MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The Speaker laid before the House, and had read the following message from Governor Miriam A. Ferguson:

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, January 26, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

By proclamation filed in the Secretary of State's office on the twenty-fifth day of January, A. D. 1934, I have convened you in the Second Called Session to pass such law or laws as may be necessary to issue and sell the remaining bonds, proposed and permitted under the constitutional amendment of the State, adopted by the voters of Texas at an election duly held on the twenty-sixth day of August, 1933, for the purpose of affording relief to the unemployed and indigent persons of the State.

And in addition to the foregoing, to pass such law or laws as will grant relief in certain cases during the present emergency and depression, from inequitable foreclosures of mortgages on real estate, and fully set out in said proclamation.

In connection with the issuance of said bonds I desire to make some suggestions, which I think will be helpful. The first issue of said bonds provided that same might be issued in multiples of one hundred dollars, and the Bond Commission issued same in one thousand dollar denominations. From my information it appears that if the bonds were issued in denominations of fifty dollars, one hundred dollars, and any multiple of one hundred dollars, same might be purchased by popular subscription more readily than if just issued in one thousand dollar denominations.

The former statute passed by the Legislature provided that said bonds could not be invested in the Permanent Fund of the University, Public Free School Fund, Highway Fund, school funds and county funds. The result of this was to cause confusion and almost suspicion as to the solvency of these bonds. It was often asserted, during the sale of these bonds, that if the State would not invest its own funds in these bonds then it was inconsistent to ask the public to invest in the same. In my opinion this provision should be eliminated from the law, and it would greatly facilitate the sale of said bonds to provide that the governing authorities of each department may, if they so desire, invest in said bonds. As all of these institutions are supported by the State Government, and it is expected that the State will continue to support said institutions liberally in the future, I see no reason why, in this hour of threatened distress, hunger, and unemployment, that at least some of the idle funds of said departments should not be invested in these relief bonds. At least the inhibition in the law should be removed, and the heads of said departments can invest in same if they so desire, and if they do not, then their failure to do so will not be an impediment to the sale of the bonds.

It is a herculean task to sign these bonds, and I suggest that provision be made that same be signed with lithograph signature of the Governor, At
torney General, and Secretary of State, and that the bonds be signed personally by the Treasurer or his chief clerk, and that they be registered by the Comptroller or by the chief clerk of the Comptroller's Department.

The amount of the bonds to be issued will involve your serious attention. I am officially advised by the secretary to Hon. Harry L. Hopkins, Administrator, that it is the intention of the Government to begin the de-mobilization of the Civil Works Program on the fifteenth of February at the rate of 600,000 employees every two weeks, provided, of course, that Congress appropriates the money with which to do so. If this is done then we will have the greater part of 250,000 employees in Texas who will be compelled to seek aid from our relief funds. These employees alone will represent at least one million people, and it is evident that we would have a disastrous situation. On the other hand, if the Civil Works Program should end on February fifteenth by failure of Congress to make the appropriations for its continuance, then the intensity of our situation would be further increased. It would amount to a tragedy. But if we look at the case in the most favorable light, and say that the present Civil Works activities are continued uninterrupted, it will still call for the expenditure of substantial millions for relief work.

I have asked the office of the Director of the Texas Relief Commission for estimates covering these possible conditions, and I am advised additional funds to the five million five hundred thousand dollars already provided for will be needed, as follows:

1. If the present Civil Works Program continues uninterrupted, $11,440,000.

2. If the Civil Works Program is curtailed on a gradually reduced scale from February 15, 1934, onward, $17,840,000.

3. If the Civil Works Program ends on February 15, 1934, $19,640,000.

If the present plan of matching with the National Government is continued, then the State's part of the above needs will be one-half of said sums. It would appear that the second condition mentioned above, calling for a gradually reduced scale, from February 15, 1934, will be the condition most likely to obtain, and out of an abundant caution an issuance under the minimum amount the Legislature should issue, and it will only take an issuance of $1,000,000 more to provide against the contingency of the Civil Works Program ending on February 15. To avoid the further expense of another session of the Legislature, it is my opinion that the Legislature should issue at least $10,000,000 of the remaining bonds. This, however, is a matter for your determination. I suggest that you call upon the Director of the Relief Commission to furnish you with data covering the matters herein referred to.

The next question submitted in the proclamation is what is known as the moratorium equity of redemption law. Next to the feeding of the hungry and destitute population, is the question of foreclosures on the homes and real estate of the people in this hour of depression. I am informed that there are three hundred farms now advertised for foreclosure in one North Texas county. I am also informed that there are fifteen hundred foreclosures now advertised in Dallas County. From all over this State I am receiving information calling attention to the plight of the people whose homes and real estate are now threatened to be taken away from them because of the depression and the decreased prices of farm products.

Nobody should be allowed, by law, to take advantage of an unfortunate home owner in this hour of depression. Present conditions will probably improve some, but nobody knows when. There has been such decrease in real estate values that we will deceive ourselves if we expect normal values to return under two years. Certainly, they will never return if money lenders are now permitted to extort the collection of their loans at this time and forever wipe out the interest or equity of the present owners in their lands. Certainly, everything should be done to prevent this inhuman condition to take place now.

