Mr. Dean offered the following amendment:

Amend by adding at close of line 25, section 1, the words, “Said special county judge shall receive the same fees as provided by law for county judges.”

Adopted.

The bill was ordered engrossed.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading, House bill No. 13, a bill to be entitled “An act to validate certain illegal sales of public school, university and asylum lands sold under section 22, chapter 99, of the Acts of 1887, and the amendments thereto, sold as isolated and detached lands, which were not in fact isolated and detached.”

The bill was read second time, pending consideration of which, on motion of Mr. Curry, further consideration was postponed till Thursday, 11 a.m., February 4.

On motion of Mr. Lotto, the House adjourned until 10 o’clock a.m. tomorrow.

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ELEVENTH DAY.

Hall House of Representatives, Austin, Texas, Tuesday, January 26, 1897.

The House met at 10 o’clock a.m. pursuant to adjournment.

Speaker Dashiell in the chair.

Roll called and the following members present.

Ayers. Dennis. Dickson.

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O’Connor. Wall. Oliver. Wallace.

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Granting leave of absence.


A quorum was announced present.

A prayer by Dr. J. A. Jackson, chaplain.

Pending reading of the Journal of yesterday, on motion of Mr. Bounds, further reading was dispensed with.

GRANTED LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

On account of sickness in family: Mr. Garrison, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Fields.

On account of sickness: Mr. Skillern, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Cureton.

Mr. Manson, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Randolph.

Mr. Porter, for yesterday, on motion of Mr. Humphrey.

On account of important business: Mr. Evans of Hunt, and Mr. Williams, for to-day, on motion of Mr. Robbins.

Mr. Bailey, until next Friday, on motion of Mr. O’Connor.
CORRECTIONS.

The Journal of Friday, 22d instant, and yesterday, should show that Mr. Edwards was present at the morning roll call.

In the Journal of the 22d, caption and synopsis House bill No. 186, by Mr. Boyd, should read as follows:

House bill No. 186, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend title 62, chapter 2, article 3145, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, relating to jury commissioners."

(Amends by changing the number of such commissioners from three for the county to one for each justice precinct.)

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Mr. Ewing:
A petition of 91 citizens of Anderson county, praying for the establishment of an asylum for helpless and mentally deranged children and minors.

Referred to the Committee on Asylums.

By Mr. Morris:
A memorial from M. S. Cooper of Montgomery county, asking for an amendment to article 3929 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State, relating to compensation of county judges.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Tracy:
House bill No. 223, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend title 8 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, in regard to assignment for creditors by adding thereto articles 86a, 86b and 86c."

(Article 86a provides that any debt, or executing any assignment or trust deed, in which any creditor is preferred, he shall attach to said trust deed his affidavit in writing stating that said preferred debt is a just and honest claim, giving the amount, date and origin of said claim. Article 86b provides that a preferred creditor shall file with said assignee or trustee his oath in writing stating that said claim is honest and just, giving date and origin of same. Article 86c provides the mode of procedure in such suits.)

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Mr. Moore of Lamar:
House bill No. 224, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 388, title 11, chapter 4, of the Penal Code of the State of Texas, relating to gaming, and to repeal all laws in conflict here-with."

(The bill repeals the clause making a private residence a common resort, and permits gaming at a private residence.)

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Mr. Ewing:
House bill No. 225, a bill to be entitled "An act to establish and maintain a Bureau of Labor and for the appointment of a Commissioner of Labor for the State of Texas, and making appropriation therefor."

(Provides that the Commissioner of such bureau shall be appointed by the Governor, and requires a bond of $20,000.)

Read first time and referred to Committee on Labor.

By Mr. Curry:
House bill No. 226, a bill to be entitled "An act to appropriate and set apart the unappropriated public domain and other lands of the State reserved by the present laws, and lands recovered from railroads illegally held by them."

(Provides that the Commissioner of the General Land Office shall designate and set apart such public domain and lands for the benefit and use of the common schools of the State and the State University and its branches as an addition to their permanent funds.)

Read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs.

By Mr. Alexander:
House bill No. 227, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend articles 1113 and 1114 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas, relating to special venires."

(Changes the fees of jurors on special venires.)

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Mr. Callan:
House bill No. 228, a bill to be entitled "An act to prevent the introduction of scab disease among sheep in the State of Texas, and to prevent the spread of and secure the eradication of same, and providing a manner of examining such animals, together with the manner of taxing and collecting cost therefor, and making it a misdemeanor to violate the provisions of this act and prescribing penalties for such violations."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Stock and Stockraising.
By Mr. Peery:
House bill No. 229, a bill to be entitled "An act to prevent the putting out of poison and to provide a penalty therefor."

