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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.

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,

Bache, Brashear, Gage, Hicks, Howard, Holland, Kinney, Lipscomb, Lumpkin, Latimer of L., Moore and Jewett.

Executive—Messrs. Davis, Burroughs, Hunter, Irion, Lewis, McGowan, Navarro, Parker and Power.

Legislative—Messrs. Ruessels, Caldwell, Cazneau, Cunningham, Coney, Daffnell, Everts, Forbes, Hogg, Latimer of R. R., Lusk, White and Wright.

Judiciary—Messrs. Hemphill, Lipscomb, Evans, Baylor, Anderson, Brown, Henderson, Mayfield, Horton, Van Zandt, Scott, Armstrong of J., Young, Hogg and Love.

General Provisions of the Constitution—Messrs. Van Zandt, Baylor, Clark, Holland, Lewis, Love, Mayfield, Moore, Miller, McNeill, Rains, Smyth, Sundefer, Taylor and Wood.

Printing—Messrs. Parker, Power, Lumpkin, Jewett and Irion.

Mr. Van Zandt presented the memorial of John G. Chambers of Bowie county, praying to be admitted as a member of this body. Referred to the committee on Privileges and Elections.

Mr. Navarro reported that he had selected, as Interpreter, Mr. Geo. Fisher, of Houston. Report adopted.

A communication, dated Austin, July 6th, 1845, was received from Maj. A. J. Donelson, Chargé d'Affaires of the United States, acknowledging the receipt of a copy of the Ordinance of this body, assenting to the annexation of Texas to the United States; which was read, and ordered to be spread upon the journals.

The Chairman of the committee on Privileges and Elections, made the following report:

Committee Room, July 7, 1845.

To the Hon. THOS. J. RUSK,

President of the Convention:

Your committee, to whom was referred the memorial of the citizens of Galveston, asking that Memucan Hunt be admitted to a seat in this Convention, as a third delegate from Galveston county; and of Jefferson W. Oliver, of the county of Sabine, praying that he be admitted to a seat in this Convention, as an additional delegate from the said county of Sabine, have had the same under consideration, and ask leave to make the following report:

After due consideration of the reasons urged by the memorialists, and a careful examination of the evidences upon which they, respectively, found their claims to additional representation, your committee are fully persuaded that, in making up their decision, they cannot go beyond the proclamation of the President, apportioning the number of delegates; for, however informal and without authority the action of the President may have been, its ratification by the legislative department of the government, and general acceptance by the people, have clothed the same with all the force and effect of a law of the land.

Your committee are, therefore, of opinion, that neither the county of Galveston or Sabine, is entitled to a further representation in this Convention; and that the prayer of the memorialists should not be granted.

J. B. MILLER, Chairman.

Report ordered to lay on the table until to-morrow.

Mr. Gage, Chairman of the select committee to whom was referred the Ordinance relative to the introduction of U. S. troops into Texas, reported a substitute.

RESOLUTION

Relative to the introduction of the United States' forces into Texas.

Be it resolved by the Deputies of the People in Convention assembled, That the President of the United States of America is, hereby, authorized and requested, to occupy and establish posts, without delay, upon the frontier and exposed positions of this Republic; and to introduce for such purpose, and the defence of the territory and people of Texas, such forces as may be necessary and advisable for the same; and the President of the Convention, is requested to make known the same to the Government of the United States, through the accredited Minister of that Government, near this Republic.

The ayes and noes were taken upon its adoption.

Ayes—Messrs. President, Anderson, Armstrong of J., Armstrong of R., Baylor, Bache, Brashear, Brown, Burroughs, Caldwell, Canzau, Clark, Cunningham, Coney, Darnell, Davis, Everts, Forbes, Gage, Hemphill, Henderson, Hicks, Horton, Hogg, Holland, Hunter, Irion, Jewett, Kinney, Latimer of L., Latimer of R. R., Lewis, Love, Lumpkin, Lipscomb, Mayfield, McGowan, M'Neill, Miller, Mobre, Navarro, Parker, Power, Rains, Runnels, Scott, Smyth, Standefer, Taylor, Van Zandt, White, Wood, Wright and Young—54.

No—Mr. Evans—1

A copy of said resolution was ordered to be transmitted to the President of Texas.

Mr. Everts presented the memorial of Horace Bunham, from the Trinity colony, praying to be admitted as a member of this body. Referred to committee on Privileges and Elections.

The Convention adjourned until to-morrow morning.

Tuesday morning, July 8th, 1845.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Jewett, from the select committee for that purpose, reported rules for conducting business before the Convention.