I attach herewith a copy of the law which, in my opinion, will bring great relief and protection to the owners of real estate. This law is largely copied from the Minnesota law on the subject, and recently upheld as its constitutionality by the Supreme Court of the United States. I am submitting this law for your consideration in the hope that you will pass the same promptly, so that any foreclosure sale of real estate will be prevented and protected against if held
on the sale day of first Tuesday on February 6, 1894. But the Legislature will have to act promptly. I trust that good time will not be lost in a discussion of different kinds of laws that might be passed, and that the Legislature will pass the law as it has now been approved by the Supreme Court of the United States, and which we can rely upon to be upheld by the courts of our State and again affirmed by the Supreme Court of the United States. If this law is not passed promptly there will be thousands of homes and real estate that will go under the hammer on February 6. I beseech you, gentlemen, in behalf of the people of Texas, to extend this relief now.

As an emergency measure I am also attaching herewith a bill, being "An Act releasing all interest and penalties on registration fees on motor vehicles for which a license fee is due on or before January 31, 1894, and extending the time of payment of same until April 1, 1894." If the three matters which I have submitted are acted upon promptly and with dispatch, it may be that we will have opportunity to consider other matters.

Respectfully,

MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.
MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. John H. Davis, secretary to the Governor, appeared at the Bar of the House, and, being duly announced, presented the following messages from the Governor, which were read to the House, as follows:

Executive Office.
Austin, Texas, February 7, 1834.

To the Forty-third Legislature, in Second Called Session:

It has been called to my attention that the Speaker of the House of Representatives has ruled that neither my call for the current Special Session nor the message heretofore submitted to you contains language to justify the levy and collection of taxes sufficient to retire the interest and sinking fund for the Relief Bonds mentioned in the call and in my message.

I was under the impression at the time, and I am now of the same impression, that my call and message were sufficiently broad to provide for taxation to provide the interest and sinking fund to retire said bonds. I call attention to the fact that my message says to pass such law or laws as may be necessary "to issue and sell" the remaining bonds "proposed and permitted" under the Constitutional Amendment of the State adopted by the voters of Texas at an election, duly held on the twenty-sixth day of August, 1833, for the purpose of effecting relief to the unemployed and indigent persons of the State. By reference to this Constitutional Amendment, it will appear authority is given to levy taxes on all sources of revenue according to the General Fund, other than a tax on real estate. In other words, my message authorized the Legislature to do anything as proposed and permitted under the Constitutional Amendment.

But to avoid any unnecessary discussion, I hereby submit for your consideration, the question of raising, by taxation, revenues with which to pay the interest and sinking fund necessary to retire the bonds authorized under said Constitutional Amendment, adopted on the twenty-sixth day of August, 1833, by the people, at an election duly held.

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE.
Austin, Texas, February 7, 1834.

To the Forty-third Legislature, in Second Called Session:

At a former Called Session of the Legislature, under authority of the Constitutional Amendment, it was provided that the Texas Relief Commission should be composed of the Chairman of the Industrial Accident Board, the Chairman of the Texas Civil Judicial Council, three members to be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor and three by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and one to be appointed by the Governor; and it was further provided that the Governor should not have any vote unless in case of a tie. Ever since the passage of said law peace and harmony have not taken place in the proceedings of the Texas Relief Commission. Certain members of the Commission have not lost a single moment, since their appointment, to embarrass the present Administration, and to oppose the efforts of my office and appointees to successfully carry on the relief work in Texas.

Under the Federal authorities I am required to make application for all Federal funds, and to see that same are properly distributed, and to be responsible for the proper application of said funds for relief purposes. I am loaded with all sorts of obligations but divested of nearly all authority. I am perfectly willing to endure this attempted embarrassment which has been placed upon me by political partisans, yet such a procedure is contrary to administration of the public service. For that reason, I have suggested, to friends in the Legislature, that the law ought to be changed, so as to more justly and equitably divide authority, if a successful result is to be hoped for. I have, therefore, suggested to these friends, in the Legislature, that the Texas Relief Commission should be composed of nine members—three to be appointed by the Lieutenant Governor, three by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and two by the Governor, and the Governor allowed to vote as any other member. This would not permit me to dominate the Commission, but I submit, in all fairness, I should not be expected to perform all the duties of the office, and then have no friend or vote in the deliberations. I submit this for your consideration.

Respectfully,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.
MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. John H. Davis, secretary to the Governor, appeared at the Bar of the House, and, being duly announced, presented the following message from the Governor, which was read to the House, as follows:

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 8, 1894.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Representatives Sarah T. Hughes and Charles H. Ten-nyson, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act making an appropriation to pay deficiencies for interest on bonds of the State of Texas, held by Permanent School Fund, Permanent Lunatic Asylum Fund, Permanent Blind Institute Fund, Permanent Deaf and Dumb Institute Fund, and Permanent Orphans Home Fund of the State of Texas; authorizing payment of interest on the taking effect of this Act."

Respectfully submitted,

MIKIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.
MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. John H. Davis, secretary to the
Governor, appeared at the Bar of the
House, and being duly announced, pre-
sented the following message from the
Governor, which was read to the
House, as follows:

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 10, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature, in
Second Called Session:

I herewith submit for your consid-
eration a bill to be entitled "An Act
to authorize and empower any water
control and improvement district in
this State . . .." hereeto attached
and made a part hereof. This is
emergency legislation that by the
Federal Government is required to be
passed before approving the expendi-
ture of some $4,583,000 in the construc-
tion of an irrigation project in Willacy
and Hidalgo Counties.

