

Thursday morning, July 10th, 1845.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

The President announced the following committee on Education:—  
Messrs. Clarke, Moore, Henderson, Howard, Tarrant, Baylor and Love.

The Committee on Privileges and Elections reported the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That John G. Chambers is not entitled to a seat in this House, from the county of Bowie.

Laid on the table.

Mr. Mayfield introduced the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That a select committee be appointed by the President of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to enquire into the expediency of ceding and granting to the United States of America, the authority forthwith to occupy and enjoy for the use of the United States forces, all public edifices, fortifications, barracks, ports and harbors, navy and navy yards, docks and magazines, and all other property and means pertaining to the public defence, belonging to said Republic, exclusive of all arms, armaments, ammunition and munitions of war, which shall be reserved by said Republic until the act of annexation is consummated. And further, to enquire into the expediency of vesting the Legislature of the State with the power of ceding and granting to the government of the United States ——— acres of land upon the western, south western and northern frontiers and boundaries of the Republic, for the purpose of erecting and establishing ports, harbors, forts, barracks and fortifications upon the Rio Grande, and on the line of frontier from said boundary, through or above the Cross Timbers to the Red River; and also the propriety of vesting the Legislature with the power of ceding and granting to the government of the United States, the public domain of Texas, upon the condition of the assumption of the public debt, and making ample provision for common school and educational purposes, and that the United States pay the expenses incidental to annexation; and of vesting the Legislature with power to ascertain the amount and character of the public debt.

Laid on the table one day for consideration.

Mr. Parker presented his credentials as a Delegate from Houston county. Referred to the committee on Privileges and Elections.

The question was taken upon the resolution of the committee on Privileges and Elections, relative to the contested election between the Hon. Wm. B. Ochiltree and the Hon. Chas. S. Taylor, of Nacogdoches, and resulted as follows:

Ayes—Messrs. President, Anderson, Armstrong of J., Bache, Bra-shear, Burroughs, Cunningham, Cuney, Davis, Evans, Everts, Forbes,

Hemphill, Henderson, Hogg, Howard, Hunter, Irion, Jewett, Latimer of R. R., Lewis, Love, Lipscomb, McGowan, M'Neill, Miller, Moore, Parker, Rains, Runnels, Smyth, Standefer, Tarrant, White, Wright and Young—36.

*Notes*—Messrs. Armstrong of R., Baylor, Brown, Caldwell, Cazneau, Clark, Darnell, Gage, Hicks, Horton, Holland, Kinney, Latimer of L., Lumpkin, Mayfield, Navarro, Power, Scott, Van Zandt and Wood—20.

Mr. Ochiltree was then invited to take his seat in the place of Mr. Taylor.

Mr. Henderson, after a few appropriate remarks, offered the following resolution:

Whereas, the members of this Convention have learned with emotions of the most profound sorrow, of the death of their distinguished fellow citizen, the Hon. KENNETH L. ANDERSON, Vice President of the Republic of Texas; be it, therefore,

*Resolved*, That the members of this convention will wear the usual badge of mourning for the space of thirty days, as a testimonial of their profound respect for the deceased.

*Resolved*, that the Secretary furnish the family of the deceased with a copy of these resolutions, signed by the President and Secretary of the Convention.

As a further testimonial of respect for the memory of the deceased, on motion of Mr. Lipscomb,

The Convention adjourned until to-morrow morning, half past 8 o'clock.

Friday morning, July 11, 1845.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Van Zandt, from the committee on Bill of Rights and General Provisions, made the following report:

Committee Room, Austin, }  
July 11th, 1845. }

To the Hon. THOMAS J. RUSK,  
*President of the Convention:*

The committee, to whom were referred the Bill of Rights and General Provisions of the Constitution, have had the former under consideration; and have given it that investigation and deliberation which its importance seems to demand; and with the design to secure the

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