Douglass Buck.

Mr. Virden introduced the following resolution which, on his further motion, was adopted:

House Resolution No. 3:

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives, that the Clerk of the House be and is hereby instructed to notify the Senate that the House of Representatives is duly and regularly organized for the session of the One Hundred and Third General Assembly, by the electing of Bud Coy as speaker, and David Hollett as chief clerk, and is ready to proceed to business.

Mr. Mark L. Davis, Secretary of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate appoint a committee of two (2) members on the part of the Senate to serve with a committee to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to notify the Governor that both branches of the One Hundred and Third General Assembly are duly organized and ready to receive any communications that he may desire to present, or receive any message that he may choose to deliver, at such time as he may designate.

And presented the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 2 relating to a Joint Session of the Two Houses was given third and final reading. Which on his further motion was adopted.

Mr. Virden introduced the following resolution which, on his further motion, was adopted:

House Resolution No. 4:

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives that the Speaker of the House be authorized to select a suitable person to serve in the capacity of clerk to the Speaker, said officer to be under the direction of and to continue in office at the pleasure of said Speaker.

Mr. Virden introduced the following resolution which, on his further motion, was adopted:

House Resolution No. 5:

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives, that the Committee on Printing be, and it is hereby authorized and directed to have done from time to time such printing as may be necessary.

Mr. Virden introduced the following resolution which, on his further motion, was adopted:

House Resolution No. 6:

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives that the privileges of the floor be accorded to the ex-members of the House, members and ex-members of the Senate, members and ex-members of the National Senate, and House of Representatives, the Governor, other State officers, and representatives of the Press; and that the privilege of the floor to address the House or to confer with members may be granted to others by a majority vote of the body.

Mr. Van Sciver was appointed by the Speaker to notify the Senate that the House is ready for a Joint Session.

The President, President Pro Tempore, Members and Officers of the Senate being admitted, the two Houses went into Joint Session in pursuance to a resolution previously adopted.

Prayer by the Rev. Cantwell, Chaplain of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver the President of the Senate presided over the Joint Session.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver the Secretary of the Senate and Clerk of House acted as clerks for the Joint Session.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver a committee of four was appointed to escort His Excellency, the Governor, to the House Chamber.

The President appointed Senator Hollis, Senator Hopkins, Representative Van Sciver and Representative Flynn to perform this duty.

At 12:25 P. M. the committee returned escorting His Excellency, the Governor. His Excellency was then invited to the Speaker's desk and read his Biennial Message.

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE

Members of the General Assembly of the State of Delaware

To comply with a mandate of the Constitution I am called to address you upon matters affecting the government of the State and our people.

I come before you in a sympathetic spirit with the desire to work in harmonious relation to the end that we may render constructive service to the citizens of Delaware. Let us not forget that government is a trust and the officers of the government are trustees and both the trust and the trustees are created for the benefit of the people. In such a creed partisanship has no place and if none is injected into the deliberations of this important Body, I expect to see the 103rd General Assembly pass on in record as the most useful and constructive Legislature in the history of the State.

The length of this message may tax the patience of some. For this I apologize, but having fulfilled intentions to give my entire time until now, to the business of the Executive Office, and since I shall not want to invade the next Governor's prerogatives when the 104th General Assembly convenes, I would be remiss did I not acquaint you at this time with a large part of the knowledge I have acquired on State matters since you last met.

DELAWARE'S FISCAL POSITION

I have included in this message, as the means to best inform you of the financial condition of the State, a Consolidated Balance Sheet as prepared by the State Auditor at the close of business June 30, 1930. The position of Current and Capital Surplus as shown by this statement is deserving of your notice.

The Funded Debt which two years ago was over twelve million has since been reduced by more than nine million. Apropos of this fact it is well to know that the cash balance to the credit of the State at the beginning of business December 1st was \$13,428,105.29 and as Executors of the State Budget you are advised that figures to be found in that document, fix the estimated surplus as of July 1st next at \$14,141,672.26.

STATE OF DELAWARE

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET (*All Funds*)

As of Close of Business, June 30, 1930

ASSETS

Current Assets

Cash (State Treasurer)	\$12,601,026.99	
Cash (State Tax Dept.)	20,000.00	
Total Cash		\$12,621,026.99
Current Taxes Receivable		
Income	\$1,707,027.97	
Franchise	3,457,268.74	
Capital	34,606.73	
	\$5,198,903.44	
Deduct-Reserve Uncollectible taxes	500,000.00	\$4,698,903.44
Accounts Receivable		110,654.90
Accrued Interest Receivable		38,043.90
Investments (Market Value)		2,055,757.00
Total Current Assets		\$19,524,386.23

*Capital Assets**

Public Lands.....	\$95,000.00
Improved Highways.....	17,049,000.00
Land and Buildings.....	16,107,828.31
Equipment.....	2,244,686.94

Total Capital Assets.....	35,496,515.25
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TOTAL ASSETS.....	\$55,020,901.48
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LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND SURPLUS

Current Liabilities

Demands against Cash (None)
Warrants Payable (None)
Total Current Liabilities (None)

Capital Liabilities

Funded Debt—Bonds Payable....	\$5,056,785.00
Deduct—Sinking Fund.....	119,279.98

Total Net Funded Debt.....	\$4,937,505.02
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Surplus

Current.....	19,524,386.23
Capital.....	30,559,010.23

Total Net Surplus.....	50,083,396.46
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Total Liabilities, Reserves and Surplus.....	\$55,020,901.48
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* *Capital Assets are carried (as of January 1, 1930) at their Appraisal Value, with the exception of Improved Highways which are shown at their Depreciative Value, the annual rate of 5% depreciation on the original cost of construction being allowed.*

REDEMPTION OF FUNDED DEBT

The Funded Debt of the State today is \$3,716,785. Of this sum, \$2,905,000 is the value of Highway Bonds outstanding and \$811,785 is composed of miscellaneous loans. Of the latter amount, commitments totaling \$453,785 mature within the next biennium. This sum is payable out of the General Fund. However, \$198,785 of this amount constitutes only a transfer of monies between State accounts; the School Fund to receive \$178,785 and the Sinking Fund \$20,000.

Like unto this rather unusual situation of the State owing itself money, permit me to call your attention to a loan of \$83,000 made by

the Trustees of the University of Delaware in 1877 and insured by a Certificate of Indebtedness of the State without a date of maturity, perpetual in other words, on which \$263,940 has been paid in interest since the money was borrowed. As a matter of seemingly better business, I recommend that you authorize the return of this money to the Trustees to be reinvested by them.

Mention has earlier been made of cash in bank, to the credit of the State, and I would like to be certain you understand that this balance, the largest in the history of the State, is only certain of earning 2%, whereas the interest required to be paid on the Funded Debt is slightly over 4%. In view of this I respectfully suggest that a part of the surplus be used to further reduce the bonded debt. The direct beneficiaries of such a policy, if adopted, will be those citizens who still remain in need of improved roads, as the Highway Fund will profit by an annual saving of \$65,000 in interest and fixed charges for every million of road bonds redeemed. To obtain a better understanding of the proposal, it is important you should note the Comparative Income and Expenditure Statement of the Governor's Budget wherein the Estimated Available Cash *Surplus* as of July 1, 1932, and 1933 is shown to be \$14,027,903.65 and \$15,371,695.04, respectively. In consequence of these figures I recommend that \$1,000,000 be appropriated from the General Fund July 1, 1931 and applied to the reduction of the Funded Debt and that any monies belonging to the General Fund in excess of \$3,000,000 at the close of the fiscal year, 1932, or as much of the excess as may be needed, be used for the same purpose. I believe you will agree with me that this recommendation is wise, ultra conservative and involves no risk to the State's fiscal position.

THE GENERAL BUDGET

From experience I frankly say to you—the system is wrong that requires the Governor to appoint Commissioners and then makes it his duty to pass upon their budgets. The very fact that such appointments go to those in whom the Executive has confidence and that they are often accepted as a favor to him, should disqualify him for any part in budget hearings with commissions. Unquestionably, final approval of the budget is a responsibility the Chief Executive ought not to be relieved of, but a Budget Board of which he was not a member might better preside at the hearings and their recommendations be acted on by the Governor.

Certain features of the Budget as prepared for this session of the General Assembly should be recounted for your information and your attention directed to changes that have been made in those of former years.

Generous recommendations were passed in certain instances where the institutions to benefit are not up to the standards our State ought to maintain, and in other budgets noticeable reductions were made. In brief, appropriations recommended for the biennium, exclusive of

debt service, total \$4,464,951.07—\$817,785.65 less than the sums requested, and \$821,757.93 more than two years ago.

Allowances to the three Industrial Schools have been increased by amounts equal to the estimated payments to be due from the counties.

The total debt service of the next two years, \$1,082,784.60, which provides for county highway and bridge bonds maturing over the period has been included.

Special accounts have been eliminated for the following revenue producing departments:—Fish and Game Commission, Board of Health, State Librarian, Ferris Industrial School, Colored Girls' Industrial School, Industrial Accident Board, Delaware Colony, Brandywine Sanitarium and Edgewood Sanitarium, by budgeting their total cost of operations. Income received from these departments and institutions after June 30th next will be credited to the General Fund; during the next two years this will approximate \$250,000. It should be noted that the loss of this income to departments and commissions inflates the aforementioned increase in the budget by just this amount.

Reference has been made to governmental agencies with income which does not reach the custody of the State Treasurer and which is not supervised by the State Auditor but is controlled by the individual Boards and Commissions and spent by them independent of other money appropriated to them by the Legislature. The budget of these agencies this year should be increased by the amount of their estimated income; but before this is done, an act requiring them to remit all their income to the State Treasurer is needed.

For a period dating back three or more years, the Ferris Industrial School, The Colored College and Delaware Colony have found it impossible to keep abreast of their appropriations because, as I am informed, of unforeseen contingencies and increase in population, and each year has found them slightly more involved. The anticipated deficit of these institutions as of June 30th next has been closely estimated and the amount required to establish them again on a solvent basis, has been recommended in the Budget. It appeals to me as due the managers to lend them this assistance and encouragement. Likewise, the budget of the University of Delaware carries an allowance with which to meet an estimated overdraft.

COMPLETE OR SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET

The Governor's Budget when referred to as the General Budget is misleading. It came by the title, I presume, because the appropriations it carries are made from the General Fund. In reality it is far from what its meaning would imply, for it includes only about one-fifth of the State's biennial expenditures. Because of this it would seem desirable to require the Governor to render in addition to the present budget, a Complete or Supplementary Budget. As a convenient reference, I have appended to this message a condensed statement of the sort,

and to better illustrate the point I need only mention that the two years total of the Complete Budget is about sixteen and one-half million dollars more than the General Budget.

UNCONTROLLED INCOME

No other recommendation relating to the fiscal affairs of the State contained in this message exceeds in importance the one I ask you to here consider. I urge it be made mandatory for all State Departments, institutions and commissions supported by the State and having revenue from their businesses, to deposit with the State Treasurer all such money. In the past it has been customary for certain agencies to bank and spend their income. Under such a procedure it is impossible for the State, through its Auditing Department, to obtain a complete and authentic record of the business being done by the State and to protect it by securing for the Auditor the control of public money the law regulating his duties intends he should have. Furthermore, income which is not deposited with the State Treasurer or under the jurisdiction of the State Auditor is especially objectionable. There can be no comprehensive understanding of the State's finances if the Auditor cannot report all the operations of all the funds, or if he cannot report the total amount of cash belonging to the State even at the end of a year.

If you approve of this suggestion to strengthen the State's fiscal system, such funds as would be affected are controlled by the following institutions, commissions and boards:

- The University of Delaware
- The State Military Board
- Oyster Revenue Collector
- Board of Boiler Rules
- State Board of Examiners in Undertaking
- State Board of Barber Examiners
- State Veterinary Board
- State Board of Medical Examiners
- State Board of Dental Examiners
- State Board of Optometry Examiners
- State Board of Examiners for Graduate Nurses
- State Board of Accounting
- State Board of Pharmacy
- Delaware Real Estate Board

GOVERNOR SHOULD NOT PASS UPON ACCOUNTS

As now provided, the Governor is required to approve for payment, vouchers issued by eight State Departments and commissions. This is bad practice. It is not the legitimate function of the Governor to be an auditor. It is unjust to him, unfair to the Auditor's Office and bad administrative procedure to hold the Governor's office responsible for the auditing of bills and transactions involving State Departments. A Governor has neither the time, the help nor the machinery necessary for proper auditing of accounts sent to him for his approval. His approval of numerous vouchers which come to him during a month is a matter of form and no audit which is a matter of form is worthy of the name.

All laws which provide for the expenditure accounts of any department, to be presented to the Governor for his approval and signature, should be repealed; with the exception, of course, of those expenditures which apply purely to the Executive office.

ACCOUNTANT'S SURVEY

Through the generosity of Mr. P. S. du Pont, who supplied \$12,582.89 for the purpose, a survey of the State's fiscal and business methods was made last year, and since then a standardized cost accounting system placed in four institutions. The work was done by W. B. Richards and Co., of New York City, whose report has been printed for your information and that you may better judge of its value.

