

[Jt. Res. No. 75, S.]

No. 57, 1925.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Referring to the next legislature a proposed amendment to the constitution.

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WHEREAS, A majority of the members elected to each of the two houses of the legislature have agreed to the following proposed amendment to sections 2 and 3 of article VII of the constitution: (Article VII) Section 2. The judicial power of this state, *subject to the limitations and conditions imposed by this constitution*, both as to matters of law and equity, shall be vested in a supreme court, circuit courts, courts of probate, and in justices of the peace. The legislature may also vest such jurisdiction as shall be deemed necessary in municipal courts, and shall have power to establish inferior courts in the several counties, with limited civil and criminal jurisdiction. Provided, that the jurisdiction which may be vested in municipal courts shall not exceed in their respective municipalities that of circuit courts in their respective circuits as prescribed in this constitution; and that the legislature shall provide as well for the election of judges of the municipal courts as of the judges of inferior courts, by the qualified electors of the respective jurisdictions. The term of office of the judges of the said municipal and inferior courts shall not be longer than that of the judges of the circuit courts.

Section 3. The supreme court, except in cases otherwise provided in this constitution, shall have appellate jurisdiction only, which shall be co-extensive with the state; but in no case removed to the supreme court shall a trial by jury be allowed. The supreme court shall have a general superintending control over all inferior courts; it shall have power to issue writs of habeas corpus, mandamus, injunction, quo warranto, certiorari, and other original and remedial writs, and to hear and determine the same. *The supreme court alone shall have jurisdiction to pass upon the question of the constitutionality of the acts of the legislature, and no act of the legislature shall be void as unconstitutional unless so declared by a decision of the supreme court concurred in by a number of judges which shall be not less than two-thirds of the*

*entire number of judges participating in such decision. If a determination of the question of the constitutionality of any act of the legislature is necessary to the decision of any matter pending in an inferior court, such inferior court may certify such question to the supreme court which shall then determine the same. Be it*

*Resolved by the Senate, the Assembly concurring, That this proposed amendment be referred to the legislature to be chosen at the next general election, and that the same be published for three months previous to the time of holding such election.*

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[Jt. Res. No. 78, S.]

No. 59, 1925.

JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to the death of Wisconsin's "War Governor" Emanuel L. Philipp.

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WHEREAS, Former Governor Emanuel L. Philipp died this afternoon at Milwaukee.

Wisconsin's "War Governor" was a native son of Wisconsin and throughout practically all of his life lived in this state. Born on a small farm in Sauk county on March 25, 1861, he had none of the boasted advantages of inherited wealth, but by hard work and force of character rose, step by step, to a position of leadership both in the business world and in public affairs.

Educated in the rural school and in the Sauk City high school, he at seventeen became a country school teacher. At twenty, he studied telegraphy and then entered railroad work as a telegraph operator. In this work he was promoted first to train dispatcher, then to contracting freight agent, and finally to the position of general agent of the Gould lines. Then for some years he was the manager of a large lumber company in Mississippi and founded the town of Philipp in that state. In 1897 he became president of the Union Refrigerator Transit Company, then of St. Louis and in 1903 purchased the property of this company and removed its main plant to Milwaukee. Since then Governor Philipp has been one of the foremost leaders of industry in Milwaukee and in