three assemblymen and three citizen members, the last appointed by the governor; and

WHEREAS, Some doubt exists as to the right of this committee to continue to function, due to the fact that the appropriation for a Wisconsin exhibit at the Chicago Centennial of Progress failed of passage in the regular session, on account of the *sine die* adjournment of the legislature while this measure was still pending; and

WHEREAS, There is general agreement that Wisconsin should have a creditable exhibit at the Chicago Centennial of Progress and this cannot be assured unless preparations are made for this exhibit prior to the 1933 session of the legislature; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the Wisconsin Centennial of Progress committee created by Chapter 8, Laws of 1931, is hereby continued with the same membership as it has had throughout. Be it further

*Resolved*, That said committee may call upon any state department, board, commission or institution to assist in the preparation of any exhibit, and said department, board, commission or institution is hereby authorized to cooperate with the Wisconsin-Chicago Centennial of Progress committee and may expend from its appropriation such funds as are deemed necessary in connection with any such exhibit.

[Jt. Res. No. 55, A.]

[Deposited Feb. 3, 1932.]

## No. 43, 1931.

## JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to the United States Forest Products Laboratory conducted in conjunction with the University of Wisconsin.

WHEREAS, It is reported that the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives has decided to recommend a reduction in the appropriation for the operation of the United States Forest Products Laboratory of more than twenty thousand dollars for the next fiscal year; and

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WHEREAS, This proposed reduction comes at the very time when the federal government has erected a large second building for the Forest Products Laboratory at a cost of nine hundred thousand dollars, which building was erected because it was deemed desirable to expand the work of this Laboratory; and

WHEREAS, The experimental work done at the United States Forest Products Laboratory has resulted in valuable discoveries regarding new uses for and better utilization of forest products worth many millions of dollars to the people of this country; and

WHEREAS, Wisconsin is peculiarly interested in the United States Forest Products Laboratory not only because it is located within the state, but because so many of its manufacturing industries are dependent upon forest products, and nearly one-third of the land area of the state is better suited for forestry than any other use; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the legislature of Wisconsin hereby respectfully memorializes the Congress of the United States to at least not reduce the appropriation for the operation of the United States Forest Products Laboratory. Be it further

*Resolved*, That properly attested copies of this resolution be sent to both houses of the Congress of the United States and to each Wisconsin member thereof.

[Jt. Res. No. 61, A.]

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## No. 44, 1931.

## JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to a preferential excise tax on tobacco products manufactured from tobacco purchased from a cooperative marketing association.

WHEREAS, The Secretary of the Treasury has recommended a material increase in the excise taxes on manufactured tobacco products and hearings on these recommendations are now being conducted by the Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives; and