The new accounting system in the several institutions will, I believe, prove beneficial and its worth to the directing heads has been attested to in letters I have had from two of them.

Allow me to respectfully request that you authorize the State Treasurer to reimburse Mr. du Pont by the amount he has advanced for the work that Richards and Company were directed to undertake.

The question of assisting other State institutions to acquire a modern method of keeping cost sheets is a matter I submit to your judgment. One important requisite to the success of the system, even where the method is now operating, is that there should be an assistant to the Auditor whose duty would be to follow up the preparation of the monthly reports and to audit them as they are received.

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS

I respectfully ask that you do not send to me for Executive approval, any so termed supplementary appropriation bills for repairs to government property or new State buildings, unless they provide that the monies authorized are payable *only when due*, upon warrants to the State Treasurer. In this way the State will be insured against loss of interest to accrue on such sums, from the date of authorization until needed in payment of work done.

ANNUAL REPORTS

Without exception the more important State departments and institutions regularly publish annual reports of their activities, which as official records are invaluable. Other spending agencies only prepare a biennial report, while some seem to follow no fixed rule and may or may not be heard from.

There is a lack of uniformity in the matter of submitting these official documents that ought to be corrected by an act requiring all bureaus, institutions, agencies and societies, receiving pecuniary aid from the State to prepare and publish each year an account of their activities, at least one copy of which would be delivered to the State Librarian and one to the Governor.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

I take this opportunity to officially thank the State Auditor and his proficient deputy for the excellent co-operation received from their office in the past two years, and to commend them for the splendid improvement that has been made in the structure of the Auditor's annual report. I do not know of any State that has now a more comprehensive or better arranged financial report than Delaware.

STATE CONTINGENT FUND

I offer the suggestion that the General Assembly authorize the State Auditor to set up, the first of each fiscal year, beginning July next, a contingent fund of \$50,000 to meet emergencies like those of last year among which were:—the Brandywine Sanitarium situation that was saved by a personal contribution, failure of the water system at the Ferris School and a burst boiler in the Home for Feeble-minded at Stockley. Such contingencies as well as more serious ones, are likely to occur any year and a way to meet them is needed. Expenditures from a fund of the kind should be with the written consent of the Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor and Treasurer, or the Governor and two. All withdrawals, I think, should be accounted for to the succeeding Legislature and any balance in the account at the close of a fiscal year should revert to the General Fund.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

Delaware is to be congratulated upon her splendid educational system. In no period of the State's history have our citizens been more eager to provide the very best facilities and have their children take full advantage of the opportunity given them. Our schools are training and equipping boys and girls for leadership in every department of life. The future greatness, the character, in fact the destiny of the State is in a large degree in the hands of those whose minds and hearts are being fashioned in our schools.

The 102nd General Assembly generously appropriated \$3,250,000 for each of the fiscal years of the then ensuing biennium. The State Board of Education after allotting certain sums to the Special School Districts and the City of Wilmington, proceeded to expend the balance, \$1,345,569.49 for the operation and maintenance of the schools directly under its care. It discharged its responsibilities so efficiently that at the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 1930, there remained a credit balance of \$56,012.17.

The School Budget as approved by me in October carries an increase of 5% in the 1929 appropriation, requested by the State School Board because of a 5% increase in enrollment. Since the budget went to press, I have further considered the recommended allowance and must report to you now that I believe it to be \$100,000 in excess of what will be needed.

I wish to bring to your attention one bad feature of the School Code; namely, that section which fixes the terms of the Members of the Board whereby they all expire on the same date. This is entirely too important a commission to risk the possibility of a complete turnover in its membership at one time, and it would be a wise precaution to amend the law in such a manner that the terms of these officials would terminate two years apart.

PAYMENTS TO SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Approximately \$717,000 of the \$3,250,000 school appropriation for the past fiscal year was allotted the special school districts outside the City of Wilmington. When disbursing funds of this character the State Treasurer, by request of the State Board of Education, pays stated amounts to the county treasurers who pay all vouchers approved by the District School Boards. Such procedure has nothing to commend it and should be changed to allow the State Treasurer, upon receipt of approved warrants from the districts certified by the Auditor, to disburse this money. Only in this way can the Auditor correctly classify expenditures from the School Fund.

NEW SCHOOLS

I wish to report that I have been officially informed by the school authorities that to complete the building program for schools, exclusive of a high school in Wilmington, will require \$4,125,000. Without a doubt the best use that can be made of a part of the surplus in the school fund is to apply it to the construction of new schools, and for the purpose I recommend that three million dollars be appropriated for the two-year period, that forty per cent of this amount be allotted to the School Board of the City of Wilmington, and sixty per cent to the State School Board.

There is one feature of the school building program heretofore overlooked which I consider of such importance that I urge it be cor-

rected and provided for in the future. I refer to the need in a number of places of entrances or driveways to the new rural schools. Vehicles transporting school children should not only be able to,—but in the interest of safety to the pupils, be required to load and unload within the grounds and not on the public highways. Moreover, motor cars of teachers and others attending the schools ought to have space to park within the grounds and not be left on the highways where they interfere with the rights of every-day traffic.

SCHOOL INVESTMENT FUND

The Auditor's 1930 report lists securities owned by the State, from which the annual income of \$72,162.50 is credited to the School Fund and expended for current operating expenses of the public schools. I think it would be better policy to leave this fund intact, and allow the interest to accumulate for ten years, when the returns from the principal ought to be sufficient to provide for repairs needed by then to the schools that have been built. This is an expenditure that must be anticipated and ought to be provided for if taxes a little later are not to be increased.

SCHOOL FUND

This account is credited with an extremely handsome surplus, estimated as of June 30, 1931, to be \$6,757,778.87. The money came into the State Treasury from Delaware corporations in payment of franchise taxes, and from citizens of the State who by payment of a tax on their incomes have been generous contributors to the public schools for thirteen years. Immediately following I have suggestions to offer, whereby a part of the above mentioned surplus can be so used that all citizens who are now assessed for public education—and these include property owners in special school districts and those with taxable incomes—may benefit by an equal rate of reduction in the school tax they pay.

SCHOOL BONDS OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON AND SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Wilmington and thirty-five special school districts in the State owe \$2,467,884.51 for new buildings. These obligations were incurred by the issuance of serial bonds, and the money needed to pay the interest and retire them as they become due is raised through a property tax; the rates of assessment varying from five to forty-five cents. In my judgment the surplus in the School Fund warrants an Act authorizing the State Treasurer to pay from monies in it, the sums necessary to redeem all district school bonds maturing within the next two years. This will permit of slightly more than a 50% cut in each district's school tax. It is safe to predict, should this policy be adopted, that the State will hereafter care for the redemption of this class of school bonds issues, and I respectfully suggest that any other districts issuing school bonds within the next two years, insert a provision in their bond statutes that fixes the first redemption date at a time after June 30, 1933.

STATE INCOME TAX LAW

The Tax Commissioner's office is so efficiently organized and the business so capably administered, that the revenue now collected for school purposes from income and franchise taxes is in excess of actual needs. In 1929 each of these revenue laws was amended in favor of the taxpayer and to further reduce the burden that has been patiently carried for a number of years by some of our citizens, I recommend that the State Income Tax Law be again amended, this time to allow beginning with the year 1930 a 50% rebate in the amount of tax any citizen may owe on his or her income, calculated at the rates now in effect.

To reassure you that the school fund will not be endangered by this change in the law, I need only to direct your attention to the Governor's budget which under the existing rates, shows the estimated surplus as of July 1, 1933, to be in excess of \$9,000,000.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

The foremost achievement of the Highway Department within the last two years has been its ability to finance its 1930 construction work from current income alone. The real import of this is more apparent when it is understood to mean that the construction program can be continued at the present rate without issuing more bonds. In brief, the Highway Department is permanently on a "pay as you go" basis, or at least is so long as it continues to be managed and operated in a strictly business manner.

The Department's financial position is now such that it may be deprived of the right it has held since its inception, to issue bonds without express authority from the Legislature. Furthermore, if its present bonded debt can be further reduced by a million dollars from the General Fund, as earlier suggested, I consider it safe to recommend that the fees for all classes of licenses to operate motor vehicles be reduced from \$3.00 to \$2.00. This will permit of an annual saving of approximately \$60,000 to our citizens and offers the largest returns for an investment of this part of the surplus, it will be possible to find.

The advantage and desirability of dual highways for reducing accidents and to facilitate the movement of traffic on our heavily traveled arteries has been successfully demonstrated by a year's use of the seven-mile section between St. Georges and State Road Station. In the two remaining years as a member of the Highway Commission I shall urge the extension of this road down the State, hoping that eventually it will reach Dover and then Delmar and Selbyville, as I foresee the great need there will be for such a highway a few years from now.

The years '29 and '30 mark the beginning of dirt road improvement and maintenance by the State Highway Department. Twenty-three miles of this class of work has been undertaken and is being economically

and satisfactorily maintained. In the last two years one hundred and twenty-nine miles of hard surfaced roads have been added to the State's system of highways that now extends over eight hundred and ten miles.

The opinion of our citizens should be sought as to whether or not the State Highway Department is qualified to direct the building and maintenance of all roads in the State. I personally think it is and of one thing I am certain, that at this period of highway development in Delaware it is uneconomical and unfair to taxpayers to maintain four highway departments. I suggest that the State extend to each county the opportunity to consolidate its road work; the State Highway Department to retain as much of the county engineering organizations as it can profitably use and the counties to reduce by 25% their present assessments for road purposes; the monies collected at the revised rate to be paid to the State Treasurer for the use of the State Highway Department. Under such an arrangement I would expect to see within six or eight years all taxes now levied upon real estate for the care of roads done away with forever.

My visits to State Institutions disclosed the need of some for improved roads within their grounds. Particularly is this true of the Brandywine Sanitarium where the dust from a cinder road now in use permeates the wards of tubercular patients. That the Highway Department should be empowered to make such improvements seems preferable to appropriating funds to institutional commissions to have the work done. I recommend an amendment to the present highway act that will permit the State Highway Department to perform work of this kind when in the judgment of the Board it is warranted and desirable.

An adjunct of the Highway Department—the Highway police—have functioned notably well in the past year. To the force is generously conceded a part of the credit for the encouraging record attained in 1930 when highway accidents were reduced 10% with an estimated increase of 14% in traffic. The scope of the work of this police force has become so general and their value to rural communities has so increased that instead of being known as highway cops, a local term for the members, this branch of service should be elevated to a higher rank, and more particularly to incur greater respect for the State's agency for the enforcement of law, I suggest the General Assembly officially name this body of men "State Police."

STATE-OPERATED GASOLINE STATIONS

In conjunction with the Attorney General's efforts to end the apparent discrimination by oil companies against Delaware motorists in the sales price of gasoline, I ask that you give the Highway Department authority to establish and operate one or more filling stations in each of the counties. I am frank to say I disapprove of the State entering a business in competition with that done by some of its citizens but I view it as more unjust for 60,000 owners of motor cars to have

to pay,—in comparison with prices asked for gasoline in nearby States,—what is equivalent to a 66% increase in the Delaware tax on this commodity.

COUNTY HIGHWAY BONDS

I suggest the State continue to look after the county road and bridge bonds as it has done since 1927, the interest to be paid by the Highway Department and those to be redeemed in the next two years to be retired by the General Fund. When the Legislature next meets it is my hope that you will find the State debt entirely liquidated and sufficient money in the Sinking Fund to permit the shifting of these fixed charges from the State Highway Fund and the General Fund to the Sinking Fund.

INDUSTRIAL SCHOOLS

The three Industrial Schools in the State are largely supported by the counties which pay to them the equivalent of forty cents or, in the case of New Castle County, fifty cents per child-day, towards the support and education of children committed to them. In 1930 these payments amounted to \$72,443.90. I recommend and have so indicated in the Governor's Budget for the ensuing biennium that the State alone support these schools with the expectation that the saving will promptly revert to the benefit of all who pay taxes to the counties.

Each of the girls' industrial schools obtained from the preceding Legislature, appropriations for additional quarters which have since been built and provide a long felt want. The buildings themselves are a credit to the schools and to those who planned and erected them.

Commitments to the industrial schools, as you know, are made by the Justices of the Peace throughout the State and the Juvenile Court in Wilmington. In so far as I can learn, the statutes granting to them this authority make no distinction between those children of average mentality and those who are decidedly deficient mentally. As a result each of the schools have some children of pitifully weak minds who are a decided handicap to the institutions and might better have been sent to Delaware Colony. To correct this condition, every child before being admitted to one of the industrial schools ought to be examined by the State Psychiatrist, and those with intelligence quotas below a set limit, confined elsewhere.

The Ferris Industrial School for boys needs your help. In five years the population has increased 173% and the State's appropriation towards its support less than 27%. The management through necessity is too economical, for as disclosed by the new system of cost accounting, the meals cost less than ten cents per child.

One of the most serious problems at this school is the inadequate water supply, which caused grave concern to the Trustees last summer and an expense that was not contemplated. Something will have to be done to permanently remedy it.

