ADJOURNMENT

Honorable William A. Cline, Jr., moved that the House of Representatives adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a.m. tomorrow, in memory of Honorable John Charles Heitman, of Nacogdoches County.

The benediction was offered by the Reverend E. C. McDonald, Chaplain, as follows:

"O God, as we go our several ways, may we ask God to accompany us, that with Him we may feel secure in our service to the people in our great State, and happiness in the feeling, that we have done our best for our Country and our God. For this we pray, in the Name of our Lord and Christ.—Amen."

The motion to adjourn prevailed unanimously.

The House accordingly, at 10:35 o'clock a.m. adjourned, in memory of Honorable John Charles Heitman, until 10:00 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

FORTY-FOURTH DAY (Tuesday, March 26, 1957)

The House met at 10:00 o'clock a.m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

The roll of the House was called, and the following Members were present:

A quorum of the House was announced present.

The Invocation was offered by the Reverend E. C. McDonald, Chaplain, as follows:

"Our Heavenly Father, as we come back to this Legislative Hall, after performing the sad duty of laying to rest in the earth one of our beloved members, may we remember the words of our Lord, when He said, 'From dust thou art and to dust shalt thou return'. Again He said 'O death, where is thy sting? O grave where is thy victory.' The sting of death is sin, but thanks be unto God who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. God help us to so serve our God and country until He calls, we may hear Him say, 'Well done, good and faithful servant, enter into the joy of the Lord'. In His name we pray.—Amen.'"

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED

The following Member was granted leave of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Ramsey for today on motion of Mr. Huffman.

The following Members were granted leaves of absence on account of illness:

Mr. Welch for today on motion of Mr. Cox.

Mr. Koliba for today on account of death in family on motion of Miss Duff.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING

The following House Bills were today laid before the House, read sever-
be lawful to take a portion of the wildlife resources of said counties; defining depletion and waste; providing for the issuance of the doe deer permits and providing for the maintenance of a deer herd and breeding stock; providing for the adoption of proclamations, orders, rules and regulations of the Game and Fish Commission; providing for the effective period of regulations; providing for the publication of the regulations; providing that the authority of the Commission is not limited; providing venue for suits to test the validity of this Act and of the rules and regulations of the Commission; providing a penalty for the violation of any of the provisions of this Act; as well as any order, rule or regulation of the Commission; providing for the forfeiture of license; defining wildlife resources; repealing certain laws; providing for the effective date of this Act; providing a saving clause; and declaring an emergency.

Referred to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By Messrs. Lee, Anderson and Black:

H. B. No. 868, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 6 of Chapter 42, Acts of the 41st Legislature, Second Called Session, as last amended by Chapter 162, Acts of the 49th Legislature, Regular Session, by the addition thereto of a new Section 6a, to increase the maximum load limit on certain type commercial motor vehicles from forty-eight thousand (48,000) pounds to fifty-eight thousand (58,000) pounds where such vehicles are used for a specialized purpose and within a specified area, repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to the Committee on Motor Traffic.

INTRODUCTION OF HOUSE BILL NO. 867

Mr. Holman asked unanimous consent of the House to introduce at this time and have placed on first reading, H. B. No. 867.

There was no objection offered and it was so ordered.

INTRODUCTION OF HOUSE BILL NO. 868

Mr. Schwartz of Galveston asked unanimous consent of the House to introduce at this time and have placed on first reading, H. B. No. 868.

There was no objection offered and it was so ordered.

NOTICE GIVEN

Mr. Schram gave the following Notice:

UNIVERSAL FISH BILL
HOUSE BILL NO. 87

I give notice that sometime this week beginning tomorrow, I will move to take from the table, subject to call, House Bill No. 87.