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.
MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. John H. Davis, secretary to the Governor, appeared at the Bar of the House, and, being duly announced, presented the following messages from the Governor, which were read to the House, as follows:

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:
I submit, for your consideration, a bill hereto attached, to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 2529, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1925; as amended by the Acts of 1923, Forty-third Legislature, page 840, Chapter 240; as amended by Acts of 1923, Forty-third Legislature, page 854, Chapter 244; and as amended by Acts of 1933, Forty-third Legislature, First Called Session, page 215, Chapter 80, Section 1, providing qualifications for State depositories; and declaring an emergency."
Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:
I submit, for your consideration, a bill hereto attached, to be entitled "An Act prohibiting persons allowing certain animals and live stock grazing, running upon, and trespassing upon certain designated highways in this State; and declaring an emergency."
Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:
I submit, for your consideration, at the request of Representative Alsup, a bill hereto attached, to be entitled "An Act repealing House Bill No. 854, as passed by the Regular Session of the Forty-third Legislature in Regular Session, and declaring an emergency."
Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:
I herewith submit, for your consideration, a bill hereto attached, to

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

By request, I herewith submit for your consideration, a bill hereto attached, to be entitled "An Act authorizing the Board of Regents of the University of Texas and the branches thereof, and the Board of Directors of the Agricultural and Mechanical College and its branches, and other State institutions therein mentioned to construct, acquire, operate, maintain through and only through funds or loans to be obtained from the Government of the United States of agencies thereof, created under the National Recovery Act, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

By request, I herewith submit for your consideration, a bill hereto attached, to be entitled "An Act authorizing any county or district, organized, or which may be hereafter organized in accordance with the laws of the State of Texas to purchase for the use or benefit of the people within and adjacent to any such county or district, or the use and benefit of a portion of the area of the county or district served thereby, works, buildings, equipment, together with all the rights, land and easements, appurtenant thereto and necessary therefor, for rendering irrigation, flood prevention, water supply, drainage and/or sewerage service, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

By request of various Senators, I submit, for your consideration, a bill hereto attached, to be entitled "An Act making an emergency appropriation out of the General Revenue of the State for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of House Bill No. 76, Chapter 52, First Called Session, Forty-first Legislature, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

By request of Senator Reagan, I submit, for your consideration, a bill hereto attached, to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 3264, Revised Civil Statutes of 1923, by authorizing irrigation districts, water improvement districts and water power control districts to condemn land under the general condemnation statutes, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

By request of Representative Walker, I herewith submit, for your consideration, a bill hereto attached, to be entitled "An Act authorizing independent school districts to build or purchase buildings or grounds for..."
the purpose of constructing gymnasium, stadia, or other recreational facilities, and to encumber the same and the income thereof to secure the payment of the purchase price to evidence the indebtedness created thereby by the issuance of bonds, notes or other evidences of indebtedness, and declaring an emergency.”

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

By request of Representative Greathouse and others, I herewith submit, for your consideration, a bill heretofore attached, to be entitled “An Act providing that cities with a population of more than 100,000 inhabitants, according to the last preceding Federal Census, may mortgage and encumber their airports and the income thereof, or either of them, for the purpose of acquiring or improving the same, and declaring an emergency.”

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

By request of Representative Reed of Dallas, I herewith submit, for your consideration, a bill heretofore attached, to be entitled “An Act validating all elections, election orders, election proceedings, and city ordinances, annexing adjacent territory in incorporated cities having not less than 3,000 and not more than 6,000 inhabitants, and declaring an emergency.”

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

By request, I herewith submit, for your consideration, a bill heretofore attached, to be entitled “An Act granting to the Houston Yacht Club, its successors and assigns, all right, title, and interest of the State of Texas to certain land under the waters of Galveston Bay, and declaring an emergency.”

It appears from letters hereto attached that said legislation is necessary to secure a loan of $120,000 from the Federal Government.

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

By request of Senator Regan, I herewith submit, for your consideration, a bill heretofore attached, to be entitled “An Act to amend Articles 1111, 1112, 1113, and 1114, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, for 1923, and amendments thereof, as passed by the Fortieth Legislature, and declaring an emergency.”

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

By request, I submit, for your consideration, a bill heretofore attached, to be entitled “An Act validating refunding bonds issued by certain water improvement districts, under authority of the Acts of 1933, Forty-third Legislature, page 171, Chapter 78, and declaring an emergency.”

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.
MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. John H. Davis, secretary to the Governor, appeared at the Bar of the House, and, being duly announced, presented the following message from the Governor, which was read to the House, as follows:

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 13, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature, in Second Called Session:

At the request of Representatives Kayton, Hartog, and others, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill being entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 29, Acts of the First Called Session of the Forty-third Legislature; and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representatives Kayton and Reader I am submitting, herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act making a certain emergency and supplemental appropriation out of the General Revenue of the State of Texas for the State Department of Health for the balance of the fiscal year, ending August 31, 1934; and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representative Celaya, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 6 of Sen.
the Highway Commission, I am submitting, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 14, Chapter 186, Senate Bill No. 74, passed at the Regular Session, Thirty-ninth Legislature, as amended by Chapter 19, Senate Bill No. 24, passed at the Third Called Session, Forty-first Legislature, as amended; and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Hon. L. A. Woods, State Superintended, and Senator A. P. Duggan and others, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act re-appropriating any unexpended balances of the funds appropriated in aid of rural schools of the State of Texas in the emergency appropriation, to pay outstanding indebtedness incurred through the operation of the rural aid law, as made by Chapter 173, Acts Regular Session, Forty-third Legislature; and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Hon. J. E. McDonald, Commissioner of Agriculture, I submit herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act making an emergency appropriation out of that portion of the Special Racing Fund that has been or will be allocated to the State Department of Agriculture for the purpose of purchasing and erecting necessary machinery, and conducting essential work, necessary for preventing the further spread of the pink boll worm; and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representative Moffett, I submit herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the Agricultural and Mechanical College Substation No. 15, located in Hardeman County, Texas, in order to provide material and labor to reconstruct buildings destroyed by fire on January 18, 1934; making an appropriation to said Agricultural and Mechanical College Substation No. 15 for said purpose; and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representative P. L. Anderson, I submit herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act to define license tax, regulate and control recreation establishments, fixing penalties for violation of said Act, and declaring an emergency."