(Fixes the penalty for such offenses at a fine not less than $10 nor more than $100.)

Read first time and referred to Comity Committee No. 2.

By Mr. Flint:
House bill No. 230, a bill to be entitled "An act for the better security for payment of certain labor by giving to said labor a prior lien on the products of said labor, the said lien to have the preference and be held superior to any and all claims or other liens upon or over the products of said labor, and to regulate the payment of said labor, providing that nothing shall be a legal tender in payment for such labor but current money of the United States, or its equivalent in cash value, and that certain days shall be designated as legal pay days on which all claims as designated in this bill shall become due and payable."

Read first time and referred to Comity Committee No. 2.

By Mr. Kimbell:
House bill No. 231, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 86, title 8, chapter 1, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, in relation to assignments."

(Provides that whenever any assignee shall have funds sufficient to pay 10 per cent of the debts due by the assignor, he shall make a pro rata distribution of the same among said creditors, providing that if, after one year after the date of his qualification, the assignee has not in his hands funds sufficient to pay 10 per cent, then such assignee shall pay pro rata among creditors such amount as he may have in hand.)

Read first time and referred to Comity Committee No. 1.

By Mr. Burney:
House bill No. 232, a bill to be entitled "An act to facilitate the collection of wages, salaries and earnings due for labor performed."

Read first time and referred to Comity Committee No. 1.

By Mr. Ayers:
House bill No. 233, a bill to be entitled "An act to perpetuate evidence of the heirs at law of persons dying intestate as to real estate."

Read first time and referred to Comity Committee No. 1.

By Mr. Fields:
House joint resolution No. 14, to amend sec. 5, art. 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, so as to repeal the provision which authorizes the Legislature to add to the available school fund not exceeding 1 per cent annually of the total value of the permanent school fund."

Read first time and referred to Comity Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Tucker:
House joint resolution No. 15, to amend section 9, article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to taxation."

(Provides that the State tax on property, exclusive of the tax necessary to pay the public debt and of the taxes provided for the benefit of public free schools, shall never exceed 35 cents on the $100 valuation, and no county, city or town shall levy more than 25 cents for city and county purposes, and not to exceed 15 cents for roads and bridges.)

Read first time and referred to Comity Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Curry:
Resolved, By the House of Representatives, That the Commissioner of the Land Office be requested to furnish to the Speaker a detailed statement of the county where located, number of acres held by each purchaser, price paid and by whom, and the classification to which such lands belonged, and such other information in his possession to show how and to what extent the interest of the State is involved in the same, to be printed in the record for the information of the members who now have under consideration bill No. 13, validating illegal sales of public lands.

Read second time and adopted.

BILL WITHDRAWN.

Mr. Tracy asked leave to withdraw House bill No. 204, and the request was granted.

Mr. Feld, for the Committee on Public Health and Vital Statistics, moved that one more member be added to said committee, and the motion prevailed without objection.

In accordance therewith, the Speaker announced the following appointment:

Additional member of the Committee on Public Health and Vital Statistics: J. D. Pitts.
COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Mr. Ward, chairman, submitted the following reports:

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.
Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House.
Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred
House bill No. 199, a bill to be entitled "An act to expedite suits in the courts of this State in all cases where

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House bill No. 189, a bill to be entitled "An act to expedite suits in the courts of this State in all cases where

Majority Report.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.
Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House.
Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred
House bill No. 193, a bill to be entitled "An act to prohibit the quashing of writs of attachment, sequestration, or other extraordinary writs, and to provide for amendment of such writs or bonds or the affidavits upon which such writs are based, and to provide for a mode of procedure as to, and disposition of such writs."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

WARD, Chairman.

Minority Report.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.
Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House.
We, a minority of your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred
House bill No. 196, a bill to be entitled "An act to prohibit the quashing of writs of attachment, sequestration or other extraordinary writs and to provide for the amendment of such writs or bonds or the affidavit upon which such writs are based and to provide for a mode of procedure as to and disposition of such writs."

Do not concur with the majority report, and beg leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

FISHER, TRACY, SEABURY.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.
Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House.
Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred
House bill No. 197, a bill to be entitled "An act relating to the taking of the deposition of the Commissioner of the General Land Office."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

WARD, Chairman.

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WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.
Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House.
Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred
House bill No. 182, a bill to be entitled "An act giving a lien on property to persons paying taxes thereon at the written request of the owner, and providing for foreclosure of the same."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WARD, Chairman.