RECOGNIZING THE VISIT OF THE STUDENTS OF BRAZOSPORT SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL, FREEPORT, TEXAS

Mr. Bass offered the following resolution:

H. B. No. 289

Whereas, The students of Brazosport Senior High School, Freeport, Texas, accompanied by their sponsor, Mr. E. L. Blair, were visiting in the State Capitol on the twenty-fifth day of March, 1957; and

Whereas, These fine young American citizens were on an educational tour to observe and learn the workings of their State government; and

Whereas, It is the desire of the House of Representatives of the Fifty-fifth Legislature to commend this group for their interest; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That they be officially recognized and that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the group.

The resolution was adopted.

INVITING MISS EARLENE WHITT OF AUSTIN, MISS PEGGY SEAT OF FLORENVILLE AND MISS ELIZABETH ANN HOUCH OF ROCK SPRINGS TO VISIT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Kothmann offered the following resolution:

H. R. No. 285

Whereas, Miss Earlene Whitt of Austin and Miss Peggy Seat of Floresville, reigning and alternate Queens of Wool, respectively, and Miss Eliza-
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beth Ann Hough of Rock Springs, reigning Queen of Mohair, are to be
in Austin and the Capitol on March 26, 1957; and

Whereas, Those charming young
ladies ably represent the vast wool and
mohair interests of Texas, and it is
the desire of the House of Representa-
tives to recognize their presence and
extend them a cordial invitation to
visit the House of Representatives on
such date; Now, Therefore, Be It
Resolved, By the House of Repre-
sentatives of the State of Texas, That
Misses Whitt, Seay and Hough
be and they are hereby invited to visit the
House of Representatives on March
26th, 1957, and be officially recognized
as the Queens of Wool and Mohair,
which are of such great importance
to the economy of our State.

COMMENDING MRS. LEELAND R.
CROFT OF ODESSA

Mr. Lee offered the following reso-
lution:

H. S. R. No. 286

Whereas, Mrs. Leland R. Croft,
distinguished citizen and former
First Lady of Odessa, has been pre-
sented the Hogg Foundation Award
for the Texas person doing the most
outstanding volunteer work during
the year of Nineteen Hundred, Fifty-
six, A. D., in mental health; and

Whereas, We properly have deep
devotion for "Grandmother" and all
she stands for in our lives; and

Whereas, The people of Texas wish
to pay tribute to these loved ones
present and departed, in a manner
commensurate with our affection
and love for them; now, therefore,
be it

Resolved, That the House of Repre-
sentatives, the Senate concurring,
That the second Sunday in each
October be hereby set aside as
Grandmothers' Day in honor of all
Grandmothers of this great State
of Texas.

The resolution was adopted.

RECOGNIZING THE VISIT OF
THE SEVENTH AND EIGHTH
GRADES OF THE GOODWIN
JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL OF
PADUCAH, TEXAS

Mr. Brstow offered the following
resolution:

H. S. R. No. 288

Whereas, We are honored today to
have as our guests in the House of Repre-
sentatives a group of fine
young boys and girls from the
Seventh and Eighth Grades of Good-
win Junior High School of Paducah, Texas; and

Whereas, These interested and ambitious students were accompanied by the lovely Mrs. William S. Heady, wife of the Honorable Representative from District Eighty-two who so ably serves Cotulla, Foard, Hardeman and Wilbarger Counties, and Mrs. C. A. Killingsworth, mother of Herky Killingsworth; and

Whereas, Joyce Wilson, Paty Thomas, Janice Bearden, Janice Block, Gene Heady, Bill Heady, James Hanks, and Herky Killingsworth are each to be praised and commended for their keen interest in their government; and, be it further.

Resolved, That an enrolled copy of this Resolution bearing the official Seal of the House be forwarded to them in recognition of their visit and interest in their government; and their desire to learn the workings of the government and to be better citizens of their beloved State because of their knowledge; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That an enrolled copy be mailed to Mr. Alton Cottle, Foard, Wilbarger Counties, and Mr. Ray Felty, Principal of the Goodwin Junior High School.

The resolution was read and was adopted.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 8 ON PASSAGE TO ENGROSSMENT

The Speaker laid before the House, as postponed business, its passage to engrossment.