At the request of the Pink Boll Worm Compensation Claim Board, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 111, of Chapter 67, Acts of the First Called Session of the Forty-third Legislature, same being Senate Bill No. 82; and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representative Merritt, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act to validate the organization and creation of all school districts, including common school districts, independent school districts, consolidated common school districts, consolidated independent school districts, county line school districts, consolidated county line school districts, and rural high school districts; and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representative Huddleston, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the taking, killing or possession of wild fox for the purpose of bait or sale, and prohibiting the use of steel traps, for taking fur-bearing animals in Coryell County; and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representatives Moore and Morse, I am submitting, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Sections 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, and 12, Chapter 241, Acts of the Regular Session, Forty-third Legislature, and further amending Chapter 241, Acts Regular Session, Forty-third Legislature, page 843; and declaring an emergency."

By request, I am herewith submitting for your consideration, "An Act to validate the adoption papers that were signed by the adopting parent or parents, prior to January 1, 1933."

By request, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 879 and Article 879 of Chapter 6, Title 13, Revised Criminal Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended; providing a penalty; and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representatives Griffith, Duval, and Anderson, I am submitting herewith, a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Subsection 6 of Article 6575-a, of Vernon's Annotated Texas Civil Statutes, same being Section 6, of page 172, Chapter 88, of the Acts of the Forty-first Legislature, Second Called Session of 1929."

By request, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act providing that
every person, firm, corporation, partnership, or association of persons, before engaging in the business of a wholesale fish dealer or a retail fish dealer, shall make application to, and receive from, the Game, Fish, and Oyster Commission, a license to engage in such business; and declaring an emergency.

At the request of Representative Bradley, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, three bills, as follows:

1. A bill to be entitled "An Act defining and limiting jurisdiction of courts in matters affecting employers and employees; declaring the public policy of the State in such matters; declaring all contracts made in violation of such public policy to be unenforceable; and declaring an emergency."

2. A bill to be entitled "An Act protecting the employment of women and minors; authorizing the Labor Commission to investigate and deal with such employment; and declaring an emergency."

3. A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 53, Acts of the Forty-third Legislature, First Called Session, declaring the economic conditions and policy of this State concerning co-operation with the National Government, in authorizing and providing for action by trade groups, labor and management of industry, eliminating unfair competition; and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representatives Van Zandt, Adamson, and Barron, I submit herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Senate Bill No. 111, passed at the Third Called Session of the Thirty-eighth Legislature as amended; and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representatives Hugh Jones, Pope, and others, I submit herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act for the purpose of releasing the interest and penalties on all ad valorem and poll taxes delinquent on February 1, 1934, due State, county, common school districts, road districts, levee improvement districts, water improvement districts, and water control and improvement districts, irrigation districts and other defined subdivisions of the State, other than incorporated cities, towns, and villages; providing said taxes are paid on or before December 31, 1934; and declaring an emergency.

Respectfully submitted,

MIKIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.
MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

(Pending the reading of the messages from the Governor, Mr. Alexander occupied the Chair.)

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 14, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Representatives Jefferson and Lemons, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 4629, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, relating to grounds for divorce, and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representative Robert Long, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 5, of Chapter 28, Acts, Forty-second Legislature, First Called Session, providing for the control of refineries, requiring reports of same, authorizing the Railroad Commission agents to inspect refinery properties; requiring such refineries to equip their pipe lines with meters and report measurements of same, and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representative A. C. Kyle, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act providing for the compensation of county commissioners in certain counties having a population of not less than 17,570 and not more than 17,680, and not less than 16,550 and not more than 16,575, according to the Federal Census for the year 1930; and defining from what fund such salaries shall be paid, and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representatives Griffith, Rogers, Young, Cathey, and others, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act declaring the collared peccary or javelina a game animal; providing an open season for taking same and the number that may be taken or possessed; prohibiting the sale of any peccary or part of such animal; providing suitable penalty, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 14, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

There is hereby submitted to you for your consideration the matter of correcting the conflicting provisions of House Bill No. 154 and House Bill No. 844, passed by the Regular Session of the Forty-third Legislature, the former being a gross production tax bill of crude petroleum and the latter making it penal offenses to violate certain provisions thereof with reference to oil and gas. When I signed these two bills, I called attention to the conflicts as to certain penalty provisions of the bills. Each bill has certain sections the same, but for the violation of the matters therein contained the penalties are different; thus for the correcting of these matters, I submit same to you; also to make the president of any corporation the chief managing executive of each association, and the active members of each firm and partnership and the trustees of each trust company criminally
responsible for failure to comply with
the provisions of House Bill No. 844,
as it may be amended by you.
Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 14, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in
Second Called Session:
At the request of Representative
Harman, Chairman of the Committee
on Appropriations, I submit for your
consideration the question of addi-
tional emergency relief appropria-
tions for the Insurance Department,
the State Board of Control, the Texas
State Parks Board, the Executive De-
partment, the Texas State Depart-
ment of Agriculture, the Live Stock
Sanitary Commission, the Ranger
Service, the State Auditor and Effi-
ciency Expert, the Attorney General's
Department, the Bureau of Labor
Statistics, the General Land Office,
the State Health Department, the
State Commission for the Blind, the
Court of Civil Appeals, and the Board
of Water Engineers.
Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 14, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in
Second Called Session:
By request, I am submitting for
your consideration the question of
providing for the holding of a cele-
bration or celebrations commemora-
ting the Texas Centennial in 1936, and
making appropriation therefor.
Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.
MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. John H. Davis, secretary to the Governor, appeared at the Bar of the House, and being duly announced, presented the following message from the Governor, which was read to the House, as follows:

