

## HOURS REGISTRATION BOOKS MAY BE KEPT OPEN.

Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1916.

Dear Sir:

Yours of the the 29 ultimo has been received and noted.

The statute mentioned makes it the duty of the Supervisor of Registration to keep the registration books of the county open at his office during certain hours in the day. This, in my judgment, does not forbid his keeping them open at other hours during this time, the purpose of the statute being to prescribe the duty of the officer and to require him to keep the books open during the hours mentioned in order that electors may have an opportunity to have their names entered upon the books. He cannot be compelled to keep the books open at other hours, but he is not forbidden to do so, and the Supervisor of Registration of your county would, in my judgment, have been fully warranted in entering the names of those who appeared at his office during the day on last Saturday, the 29 ultimo, although they appeared after the hour of five in the afternoon.

This, I think, is the law, and I hope you will be able to work out the matter in some satisfactory way.

The Attorney General is not authorized to officially advise in a case of this kind and, therefore, what is said in this letter cannot be regarded as an official expression from this office.

Yours very truly,

T. F. WEST,

Attorney General.