H. J. R. No. 8, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to Section 5 of Article V of the Constitution of Texas to provide that the Court of Criminal Appeals may sit at the seat of government at any time during the year for the transaction of business, and that its terms shall begin and end with each calendar year."

The resolution having been read second time on February 26, considered by the House on March 5 and March 13, and further consideration of same postponed until today.

Mr. Schwartz of Galveston moved that further consideration of H. J. R. No. 5 be postponed until one week from today at 10:30 o'clock a.m.

There was no objection offered and it was so ordered.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6 ON PASSAGE TO ENGROSSMENT

The Speaker laid before the House, as postponed business, its passage to engrossment.

H. J. R. No. 5, A joint resolution "Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of Texas by amending Section 18 of Article V, changing the provisions relative to division of counties into commissioners precincts, and by adding a new section to Article V, to be numbered Section 18a, providing for an election to redivide division of a county into commissioners precincts on the basis of population, providing for a board to make such a division in the event the commissioners court fails to do so, and making other provisions relative thereto."

The resolution having been read second time on March 19, and further consideration of same postponed until today.

Mr. Anderson moved that further consideration of H. J. R. No. 8 be postponed until one week from today, April 2, at 11:00 o'clock a.m.

There was no objection offered and it was so ordered.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Austin, Texas, March 26, 1967

Hon. Waggoner Carr, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following:

S. C. R. No. 53, Commemorating the 121st anniversary of the Battle of Goliad.

Respectfully,

CHARLES SCHNABEL,
Secretary of the Senate.
MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Austin, Texas, March 26, 1957
Hon. Waggoner Carr, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following on the local, uncontested calendar:

H. B. No. 189, Relating to the criminal jurisdiction of the Seventy-sixth Judicial District Court in Morris County; and declaring an emergency.

H. B. No. 150, Authorizing a water control and improvement district to have a wider and more descriptive choice of names to designate it; and declaring an emergency.

H. C. R. No. 32, Granting the B. & A. Pipe Line Company permission to sue the State.

S. B. No. 182, Fixing the terms of office of certain school trustees of independent school districts; and declaring an emergency.

Respectfully,
CHARLES SCHNABEL,
Secretary of the Senate.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER

The Speaker signed in the presence of the House after giving due notice thereof and their captions had been read severally the following enrolled bills and resolutions:

H. C. R. No. 59, Congratulating Knights of Columbus.

S. C. R. No. 52, Recalling S. B. No. 237 from the House for completion.

S. B. No. 255, "An Act amending Chapter 467, House Bill No. 77, Acts, Second Called Session, Forty-fourth Legislature, as such has been hereafter amended, being the Texas Liquor Control Act, and being the Act carried in Vernon's Penal Code as Articles 666 and 667, so as to clarify such Act and further regulate and control alcoholic beverages by providing for the right to a manufacturer's License, or a renewal of a Manufacturer's License, of any person holding such license in an area wherein, subsequent to issuance of such license, the sale of beer has been prohibited by local option election; defining the rights of and limitations on a holder of such a license under such conditions; providing a saving clause; repealing laws in conflict herewith; and declaring an emergency."

H. B. No. 149, "An Act amending Chapter 362, General Laws, Regular Session, Fifty-third Legislature, 1953 (codified as Articles 7519a and 7519b, Vernon's Civil Statutes of Texas), so as to declare as presumably abandoned all certified filings herefore filed with and permits herefore issued by the Board of Water Engineers and permits hereafter issued by the Board of Water Engineers or its successor, which certified filings and permits authorize the appropriation of public waters, when no part of the waters authorized to be appropriated has ever been put to beneficial use at any time during a ten-year period preceding the effective date of this Act or the date of cancellation proceedings authorized hereby; providing for cancellation by the Board of certain unused portions of permits and certified filings under certain conditions and in the manner herein specified; requiring public hearings before cancellation; providing for notice before hearing and the manner thereof; affording an opportunity to present evidence at such public hearing; allowing a holder to retain an appropriation to the extent that he has conservation storage; exempting those certified filings held by cities to the extent that such filing allows diversion for municipal purposes; declaring that failure to initiate proceedings to cancel shall not validate or enhance a certified filing or permit and requiring a five-year lapse of time between cancellation proceedings against a particular permit or certified filing; defining certain terms; providing for appeals from orders of cancellation and partial cancellation; repealing all conflicting laws and providing a saving clause; and declaring an emergency."