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 16, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in
Second Called Session:

At the request of Senator Martin, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1650 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1923, repealing all laws in conflict herewith; and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Senator Parr, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 7 of Chapter 13, of the Third Called Session of the Forty-second Legislature, as amended; etc., and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Senator Parr, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act to validate all proceedings and acts of governing boards of cities containing a population of not more than 11,000 and less than 10,000, according to the next preceding Federal Census, in connection with the issuance of funding warrants and funding bonds hereof, authorized or attempted to be authorized, under the provisions of Chapter 163, Acts Forty-second Legislature, Regular Session; and declaring an emergency."

At the request of the Board of Regents of the University of Texas, I am submitting herewith for your consideration "An Act authorizing the Board of Regents of the University of Texas to complete the construction, furnishing, and equipment of the administration and library building, and for the payment of the cost thereof to issue its negotiable notes or bonds, payable solely from revenues from grazing and other surface leases of University lands; etc., and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representative Holcomb, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the conservation and development of lands in the State of Texas, pursuant to Section 59, of Article XVI of the State Constitution, etc.; providing for the creation of districts known as 'cedar prairie districts'; etc., and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.
MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. John H. Davis, secretary to the Governor, appeared at the bar of the House, and, being duly announced, presented the following messages from the Governor, which were read to the House, as follows:

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 15, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Representatives Studeman, Harkamer, and McGregor, I submit herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act to make it unlawful to take, hunt, trap, shoot, or kill any wild quail of any species, for a period of five (5) years in Midland County, Texas; fixing penalty, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 15, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

By request, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Articles 5740, 5742, 5744, and 5757, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, relating to co-operative marketing associations, said articles being a portion of what is commonly known as the Co-operative Marketing Act of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 15, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Hon. J. E. McDonald, Commissioner of Agriculture, I submit herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act providing that the State Department of Agriculture shall co-operate with, and aid in, the enforcement of any proclamation, trade, or code agreement made by the President of the United States or passed under any Act of Congress, relating to agriculture or agricultural products, and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Senator Albert Stone, I am submitting herewith a bill to be entitled "An Act amending House Bill No. 322, known as Chapter 196, of the General Laws of the Forty-third Legislature, at its Regular Session, 1933, fixing the tuition to be collected from students registered in schools of collegiate rank supported in whole or in part by appropriations of public funds from the State Treasury; etc., and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.
MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. John H. Davis, secretary to the Governor, appeared at the Bar of the House, and being announced, presented the following message from the Governor, which were read to the House, as follows:

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 16, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Senator Beck and Representative Jasper N. Reed, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Subdivision f, of Section 6, of Chapter 116, Acts of the Forty-third Legislature; and declaring an emergency."

By request of Representative Laird, I am also submitting for your consideration the question of licensing and regulating loan brokers, providing for a license fee, providing for the payment of said fee into the General Revenue Fund of the State Treasury; etc., and declaring an emergency.

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.
Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 16, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Representative Albert G. Walker, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 7065-a-13(a), of Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, being Section 19-a, of Chapter 44, page 75, of the General Laws of the Forty-third Legislature, so as to entitle all incorporated municipalities in Texas to a refund of motor fuel taxes paid on motor fuel used in the operation of motor vehicles owned and operated for public purposes only by said incorporated municipalities."

At the request of Senator Parr, I am submitting for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Sections 1 and 77, of Chapter 27, of the General and Special Laws passed by the Forty-second Legislature at its Third Called Session, approved September 21, 1932."

At the request of Senator Joe Moore, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 2688, Title 49, Chapter 11, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended; etc., and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representatives Hankamer, Claytn, Moore, Morse, and Holland, I am submitting for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Title 26, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, providing for the creation of trust funds for maintenance of cemetery lots, and the appointment of trustees and substitute trustees therefor; etc., and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representatives McCullough and Dunagan, I submit herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act making it a criminal offense for any person to move into the house of another, without the consent of the owner thereof or his duly authorized agent and fixing a penalty for the violation of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representative M. S. Munson, Jr., I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 105, Special Laws passed by the Thirty-third Legislature, at its Regular Session, 1918, the same being a special road law for Jackson County, Texas; etc., and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representatives Bourne and Golson, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 920, of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas for 1925; etc., and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.
MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. John H. Davis, secretary to the Governor, appeared at the Bar of the House, and, being duly announced, presented the following message from the Governor, which was read to the House, as follows:

Executive Office
Austin, Texas, February 16, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Senator Parr, I am submitting herewith a bill to be entitled "An Act to permit any county, one or more of the boundaries of which is coincident with any part of the international boundary between the United States and Mexico, or any county contiguous to any county of such described class, by resolution of the county commissioners court of any such county, to agree: (1) to indemnify and save harmless the United States of America, its officers, agents, and employees, on account of damage or claims to damage by whomsoever asserted, arising out of or connected with entry upon, occupancy, construction upon, or exercise of rights in and to lands or rights in lands situated in any one or more of said class of counties by the United States, its officers, agents, and employees, in connection with construction, reconstruction, extension, alteration, improvement, maintenance, and operation of flood control works; etc."