The need of additional buildings is imperative. I understand the Trustees are coming before you to request this year \$150,000 to finance a building program. It has my wholehearted approval and I hope may receive yours. There must be another dormitory. A mess hall with kitchen ought to be built by all means, to replace the present arrangement where the food is cooked in the cellar of one building and transported out of doors to three other buildings from 500 to 900 feet away. A recreation hall for a play place in inclement weather is wanted. I favor them all, including the recreation building, as it would benefit the boys mentally and physically, and improve the morale of the whole school.

DELAWARE STATE HOSPITAL

This institution is being managed in a way that promises soon to establish it as one of the leading hospitals of its kind in the East. The Board of Managers and Superintendent are deserving of public commendation for past achievements, and your confidence in their efforts to surmount the serious problem of overpopulation which they yet face—notwithstanding a generous building appropriation by the last Legislature. During the last five years the patient population of the hospital has increased 23% until now it is filled to over-capacity, it being necessary to confine as many as eight patients in rooms built to accommodate four.

I am informed that the cost of the Superintendent's building program for the next two years exceeds a million dollars. That it will be possible to finance this is extremely questionable. However, at my suggestion some months ago the Board authorized the preparation of plans and specifications for the buildings most needed, to cost \$300,000 and I would respectfully urge your immediate consideration of such a request, in order that, should you approve of the appropriation, the work could be advertised immediately thereafter, and started two weeks later. Your early authorization of some part of the hospital's building program will benefit the unemployment situation existing in the upper part of the State, as well as afford the earliest relief possible in the unfortunate housing condition that now confronts the hospital authorities.

CONSTRUCTION OF STATE BUILDINGS

I do not believe any State in the Union is spending more per capita for public buildings than Delaware, and I think it is equally true that no other State awards as great a percentage of its building contracts to non-resident contractors, as Delaware. This condition ought to be changed and can best be changed by statute, and I know the Delaware School Foundation particularly, will welcome your assistance to bring it about.

Applicable to new schools and institutional buildings to be erected hereafter by the State, I suggest legislation requiring that all labor employed on such work, both skilled and unskilled, except with the

permission of the Boards of Managers of the departments and institutions letting the work, shall be bona fide residents of Delaware for at least six months prior to the award of the contract. This being understood to mean that the general contractor's superintendent, time-keepers and clerks must be bona fide residents of the State and that the sub-contractors on the job, as well as the men they employ must be bona fide residents of Delaware unless proof is presented that it is impossible to secure the class of work called for from any Delaware concern.

The cry will arise from non-resident contractors and their friends that such a procedure will result in the work costing more, slightly, perhaps; but I venture the assertion it would also follow that there would be fewer defaulting contractors, and I know the State does not want any one to do its work for less than cost.

BRANDYWINE SANITARIUM

This hospital for tubercular white patients is overcrowded and without sufficient funds to operate it on a plane the State should insist upon. However, it is due the management to inform you that they have done good work with the means at hand for which no little credit is due the physician in charge who is capable, industrious and a recognized authority on the treatment and care of tubercular patients. The sanitarium is badly in need of improvements to the present quarters; sun porches and additional ward rooms will have to be provided. I hope you may have the opportunity before adjourning to visit and inspect this institution and likewise the Edgewood Sanitarium which is the most immaculately kept public building I have ever entered.

DELAWARE COLONY

I consider this Home one of the most important institutions in the State and one of the least appreciated, judging from the lack of financial support it has had in the past. This year in the recommendations of the Governor's budget for the next biennium, you will find I have been more generous in the case of Delaware Colony than any other institution. In my judgment the home has a capable Superintendent but lacks the advantage of a medical expert versed in the care of mentally defective patients. A somewhat radical recommendation, but one of great benefit to the Institution in my opinion, would be to place its management in the hands of the Board of Trustees of the State Hospital, with their Superintendent, Dr. Tarumianz as the Executive Superintendent. The Home itself is ideally located and should be kept where it is.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The knowledge I have gained of welfare work in our State, allows me to suggest that in my opinion there are few more important questions to be passed upon by this Legislature than that of deciding what the

advantages would be of co-ordinating and consolidating the many institutions, commissions, and agencies engaged in this service. In all there are twenty-two commissions occupied in this field of humane work whose responsibilities and charges require that they obtain financial aid from the State, and it is important you know that the amount which the State of Delaware spends for its public welfare activities is exceeded only by the amounts spent for education and highways. Wherefore it seems to me highly desirable that this expenditure be supervised by a central agency of the State. The State Board of Charities, assisted by the Taxpayers' League, has just completed an extensive survey of welfare work being done in Delaware. Their report should be a helpful guide to a better understanding of the problem and the ways to best meet it; after you have read it, I would ask you to consider the creation of a Department of Public Welfare, the organization of which would be similar to that of the Highway Department, the Board of Health or the State School Board.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

The service this Department renders is becoming more valuable as the years pass. Possibly its foremost achievement of the last two years has been the eradication of all tubercular cattle in Sussex County, resulting in official recognition of the county as a "modified accredited area." As progressive public work this is noticeably outstanding in its worth to the future health of our citizens and can only be made better when the other counties are certified as free of infected dairy cattle.

In the budget requests of this Board, I felt required to disapprove any appropriation for Japanese Beetle quarantine as applicable to highway inspection of pleasure cars. The regulations under which this work has been carried on in recent years convince me that as a quarantine measure it is ineffectual, useless, a waste of public money and serves only to give summer employment to a number of men and boys while constituting a source of annoyance to the motoring public.

BANKING

As now conducted, the department of our Bank Commissioner is highly satisfactory. Contrary to general belief, it is not only self supporting, but returns to the State in taxes, fees and licenses four times as much as it spends.

We have in this State excellent banking laws which have been amended and strengthened from time to time. To improve them would seem difficult, though I think it might be wise to restrain a bank desiring to amend its charter from doing so, through the power granted the Secretary of State under the General Corporation Law, and require that applications for all amendments to bank charters be made to the Legislature. While charter amendments of the kind have not lately been secured from the present Secretary of State, his successors may not concur in his policy, and if legislative authority means anything

in obtaining charters for banks, they certainly should not be amended without the Legislature's consent.

Banking conditions throughout the State are exceptionally satisfactory. The total resources of our different banks on June 30 last was \$165,537,296.34.

FORESTRY DEPARTMENT

This Department would seem to be headed by a capable executive well versed in all phases of forestry, and though it will not have arrived at its fourth anniversary until April, it has established itself as a useful agency of the government and one that holds promise of promoting the welfare of many Delaware land owners.

The disastrous fires in Sussex last summer show the need of an organized fire control system, the nucleus of which the Forestry Department has undertaken insofar as its budget would allow. A generous sum for this particular work—as important as any the Department can do—has been included in the Governor's budget; its approval is hoped for.

From the State nursery 122,000 seedlings have been distributed for reforestation purposes, but a change in the taxation of forest areas is necessary before conditions will be favorable to the owner of forest land, encouraging him to preserve and improve existing forests and to reforest additional land. I strongly recommend that a 20-year exemption be granted artificially reforested areas from one to five hundred acres in size, in order that Delaware may not be hindered in the proper development of its idle land area.

OYSTER INDUSTRY

Recognizing, after a personal though superficial inspection of the State oyster beds and the way the industry in general is now conducted, that radical changes must be looked for, if hopes are entertained of perpetuating the business, I named a commission a year ago to study the situation and report with recommendations to the General Assembly. I trust that you are to hear from them. From my investigation several facts are obvious; one, that a re-survey of the beds in the Delaware Bay is badly needed, that plants dredged from our own rivers ought to be kept in Delaware waters and that leases of the oyster grounds in Delaware should only be given to bona fide residents of the State.

I caution that the oyster industry with us requires prompt action if it is to be saved. A serious attempt, coupled with the necessary financial support, should be forthcoming to rebuild and replace the business in the hands of citizens of our own State, or the State may better abandon any supervision over it. Such control as it now has is perfunctory and a discredit to the Commonwealth. The present unsatisfactory condition is not due to incompetence on the part of the Collector, but to lack of proper laws to control the industry and the necessary knowledge and funds to rehabilitate it.

As a last suggestion, any money received from the Oyster Revenue Collector, should be credited to the General Fund and not to the Sinking Fund as is now done.

FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

In my judgment, operations of this Department should be subject to budget control and not financed from income. Fees for licenses to non-residents I think might properly be increased, and I would further suggest that the open season on ducks start November 1st, rather than October 16th, and that the bag limit in Delaware be lowered to conform to the Federal law.

These two last-mentioned State Departments need your attention. To improve them, and in the interest of economy, they should be consolidated.

INDIAN RIVER INLET COMMISSION

This Commission was created by an act of the 102nd General Assembly to open an inlet from the Ocean to Indian River Bay, and given \$75,000.00 to finance the work. On December 1st there remained a balance of \$35,368.09, and with the waterway satisfactorily functioning, the members feel that they have discharged to the best of their ability the duty intrusted to them, and that the Board should be dissolved as early as the responsibility for its maintenance can be delegated to a permanent commission. The nature of the work suggests the Highway Department be made its guardian.

The value of the Indian River Inlet to the State, and the community it benefits, cannot be overestimated, and I trust you will not fail to provide for its future maintenance.

I wish to emphasize the extent of the valuable help contributed by the U. S. District Engineer's Office, through Colonel Howell and his assistants, without which our study could not have succeeded, nor can I fail to commend my associates on the commission for their able and willing assistance, especially Colonel E. M. Hoopes, whose engineering skill and personal supervision of important details have been largely responsible for the results achieved.

ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE

I cannot speak too highly of the ceaseless attention to the duties of an exacting office as rendered by the Secretary of State, in consequence of which his health has been temporarily impaired. Charles H. Grantland's record as a conscientious and capable public official is notably praiseworthy.

During the Secretary of State's unavoidable absence from his desk, I respectfully ask your authorization and permission to appoint an Assistant Secretary at a salary commensurate with the responsibilities of the position.

OLD AGE PENSIONS

A special committee composed of three of the State's first citizens has prepared a report on this subject. I am confident it will aid you as it has me, to gain a broader and better understanding of the question.

Any pension bill that reaches those in greatest need, must provide for the class of dependents now in the county almshouses. When these old folks receive an annuity, the poorhouses will be deserted except for a few pathetic bedridden cases for which a state home or infirmary will have to be established. With the closing of the almshouses there will come the resultant saving to our taxpayers.

THE KLAIR LAW

That section of the Klair Law, the State's prohibition enforcement act, which prohibits the sale of liquor for medicinal purposes upon a doctor's prescription, has become intolerant to a mass of law-abiding citizens who resent layment interference in this purely professional question. Moreover, the State Medical Society considers this feature of the law a mistake and wishes it repealed. I suggest the Act be amended to the end that liquor may be prescribed as medicine.

JUDGES FOR SUPREME COURT

I understand the judiciary of the State to be about the same as it was 100 years ago. In this period matters to come before the Courts have increased many times and particularly in view of the extensive and lucrative charter business now done by the State, it seems desirable and important that Delaware should have a Supreme Court, to consist of the Chancellor and two or more associate judges whose duties would be confined entirely to the business of the one Court. Appointments to this tribunal should be made attractive to the foremost barristers in the State, otherwise the purpose for creating it would be defeated.

OUTDOOR ADVERTISING

The time has come when the State can ill afford to longer overlook its responsibility to exercise control over roadside advertising. The business has grown with amazing speed until out-of-state sign companies have found Delaware an easy mark. They have not only invaded the State but are here to advertise places outside the State.

Signboards mar the country and are a serious menace to safe driving. The most heavily traveled roads, those on which the traffic hazard is greatest, are the highways on which the most billboards are erected to attract and distract the attention of motorists. There is no evidence that the public desire them; there is nothing to show their real necessity. In the beginning they were ignored, later tolerated and now must be combated with legislation and regulation, as highway

safety cannot stand them because traffic is on the increase and so is the hazard of driving.

It is my sincere hope that you gentlemen will carefully consider the merits of any bill presented to you that is intended to provide regulation by the State of signs along the public highways and before adjourning will see that the government is given some control of this business in Delaware.

TRANSCRIPTION OF DEEDS, MORTGAGES AND CHARTERS

Citizens of the State should not be expected to longer submit to the unbusiness-like and wasteful practice pursued in Delaware for recording deeds, mortgages and charters. The present system is a discredit to all who have anything to do with maintaining it, and a reflection upon the intellect of the Commonwealth. While I am of the opinion that an Act of the Legislature is not required, in order to change from the costly, inefficient and antiquated method of transcribing papers as now followed by the Recorders of Deeds, to one of the modern methods, I nevertheless suggest that this General Assembly by act or resolution make such a change mandatory. By doing this you will conserve thousands of dollars in public funds and render a pleasing service to business interests now annoyingly inconvenienced by the delay they meet in having documents recorded.

I would also call your attention to the fact that time, money and filing space are lost by the counties recording charters. The Secretary of State retains for his files the original copies of all such documents and it is quite unnecessary to transcribe them for county records unless the company securing the charter requests it.