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Austin, Texas, March 26, 1957
Hon. Waggoner Carr, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Sen-
The Speaker laid before the House, as postponed business on its passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 3. A bill to be entitled "An Act establishing standards of conduct for officers and employees of state agencies, legislators and legislative employees in the area of possible conflict between their private interests and official duties and declaring an emergency."

The bill having been read second time on March 19, and further consideration of same postponed at that time until March 21.

(Pending consideration of H. B. No. 3, Mr. Wilson of Potter occupied the Chair temporarily.)

(Speaker in the Chair.)

(Mr. Ferrell in the Chair.)

Mr. Crosthwait offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend H. B. 3 by adding a new sub-section to Section 3 thereof to be known as sub-section (L) to read as follows:

(L) Nothing contained in this act shall be construed as making it unlawful for any officer or employee of any State agency, legislator, or legislative employee from accepting any gift or entertainment, on any one occasion, by any person or group of persons, to any person mentioned herein when such gift or entertainment involves a cost of less than fifty dollars ($50.00). (Speaker in the Chair.)

The amendment was lost.

Mr. Holman offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend H. B. 3 by inserting the following as Sec. 6 and designating the present Sec. 6 as Sec. 6.

Sec. 6. Oath. No later than December 30, 1958, and at the times hereinafter prescribed, each officer or employee of a state agency, legislator and legislative employee shall sign an affidavit which shall set forth in writing an oath to be administered verbally by a notary public, on a form enumerating the provisions of this Act, which form shall be prescribed by the Attorney General of the State of Texas, stating that the affiant has read and understands the provisions of this Act and has complied with and has not knowingly violated said provisions since the effective date of this Act, or since taking the oath of office, or becoming an officer or employee of a state agency, or a legislative employee, whichever period of time is applicable. The times for signing and filing this oath shall be as follows:

(a) Each legislator and legislative employee shall sign this oath on the day of adjournment of each regular session of the legislature, each specially-called session of the legislature and each legislator shall sign again on the date of expiration of his term in office; the oath shall be filed within seven days thereafter with the Secretary of State.

(b) Each officer or employee of a state agency shall sign this oath no later than December 31 each year; the oath shall be filed within seven days thereafter with the Secretary of State. Any person who knowingly and wilfully fails, refuses, or neglects to sign this affidavit shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed $1,000.00 or by imprisonment in jail for a period not to exceed one hundred and twenty (120) days. Any person who signs this oath knowing the statement to be false shall be sub-
ject to prosecution under the laws of perjury and false swearing, as applicable.

INTRODUCTION OF MISS EARLENE WHITT, MISS PEGGY SEAY AND MISS ELIZABETH ANN HOUGH

In accordance with the provisions of H. S. R. No. 285, inviting Miss Earlene Whitt of Austin, Miss Peggy Seay of Floresville and Miss Elizabeth Ann Hough of Roby Springs to visit the House of Representatives, Misses Whitt, Seay and Hough were escorted to the Speaker's rostrum by Messrs. Stroman, Bishop, Burkett, and Rothmann.

The Speaker introduced and recognized Miss Earlene Whitt and Miss Peggy Seay as reigning and alternate Queens of Wool, respectively, and Miss Elizabeth Ann Hough as reigning Queen of Mohair.