At the request of Senator Neal and other Senators, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the conducting in public competition for prizes, awards, or admission fees, any personal, physical, or mental endurance contests, regulating the manner in which contestants may participate in such contests; etc., and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representative Morrison, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 582, Title 57, 1925 Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas; etc., and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.
MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. John H. Davis, secretary to the Governor, appeared at the Bar of the House, and, being duly announced, presented the following messages from the Governor, which were read to the House, as follows:

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 16, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Senator WoodOL, I herewith submit for your consideration the attached bill to be entitled "An Act to provide a more efficient system for the appointment of deputy district clerks serving in counties of more than 555,000 population, in which counties there are more than one district court, including criminal district courts, by providing that the clerk of the district court may appoint a deputy for each district court or criminal district court in his county when directed so to do by the judge of any such court; fixing the salaries of such deputies, and providing a method for their payment, and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Senator WoodOL, I herewith submit for your consideration the attached bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 6869, of the Revised Civil Statutes, as amended by the Acts of the Forty-first Legislature, dealing with the appointment, authority, duties, and qualifications of deputy sheriffs, limiting the number of such deputies in any county, and providing for the payment of their compensation, by adding a clause thereto excepting counties of over 555,000 population from the provisions of said Article 6869, as amended as aforesaid, in so far as the same relates to the number of deputies to be appointed by the sheriff in said counties, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 16, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Senator Blackert and Representative Robertson, I herewith submit for your consideration the bill hereto attached to be entitled "An Act validating all bonds heretofore issued by the City of Aransas Pass for the purpose of constructing and maintaining sea walls, breakwaters, and shore protections out into Red Fish Bay; etc., and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 16, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Representative Kayton, I herewith submit for your consideration the bill hereto attached to be entitled "An Act to designate certain short wave radio stations as bureaus of criminal intelligence, providing a license fee therefor, providing further the right to designate a central criminal intelligence bureau, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.
MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. John H. Davis, secretary to the Governor, appeared at the Bar of the House, and, being duly announced, presented the following message from the Governor, which was read to the House, as follows:

Executive Office
Austin, Texas, February 17, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Senator Woodruff and Representatives Butler and Townsend, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Section 3, of Chapter 215, page 719, General Laws of Texas, Forty-third Legislature of Texas, 1933, providing a basis for salaries for services in summer schools at certain State supported institutions of higher learning, and repealing certain provisions for the collection of certain matriculation and tuition fees from students of summer schools in certain State supported institutions of higher learning, and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Senator Woodruff, I am submitting herewith a bill to be entitled "An Act for the purpose of releasing penalties and interest accrued or that may accrue on all franchise taxes that may be due or to become due under the provisions of Articles 7089 and 7091, Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, for the years 1928 to 1933, inclusive; etc., and declaring an emergency."

I am attaching hereto for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act repealing all of Section 6-a, of House Bill No. 11, Chapter 214, Acts, Regular Session, Forty-third Legislature, page 637, and declaring an emergency." (Prepared by the Attorney General's Department and submitted at the request of the Secretary of State.)

Respectfully submitted,

MIHAI A. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.
MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. John H. Davis, secretary to the Governor, appeared at the Bar of the House, and, being duly announced, presented the following messages from the Governor, which were read to the House, as follows:

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 19, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Representative Pope, I submit herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize certain cities in this State to issue bonds, notes, or warrants payable from revenues other than taxation for construction, maintenance, and operation of a toll bridge or toll bridges over and across any stream, inlet or arm of the Gulf of Mexico, or entrance channel to a port in any such city; the construction, maintenance and operation of a sewage disposal plant; construction of sanitary and/or storm sewer lines; construction of water mains or lines from sources of water supply; acquisition, reclamation, re-construction and filling in of any submerged lands along the water front of said city and construction of sidewalks, streets, and gas lines within territory so acquired or re-claimed; construction of sea walls, breakwaters, and other shore protections; construction, reconstruction, maintenance, operation and dredging out of any channel in connection with such port; providing certain improvements may be constructed within or without limits of any such city; etc., and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Senator Reagan, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act for the validation of the organization of all defined districts organized as water improvement districts, the name of which has been changed to water power control district, and providing for the validation of elections held in water power control districts for authorization of issuance of bonds and/or incurring debts and/or obligations, and providing for and authorizing any water power control district to make and enter into contracts with the United States of America and/or any agencies acting under laws passed by the Congress of the United States for the purpose of acquiring property and the construction of works and improvements for such water power control districts; etc., and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 19, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Representatives Holloway and Latham, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act amend- ing Article 3883, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended by Chapter 220, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-third Legislature; and amending Article 3892 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended by Chapter 220, Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-third Legislature; providing for the fees of office that may be retained by certain precinct officers in certain counties; providing for salaries that may be paid certain assistants to certain officers in certain counties; and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representative Caven, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act to fix the salaries and compensation of county commission- ers in counties with a population of not less than 48,500, and not more than 49,000, according to the last Federal Census, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.
MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. John H. Davis, secretary to the Governor, appeared at the Bar of the House, and, being duly announced, presented the following messages from the Governor, which were read to the House, as follows:

Executive Office, Austin, Texas, February 19, 1934.