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WARD, Chairman.
the public interest is concerned in the forfeiture of any charter right or franchise of any corporation, or the right to any public office, State, county, district or municipal, or where the public revenue is involved in suits where the State, county or any municipality of the State claims taxes or money or property."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.
Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House.

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred
House bill No. 180, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 5043 of the Revised Statutes of 1895, so as to exempt Maverick county from the provisions of title CII, chapter 6, relating to the inspection of hides and animals."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.
Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House.

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred
House bill No. 172, a bill to be entitled "An act to prevent litigants from pleading the statutes of limitations in the county and district courts in cases appealed from justices' courts, when the same was not pleaded in the justices' courts."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.
Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House.

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred
House bill No. 100, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend articles 4900 and 4901, title 101, chapter 1, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to sheriffs and constables."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, and that the accompanying committee substitute bill be adopted in lieu thereof.

WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.
Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House.

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred
House bill No. 106, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 3231, title 62, chapter 12, Revised Statutes, as to rendering of verdicts in district, county and justice's courts."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.
Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred
House bill No. 99, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 4915, title 101, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to the duties of constables."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass, and that the accompanying committee substitute bill be adopted in lieu thereof.

WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.
Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred
House bill No. 73, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 2944 of the Revised Civil Code of this State."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WARD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.
Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House:

Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred
House bill No. 06, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 2974, chapter 3, title 55, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas."

Have had the same under consider-
tion, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WARD, Chairman.

By Mr. Bumpass, Chairman:

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.

Hon. L. T. Dashiel, Speaker of the House:

Your Committee on Agricultural Affairs, to whom was referred
House bill No. 183, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 4759 of chapter 5, title 97 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to the improvement of public roads."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

BUMPASS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.

Hon. L. T. Dashiel, Speaker of the House:

Your Committee on Agricultural Affairs, to whom was referred
House bill No. 184, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 4759 of the Revised Civil Statutes by adding article 4759a, relating to public roads."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

BUMPASS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.

Hon. L. T. Dashiel, Speaker of the House:

Your Committee on Agricultural Affairs, to whom was referred
House bill No. 113, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 4997, title 102, chapter 6, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, relating to the mode for preventing certain animals from running at large in counties and subdivisions."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

BUMPASS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.

Hon. L. T. Dashiel, Speaker of the House:

Your Committee on Agricultural Affairs, to whom was referred
House concurrent resolution No. 7, a resolution empowering the Governor to call a cotton growers' convention, and inviting delegates from all cotton growing States."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass.

BUMPASS, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.

Hon. L. T. Dashiel, Speaker of the House:

Your Committee on Agricultural Affairs, to whom was referred
House bill No. 144, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend section 1 of chapter 69 of the general laws passed by the Sixteenth Legislature of Texas, approved March 26, A. D. 1879, entitled "An act to amend sections 6 and 9 of an act to define a lawful fence."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

BUMPASS, Chairman.

By Mr. Kirk, Chairman:

MAJORITY REPORT.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.

Hon. L. T. Dashiel, Speaker of the House:

Your Committee on Stock and Stock-raising, to whom was referred
House bill No. 174, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 4960, chapter 4, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas, relating to estrays."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do not pass.

KIRK, Chairman.

MINORITY REPORT.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.

Hon. L. T. Dashiel, Speaker of the House:

We, a minority of your Committee on Stock and Stock-raising, to whom was referred
House bill No. 174, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 4960, chapter 4, Civil Code Revised Statutes of Texas;"

Have had the same under consideration, and we, the undersigned minority, beg leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, for the following reasons, to wit: There is now no rem-
ed under the law for the protection of the farmers in sections of the State not under the stock law from the deprivations of bad, broachy stray stock, except at the great expense of keeping up of said stock for six or twelve months, and this has a tendency to induce farmers to take the law into their own hands and commit violations of our penal statutes.

HUMPHREY.

Committee Room.
Austin, Texas, Jan. 25, 1897.

Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House.

Your Committee on Stock and Stockraising, to whom was referred, House bill No. 12, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 1814, chapter 5, title 66, of the Revised Statutes of Texas relating to liens."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that it do pass, with the following amendment: Provided further, that the production and turning over to the lien holder such progeny shall relieve the mother from said lien.

KIRK, Chairman.

By Mr. Dies, chairman:

Committee Room.
Austin, Texas, Jan. 26, 1897.

Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House.

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared House bill No. 109, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 1814, article 1815 and article 1816, of title XXXVII, of the Revised Statutes of 1895 of the State of Texas, relating to the time and manner of making returns to the Secretary of State of election for electors for President and Vice-President, and of estimating the same, and of the meeting of the electors."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

DIES, Chairman.