Misses Whitt, Hough and Seay then addressed the House.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Austin, Texas, March 26, 1957

Hon. Waggoner Carr, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following on the local, uncontested calendar:

S. C. R. 29, Granting permission to Jack E. Pratt to sue the State.

S. C. R. 49, Granting permission to the Lopeno Gas Company to sue the State.

Respectfully,

CHARLES SCHNABEL,
Secretary of the Senate.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Pool moved that the House recess until 2:30 o'clock p. m. today.

Mr. Sadler moved that the House adjourn until 10:00 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

A record vote was requested on the motion to adjourn.

The Reverend E. C. McDonald, Chaplain, offered the benediction, as follows:

"The Lord bless thee, and keep thee; the Lord make His face to shine upon thee and be gracious unto thee; the Lord lift up His countenance upon thee and give thee peace. In His name—Amen."

The motion to adjourn prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—75
Anderson
Atwall
Ballman
Bartram
Bell
Diane
Blanchard
Bowers
Brashar
Bristow
Byrd
Chapman
Cloud
Cowen
Cox
Crowe
de la Garza
Dowey
Duff, Miss
Dugas
Elliott
Fenoglio
Ferrell
Ford
Forsyth
Glass
Hale
Harrington
Healty
Hedin
Hooks
Hosey
Huffman
Huffor
Hutcheson
Jackson
Jones
Kennedy
Klipatrick
McCoppin
Yeas—75
McGregor
of McLennan
Martin
Mays
Moore of Harris
Moore of Tarrant
Murray
Parsons
Patterson
Phipps
Presler
Puckett
Richardson
Roberts
Sadler
Sandahl
Saul
Schwartz
Schwartz of Galveston
Schwartz
of Washington
Shackelford
Shannon of Erath
Shannon of Tarrant
Smith of Hays
Smith of Jefferson
Sprague
Stewart
Strody
Strickland
Stroman
Talley
Tunnel
Walling
Wheeler
Wheeler
Wilson of Potter
Wohlford
Yesak

Nays—64
Armour
Baker
Bass
Boyse
Bryce
Bullock
Burkett
Cline
Cole
Conley

Nays—64
Cory
Cothen
Day
Dungan
Dunlap
Ernie
Ella
Foreman
Glutting
Green
Hensley
The House accordingly, at 12:10 o'clock p.m., adjourned until 10:00 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

The following Committees have filed favorable reports on bills as follows:

Insurance: H. B. No. 286.

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1957
Hon. Waggoner Carr, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 59, Congratulating Knights of Columbus on their 75th anniversary of granting of the charter of the Knights of Columbus.

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

AMOS A. MARTIN, Vice-Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 25, 1957
Hon. Waggoner Carr, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills to whom was referred

H. C. R. No. 67, Requesting the return of House Bill No. 79.

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

AMOS A. MARTIN, Vice-Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 26, 1957
Hon. Waggoner Carr, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills to whom was referred

H. B. No. 145, An Act cancelling certain unused water filings, etc., was enrolled March 6, 1957, and recalled from the Governor’s office by authority of H. C. R. No. 61 and re-enrolled March 19, 1957.

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly enrolled.

SCHRAM, Acting Chairman.

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENROLLED BILLS

Austin, Texas, March 30, 1957
Hon. Waggoner Carr, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills to whom was referred

H. B. No. 205, A bill to be entitled “An Act validating the organizational proceedings of cities, towns and villages, including their incorporation, adoption of charters and charter amendment or amendments (of home rule cities), consolidations and boundaries; validating election changing corporate name; validating governmental proceedings, offices and officers of any city, town or village; providing the Act shall not validate the organi-
March 26, 1957

Hon. Waggoner Carr, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills to whom was referred

H. B. No. 396, A bill to be entitled "An Act amending Chapter 370, Acts Fifty-third Legislature, Regular Session, 1953, relating to Orange County Navigation and Port District of Orange County, Texas; providing that this Act shall not affect rights herebefore vested in or acquired by said District under said Chapter 370 prior to its amendment; validating said District and declaring it to be a validly existing and operating conservation and reclamation district under Section 59, Article 16, Constitution of Texas, and validating (with certain exceptions) elections held in the District and acts and governmental proceedings of the Board of Commissioners of the District; finding that all property in District and in State of Texas is benefited by District and will be benefited by the improvement and facilities to be acquired or constructed under this Act; enacting provisions relating to the subject and purpose of this Act; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