To the Forty-second Legislature in Second Called Session:
At the request of Senator Collins, I am submitting for your consideration the attached six bills, amending the Code of Criminal Procedure.
Respectfully,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON, Governor.

Executive Office, Austin, Texas, February 19, 1934.

To the Forty-second Legislature in Second Called Session:
At the request of Senator Woodward, I am submitting for your consideration the attached four bills, amending the Code of Criminal Procedure.
Respectfully,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON, Governor.

Executive Office, Austin, Texas, February 19, 1934.

To the Forty-second Legislature in Second Called Session:
At the request of Representatives Rogers and Stanfield, I herewith submit for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act to aid the Counties of Dallam, Sherman, Hansford, Hartley, Moore, Hutchinson, Ochiltree, Roberts, Lipscomb, Hemphill, Potter, Oldham, Carson, Armstrong, Randall, and Deaf Smith, by releasing said counties from the payment of all ad valorem taxes levied for State purposes, and all interest and penalties which have accrued on such taxes which may have become delinquent, and all such ad valorem taxes as have heretofore been paid for the years 1923 to and including the year 1928; etc., and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON, Governor.

Executive Office, Austin, Texas, February 19, 1934.

To the Forty-second Legislature in Second Called Session:
At the request of Representative Engelhard and others, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Senate Bill No. 4, of Acts 1933, Forty-third Legislature of the State of Texas, First Called Session, by amending Sections 6, 7, and 8 thereof."
Respectfully,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON, Governor.
MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

The Speaker laid before the House, and had read, the following messages from the Governor:

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 20, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Senator Parr and Representative Celaya, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act declaring it to be the policy of the State of Texas to provide for the standardization of certain vegetables as a protection to grower, shipper, carrier, and consumer; placing the jurisdiction of grades and classifications thereof under the direction of the Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of Texas; etc."

At the request of Senator Parr and Representative Celaya, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act relating to agriculture and agricultural products; providing for investigations of the business and affairs of wholesale purchasers thereof, whether under contracts or otherwise; and for licensing and bonding and regulating dealers in such products; etc."

At the request of Representative Butler, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act changing the open season on dove and quail to open November 15 to January 16, inclusive, in Brazos County, Texas; repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representatives Palmer and Steward, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act validating the consolidation proceedings consolidating Buffalo Independent School District, of Leon County, and Concord Common School District No. 41, and Martin Common School District No. 8, of Freestone County; etc., and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 20, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Representative Hytec, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 1, Chapter 90, House Bill No. 610, Special Laws of the Forty-second Legislature, Acts of the Regular Session, as amended by Section 1, Chapter 33, House Bill No. 256, Special Laws of the Regular Session of the Forty-third Legislature, and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Senator Rawlings, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1523, Title 30, Revised Civil Statutes of 1923, prescribing the conditions and amounts of bonds to be given by live stock commission merchants, and providing for notice of cancellation of such bonds, and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representative Guethouse and others, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act fixing a limitation period of two years for the bringing of suits of any kind on account of the closing and abandonment of public streets or alleys or public roads or thoroughfares, or any parts thereof, other than State highways, by ordinance of the governing body of a city or town or by order of the commissioners court of a county; etc., and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Senator Sanderford, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing W. B. Cross, of Travis County, Texas, as innocent purchaser of deficiency certificates Nov. 1925, 1929, and 1935, issued by the Comptroller of the State of Texas, to sue the State of Texas on said deficiency certificates; etc., and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 20, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of the State Auditor
and Efficiency Expert, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act creating the office of securities consulting officer of the Board of Education for the purpose of assisting the Board of Education in the carrying out of its duties in investment of the Permanent School Fund; prescribing the duties of the securities consulting officer and his assistants; amending Articles 2669 and 2672, Revised Civil Statutes, 1925; making appropriation for the carrying out of the provisions of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.
MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

The Speaker laid before the House, and had read, the following messages from the Governor:

Executive Office, Austin, Texas, February 21, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

Pursuant to resolution passed by the Texas Relief Commission, I wired Hon. Harry L. Hopkins, Federal Emergency Relief Administrator, as follows:

"Austin, Texas, February 14, 1934.

"Hon. Harry L. Hopkins, Federal Emergency Relief Administrator, Washington, D. C.

"The Texas Relief Commission, by authority of law in charge of the relief work, has requested me to make application for Federal emergency relief allotment in the sum of one million seven hundred thousand dollars for the purpose of carrying on the relief in Texas under present emergency. Stop. And said sum to be advanced in the sum of four hundred fifty thousand dollars with which it is necessary to complete our relief program to March first, Nineteen Hundred Thirty-four, and the remaining sum of one million two hundred fifty thousand to be advanced on March first to aid in carrying on the relief program during the month of March. Stop. We have two million seven hundred fifty thousand dollars relief bonds issued, but yet uncalled. Stop. Our Legislature is yet in Session and is considering the authorizing of additional bonds. Stop. The House has voted authority to issue four million dollars additional relief bonds, but the Act does not carry the emergency vote. Stop. While it is uncertain as to the amount that our Legislature will finally authorize, yet we hope that some substantial sum will be provided for. Stop. Our present cash balance will carry us only through February, twenty-second, therefore, it will be deeply appreciated if you will allot us four hundred fifty thousand now to carry us to March first, and in the meantime we will use every effort to sell our remaining bonds of two million seven hundred fifty thousand and what other additional bonds may be authorized by the Legislature. Stop. Our Commis-

sion is deeply grateful for your many favors and benefactions."