SPECIAL COMMISSIONS

During my tenure of office I have faced from time to time important subjects which it seemed to me would eventually be given to you or succeeding legislatures to solve or remedy. Matters that could not intelligently be passed upon except after extended thought and careful study. Not possessing the time or adaptability in some instances to personally conduct the investigations, and recognizing the multifarious duties imposed upon the members of the General Assembly, I named special commissions to study some of the different problems and endeavored to select in each instance citizens who could be counted on as interested and singularly qualified to carry on the work. To these many individuals I take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks for their willing and considerate help. The special appointments include:

State House Commission

Oyster Commission

Commission for State Office Building in Wilmington

Automobile Liability Insurance Commission

Old Age Pension Commission

Aviation Commission

Historic Markers Commission

Reports received from several of these Commissions have been printed for your information and in one or more instances Bills they have prepared will be presented for your consideration.

INHERITANCE TAX LAW

The omissions and mistakes occurring in the Inheritance Tax Law by reason of an amendment to it, attempted at the last session of the Legislature, ought to be promptly corrected. The Act is an extremely important one as it affects income to the State and it should be redrawn and passed without delay.

So long as Delaware retains this law, the State should provide means for the proper auditing of appraisals and accounts—rendered by executors and administrators—upon which the tax is computed. Under the present system there is no audit, the State accepting what those charged with the closing of an estate determine the tax to be. This is manifestly lax business. Responsibility for this work might properly be made an additional duty of the Tax Commissioner and I recommend that the Delaware law relating to taxes on estate be so amended.

SURVEY OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT

A tax the State cannot relieve the citizens of, is that levied by the counties to meet the cost of maintaining their governments. Local government should never be usurped by the State and to the counties' credit it can be said that they can always be expected to retain their own, and having it they will arrange to pay for it. To do this the bill, as now, will likely continue to be proportioned among the land owners and the money necessary to pay it raised by taxes. If these taxes are to be lowered it is self evident that the cost of county government must be lowered. Not a few believe this is possible if county offices could be consolidated, unnecessary ones abolished and modern business methods employed in place of systems that may be antiquated. To this end the State can materially assist by authorizing and paying for a survey of each of the systems now in use. A survey of the sort would be work for specialists who could point out defects there may be and submit recommendations to correct them. In other words it is first necessary to find out what improvements could be made and then decide if they are wanted.

Should this Assembly by resolution request me to determine the cost of such a survey, I would be glad to do it and report back to you before the close of the session, when if you decided to appropriate the

money to defray the expense, the work could be undertaken and a report made ready for the Legislature in 1933.

MERCHANTS LICENSES

I have been told, though I cannot verify the statement, that the State loses a good many thousands of dollars from year to year, an estimate by others is \$50,000 annually, in revenue due from Merchants licenses. These taxes are now collected by the Clerks of the Peace of the counties assisted by the State Revenue Collector. A more business-like procedure, and I think a better method, would be to place this responsibility in the hands of the State Tax Department, with the Revenue Collector as their field agent.

THE DELAWARE COMMISSION FOR THE BLIND

This Bureau of welfare work is not supervised by the State, though it receives substantial aid from the State. For 1930 and 1931, \$10,000 each year was appropriated by the last Legislature.

My knowledge of the work of the Delaware Commission for the Blind, gained in part from a personal inspection of the shop and home allows me to recommend for your favorable consideration any reasonable request they may have to submit.

Furthermore, I bring to your attention that a number of articles made in the Blind Shop could be used by our State Institutions at a possible saving to them and at a profit to the Bureau. Generally speaking, all work and products of welfare organizations, whether operated by public or private means, should be utilized in so far as possible by public institutions.

FIREWORKS

Loss of human life and serious injury to persons and property so many times result from the manufacture, storing and handling of fireworks that their use may well be discouraged as a means of celebrating our National Holiday in July. Correctly classified they are dangerous and deadly commodities and I suggest it be made unlawful to manufacture or sell them in Delaware.

SINKING FUND COMMISSION

The State Sinking Fund Commission during the last two years has played such a conspicuous part in the Administration that I would consider it remiss, as well as ungrateful, were I not to mention its achievements. Credit is due this Board for the reduction of over \$9,000,000 in the State's bonded debt which made it possible for the Highway Department to carry on its operations in 1930 without issuing bonds to finance the road program. I cannot speak too highly of the consistent and valuable support this Commission has contributed to my administration.

WILMINGTON'S FUNDED DEBT

The last annual report of the Treasurer of the City of Wilmington, fixes the bonded indebtedness of the city at more than \$13,000,000. Some of these bonds are serial in form but a large number run from twenty to thirty-five years before maturing. In the City's sinking fund there is something over \$773,000 that has arisen from odd amounts received from infrequent sources and deposited from time to time: the one exception being a regular payment of \$25,000 annually from tax receipts of the Mayor and Council. This irregular, uncertain and insufficient provision for an adequate sinking fund can only lead to heavy taxation in a few years when the debt service of the City will be exceptionally large. In the interest of the citizens of the town it seems to me important that steps be taken to set this funded debt on a sound basis, and to do this an amount actuarially determined ought to be regularly put aside and invested so that as the bonds mature there will be in the sinking fund a sufficient sum to retire them. Having called attention to this matter, I leave it to the consideration of others closer to the situation.

PARDON BOARD

I bring to your notice the work of the Pardon Board since the General Assembly last convened. The members have met eighteen times, heard twenty-four cases and approved two pardons. Such conservatism by officials whose duty imposes grave responsibility, merits your confidence and will, I believe, receive general approbation.

RECORD OF STATE'S PROPERTY

The State has title to an amount of property for which, if it was ever surveyed, there are no plans. Blue prints showing metes and bounds, the location of buildings and other data might well be gotten for all land the State owns and filed with the Secretary of State. Such records ought to be kept as a matter of good business, and kept up to date.

REGISTRATION BOOKS

In compliance with Section 1630 of the Registration and Election Laws of the State of Delaware, I have been duly advised by the Clerk of the Peace of New Castle County, that the Registration Books in his county are in a most delapidated condition as regards backs and bindings which have so deteriorated that the pages of some of the volumes fall apart when the books are opened.

I respectfully suggest that a committee from the Legislature be appointed to look into the condition of the Registration Books of each of the counties and to report to you what should be done in the matter.

I have endeavored to review for your information, those subjects pertaining to the welfare of our citizens and the State, which appealed to me as most important, and I do not consider by any means that I have fully covered all the needs of the different departments and commissions. It is important that you give to each of them their just share of consideration and support, keeping in mind the relative importance of their respective activities.

It is our mutual desire to give to the State a business administration and I commend to your careful consideration the problems which are presented and look forward with confidence to a record of accomplishment that will meet with the approval of the public which has entrusted to us the grave responsibility for constructive legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

C. DOUGLASS BUCK.

N. B.—Appended is a form of Supplementary Budget.

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET

	<i>Requested</i> 1931-32	<i>Requested</i> 1932-33	<i>Recommended</i> 1931-32	<i>Recommend</i> 1932-33
General Budget.....	\$3,672,155.46	\$2,692,965.86	\$2,964,365.81	\$2,583,369.86
School Budget.....	3,632,000.00	3,632,000.00	3,312,000.00	3,312,000.00
New Schools.....			1,500,000.00	1,500,000.00
Highway Department				
Construction.....			1,214,000.00	1,419,000.00
Operation--Maintenance and Debt Service....			1,176,000.00	1,100,000.00
Indian River Inlet.....			40,000.00	
Richards & Co. Survey.....			12,589.89	
Special School District Bonds			152,732.00	112,732.00
Historic Markers.....	17,000.00	17,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00
Debt Service.....			1,000,000.00	
Buildings—				
State Hospital.....			600,000.00	
Ferris Industrial School.			150,000.00	
Delaware Colony.....	163,000.00			
Del. Ind. School for Girls	60,000.00			
Brandywine Sanitarium.	12,000.00			
Edgewood Sanitarium...	5,000.00			
University of Delaware.	282,435.00			
Enlargement State House...				
Old Age Pensions.....	200,000.00	200,000.00	200,000.00	200,000.00
Teachers' Retirement Fund				
Oyster Industry.....				
Office Building Wilmington..				
Tercentary Celebration—Lewes				
Total.....			\$12,336,680.70	\$10,242,101.86

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver the Journals of the two Houses were compared.

The Secretary of the Senate announced that the two Journals had been compared and that they agreed.

On motion of Mr. Virden the two Houses did then separate.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver the House recessed until 2:45 o'clock P. M.

Same Day—2:45 P. M.

House met after recess.

Mr. Virden moved rules of the 102nd Assembly be the temporary rules of this House until new rules are adopted.

Motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver Rule 38 was suspended.

Mr. Van Sciver on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 1, entitled:

An Act to Amend Chapter 14 of the Revised Code of the State of Delaware.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Rev. Stat.

Mr. Mark L. Davis, Secretary of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring therein, That Verner VanFleet be and he is hereby selected and authorized to act and to serve as Bill Clerk of the Senate and that Vera G. Davis be and she is hereby selected and authorized to act and to serve as Bill Clerk for the House of Representatives during the sessions of the One Hundred and Third General Assembly of the State of Delaware.

And presented the same to the House.

Mr. Mark L. Davis, Secretary of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4:

WHEREAS, it is provided in Section 10, Chapter 26, Volume 32, Laws of Delaware, That the Standing Committees of each house in

charge of the "Budget Appropriation Bill" shall sit jointly in open session while considering the budget and said Budget Appropriation bill; and

WHEREAS, it is further provided that such joint meetings shall begin within five days after the budget and said Budget Appropriation Bill has been submitted to the General Assembly by the Governor; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring therein, That the Finance Committee of the Senate and the Appropriation Committee of the House of Representatives are hereby authorized and directed to organize by the selection of a Chairman and a Secretary at their earliest convenience and proceed therewith to the consideration of the said budget and the Budget Appropriation Bill, and hear the requests of the various agencies of the State and otherwise that are asking appropriations from the State Treasury; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Custodian of the State House be authorized and directed to furnish suitable quarters for the hearings to be heard by the said joint committees.

And presented the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver S. C. R. No. 4, entitled: Relating to Budget Appropriation Bill.

Was taken up for consideration and read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

On question "Shall the Resolution pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Barnes, Benson, Burge, Carey, Clark, Cooper, Cummins, Davis, G. H., Davis, R. A., Donovan, Flynn, Hastings, C. A., Hollett, Johnson, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Phillips, Price, Raughley, Rupp, Scheifele, Seal, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Tatnall, Tschudy, Van Sciver, Virden, Webb, E. S., Webb, F. B., Mr. Speaker—34.

NAYS—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative and the Resolution having received the required constitutional majority, was declared adopted.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof and the Resolution returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver S. C. R. No. 3, entitled:

Appointment of Verner Van Fleet, Bill Clerk of Senate and Vera G. Davis, Bill Clerk of House.

Was taken up for consideration and read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

On question "Shall the Resolution pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Barnes, Benson, Burge, Carey, Clark, Cooper, Cummins, Davis, G. H., Davis, R. A., Donovan, Flynn, Hastings, C. A., Hastings, I. T., Hollett, Johnson, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Phillips, Price, Raughley, Rupp, Scheifele, Seal, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Tatnall, Tschudy, Van Sciver, Virden, Webb, E. S., Webb, F. B., Mr. Speaker—35.

NAYS—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative and the Resolution having received the required constitutional majority, was declared adopted.

Ordered that the Senate be informed thereof and the Resolution returned to that body.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver the oath of office was administered to Vera Davis, Bill Clerk of the House.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, Vera G. Davis, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of Bill Clerk for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

VERA G. DAVIS,

Employee

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,

Speaker of the House.

The Speaker appointed John J. Anderson as Speakers Clerk.

THE STATE OF DELAWARE, }
County of Kent, } ss.

I, John J. Anderson, do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Delaware, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the office of

Speakers Clerk for the House of Representatives in the General Assembly of the State of Delaware, according to the best of my ability.

JOHN J. ANDERSON,

Employee.

Sworn and subscribed to this 12th day of January, A. D. 1931.

BUD COY,

Speaker of the House.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver the House adjourned until Tuesday, January 13, 1931, at 12 o'clock noon.

Dover, Del., January 13, 1931—12 o'clock A. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. A. L. White.

Roll called.

Members present:—Barnes, Benson, Burge, Carey, Clark, Cooper, Cummins, Davis, G. H., Donovan, Flynn, Hastings, C. A., Hastings, I. T., Johnson, Hollett, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Phillips, Price, Raughley, Rupp, Scheifele, Seal, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Tatnall, Tschudy, Virden, Webb, E. S., Webb, F. B., Mr. Speaker—33.

Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Previous Session, when Mr. Clark moved so much be considered the reading of the Journal and the Journal be approved. Motion prevailed.

The Speaker offered Communications from State House Committee which was read and ordered filed.

The Speaker offered Communications from Liability Insurance Com. which was read and ordered filed.