HERMAN YEZAK, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 20, 1957

Hon. Waggoner Carr, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills to whom was referred

H. B. No. 494, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a conservation and reclamation district under Article XVI, Section 59, of the Constitution comprising the territory contained within the Cities of Seymour, Knox City, Mundy, Goree, Haskell, Rule and Rochester, to be known as the "North Central Texas Municipal Water Authority," for the purpose of providing a source of water supply for municipal, domestic, industrial and mining uses and processing and transporting the same; providing for a Board of Directors to govern said Authority; providing for the annexation of additional territory thereto; authorizing the Authority to do all things to make available for the above-named uses water from surface sources and water it may obtain by purchase, lease, and operation contracts with persons, firms, corporations and public agencies or the United States Government or any of its agencies; empowering the Authority to acquire land and construct, lease or otherwise acquire all facilities necessary or useful in diverting, impounding, storing, processing or transporting water for the above-named purposes; authorizing the Authority to lease or acquire rights in and to storage and storage capacity in any reservoir; authorizing the issuance of bonds and making provisions for the payment and security thereof; making applicable to the Authority Title 53, Revised Civil Statutes, as amended, relating to eminent domain, and declaring the Authority to be a municipal corporation within the meaning of Article 3268 of Title 12, Revised Civil Statutes; providing that the Authority shall bear the expense of relocation, raising, or rerouting of any highway, railroad, or utility lines or pipelines made necessary by its exercise of the power of eminent domain; prescribing other powers and duties of the Authority; providing that the Authority shall not exercise any of the powers or authority conferred in this Act until establishment of such Authority is confirmed at an election held throughout the Authority; enacting other provisions relating to the subject; providing that nothing in this Act shall be interpreted to repeal or amend Article 7471, Revised Civil Statutes of Texas; providing for severability; and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

HERMAN YEZAK, Chairman.

Austin, Texas, March 20, 1957

Hon. Waggoner Carr, Speaker of the House of Representatives.
Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills to whom was referred H. B. No. 503, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the County Court at Law No. 3 of Bexar County; providing the organization thereof and practice therein; providing for the appointment and election of the Judge of said Court; prescribing his qualifications, powers, duties, term of office and compensation; providing for the appointment of an official Court Reporter for said Court; prescribing his qualifications, duties and compensation; providing for the appointment, designation and compensation of other officers of the Court; making other provisions relative to the business and functioning of the County Courts at Law of Bexar County; providing a severability clause; and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

HERMAN YEZAK, Chairman.

Austin, Texas March 20, 1967
Hon. Waggoner Carr, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

H. B. No. 128, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the County Court at Law of Scurry County; defining the jurisdiction of said Court; prescribing the terms of said court; prescribing the qualifications of the Judges; regulating practice therein; providing for a clerk thereof; providing for the transfer of cases; providing for removal of Judge and vacancy in office; providing for the appointment of a Reporter; establishing the effective date of this Act; providing for the salary of the Judge; making provisions pertaining to the jury; and making other provisions relating to said court; and declaring an emergency."

Has carefully compared same and finds it correctly engrossed.

HERMAN YEZAK, Chairman.

SENT TO THE GOVERNOR
March 25, 1967
H. C. R. No. 69.