In reply to my telegram of the fourteenth, I received the following telegram:

"1934 Feb. 20, Washington, D. C.

"Governor Miriam A. Ferguson, Austin, Texas.

"We are not prepared to furnish additional Federal funds until State of Texas has available, in hands of Relief Commission, funds to match our grant."

"Harry L. Hopkins, Administrator."

In view of the fact that the Texas Bond Commission received no bids on yesterday for the two million seven hundred fifty thousand dollar relief bonds, Series No. 1, and the further fact that the Texas Relief Commission has been officially directed by the Federal Emergency Relief Administrator that on next Friday, February 29, there should be dropped from the C. W. A. pay-rolls of Texas forty thousand employees, I deem it my duty again to call your attention to the seriousness and gravity of the situation which now confronts the people of Texas. I am transmitting this information to you for your consideration in passing upon the matter of issuing additional relief bonds for the relief of the unemployed and indigent persons of our State.

Respectfully,

MIRIAM A. FERGUSON, Governor.

Executive Office, Austin, Texas, February 21, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Senator Greer, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 9, Acts of the First Called Session of the Forty-second Legislature, by adding thereto a new section, 9.9, authorizing the governing bodies of cities, towns, and villages to reduce the required collateral of city depositary banks in a sum equal to the amount of such deposits as may be guaranteed or insured by any Act of the Congress of the United States, or by the Legislature of Texas; and declaring an emergency."
At the request of Representatives Dwyer and Jefferson, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize each county, and the commissioners court thereof, of the State of Texas, which has a population of more than 250,000, as shown by the last official Federal Census, to acquire, by purchase, lands for use as county public parks, and authorizing the commissioners court of each such county to issue and deliver bonds and/or time warrants in payment for such lands of not exceeding an aggregate principal amount of $25,000 without submitting the same to the voters or to any election; etc., and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representative Cowley and others, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act further defining the offense of bribery; making any person employed in any Department of State Government guilty of bribery, who contributes to the head of the department in which he is employed, any money or property to further the campaign of such department head for nomination or election to any State office; etc., and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.
MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The Speaker laid before the House, and had read, the following message from the Governor:

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 21, 1934.
To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Senator Russek, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Article 315, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1925, as amended, limiting the indebtedness of State banking corporations, so as to permit same to borrow in excess of this amount from the United States of America and from any corporation wholly owned by the United States of America, validating all such obligations heretofore incurred, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,

MIKIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.
MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

Mr. John H. Davis, secretary to the Governor, appeared at the Bar of the House, and being duly announced, presented the following messages from the Governor, which were read to the House, as follows:

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 22, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Representative Laird, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act to validate the organization and creation of all county line consolidated independent school districts, county line rural high school districts, and/or consolidated common school districts, whether created by the vote of the people or by the county boards of trustees, or commissioners courts, or by judgments of district courts, where such county line consolidated independent school districts, county line rural high school districts and consolidated common school districts are formed by the consolidation of districts or parts of districts lying in three adjoining counties; etc., and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 22, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in Second Called Session:

At the request of Representative Leonard, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act providing that cities with a population of more than nine thousand (9,000) and less than nine thousand one hundred (9,100) inhabitants, according to the last preceding Federal Census may mortgage and encumber their abattoirs and the income thereof, or either of them, for the purpose of acquiring or improving the same; etc., providing a saving clause, and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representative Leonard, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act to safeguard the public in the purchase of high-grade plant and nursery stock, true to name; and further defining the duties of the State Seed and Plant Board; establishing a system of registration and certification for agricultural plants and nursery stock; etc., and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representatives Engelhard and Tarwater, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act deeming 'warehousemen' and 'warehouse' names and words associated therewith; and providing for licensing and bonding of same, and the manner of securing license and bond, and exempting certain warehouses; etc., and declaring an emergency."

By request, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Articles 1847 and 1848, Chapter 5, Title 39, of the Revised Statutes of 1925, as amended by Chapter 64, page 38, of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Forty-second Legislature; etc., and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor.
MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The Chair laid before the House, and had read, the following message from the Governor:

Executive Office
Austin, Texas, February 23, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in
Second Called Session:

At the request of Representative Leonard, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 220, Acts of the Forty-third Legislature, Regular Session, 1933, page 734; etc., and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representative Stovall and others, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act fixing the compensation of the county commissioners in every county having a population of not less than fifty-three thousand five hundred ($3,500) nor more than fifty-four thousand ($4,000) inhabitants, according to the last preceding United States Census, and prescribing how same shall be paid; etc., and declaring an emergency."

At the request of Representative Holekamp, I am submitting herewith, for your consideration, a bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1134, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1925, by providing that no new election shall be had within two years of the date of an election whereby a town or village is incorporated under the General Laws of the State of Texas, and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully,
MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.
MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The Chair laid before the House, and had read, the following message from the Governor:

Executive Office,
Austin, Texas, February 23, 1934.

To the Forty-third Legislature in
Second Called Session:

At the request of Representatives
Camp and James, I am submitting herewith for your consideration a
bill to be entitled "An Act amending
Article 2676, of the Revised Civil
Statutes of Texas, 1925, as amended
by Chapter 54, Acts, Third Called
Session, Forty-second Legislature,
and declaring an emergency."

Respectfully submitted,

MIRIAM A. FERGUSON,
Governor of Texas.