Committee Room.
Austin, Texas, Jan. 26, 1897.

Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House.

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared House bill No. 104, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend chapter 5043k of the Revised Statutes of 1895, relating to the Live Stock Sanitary Commission and the movement of live stock thereunder."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

DIES, Chairman.

By Mr. Burney, chairman:

Committee Room.
Austin, Texas, Jan. 27, 1897.

Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House.

Your committee, to whom was referred the matter of memorial resolutions to the memory of the late Hon. T. L. Edwards of Delta county, beg leave to present the following resolutions, with the recommendation that they do pass:

Whereas, Since the meeting of the Twenty-fourth Legislature, Hon. T. L. Edwards of Delta county, a member of said body, has been called to another and higher sphere of action, being separated from his friends by death; and

Whereas, We desire to pay a tribute to the moral worth of our deceased fellow citizen, and set forth the high esteem in which he was held by his fellow-members; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of Hon. T. L. Edwards the State has lost a true and upright citizen, and his community an honest man.

Resolved further, That we tender our sympathy to his family, and in token thereof the Chief Clerk forward to them a copy of these resolutions, and that a page of the House Journal be inscribed to his memory.

BURNEY, MERCER, CARPENTER, LILLARD, STOKES,
Committee.

The report was adopted, and the resolution as reported was adopted unanimously.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber.
Austin, Texas, Jan. 26, 1897.

Hon. L. T. Dashiell, Speaker of the House.

Sir: I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has concurred in the House amendment to Senate bill No. 12, "An act making an appropriation to defray the contingent expenses of the Twenty-fifth Legislature."

And that the Senate has passed Senate bill No. 42, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend chapter 3, title
Consecrated to the Memory

of

T. L. Edwards,

Of Delta County,

Who Served the State with fidelity and distinction

as a Member

of the

House of Representatives

of the

Twenty-fourth Legislature of Texas.
40, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, by adding thereto article 2293a, relating to the deposition of parties."

WILL LAMBERT, Secretary.

SENATE BILL ON FIRST READING

Senate bill No. 42, reported above, was read first time, and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

BILL SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof, and its caption had been read, the following bill:

Senate bill No. 12, "An act making an appropriation to defray the contingent expenses of the Twenty-fifth Legislature."

SPEAKER'S TABLE.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage, House bill No. 3, a bill to be entitled "An act to make an appropriation to pay mileage and per diem of presidential electors of Texas."

The bill was read third time, and was passed by the following vote:

Yeas - 111.


The Speaker laid before the House, on its third reading and final passage, House bill No. 109, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 1814, article 1815 and article 1816, of title XXXVII, of the Revised Civil Statutes of 1895 of the State of Texas, relating to the time and manner of making returns to the Secretary of State of elections for President and Vice-President, and of estimating the same, and of the meeting of the electors."

The bill was read third time, and was passed. Mr. Ward called up the motion to reconsider the vote by which House bill No. 11 was passed, and which motion to reconsider was spread upon the Journal last Friday.

On the motion to reconsider, yeas and nays were demanded by Mr. Curry, Mr. Wood and Mr. Carpenter. The motion to reconsider prevailed by the following vote:


Mr. Brewster (present), who would have voted "nay," with Mr. Bailey (absent-excused), who would have voted "yea."

Mr. McKellar (present), who would have voted "yea," with Mr. Benson (absent), who would have voted "nay."

Mr. Dorroh (present), who would have voted "nay," with Mr. Evans of Hunt (absent-excused), who would have voted "yea."

The motion to reconsider having prevailed, the bill was again laid before the House on its final passage.

Mr. Ward offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend by striking out all after the word Sunday, in line 14, and insert the following: "Or any person who shall hereafter hunt game of any kind whatsoever on Sunday within one-half mile of any church, schoolhouse or private residence, or any person or persons who shall hereafter play baseball, football or any game of like kind on Sunday within one-half mile of any church or other place of public worship, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction shall be fined in any sum not less than $30 nor more than $200."

Mr. Love offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend the amendment by striking out the words "one-half mile" and inserting the word "one mile."

Tabled on motion of Mr. Ward.

On final passage of the bill, yeas and nays were demanded by Mr. Martin, Mr. Wolters and Mr. O'Connor.

The bill was lost by the following vote:

Yeas-55.

