Therefore, Resolved by the senate, the assembly concurring, That the foregoing proposed amendment to the constitution of the state of Wisconsin be and the same is agreed to by this legislature.

# [No. 106, A.]

#### JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 26.

To provide for an investigation by the state board of control of the quarries and rock bearing lands of the state.

Resolved, by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the state board of control is hereby authorized and directed to make an investigation of the quarries and rock bearing lands of the state and to inquire into the advisability of establishing one or more prisons and employing convicts, confined in the state penal institutions, in quarrying and crushing rock and to obtain such other information as the said board may be able to secure, relative to such work and to report on such investigation together with recommendations to the state legislature on or before the third Wednesday of January, 1909.

[No. 103, A.]

#### JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 27.

Authorizing the state board of control to investigate into the increase of mental defectives.

WHEREAS, heredity plays a most important part in the transmission of idiocy, imbecility and epilepsy, and

WHEREAS, such conditions have been forcibly brought to the attention of this legislature, therefore be it

Resolved, by the assembly, the senate concurring, That the state board of control make or cause to be made an investiga-

tion of existing conditions and the causes for the great increase in mental defectives with instructions that said board report back to the next legislature the result of its investigations, together with their recommendations for checking the evils aforesaid.

## [No. 28, S.]

### JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 28.

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this legislature of the state of Wisconsin that the public welfare demands that United States senators should be elected by direct vote of the people, and

Whereas, The house of representatives of the congress of the United States has on four separate occasions passed by a two-thirds vote a resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution providing for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people, and

WHEREAS, The United States senate has refused to consider or vote upon said resolution, thereby denying to the people of the several states a chance to secure this imperatively needed change in the method of electing senators, and

Whereas, Such opportunity to amend the constitution of the United States may be obtained by united action of the legislatures of the several states under and pursuant to the provisions of article V of the constitution of the United States, calling for a convention to propose such amendment; now, therefore.

Be it resolved by the senate and assembly of the state of Wisconsin, That, under the authority of article V of the constitution of the United States, application is hereby made to congress to forthwith call a constitutional convention for the purpose of submitting to the states for ratification, an amendment to the Federal constitution providing for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people; and further

Be it resolved, That the legislatures of all other states of the United States now in session or when next convened, be and they are respectfully requested to join in this application by the adoption of this or an equivalent resolution, and be it further