Mr. Virden introduced the following resolution which, on his further motion, was adopted:

House Resolution No. 7:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, that the Speaker of the House of Representatives be authorized and requested to procure from the State Librarian all necessary books, forms, seals, blanks and other stationery as may be required for the proper conduct of the business of the said House.

Mr. Virden introduced the following resolution which, on his further motion, was adopted:

House Resolution No. 8:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, that the State Librarian be and is hereby authorized and directed to furnish to the members of the House of Representatives, the Attorney, the Chief Clerk, the Reading Clerk and the Clerk to the Speaker, stationery and other supplies, the cost of which shall not exceed the sum of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) for each; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, that the State Librarian be and is hereby authorized and directed to furnish to the other officials of the House of Representatives supplies, the cost of which shall not exceed the sum of Fifteen Dollars (\$15.00) for each.

Upon request of the Speaker a clerical error on House Resolution No. 8 was corrected.

On motion of Mr. Virden H. R. No. 9, entitled:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, that the State Librarian be and she is hereby instructed to furnish postage stamps for the use of the Members and Officers of the House of Representatives of the State of Delaware, in a value not exceeding Five Dollars (\$5.00) for each Member and Officer of the House of Representatives; and the State Librarian is hereby authorized to draw on the State Treasurer for a sufficient sum to cover the expenditure authorized by this resolution; the amount furnished not to be deducted from their respective allowances.

Was taken up for consideration and read, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

On the question "Shall the Resolution pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Barnes, Johnson, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Scheifele, Seal, Virden.—8.

NAYS—Messrs. Benson, Burge, Carey, Cooper, Cummins, Davis, G. H., Davis, R. A., Donovan, Flynn, Hastings, C. A., Hastings, I. T., Hollett, Phillips, Price, Raughley, Rupp, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Tatnall, Tschudy, Webb, E. S., Webb, F. B., Mr. Speaker—26.

So the question was decided in the negative and the House Resolution not having received the required constitutional majority, was declared lost.

Mr. Virden introduced the following resolution which, on his further motion, was adopted:

House Resolution No. 10:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, that Mrs. Lillian V. Hulse, Mrs. Virginia Walton and Mr. Americus Betts be and they are hereby selected and employed by the House of Representatives as Stenographers and Typists and shall be under the direction of a committee consisting of the Speaker, Chairman of Passed Bills Committee and Chairman of Revised Statutes Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Librarian be and is hereby directed to furnish said employees upon orders from said committee such supplies as may be necessary for the performance of their duties.

On motion of Mr. Seal the House recessed until 1:05 o'clock P.M.

Same Day—1:05 o'clock P.M.

House met after recess.

Mr. Virden on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 2, entitled:

An Act for the protection and assistance of Aged Persons in the State of Delaware under certain conditions; the appointment of an Old Age Commission and County Board for each County in the State of Delaware and the granting of certain powers thereto; the prescribing of penalties of this Act and the making of an appropriation for the carrying out of its purposes.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of Mr. Virden the House recessed until 2:15 o'clock P.M.

Same Day—2:15 o'clock P.M.

House met after recess.

Mr. Mark L. Davis, Secretary of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the State of Delaware, the House of Representatives concurring therein that the President Pro Tempore of the Senate appoint a Committee of two to serve with a like Committee of two appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives for the purpose of allocating rooms for the Senate and House Attorneys and the Senate and House stenographers.

And presented the same to the House.

Mr. Scheifele on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 3, entitled:

An Act to repeal Chapter 239 of Volume 30 of the Laws of Delaware entitled, "An Act to Prohibit the Liquor Traffic in the State of Delaware and to provide for the Enforcement of such Prohibition."

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Temperance.

Mr. Benson, on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes to whom had been referred H. B. No. 1, entitled:

"An Act to Amend Chapter 14 of the Revised Code of the State of Delaware."

Reported the same back to the House favorably.

E. E. BENSON, *Chairman*

W. F. SEAL

JOHN T. TALLEY

W. J. CAREY

Mr. Virden on motion for leave, introduced the following Senate Concurrent Resolution, No. 5:

In regard to appointment of Committee to allocate quarters for the Senate and House Attorneys and Senate and House Stenographers.

Which, on his motion, was read.

Mr. Virden moved the adoption of the concurrent resolution.

On the question "Shall the Resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Barnes, Benson, Burge, Carey, Clark, Cooper, Cummins, Davis, G. H., Davis, R. A., Donovan, Flynn, Hastings, C. A., Hastings, I. T., Hollett, Johnson, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Phillips, Price, Raughley, Rupp, Scheifele, Seal, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Tatnall, Tschudy, Virden, Webb, E. S., Webb, F. B., Mr. Speaker—34.

NAYS—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative and the concurrent resolution having received the required constitutional majority, was declared adopted.

Ordered returned to the Senate.

Mr. Speaker appointed Mr. Benson, Mr. Virden in accordance with S. C. R. No. 5.

In regard to appointment of Committee to allocate quarters for the Senate and House Attorneys and Senate and House Stenographers.

On motion of Mr. Virden, House recessed until 3:30 o'clock P. M.

Same Day—3:30 o'clock P. M.

House met after recess.

On motion of Mr. Virden House adjourned until 12 o'clock noon, January 14, 1931.

January 14, 1931

Dover, Delaware, January 14, 1931—12 o'clock, A.M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. A. L. White.

Roll called.

Members present:—Mr. Barnes, Benson, Burge, Carey, Clark, Cooper, Cummins, Davis, G. H., Davis, R. A., Donovan, Flynn, Hastings, C. A., Hastings, I. T., Johnson, Hollett, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Phillips, Price, Raughley, Rupp, Scheifele, Seal, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Tatnall, Tschudy, Van Sciver, Virden, Webb, E. S., Webb, F. B., Mr. Speaker—35.

Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Previous Session, when Mr. Clark moved so much be considered the reading of the Journal and the Journal be approved. Motion prevailed.

Mr. Speaker offered Communication on the Old Age Pension Commission which was received and filed.

Upon request of the Speaker, Mr. Scheifele occupied the Chair.

On motion of the Speaker the rules as read were adopted.

Mr. Tatnall on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 4, entitled:

An Act to Amend 4874 Section 4, Chapter 153 of the Revised Code of Delaware, in relation to Sabbath Breaking.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Virden on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 5, entitled:

An Act to Amend Chapter 32 of the Revised Code of the State of Delaware relating to "State Board of Examiners of Undertakers."

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary Crime and Punishment.

Mr. Clark on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 6, entitled:

An Act to prohibit the use and Sale and Display or Possession of Fireworks, Fire Crackers, Sparklers and other pyrotechnics regulating pyrotechnic displays and regulating the having, using, storing and keeping fireworks, fire crackers, sparklers and other pyrotechnics in the State of Delaware, and further prohibiting the firing and discharging

of firearms in or into any Street, Highway, alley or other public places of the State, and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary Crime and Punishment.

Mr. Barnes on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 7, entitled:

An Act to amend Chapter 216, Volume 27, Laws of Delaware, "An Act Amending, Revising and Consolidating the Charter of the City of New Castle," in relation to the residence of officers.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

Mr. Messick on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 8, entitled:

An Act to Amend Chapter 74 of the Revised Code of the State of Delaware pertaining to Gray Fox.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Fish, Oysters and Game.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver, the House recessed until 2 o'clock P. M.

Same Day—at 2:00 o'clock, P. M.

House met after recess.

Mr. Virden moved the Printing Committee have printed:

100 Desk Cards and 500 Copies in book form of The House Rules.

Motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver amendment to H. B. No. 1 was adopted.

House Bill No. 1 as Amended: An Act to amend Chapter 14 of the Revised Code of the State of Delaware.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver Amendment to H. B. No. 1, entitled:

An Act to amend Chapter 14 of the Revised Code of the State of Delaware.

Was taken up for consideration and read in order to pass the House.

On the question "Shall the Amendment pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Barnes, Benson, Burge, Carey, Clark, Cooper, Cummins, Davis, G. H., Davis, R. A., Donovan, Flynn, Hastings, C. A., Hastings, I. T., Hollett, Johnson, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Phillips, Price, Raughley, Rupp, Scheifele, Seal, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Tatnall, Tschudy, Van Sciver, Virden, Webb, E. S., Webb, F. B., Mr. Speaker—35.

NAYS—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative and the Amendment having received the required constitutional majority, Passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver H. B. No. 1 as Amended, entitled:

An Act to amend Chapter 14 of the Revised Code of the State of Delaware.

Was taken up for consideration and read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

On the question "Shall the bill as amended pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Barnes, Benson, Burge, Carey, Clark, Cooper, Cummins, Davis, G. H., Davis, R. A., Donovan, Flynn, Hastings, C. A., Hastings, I. T., Hollett, Johnson, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Phillips, Price, Raughley, Rupp, Scheifele, Seal, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Tatnall, Tschudy, Van Sciver, Virden, Webb, E. S., Webb, F. B., Mr. Speaker—35.

NAYS—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative and the bill as amended having received the required constitutional majority, passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. R. A. Davis, the House recessed until 2:45 o'clock, P. M.

Same Day—2:45 o'clock, P.M.

House met after recess.

On motion of Mr. Flynn the House adjourned until 12 o'clock, A. M., January 15, 1931.

Dover, Delaware, January 15, 1931—12 o'clock, A.M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. A. L. White.

Roll called.

Members present:—Barnes, Benson, Burge, Carey, Clark, Cooper, Cummins, Davis, G. H., Davis, R. A., Donovan, Flynn, Hastings, C. A., Hastings, I. T., Johnson, Hollett, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Phillips, Price, Raughley, Rupp, Scheifele, Seal, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Tatnall, Tschudy, Van Sciver, Virden, Webb, E. S., Webb, F. B., Mr. Speaker—35.

Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Previous Session, when Mr. Clark moved so much be considered the reading of the Journal and the Journal be approved. Motion prevailed.

Mr. Van Sciver on motion for leave, introduced H. J. R. No. 1, entitled:

An Act authorizing the payment by the State Treasurer of the amount expended by P. S. duPont.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. Van Sciver on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 9, entitled:

An Act appropriating monies from the State Treasurer for the redemption of State Highway Bonds.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. Van Sciver on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 10, entitled:

An Act to create a State Contingent Fund.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. Van Sciver on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 11, entitled:

An Act appropriating \$10,000 to establish an Accounting System.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. Van Sciver on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 12, entitled:

An Act appropriating monies for the construction of a new building at the Delaware State Hospital at Farnhurst.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mr. Barnes, on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 13, entitled:

An Act to amend Chapter 5, Article 90, Revised Code of Delaware, called and cited as The Delaware Workmen's Compensation Law of 1917 as amended.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Municipal Corporations.

The Speaker offered Communication from the Historic Markers Commission which on motion of Mr. R. A. Davis, was received and filed.

The Speaker offered Communication from the Brandywine Methodist Episcopal Church of Wilmington, Delaware, which on motion of Mr. Van Sciver, was referred to the Temperance Committee.

On motion of Mr. Virden, the House recessed until 2 o'clock, P. M.

Same Day—2:00 o'clock, P. M.

The House met after recess.

Mr. Clark on behalf of the Committee on Judiciary Crimes and Punishment, to whom had been referred H. B. No. 6, entitled:

AN ACT to prohibit the use and sale and display or possession of fireworks, fire crackers, sparklers and other pyrotechnics regulating pyrotechnic displays and regulating the having, using, storing and keeping of fireworks, fire crackers, sparklers and other pyrotechnics in the State of Delaware, and further prohibiting the firing and discharging of firearms in or into any street, highway, alley or other public places of the State, and providing penalties for the violation thereof.

Reported the same back to the House favorably:

WILLIAM CLARK

J. SCHEIFELE

HARRY C. NICKLE

J. W. MESSICK

The Speaker requested Mr. Flynn to occupy the Chair.

Mr. Coy on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 14, entitled:

An Act to supplement Chapter 50, Volume 35, Laws of Delaware, creating the State Forestry Department.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Forestry and Public Lands.

The Speaker announced he is about to sign S. C. R. Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.

The Speaker requested Mrs. Tschudy to occupy the Chair.

Mr. Coy on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 15, entitled:

An Act providing for the change of name of the Almshouse for Sussex County.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Elections.

The Chair moved that 500 copies of the Forestry Bill be printed and distributed.

Motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Virden the House recessed until the call of the Chair.

Same day the House met after recess.

Mr. Tatnall, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred H. B. No. 7, entitled:

An Act to amend Chapter 216, Volume 27, Laws of Delaware, entitled "An Act Amending, Revising and Consolidating the Charter of the City of New Castle," in relation to the residence of officers.

Reported the same back to the house favorably:

H. B. VAN SCIVER

W. G. TATNALL, JR.

W. F. RUPP

E. E. BENSON

MAURICE A. FLYNN, JR.

Mr. Tatnall, on behalf of the Committee on Municipal Corporations, to whom had been referred H. B. No. 13, entitled:

An Act to amend Article No. 5, Chapter 90, Revised Code of Delaware, called and cited as the Delaware Workmen's Compensation Law of 1917, as amended.

