

[No. 79, A.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 34.

Memorializing congress in regard to passports issued by the United States government.

WHEREAS, The government of Russia refuses, at the present time, to recognize passports issued by the United States government to certain citizens thereof, particularly those of Jewish birth, and

WHEREAS, It is the solemn duty of the government of this nation to protect all of its citizens, regardless of birth or creed, while sojourning in foreign countries, and within their legal rights; and

WHEREAS, Many of the aforesaid American citizens are made the victims of the most barbarous and inhuman treatment at the hands of the Russian government, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That we respectfully memorialize congress to take such steps as they see fit to compel the Russian government to recognize the passports issued by the government of this nation to its citizens, and to protect their rights as citizens in all cases; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing be immediately transmitted, by the secretary of state, to the president of the United States, the president of the senate of the United States, the speaker of the house of representatives, and to each of the senators and representatives from this state.

[No. 123, A.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 35.

Relating to the sending into any state of money or campaign literature in violation of the corrupt practice law of that state.

WHEREAS, The state of Wisconsin, as well as many other states, has acted in conformity with the progressive thought of the time in passing laws designed to limit corruption at elections, indiscriminate campaign expenditures and the power of money in politics.

WHEREAS, All national political parties have pledged the enactment of legislation which will place a strict control on election expenses with a view of purifying both national and state elections.

WHEREAS, The states are without power to prevent or control the sending in of money or literature from without the state to control or influence state elections, and for this reason must rely upon the co-operation of congress in its efforts to preserve the

purity of elections, and to limit the indiscriminate use of money in politics; therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That our representatives in congress are hereby requested to use their best efforts to secure such congressional legislation, as will effectively preclude the sending into any state of money or campaign literature, in violation of the spirit of the corrupt practice law of that state. That, in order to determine the sources of all campaign literature sent into any state through the mails or by interstate commerce, the persons sending such literature shall be required to submit to the postal authorities a copy of each political paper, circular or pamphlet sent into such state, together with a statement of the amount of such literature sent, and the names and addresses of the persons paying for the same; and that our representatives in congress be further requested to make every effort to secure as complete co-operation as possible between the national and state government, that the purity of both national and state elections may be assured.

[No. 4, A.]

JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 36.

Pertaining to the capitol.

WHEREAS, The beautiful new capitol, now under construction, is a matter of considerable importance and interest to the people of the state, and

WHEREAS, It is proper that they should be informed as to the cost of construction of the same, and the time within which it may be completed, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly, the Senate concurring, That the secretary of state furnish to each member of the legislature a printed or typewritten statement of the amount of money thus far paid out of the state treasury in the construction of the capitol, and also a statement of the amount of money thus far expended in furnishing the capitol; and, be it further

Resolved, That the capitol commission furnish in a similar manner to each member of the legislature a statement as to the amount of expenditures which will be necessitated by existing contracts in the construction of the capitol, and the probable cost of the entire capitol when completed.