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On motion of Mr. Van Zandt, it was ordered that a copy of the above resolution, signed by the President and Secretary of the Convention, be transmitted to the family of Gen. Andrew Jackson, deceased.

On motion of Mr. Hemphill, the Convention adjourned until to-morrow morning, 10 o'clock.

Saturday, 5th July, 1845.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Rev. Chauncey Richardson:

Mr. Caldwell offered the following Ordinance :

### AN ORDINANCE

*Relative to the introduction of the United States' Troops into Texas.*

Whereas, the Government of the United States having passed resolutions, by which Texas may be annexed and incorporated into the American Union; and

Whereas, the Delegates of the people, in Convention assembled, having acceded to the proposals submitted by the President of the United States, to the Government of Texas—and by said Government submitted to the people thereof, and to this Convention; and

Whereas, there are many tribes of Indians, belonging to the United States of America, located within, and adjacent to, the territory of Texas; therefore, for the security and tranquility of our frontier,

*Be it ordained by the Delegates of the people in Convention assembled,* That the President of the U. States be, and he is, hereby, requested, to occupy, without delay, the frontier of this Republic, with such troops as may be necessary for its defence; and the President of Texas is requested to make known the same to the Government of the United States, through their representative near this Republic;

Read first time.

On motion, rule suspended—read second time; and,

On motion of Mr. Gage, referred to a special committee, composed of Messrs. Gage, Mayfield, Caldwell, Cazneau, Lewis, Hemphill, Young, Hunter, Anderson and Cunningham,

On motion of Mr. Jewett, the Convention proceeded to its further organization.

Mr. Hemphill nominated for Assistant Secretary, Thomas Green. Mr. Anderson nominated A. W. Lockett. Mr. Wright nominated Jas. S. Gillett. The Convention then proceeded to ballot; and Mr. Green, having received a majority of all the votes given, upon the first balloting, was declared duly elected 1st Assistant Secretary of the Convention.

The Convention proceeded to the election of 2d Assistant Secretary. Mr. Bache nominated P. M. Humphreys. Mr. Henderson nominated J. M. Swisher. Mr. Swisher having received a majority of all the votes given, upon the first balloting, was declared duly elected 2d Assistant Secretary.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of Sergeant-at-Arms. Mr. Lumpkin nominated Mr. McKnight. Mr. Runnels nominated J. M. Floyd. Mr. Brashear nominated D. D. Culp. Mr. Jewett nominated James Neely. Mr. Smyth nominated J. C. Alexander. Mr. Lipscomb nominated S. W. Pipkin. Mr. Neely having received a majority of all the votes given, upon the fifth balloting, was declared duly elected Sergeant at-Arms for the Convention.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of a Door-keeper. Mr. Brown nominated James A. Young; Mr. Wood, Wm. Cockburn; and Mr. Kinney, F. Hughes. Mr. Cockburn having received a majority of all the votes given, upon the first balloting, was declared duly elected Door-keeper for the Convention.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of a Chaplain. Mr. Gage nominated Mr. Haynie. Mr. Parker nominated Mr. Morrill. Mr. Haynie having received 33 votes, was declared duly elected Chaplain for the Convention.

Mr. Jewett offered the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the President appoint the following standing committees:

1. Committee on the State of the Nation.
2. " " Executive Department.
3. " " Legislative " "
4. " " The Judiciary.
5. " " The General Provisions of the Constitution.
6. " " Privileges and Elections.
7. " " Printing.

Mr. Brown offered the following amendment, by way of substitute:

*Resolved*, That a committee of fifteen be appointed to enquire and report what method will be most expedient, in bringing before this Convention, the business on which it has convened.

Mr. Cazneau moved to refer the resolution and amendment to the Committee on Rules; which motion was lost.

The question was then taken on the adoption of the amendment of Mr. Brown, and lost.

The vote was then taken on the resolution of Mr. Jewett, and carried.

Mr. Burroughs moved that the Committee on Privileges and Elections consist of thirteen members. *Lost*.

Mr. Kianey moved that the President have discretionary power, to appoint whatever number he may please.

Mr. Van Zandt moved that fifteen members be appointed on said committee. Lost.

On motion of Mr. Lipscomb, nine members were appointed on said committee; whereupon, the President announced the following standing committee on Privileges and Elections:

Messrs. Miller, Evans, Forbes, Cunningham, Darnell, Lumpkin, Wright, McNeill and Armstrong of J.

Mr. Burroughs presented the petition of Mr. Jefferson Oliver, praying to be admitted as a member of this body, from the county of Sabine; which was referred to the committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. Young presented the memorial of Wm. B. Ochitree, contesting the seat of Chas. S. Taylor, as one of the delegates from the county of Nacogdoches; which, on motion of Mr. Parker, was referred to the committee on Privileges and Elections.

On motion of Mr. Mayfield, the election returns of the county of Nacogdoches were also referred to the same committee:

Mr. Bache presented the memorial of the citizens of Galveston county, in behalf of Memucan Hunt, praying that he might be admitted as a member of this body; which was referred to the committee on Privileges and Elections.

On motion of Mr. Cazneau, the resolution of Mr. Jewett, forming standing committees, was taken up.

Mr. Cazneau moved that the committee on the State of the Nation consist of fifteen members. Carried.

On motion of Mr. Cazneau, the committee on the Executive Department was filled with nine members; Legislative Department with thirteen members; and Judiciary with fifteen members.

On motion of Mr. Moore, the committee on General Provisions of the Constitution was filled with fifteen members.

Mr. Cazneau moved that the committee on Printing consist of five members. Carried.

On motion of Mr. Lipscomb, the Convention adjourned until Monday morning, 8 o'clock.

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Monday morning, July 7th, 1845.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

The President announced the following standing committees:

*State of the Nation* — Messrs. Caldwell, Smyth, Armstrong of R,