Reported the same back to the House favorably:

H. B. VAN SCIVER

W. G. TATNALL, JR.

W. F. RUPP

E. E. BENSON

MAURICE A. FLYNN, JR.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver, the House adjourned until 12 o'clock,
noon, January 16, 1931.

Dover, Delaware, January 16, 1931—12 o'clock, A.M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. A. L. White.

Roll called.

Members present:—Barnes, Benson, Burge, Carey, Clark, Cooper, Cummins, Davis, G. H., Davis, R. A., Donovan, Flynn, Hastings, C. A., Hastings, I. T., Johnson, Hollett, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Phillips, Price, Raughley, Rupp, Scheifele, Seal, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Tatnall, Tschudy, Van Sciver, Virden, Webb, E. S., Webb, F. B., Mr. Speaker—35.

Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Previous Session, when Mr. Seal moved so much be considered the reading of the Journal and the Journal be approved. Motion prevailed.

The Speaker ordered communication from the Clerk of the Peace New Castle County be filed with the Chief Clerk.

November 20, 1930.

To the Speaker,
of the House of Representatives,
Dover, Delaware.

Dear Sir:

By direction of the Judges of the Court of General Sessions, sitting at the November Term, A. D. 1930, in and for New Castle County, Delaware, I am enclosing a copy of the report of the Grand Inquest of New Castle County, Delaware, for the year 1930.

Very respectfully,

JOHN L. WRIGHT,

Clerk of the Peace.

Wilmington, Delaware,
November 12, 1930.

TO THE HONORABLE THE JUDGES OF THE COURT OF
GENERAL SESSIONS,

In and for New Castle County:

The Grand Inquest of New Castle County, Delaware, respectfully submits the following as its report for 1930:

STATISTICAL

There were presented to the Grand Jury for consideration 366 indictments, of which number 348 were returned to the Court as true bills, 16 were ignored and 2 withdrawn.

The following table reflects the bills considered at each term:

	TRUE BILLS	IGNORED BILLS	WITHDRAWN
January	71	3	
March	45	2	
May	74	1	
September	98	9	1
November	60	1	1

The Grand Jury visited the following institutions during September, in all but one instance, without notice to the management:

DELAWARE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

This institution was thoroughly inspected. The inmates were working in groups in the class rooms and in the gardens, where they were being taught elementary school subjects and sewing, art work, stenography, laundry, etc.

The bed rooms, class rooms and living quarters were orderly, clean and quiet. The management is commended for the way in which the affairs are conducted.

At present, some of the class rooms and the assembly room are in the basement because of lack of room on the upper floors. The basement rooms are damp at times, badly lighted and poorly ventilated. It is recommended that an additional building be constructed in order to provide better educational facilities.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY HOSPITAL

The management of this institution has very much improved its appearance and general atmosphere and is to be commended for its accomplishments.

All interior walls and woodwork have been painted by the inmates, the beds and linen were clean and in good order, the gardens and stock looked well cared for and in fact there were no adverse criticisms heard from any of the visiting Jurors.

THE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR COLORED GIRLS

This institution was visited in the morning without notice and was found to be in good order with the children occupied in classes or at work in the kitchen and laundry. The instructors seem earnest in their work and giving intelligent care to the inmates and buildings.

The Grand Jury does not feel any expansion of this institution at its present location is advisable. It should be located away from the present environment.

DETENTION HOME

There were three inmates at the time of our visit. Everything was found to be in order and clean.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY WORKHOUSE

All the buildings of this institution were inspected and the farms visited. The stock was in good condition showing that it has proper care. The buildings on the farms were in good order and well painted.

The new Women's building is now in full working order and houses a population of 30 to 40 inmates all engaged in some occupation, mostly for the benefit or profit of the institution. The interior is clean and orderly. The exterior is well cared for.

The men in the main building were all employed. They seemed to be in good condition and content in their various occupations.

The condition of the buildings and grounds is very good, reflecting credit upon the Trustees, the Warden, his assistants and many of the prisoners who take quite an interest in it.

As the population is now 600 or more, it is difficult with present buildings and equipment to employ them all profitably, as many cannot be put to work outside. The Jury was shown plans of a new wing extending northward from the central corridor and it is recommended that some such addition be made in the near future to relieve the crowded condition of the present work room, also to provide additional cells for certain classes of prisoners.

THE FERRIS INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

The Jury visited this institution early in September and later a committee composed of members made a visit to go more thoroughly into some of the methods and system of operating.

The population at present was reported to be 272 boys; five years ago, it was reported to have been 65 boys. Such an expansion of inmates has made a very serious problem.

The present management has accomplished some improvement in spite of great obstacles. The sleeping quarters were clean and in good order and the farm appeared to be well kept and well managed.

The vocational work in the electrical, wood working and shoe repairing divisions is in very cramped and poorly equipped quarters.

While not depreciating the value of the established vocational training or reasonable military discipline, the Grand Jury feels that the

older boys particularly should be compelled to participate more actively in the operation of the farm. Work in the open would be no hardship on the boys, but on the other hand would benefit them greatly and assuredly would result in a more intensive cultivation of the farm lands available for that purpose, and in this way furnish needed produce for the table.

The lack of available space for indoor recreational purposes during the winter and stormy weather results in a very unhealthy and difficult situation which cannot be overcome under present conditions. The location of the kitchen, far removed as it is from the mess rooms, necessitating outdoor transfer of the food at all seasons, is deplorable. The facilities and equipment are so totally inadequate for the purpose intended, that such a condition would not be tolerated elsewhere. The Grand Jury recommends that steps be taken as promptly as possible to remedy this condition.

The Grand Jury feels it would be wise to consider seriously the establishment of separate institutions for colored and white boys rather than the enlargement of the present school, to accommodate all committed to it. It is believed that better reformatory training and instruction would result from such separation.

In spite of the improvement noted and the admirable purposes of the present management, it must be acknowledged that of all the County institutions visited, the Ferris School stands in greatest need of immediate and adequate support. The Jury feels that the Board of Managers should aggressively press a comprehensive program of improvement and that the Legislature should give its sympathetic and substantial support to such a plan.

COURT HOUSE

The County Court House was inspected throughout. The property has good care and the usual cleanliness is maintained. Some of the departments are crowded and require some additional space in order to function properly.

It is recommended that a more modern method be installed in the Recorder of Deeds office to transcribe deeds, charters and other records. This subject has been talked about and argued for many years, but the status of this office remains unchanged and the methods about the same as used one hundred years ago.

REDUCTION IN NUMBER OF GRAND JURORS

It is believed that with a substantial reduction in the number of Jurors comprising the Grand Jury, its work can still be done just as effectively and every purpose for which it exists be safeguarded while at the same time a considerable expense to the County can be eliminated.

It is therefore, recommended that by Constitutional amendment, a reduction in the number of Grand Jurors be made.

DELAWARE STATE HOSPITAL

During the January term this Jury indicted one Abe Reich on the charge of issuing worthless check. Later, upon examination by proper authorities, he was declared insane and committed to the State Hospital. Within a short time he escaped and, it is believed, is still at large.

An investigation of the matter has made the Grand Jury conclude that the management was fully informed as to the character of this man and the number of times he had escaped from other penal institutions; that adequate facilities and oversight were not maintained or his escape would not have occurred as it did.

COMMITTEE OF CITIZENS

To consider further the recommendation made by this Grand Jury, as well as those made by the Grand Juries of previous years, a committee of the following named citizens is hereby appointed and instructed to consult with the Governor of the State, the Legislature which meets in January, 1931, and the New Castle County Bar Association:

James F. Robertson, Thomas M. Monaghan, J. Rogers Holcomb, Robert D. Kemp, Walter G. Tatnall, and Edward W. Cooch.

Respectfully submitted,

THE GRAND JURY OF 1930

(Signed) John M. Mendinhall, *Foreman*

(Signed) James T. Eliason, Jr., *Secretary*

November 18, 1929.

Gentlemen:

I am directed by the Judges sitting at the November Term, A.D., 1929, of the Court of General Sessions, in and for New Castle County, State of Delaware, to send you, the enclosed a copy of the report of the Grand Inquest for New Castle County, for the year 1929.

Very respectfully,

JOHN L. WRIGHT,

Clerk of the Peace.

To:

Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Dover, Delaware.

Wilmington, Delaware,
November 6, 1929.

TO THE HONORABLE JUDGES OF THE COURT OF GENERAL
SESSIONS, IN AND FOR NEW CASTLE COUNTY, STATE OF
DELAWARE:

The Grand Inquest of New Castle County, Delaware, submits the
following as its report for the year 1929.

There were presented to the Grand Jury for our consideration
403 Indictments of which number True Bill were returned in 399 cases,
Three Bills were ignored and one withdrawn.

	<i>Jan.</i>	<i>Mar.</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>Sept.</i>	<i>Nov.</i>
Larceny.....	24	13	12	26	10
Carrying Concealed Deadly Weapons.....	4			2	2
Illegal Possession of Liquors.....	26	20	26	35	12
Forgery.....	2	4	1		1
Breaking and Entering.....	5	1	5		1
Assault and Battery.....	1	1	5		5
Murder.....	1			5	2
Lasciviously Toying with Female Child....					1
Transportation of Liquors.....		3	2	3	
Assault with Intent to Commit Rape.....		1		1	1
Pimping.....				1	
Driving off Auto Without Owner's Consent	4		2	3	
Wife Beating.....	4		1	2	
Using Female Child for Immoral Purpose..	1		1	3	1
Toying with Female Child.....			1	1	
Abortion.....	3			2	
Embezzlement as Bailee.....		2		4	
Highway Robbery.....		3	1	2	
False Pretense.....		8		1	1
Assault with Intent to Commit Murder...		2		4	
Adultery.....				2	
Simple Assault.....				1	
Malicious Mischief.....		1		1	
Possession of Stolen Car.....				1	
Violation of Junk Dealer's Act.....				1	
Receiving Stolen Goods.....	1	1	5	1	
Manslaughter.....	1	1	1	3	
Issuing Worthless Checks.....		2	1	2	1
Concerned in Interest in Policy Writing...	3	3	13		

	<i>Jan.</i>	<i>Mar.</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>Sept.</i>	<i>Nov.</i>
Leaving Scene of Accident without Identification.....	3	2	1		
Sodomy.....			1		
Simple Robbery.....		1			
Harboring Female Child for Immoral Purposes.....			1		
Embezzlement.....	4	2			1
Concerned in Exhibiting Slot Machines...		1			
Attempt to Break and Enter.....		1			1
Breaking and Entering with Intent to Commit Larceny.....	2	1			
Assault with Intent to Commit Murder...	2				
Concerned in Interest in Gambling.....	4				
Assault with Intent to Rob.....	1				
Perjury.....					2
Subordination of Perjury.....					2
	<hr/> 98	<hr/> 75	<hr/> 79	<hr/> 107	<hr/> 44

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Manslaughter.....	"	
Transportation of liquors.....	"	
Carrying Concealed Weapons.....	"	(2)

The Grand Jury visited the following Institutions, and with the exception of one, we believe no previous notice had been given the Managers of those in charge.

THE FERRIS INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

This Institution was first visited on October 29, and we were met by the Superintendent, Col. Tanner, who explained the uses of the various buildings, showing us the farms, workshops, laundry, kitchen and dormitories. We visited all the buildings, observed the condition of same, and were impressed by the manner in which the Institution is manned and managed. We were particularly pleased with the condition of the sleeping quarters of the inmates. The bedding was in excellent condition, clean and apparently maintained up to a standard comparable with any such institutions. We were advised by Superintendent Tanner, that fresh sheets were provided every day for the beds, that the boys were required to use the showers freely, and indeed we were very well pleased with the general conditions as found here. We respectfully suggest to the Trustees the consideration of some scheme which will enable the Management to provide thermos containers for use in conveying the food from the kitchen to the other buildings.

We also recommend the use of a higher grade cutlery.

There are at present 247 inmates in the School.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY WORKHOUSE

This Institution is without doubt a credit to the State, the prisoners are in good physical condition, seemingly as contented as the circumstances would permit. All of them who are able are engaged in some kind of occupation.

The Trustees and the Warden and those assisting are entitled to a full measure of praise for the excellent condition of all the property in their charge. A great deal of the work of erecting and maintaining the buildings is done by the inmates, thus affecting a saving of many thousands of dollars to the County.

The Honor System established some few years ago, seems to have solved to a large degree the worries and discontent suffered by inmates. This system controlled to a great extent by the inmates and has resulted in the adoption of rules, which provide reasonable privileges heretofore denied. These privileges which bring some comfort to those confined there, and this coupled with their steady employment at healthful occupations enables them to occupy their minds and at the same time in many instances gives them an insight to thoughts of occupations in profitable fields when given their freedom.

The new Women's Prison, is a model in every sense, all the modern equipment is found here, the quarters are large, bright and comfortable, and every needed device has been provided to enable those in charge to carry on the splendid work of reform at the same time giving the inmates a degree of comfort and thus providing encouragement for better lives when their term expires.

THE COLORED INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

We visited this Institution, and found the buildings and equipment in good condition. The rooms were in excellent condition, cleanliness prevailed.