H. C. R. No. 67.
March 26, 1967
H. B. No. 146.
In Memory of
Elmer E. Stringer

Mr. Shackelford offered the following resolution:

H. S. R. No. 281, In Memory of Elmer E. Stringer.

Whereas, On December 3, 1956, the City of Kirbyville and the State of Texas lost an esteemed citizen in the passing of Elmer E. Stringer; and

Whereas, Mr. Stringer was born December 23, 1886 in Monticello, Kentucky and came to Texas in 1905 to manage numerous commissaries for Kirby Lumber Company and Long Leaf Lumber Company; and

Whereas, He was a founder of funeral homes in the cities of Jasper, Kirbyville and Newton; and

Whereas, He founded the Sabine-Neches Insurance Company and was chairman of the Board of Directors at the time of his death; and

Whereas, He was Vice-president and a director of the Kirbyville State Bank, on the Board of Directors of the Trinity-Neches Council of Boy Scouts of America, had been Mayor of Kirbyville for six years, served on the Kirbyville Independent School Board, served on the Kirbyville City Council, was a member of the Baptist Church, Masonic Lodge and Lions Club; and

Whereas, His passing is mourned not only by his family but by the entire community and state; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Texas, That tribute be paid to a Texan whose life's work benefited not only his native city but his county and state as well, and be it further

Resolved, That the sincere sympathy of the members of the House of Representatives of the State of Texas be extended to his family and that a copy of this Resolution be sent to his wife, Mrs. Dawn May Stringer, and to other members of his family as a token of our respect and sympathy.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.
In Memory of

Honorable John Charles Heitman

Messrs. Heatly and Parsons offered the following resolution:


Whereas, Our Heavenly Father who holds the universe in the
hollow of His hand and yet who treasures as of infinite worth each
of the sons of men, has, in His infinite wisdom, called from his
family circle and from the service of His State our beloved fellow
member, the Honorable John Charles Heitman; and

Whereas, The call came even as he was at work in the Hall of
the House of Representatives attending to the business of his
district and the State; and

Whereas, His passing has greatly shocked the House and has
caused deep sorrow among members of the House, its employees,
members of the press, and his many friends over Texas, and

Whereas, John Charles Heitman was born February 15, 1902,
at Hot Springs, Arkansas, and moved with his family at the age
of two years to Nacogdoches, Texas; and

Whereas, He grew up in that historic East Texas city, graduating
from its public schools and then later continuing his education by at-
tending and graduating from Tyler Commercial College; and

Whereas, In 1937 he married Lucille Srister of Nacogdoches, their
union being blessed in 1949 with the birth of a son, Charles Allen
Heitman; and

Whereas, Throughout his life he was a sincere, active and dedicated
Christian, being a member of the First Baptist Church of Nacog-
doches where he served as a member of the Board of Ushers and
was active in many other phases of his church's life, within the
congregation and in the City of Nacogdoches; and

Whereas, He was a successful businessman and distinguished
citizen of his community, having spent twenty-four years in the
automobile business and was more recently engaged in real estate
development; and

Whereas, He gave of himself to civic improvement through his
long membership in the Lions Club, and active participation in the
programs of the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts, and in a widening circle
to the important work of the Future Farmers of America; and

Whereas, He gave further evidence of his interest in and dedica-
tion to the growth of the City and his area by active support of the
Nacogdoches Fair Association and, because of his leadership, be-
came its president; and

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Whereas, At the time of his death he was serving his second term in the Texas Legislature as Representative from the 6th District, composed of the counties of Nacogdoches, Sabine and San Augustine; and

Whereas, We, the Members of the House of Representatives of the 55th Legislature, have suffered a great loss in the passing of our well loved, highly respected, genial companion who was noted for his kind consideration of others, his willingness to give an assisting hand to his fellow men, and who was universally liked and admired by all who knew him; and

Whereas, In his passing his family has most surely lost a faithful and devoted husband and father; therefore be it

Resolved, By the House of Representatives of the 55th Legislature, that we extend to his widow and son our deepest sympathy, and express to them the firm conviction that through the promises of our Saviour the separation of these loved ones will be only for a time and that they will enjoy a happy reunion in the House of our Lord, hear His voice, and know that in His eternal keeping all is well.

HEATLY, PARSONS.


On the motion of Mr. Moore of Harris the names of all Members of the House were added to the resolution as signers thereof.

The resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

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