

12 VACANCIES ARE CREATED BY CONE'S REQUEST

Has Not Yet Appointed Park Commission Successors

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A Jaxon, Mrs. W. S. Jennings, is one of the members of the Everglades National Park commission whose resignation has been accepted by Governor Cone.

All except one of the 13-member commission have tendered resignations to the governor, who accepted them on July 16, according to Mrs. Jennings.

As official representative in charge of legislation for the commission, Mrs. Jennings handled the bill to appropriate \$87,760 to carry on the work of the organization for the next two years.

She said that Gov. Cone had refused to sign the bill until members of the park commission resigned, because he declared he wouldn't approve the appropriating of that much money unless he could have control of the spending.

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Resignations followed from the following members in addition to Mrs. Jennings:

Thomas J. Pancoast of Miami, chairman; Ernest F. Coe, of Miami, executive chairman; D. Graham Copeland, Everglades; A. L. Cuesta, Jr., Tampa; J. W. Hoffman, St. Augustine; Mrs. T. V. Moore, Miami; William H. Porter, Key West; John O. Shares, Sebring; Norberg Thompson, Key West; Michael Sholtz, Palm Beach; and Benjamin Axleroad, executive secretary.

One resignation, that of Frank F. Dominick of Miami, has not been received.

According to word from the governor's office, no successors have been appointed to fill the vacancies.

All commission members had been appointed by former Governor Dave Sholtz, and served without compensation, except Mr. Coe, who received \$4,000 yearly, and Mr. Axleroad, who received \$2,500 annually.

Mrs. Jennings said that the federal government is ready to accept control of the proposed Everglades National Park as soon as the territory is properly set up and ready for turnover.