The inmates, some of whom were attending classes when we were present seem to be well taken care of, and altogether we believe the Institution is very well managed, and the work of aiding the inmates to become useful citizens is being carried on effectively.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY HOSPITAL

We visited the County Hospital at Farnhurst, and found the buildings in good condition, the corridors and rooms have all been recently painted and altogether the management seems to have the property in excellent condition. The population is about 250. We visited the kitchen, sleeping quarters, and laundry and found nothing to criticize; in fact, we commend the Management.

DELAWARE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

The Industrial School at Claymont, was visited on October 30, and the condition of building, rooms and living quarters was found in

good condition. The inmates seem to be employed either attending school, or engaged in other interesting occupations. Girls are taught the use of typewriters, sewing, plain and fancy, also knitting and the making of rugs and mats. Altogether the Management is commended for the clean and homelike surroundings of the buildings and the good condition of all the property.

DETENTION HOME

We visited the Detention Home at 310 West Street, and found conditions satisfactory. The quarters are kept clean and apparently every thing is in good order.

THE COURT HOUSE

The County Court House was inspected, all the offices were visited, and we commend the superintendent and his staff for the excellent condition of the property.

There is however a condition existing in the office of the Clerk of the Orphans Court, which justifies a very earnest recommendation to the Public Building Commission to immediately take steps to enlarge these quarters to provide additional space for filing valuable Records and Documents. Fortunately, this apparently can be accomplished at reasonable expense without impairing or in any way interfering with the satisfactory operation of any other county department. In our opinion sufficient additional space may be gained by taking from the rear of the Levy Court Quarters about 10 to 14 feet now used as a public gallery and adding this space to the office of the Clerk of the Orphans Court. The space within the enclosure of the Levy Court Room can very well be reduced without at all crowding the portion used by the Members, and enough room thereby gained to provide sufficient space for the use of the Public who may attend meetings of the Court. We believe this recommendation should receive prompt attention, because of the congested conditions existing in the office of the Clerk of the Orphans Court.

We also recommend that some action be taken for the purpose of investigating the methods used and the success of same in a more modern method of transcribing Deeds in the office of The Recorder of Deeds. There are at present 56 clerks engaged in this work, and if there are in use in other States a system of Photostatic copying or some other method it seems to us that it would affect a large saving to the County, if same could be successfully applied here.

We also recommend that some scheme of ventilation be provided for the basement, now used as a storage room for autos.

We recommend that suitable quarters be provided with benches or chairs for the convenience of Witnesses called to appear before the Grand Jury.

We also recommend for the consideration of the Court the subject of reducing the number required to constitute a Grand Jury from 24 to 16.

We recommend that the State Highway Department consider the advisability of placing a fence or other guard at Causeway at Drawyers Creek, as a protection for those using this line of traffic.

In submitting this report, we desire to express our thanks and appreciation for the uniform courtesy and co-operation freely given by the Court, and Officers, Bailiffs and those having to do with the Court.

Respectfully submitted,

For the Grand Jury.

(Signed)

THOMAS MONAGHAN,

Foreman.

ATTEST:

(Signed) ANDREW ELIASON,

Secretary.

Wilmington, Delaware,

June 30, 1929.

TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
PAROLE OF DELAWARE:

Gentlemen:

As required by your Board, I submit the sixth Annual Report of the Board of Parole. This report is for the year ending June 30, 1929.

During the year there were one hundred and twenty-eight (128) applications made for parole. This is an increase of thirty-seven (37) in applications over the preceding year. Of these, forty-four were paroled, and eighty-four requests for parole were not granted by your Board.

Of the total number under parole during the year, (69), three (3) have violated their parole and have been returned to the New Castle County Workhouse and were required to serve out the balance of their sentence with a consequent loss of good time.

Based on the total number under parole during the year, 95% made good. And based on the actual number (44) paroled by the Board during the fiscal year, 93% kept their parole.

The policy of the Board in insisting that assurances of employment and a home be requisites to release has in my opinion worked well and should be continued.

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

The following table shows the appropriation and expenditures of the Board for the year ending June 30, 1929:

	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>	<i>Balance</i>
Salary of Board Members.....	\$ 450.00	\$ 340.00	\$110.00
Salary of Secretary and Parole Officer	2,400.00	2,400.00	.00
Salary and Wages.....	85.00	70.00	15.00
Office Expenses.....	300.00	17.85	282.15
Travel.....	500.00	243.91	256.09
	<u>\$3,735.00</u>	<u>\$3,071.76</u>	<u>\$663.24</u>

The balance of \$663.24 reverted to the general fund. I have checked up with the State Auditor of Accounts and find that appropriations and expenditures agree with his records in all particulars.

Following a previous custom, I have prepared the following table which will show the amount saved to the Counties of the State by reason of parole:

<i>Number of Prisoner on Parole</i>	<i>Date of Parole</i>	<i>Parole Expires</i>	<i>Parole Days</i>	<i>Per diem saved to Counties</i>	<i>Total saved to Counties by Parole</i>
1	7-25-23	Life	365	.60	\$219.00
4***	8-15-23	"	290	.60	174.00
11	8-15-23	"	365	.60	219.00
18	1-16-27	"	365	.60	219.00
51	1- 8-24	"	365	.60	219.00
319	11- 5-26	10-14-28	106	.60	63.60
357	3- 4-27	2-24-29	239	.60	143.40
365	4- 2-27	3-18-29	261	.60	156.60
366	5- 6-27	8-28-29	365	.60	219.00
367	5-28-29	9-19-31	33	.60	19.80
381	8- 5-27	9-15-28	77	.60	46.20
401	10- 7-27	10- 7-29	365	.60	219.00
408	11- 7-27	10-19-28	111	.60	66.60
427	1- 6-28	12- 8-29	365	.60	219.00
428	1- 9-28	7-23-28	23	.60	13.80
433	1-29-28	7-28-28	28	.60	16.80
437	2- 3-29	1-10-29	121	.60	72.60
438	4-26-28	3- 2-29	245	.60	147.00
448	4- 6-28	11-10-28	133	.60	79.80
460	5- 4-28	10-19-28	111	.60	66.60
461	5- 4-28	8-19-28	50	.60	30.00
462	5- 4-28	9- 2-28	64	.60	38.40
464	6- 1-28	9-29-31	365	.60	219.00
465*	6- 1-28	9-17-28	2	.60	1.20
467	7- 6-28	1-14-29	198	.60	118.80
468	6- 4-28	11-16-28	139	.60	83.40

469	7- 6-28	11-18-28	125	.60	\$75.00
479	8- 3-28	1-31-30	331	.60	198.60
480	8- 3-28	5-22-29	292	.60	175.20
484	10- 6-28	1- 5-29	91	.60	54.60
487*	9- 7-28	6-24-29	218	.60	130.80
488	9- 7-28	6-24-29	290	.60	174.00
492	9- 8-28	7- 7-31	295	.60	177.00
498	10- 5-28	5- 8-29	215	.60	129.00
499	10- 5-28	5-12-29	219	.60	131.40
504	10- 8-28	1-31-29	115	.60	69.00
505	11- 3-28	6-30-30	239	.60	143.40
506	11- 3-28	2-16-29	105	.60	63.00
512	12- 7-28	5-18-29	162	.60	97.20
520	12- 7-28	11-13-29	205	.60	123.00
521	12- 7-28	4- 6-29	120	.60	72.00
526	12- 7-28	7-19-29	205	.60	123.00
530	1- 4-29	4-27-29	113	.60	67.80
532	3- 1-29	5-20-29	80	.60	48.00
533	3- 1-29	5-20-29	80	.60	48.00
534	2-16-29	8-14-29	134	.60	80.40
539	2- 1-29	5- 9-29	97	.60	58.20
547	3- 1-29	6-13-29	104	.60	62.40
548	3- 1-29	9-15-29	122	.60	73.20
549*	4-10-29	7-15-29	46	.60	27.60
550	4- 8-29	7-24-29	83	.60	49.80
555	4- 5-29	1-29-30	86	.60	51.60
558	4- 9-29	8- 6-29	82	.60	49.20
561	4- 5-29	7-28-29	86	.60	51.60
562	4- 5-29	8-15-29	86	.60	51.60
563	4- 5-29	8-15-29	86	.60	51.60
566	4- 6-29	8- 3-29	85	.60	51.00
567	4- 5-29	11-23-29	86	.60	51.60
569	5- 3-29	8- 9-29	58	.60	34.80
572	5- 3-29	8-16-29	58	.60	34.80
576	5- 3-29	8-26-29	58	.60	34.80
578	5- 5-29	8-26-29	56	.60	33.60
582	5- 3-29	8-11-29	58	.60	34.80
583	6- 7-29	10-31-29	23	.60	13.80
590	6- 7-29	1-12-30	23	.60	13.80
592	6-10-29	9-14-29	20	.60	12.00
593	6- 7-29	9- 8-29	23	.60	13.80
595	6- 7-29	2-15-30	23	.60	13.80
**	3- 9-25	3- 9-30	365	.60	219.00

Totals..... 10,599

\$6,359.40

*Violated Parole.

**Under Conditional Pardon.

***Deceased.

The total number of parole days was 10,599, and the total amount saved to the Counties was \$6,359.40. This, it will be observed, was \$3,287.64 over and above the total actual running expenses of the Board.

Respectfully yours,

JAMES W. ROBERTSON,

Secretary.

Wilmington, Delaware,

June 30, 1930.

TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
PAROLE OF DELAWARE:

Gentlemen:

In conformity to the requirements of your Board, I here submit the Seventh Annual Report of the Board. This report is for the year commencing July 1, 1929, and ending June 30, 1930.

There were, during the year, One Hundred and Six (106) applications for parole. This is a decrease in applications made during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1929 of twenty-two (22), but is an increase over the year ending June 30, 1928 of fifteen (15). Of the total number of applications made during the year, fifty-three (53) were granted and fifty-three (53) were refused by your Board.

The total number on parole, at various times during the year, was eighty-seven (87). Of these, four violated parole; they were Nos. 367, 520, 626, and 631. Three of these, 367, 626 and 631, were returned to the Workhouse and required to serve out their original sentences together with such of their good time allowance as had accumulated up to the time of parole.

Computed on the basis of the total number on parole during the year (87), approximately 95% made good records. Based on the actual number paroled (53) during the year, 92% kept their parole.

I wish to again emphasize the importance of the Board insisting that the party paroled shall have a home and work awaiting him or her before being released. There has been some difficulty experienced by those on parole in keeping a steady job, but as a whole, they have done remarkably well in the line of employment.

APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

The table following shows the appropriations and expenditures of the Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1930:

	<i>Budget</i>	<i>Expenditures</i>	<i>Balance</i>
Salary of Board Members.....	\$ 450.00	\$ 330.00	\$120.00
Salary of Secretary and Parole Officer	2,400.00	2,400.00	.00
Salary and Wages.....	85.00	70.00	15.00
Office Expenses.....	300.00	10.75	289.25
Travel.....	500.00	256.44	243.56
	<u>\$3,735.00</u>	<u>\$3,067.19</u>	<u>\$667.81</u>

The balance of \$667.81 reverted to the general fund. As heretofore I have checked up with the State Auditor of Accounts and find the above Appropriations, Expenditures and Balances agree with the records in his office in every particular.