Alexander. Love.
Barbee. Martin.
Bennett. Maxwell.
Blackburn. Meade.
Bounds. Melton.
Boyd. Moore of Lamar.
Bumpass. Morton.
Burney. Mundine.
Burns. Oliver.
Carpenter. Patterson.
Carswell. Peery.
Curry. Porter.
Doyle. Reubell.
Flint. Rhea.
Henderson. Rodgers.
Hensley. Rogers.
Hill of Gonzales. Sampson.
Humphrey. Thomas.
Hill of Travis. Stamper.
Holland of Blakeley. Thompson.
Holland of Harris. Thraxton.
Jones. Thompson.
Kirk. Turner.
Logan. Vaught, Guadalupe.
Lotto. Ward.
Mcfarland. Wilcox.
McGaughey. Wolters.
Nays-44.

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Barbee. Moore of Lamar.
Bennett. Morton.
Bounds. Mundine.
Boyd. Oliver.
Bumpass. Patterson.
Burns. Peery.
Carpenter. Porter.
Carswell. Reubell.
Curry. Rhea.
Doyle. Robbins.
Flint. Rogan.
Henderson. Staupser.
Hensley. Stokes.
Hill of Gonzales. Strother.
Humphrey. Thomas.
Kimbell. Tracy.
Lillard. Tucker.
Love. Vaught of Collin.
Martin. Wall.
Maxwell. Wallace.
Meade. Wood.
Bird. Welch.

Excused.

Conoly. Rudd.
Garrison. Skillern.
Manson. Williams.
Reiger.

PAIRED.

Mr. Brewster (present), who would have voted "nay," with Mr. Bailey (absent-excused), who would have voted "yea."

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Hill of Gonzales. Strother.
Humphrey. Thomas.
the Democratic platform upon which the great majority of the members of this House, including myself, were elected. Believing in the underlying principles of Democracy which have for its keystone the great principle that in a free government every citizen should be permitted to think and to act as he pleased so long as he does not infringe upon the rights of any other citizen, I vote no.

WOLTERS.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading, substitute House bill No. 17, a bill to be entitled “An act to amend title XCVI, chapter 3, of the Revised Civil Statutes (1885) of the State of Texas, by adding thereto, after article 4640, an article to be known as article 4640n, prohibiting the admission to record of instruments in any other than the English language, except instruments executed prior to the taking effect of this act, which may be recorded if accompanied by sworn translations thereof.”

The bill was read second time, and the substitute was adopted.

The bill was ordered engrossed.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading, House bill No. 25, a bill to be entitled “An act to create a judicial district in Harris county additional to the Eleventh Judicial District existing therein, to be the Fifty-fifth Judicial District; to establish a court and clerk of such new district, and to regulate the venue of crimes and civil actions therein; to be the Fifty-fifth Judicial District existing herein, to be the Fifty-fifth Judicial District; to establish a court and clerk of such new district, and to regulate the venue of the courts of said respective districts and the disposition of business therein, and define the jurisdictional boundaries and terms thereof.”

The bill was read second time.

Mr. Freeman moved to postpone further consideration of the bill until next Tuesday, February 2, at 10 o’clock a.m., and the motion was lost.

After further consideration,

On motion of Mr. Holland of Harris, further consideration of the bill was postponed until next Saturday, January 30, at 10 o’clock a.m.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading, with majority adverse and minority favorable reports thereon.

House bill No. 38, a bill to be entitled “An act to amend article 887 of title 10, of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the State of Texas, prescribing the form of recognizance in appeals in misdemeanors, and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith.”

The bill was read second time, to-
gether with the majority and minority reports on the bill, and

Mr. Ward moved to substitute the minority report for the majority report.

The motion prevailed and the minority report was adopted.

The bill was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Meade, the regular order was suspended to take up and place on its second reading,

House bill No. 110, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend articles 2526, 2531 and 2532, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, and to repeal article 2527 of said title, relating to forcible entry and detainer."

The bill was laid before the House, read second time, and was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Rogan, the regular order was suspended to take up and place on its second reading,

House bill No. 57, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 4069 of chapter 4, title 87, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to county surveyors, requiring them to give bond," etc.

The bill was laid before the House, read second time, and was ordered engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Dean, the regular order was suspended to take up and place on its second reading,

House bill No. 77, a bill to be entitled "An act to amend article 2306 of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1865, by adding thereto the proviso that the proceeds of the voluntary sale of the homestead of a family shall not be subject to garnishment within six months after such sale."

The bill was laid before the House, read second time, and Mr. Martin offered the following amendment:

Mr. Good offered the following amendment:

Amend by inserting, in line 24, after the word "garnishment," the words "or forced sale."

Pending consideration, the motion of Mr. Henderson, the House adjourned until 10 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.