As heretofore, the following table has been prepared for the purpose of showing the amount saved to the Counties of the State through the medium of parole:

<i>Number of Prisoner on Parole</i>	<i>Date of Parole</i>	<i>Parole Expires</i>	<i>Parole Days</i>	<i>Per Diem saved to Counties</i>	<i>Total saved to Counties by Parole</i>
1	7-25-23	Life	365	.60	\$219.00
16	8-15-23	"	365	.60	219.00
18	1-16-27	"	365	.60	219.00
51	1- 8-24	"	365	.60	219.00
366	5- 6-27	8-28-29	59	.60	35.40
367*	5-28-29	4- 6-32	253	.60	151.80
401	10- 7-27	10- 7-29	99	.60	59.40
427	1- 6-28	12- 8-29	161	.60	96.60
464	6- 1-28	9-29-31	365	.60	219.00
479	8- 3-28	1-31-30	215	.60	129.00
492	9- 8-28	7- 7-31	365	.60	219.00
505	11- 3-28	6-13-30	348	.60	208.80
520*	12- 7-28	11-13-29	136	.60	81.60
526	12- 7-28	7-19-29	19	.60	11.40
534	2-16-29	8-14-29	45	.60	27.00
548	3- 1-29	9-15-29	77	.60	46.20
550	4- 8-29	7-24-29	24	.60	14.40
555	4- 5-28	1-29-30	213	.60	127.80
558	4- 9-29	8- 6-29	37	.60	22.20
561	4- 5-29	7-28-29	28	.60	16.80
562	4- 5-29	8-15-29	46	.60	27.60
563	4- 5-29	8- 5-29	46	.60	27.60
566	4- 6-29	8- 3-29	34	.60	20.40
567	4- 5-29	11-23-29	146	.60	87.60
569	5- 3-29	8- 9-29	40	.60	24.00
572	5- 3-29	8-16-29	47	.60	28.20
576	5- 3-29	8-26-29	57	.60	34.20
578	5- 5-29	8-26-29	57	.60	34.20
582	5- 3-29	8-11-29	42	.60	25.20
583	6- 7-29	10- 3-29	95	.60	57.00

<i>Number of Prisoner on Parole</i>	<i>Date of Parole</i>	<i>Parole Expires</i>	<i>Parole Days</i>	<i>Per diem saved to Counties</i>	<i>Total saved to Counties by Parole</i>
589	6- 5-29	12-14-29	162	.60	\$97.20
590	6- 7-29	1-12-30	196	.60	117.60
592	6-10-29	9-14-29	76	.60	45.60
593	6- 7-29	9- 8-29	70	.60	42.00
595	6- 7-29	2-15-30	230	.60	138.00
599	6- 5-29	2- 2-30	212	.60	127.20
600	7- 5-29	11-14-29	132	.60	79.20
601	7- 5-29	11- 4-29	122	.60	73.20
603	7- 5-29	10-11-29	98	.60	58.80
606	8- 2-29	1-13-30	164	.60	98.40
608	9- 6-29	11-11-29	66	.60	39.60
610	9- 6-29	6- 8-30	275	.60	165.00
611	9- 9-29	6- 8-30	272	.60	163.20
613	9- 6-29	12- 6-29	91	.60	54.60
614	6- 6-29	1- 4-30	120	.60	72.00
615	9- 7-29	12- 7-29	91	.60	54.60
616	9- 7-29	12- 7-29	91	.60	54.60
618	10- 9-29	5-30-30	233	.60	139.80
621	10- 9-29	5- 6-30	209	.60	125.40
622	10- 4-29	1- 9-30	97	.60	58.20
624	10- 4-29	1- 9-30	97	.60	58.20
625	10- 4-29	1- 9-30	97	.60	58.20
626*	10- 4-29	1- 9-30	97	.60	58.20
627	10- 4-29	1- 9-30	97	.60	58.20
629	10- 4-29	4-25-30	203	.60	121.80
631*	11- 1-29	2-20-30	105	.60	63.00
632	11- 1-29	12-13-30	272	.60	163.20
637	11- 5-29	5-18-30	194	.60	116.40
638	12-20-29	3-29-30	99	.60	59.40
639	12- 6-29	1-22-30	47	.60	28.20
642	12- 6-29	7- 6-30	206	.60	123.60
648	1- 3-30	5- 6-30	123	.60	73.80
649	1- 3-30	8-27-30	178	.60	106.80
650	1- 3-30	4-25-30	112	.60	67.20
652	1- 3-30	6- 7-30	155	.60	93.00
654	2- 7-30	8-22-30	143	.60	85.80
655	2- 7-30	1- 1-31	143	.60	85.80
660	2- 7-30	6- 2-30	115	.60	69.00
663	3- 7-30	10- 8-30	115	.60	69.00
664	3- 7-30	2- 2-31	115	.60	69.00
667	4- 4-30	8-24-30	87	.60	52.20
668	4- 4-30	7-14-30	87	.60	52.20
673	4- 4-30	2-14-33	87	.60	52.20
674	4-13-30	10-24-30	78	.60	46.80
676	5- 2-30	9-16-30	59	.60	35.40
677	5- 2-30	8-28-30	59	.60	35.40
679	5- 2-30	11-14-30	59	.60	35.40

681	5- 5-30	2-15-31	56	.60	\$33.60
682	5- 2-30	10- 9-31	59	.60	35.40
683	5- 2-30	11-14-30	59	.60	35.40
684	5- 2-30	9- 1-30	59	.60	35.40
685	5- 2-30	9- 1-30	59	.60	35.40
694	6- 6-30	9-12-30	24	.60	14.40
696	6- 6-30	11-14-31	24	.60	14.40
698	6- 6-30	11-14-32	24	.60	14.40
701	6- 6-30	8-22-33	24	.60	14.40
**	3-19-25	3- 9-30	252	.60	151.20
Totals.....			11,390		\$6,834.00

*Violated Parole.

**Under Conditional Pardon.

The total number of parole days was 11,930, an increase of 790 over the fiscal year ending June 30, 1929, and the amount saved to the Counties by parole was \$6,834.00. This, it will be noted, is \$3,766.81 over and above the total actual running expenses of the Board.

Respectfully yours,

JAMES W. ROBERTSON,

Secretary.

Mr. Scheifele on behalf of the Committee on Elections to whom had been referred H. B. No. 15, entitled:

An Act providing for the change of name of the Almshouse for Sussex County.

Reported the same back to the House favorably:

J. SCHEIFELE

W. F. RUPP

T. W. JOHNSON

WM. T. CUMMINS

ROGER A. DAVIS

Mr. Clark on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 16, entitled:

An Act appropriating money to the Industrial School for Colored Girls of Delaware for the erection and equipment of a school building and cottage.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

Mrs. Tschudy on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 17, entitled:

An Act to revive and extend the time for recording private acts.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Revised Statutes.

Mr. Stevens on motion for leave, introduced H. B. No. 18, entitled:

An Act pertaining to private roads.

Which was given first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Judiciary Crime and Punishment.

Mr. Tatnall moved report of Aviation Commission be received and filed.

Motion prevailed.

Mr. Davis, Secretary of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had concurred in the following:

H. B. No. 1 as amended, entitled:

An Act to amend Chapter 14 of the Revised Code of the State of Delaware.

And returned the same to the House.

On motion of Mr. Virden the House recessed until the call of the Chair.

Same day House met after recess.

Mr. Davis, Secretary of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following:

S. B. No. 2, entitled:

An Act allowing and regulating Boxing, Sparring, and Wrestling Matches and Exhibitions; establishing a State Athletic Commission; and prescribing penalties.

And presented the same to the House.

Upon motion of Mr. Van Sciver, S. B. No. 2:

An Act allowing and regulating Boxing, Sparring, and Wrestling Matches and Exhibitions; establishing a State Athletic Commission; and prescribing penalties.

Was given its first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Revenue and Taxation.

On motion of Mr. Virden the House recessed until 2 o'clock, P.M.

Same Day—2 o'clock, P. M.

The House met after recess.

Mr. Benson on behalf of the Committee on Revised Statutes, to whom had been referred H. B. No. 17, entitled:

"An Act to Revive and Extend the Time of Recording Private Acts."

Reported the same back to the House favorably:

E. E. BENSON, *Chairman*

WM. F. SEAL

JOHN T. TALLEY

W. J. CAREY

ELWOOD COOPER

On motion of Mr. Nickle, H. R. No. 11, entitled:

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives that the State Librarian be and is hereby instructed to furnish each member of the House of Representatives one copy each of Volume 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, and 36, Laws of Delaware.

Was taken up for consideration and read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

Mr. Nickle moved the adoption of the House Resolution.

On the question "Shall the House Resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Barnes, Clark, Cooper, Cummins, Davis, G. H., Davis, R. A., Donovan, Flynn, Hastings, C. A., Hastings, I. T., Hollett, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Phillips, Price, Raughley, Rupp, Seal, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Virden, Webb, E. S., Webb, F. B., Mr. Speaker—27.

NAYS—Messrs. Benson, Burge, Carey, Johnson, Tatnall, Tschudy, Van Sciver—7.

So the question was decided in the affirmative and the House Resolution having received the required constitutional majority, was declared adopted.

On motion of Mr. Barnes, H. B. No. 7, entitled:

An Act to amend Chapter 216, Volume 27, Laws of Delaware, entitled "An Act Amending, Revising and Consolidating the Charter of the City of New Castle," in relation to the residence of officers.

Was taken up for consideration and read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

On the question "Shall the bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Barnes, Benson, Burge, Carey, Clark, Cooper, Cummins, Davis, G. H., Davis, R. A., Donovan, Flynn, Hastings, C. A., Hastings, I. T., Hollett, Johnson, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Phillips, Price, Raughley, Rupp, Scheifele, Seal, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Tatnall, Tschudy, Van Sciver, Virden, Webb, E. S., Webb, F. B., Mr. Speaker—35.

NAYS—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative and the bill having received the required constitutional majority, passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Barnes, H. B. No. 13, entitled:

An Act to amend Chapter 5, Article 90, Revised Code of Delaware, called and cited as The Delaware Workmen's Compensation Law of 1917 as amended.

Was taken up for consideration and read a third time, by paragraphs, in order to pass the House.

On the question "Shall the bill pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Barnes, Benson, Burge, Carey, Clark, Cooper, Cummins, Davis, G. H., Davis, R. A., Donovan, Flynn, Hastings, C. A., Hastings, I. T., Hollett, Johnson, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Phillips, Price, Raughley, Rupp, Scheifele, Seal, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Tatnall, Tschudy, Van Sciver, Virden, Webb, E. S., Webb, F. B., Mr. Speaker—35.

NAYS—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative and the bill having received the required constitutional majority, passed the House.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver the House recessed until the call of the Chair.

Same day the House met after recess.

The Speaker introduced Mr. Black, Superintendent of Public Safety of Wilmington, Delaware, and accorded him the Honor of a Seat with the Speaker.

Mr. Davis, Secretary of the Senate, being admitted, informed the House that the Senate had passed and requested the concurrence of the House in the following:

S. B. No. 7, entitled:

An Act to abolish the Commission to open an inlet from the Atlantic Ocean to Indian River or Rehoboth Bay and to provide for the maintenance of said inlet by the State Highway Department and appropriating certain monies for said maintenance.

And presented the same to the House.

Upon motion of Mr. Virden, S. B. No. 7:

An Act to abolish the Commission to open an inlet from the Atlantic Ocean to Indian River or Rehoboth Bay and to provide for the maintenance of said inlet by the State Highway Department and appropriating certain monies for said maintenance.

Was given its first and second reading, the second by title only, and referred to the Committee on Appropriations.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver, the House adjourned until 12 o'clock, noon, Monday, January 19, 1931.

Dover, Delaware, January 19, 1931—12 o'clock, A.M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. A. L. White.

Roll called.

Members present:—Barnes, Benson, Burge, Carey, Clark, Cooper, Cummins, Davis, G. H., Davis, R. A., Donovan, Flynn, Hastings, C. A., Hastings, I. T., Johnson, Hollett, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Phillips, Price, Raughley, Rupp, Scheifele, Seal, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Tatnall, Tschudy, Van Sciver, Virden, Webb, E. S., Webb, F. B., Mr. Speaker—35.

Clerk proceeded to read the Journal of the Previous Session, when Mr. Seal moved so much be considered the reading of the Journal and the Journal be approved. Motion prevailed.

Mr. Nickle on motion for leave, introduced the following House Concurrent Resolution, No. 1:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met on behalf of all the citizens of the State of Delaware does hereby express deep regret at the death of the Honorable Walter Beasten, of Middletown, and emphasizes it and their full and sincere appreciation of his service to this State.

Which, on his motion, was read.

Mr. Nickle moved the adoption of the concurrent resolution.

On the question "Shall the Resolution be adopted?"

The yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Barnes, Benson, Burge, Carey, Clark, Cooper, Cummins, Davis, G. H., Davis, R. A., Donovan, Flynn, Hastings, C. A., Hastings, I. T., Hollett, Johnson, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Phillips, Price, Raughley, Rupp, Scheifele, Seal, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Tatnall, Tschudy, Van Sciver, Virden, Webb, E. S., Webb, F. B., Mr. Speaker.—35.

NAYS—None.

So the question was decided in the affirmative and the concurrent resolution having received the required constitutional majority, was declared adopted.

Ordered to the Senate for concurrence.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 1:

WHEREAS, in the death of the Honorable Walter Beaston, who was an honored and respected member of the House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in the One Hundred and Second General Assembly, the State has lost a useful and valuable servant; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly give public expression and offer, at its first opportunity, its sympathy to the family of the late Mr. Beaston in their bereavement, NOW THEREFORE

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Delaware in General Assembly met: That the General Assembly, on behalf of all the citizens of the State of Delaware, does hereby express deep regret at the death of the Honorable Walter Beaston of Middletown, and emphasizes it and their full and sincere appreciation of his services to his State:

That we extend to his family the sincere sympathy of this General Assembly;

That a copy of these resolutions be spread at large upon the Journal, a copy be delivered to the press, and a copy sent to Mrs. Beaston.

BUD COY,

Speaker of the House.

DAVID HOLLETT,

Chief Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver the House recessed until 1:30 o'clock, P. M.

Same Day—1:30 o'clock, P. M.

The House met after recess.

On motion of Mr. Van Sciver H. R. No. 12, entitled:

Electing Miss Bertha Butz as Stenographer and Typist.

Was taken up for consideration and read, in order to pass the House.

On the question "Shall the Resolution pass the House?"

The yeas and nays were ordered, which being taken, were as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Barnes, Benson, Burge, Carey, Clark, Cummins, Davis, R. A., Hollett, Johnson, Lingo, Messick, Nickle, Phillips, Rupp, Scheifele, Seal, Smoot, Stevens, Stevenson, Talley, Tatnall, Tschudy, Van Sciver, Virden, Webb, E. S., Mr. Speaker—26.