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FIRST DAY.

Hall of the House of Representatives,
Austin, Texas,
Wednesday, September 23, 1914.

In obedience to the proclamation by
His Excellency, O. B. Colquitt, Gov-
ernor of Texas, convening the Thirty-
third Legislature to meet in Special Se-
ssion at Austin, the seat of government,
this the twenty-third day of September,
A. D. 1914, the members of the House
of Representatives assembled in Repre-
sentative Hall; and, at 10 o'clock a.m.,
the House was called to order by Hon.
Chester H. Terrell, Speaker.

Speaker Terrell then directed the Clerk
to call the roll.

The roll was called, and the following
members were present:

Mr. Speaker.
Bagby.
Barrett of Jones.
Bell.
Bierschwale.
Blalock.
Boner.
Brown.
Burmester.
Burns.
Butler.
Calhoun.
Calvin.
Chrestman.
Colquitt.
Cooper.
Cope.
Cox of Ellis.
Crisp.
Cunningham.
Dickson.
Diffie.
Dodson.
Dove.
Fountain.
Fuller.
Furrh.
Gates.
Goodner.
Greenwood.
Griggs.
Grindstaff.
Hagins.

Parks.
Penry.
Powell.
Raiden.
Reedy.
Reeves.
Rich.
Rickerson.
Roach.
Robbins.
Roberson.
Ross.
Sackett.
Savage.
Schwegman.
Spann.
Spradley.
Stephens.
Stone.
Tarver.
Taylor.
Thompson.
Tiller.
Tilts.
Tyson.
Vannoy.
Vickers.
Watson of Hays.
Williams.
Woods of Hopkins.

Absent.

Allison.
Barley.
Boehmer.
Collins.
Flourney.
Glasscock.
Hill.
McCorry.
Mangum.
Paddock.
Patton.
Smith.
Ussery.
Wagstaff.

Absent—Excused.

Baker.
Barrett of Titus.
Broughton.
Bruce.
Burges.
Byrne.
Campbell.
Cox of Delta.
Craven.
Davis.
Dunn.
Harris.
Hughes.
Jordan.
Ridgell.

The Speaker announced that there
was a quorum present.

Prayer was then offered by Rev. R. P.
Shuler, pastor of the University Method-
ist Church, of Austin.

GOVERNOR'S PROCLAMATION.

The Speaker then handed to the Clerk
the Proclamation by the Governor, which
was read to the House, as follows:
Austin, Texas, September 22, 1914.

Whereas, Extraordinary conditions make it advisable to convene the Legislature at the seat of government in special session to consider matters for the public good.

Now, Therefore, It being desirable to conserve the financial resources of the State of Texas to meet emergencies; to protect the producer and the business interests of the State generally, to increase the income to the public school fund and to provide additional safe investments for the public school fund of Texas and to utilize the assets of said fund for said public purposes, and by virtue of the authority vested in the Governor by the Constitution of the State of Texas, I hereby call an extra session of the Thirty-third Legislature to convene at the Capitol in the city of Austin, beginning at 10 o'clock a.m., Wednesday, September 23, 1914, for the following purposes, to wit:

1. The passage of an act to establish "The Bank of Texas" and define the purpose and method of its organization, its rights, privileges, duties and liabilities; the object and purpose of the act being to provide a fiscal agency for the State, its counties, municipal corporations and all districts hereafter created, with the power to levy and collect taxes and issue bonds or to expend the public funds, to the end that the fiscal officer of the State and its various governmental agencies may administer their affairs on a sound financial basis, maintain all warrants at par, find ready and sufficient market for bonds and other obligations, obtain cash against unmatured and uncollected tax levies, and generally to furnish an agency of sufficient capital and authority to maintain the financial affairs of the State and its various governmental agencies in a sound and efficient manner; to furnish a safe and lucrative investment for the Permanent School Fund and the public and private funds of the State and certain return; to enable the holders of all school warrants drawn against the available school fund, uncollected at the time of their issuance, to obtain cash thereon without discount therefor; to provide a reserve bank in aid of the general banking system of the State; to assist in maintaining the solvency of the banks chartered in the State of Texas and to preserve intact the depositors' guarantee fund; to prevent the sacrifice of a large part of the products of the industry now impending and due to calamities and exigencies of war; to maintain the integrity of the actual values of the products of industry during the present period of financial disturbance, to the end that taxes may be collected and taxable values maintained; to enable the people of the State generally to obtain their ratable and proper distribution of currency issued or authorized to be issued by the national government or other relief in the issuance of money or currency made by the national government or authorized to be made by it; to preserve the normal business conditions of the State against the present disturbances brought about by the wars on the continent of Europe and to guard against the repetition of like disturbances due to that or any other cause; and generally, to preserve the credit and industrial and financial integrity of the State; setting forth in detail how these purposes and the organization of the bank may be accomplished; conferring certain authority on the Board of Education as an organizing committee of the bank; fixing the capital of the bank and how the same shall be paid in, and from whence derived; prescribing that the capital of the bank shall consist of the face value of the principal of municipal or other bonds now held by the permanent school fund of the State of the approximate amount of $17,800,000 and such additional amounts as may be subscribed and paid in by member banks under the provision of the act; defining the powers and authority of The Bank of Texas; requiring every banking corporation chartered under the laws to become a member of The Bank of Texas within a period of fifteen months and defining the terms under which such corporations may become members; prescribing a board of directors for the government and management of The Bank of Texas and defining their authority; defining the rights and privileges of a member bank as pertaining to The Bank of Texas and authorizing the admission of National banks as members; setting forth in detail the power and authority of The Bank of Texas as a corporation and stating in what business it may engage; providing that the Bank of Texas shall be the fiscal agent of the State and depository of all general and special funds which may under the Constitution be placed
in the depository, and defining its privileges and rights and liabilities as such; providing that The Bank of Texas shall be governed by the general banking laws, civil and criminal, of the State except in those portions in conflict with this act; providing when The Bank of Texas shall begin operation, defining the authority of the organization committee, and authorizing the organization committee composed of the Board of Education to organize The Bank of Texas and to incur necessary expense for such purpose, making an appropriation therefor, and declaring an emergency.

2. To consider and act upon such other matters as may be presented by the Governor, pursuant to Section 40, Article 3, of the Constitution of Texas.

In testimony whereof I hereunto sign my name and affix the Seal of State, at Austin, Texas, this the 22nd day of September, A. D. 1914.

O. B. COLQUITT,
Governor of Texas.

By the Governor:
F. C. WEINERT,
Secretary of State.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of sickness:

Mr. Tyson, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Dodson.
Mr. Watson of Mills, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Kennedy.
Mr. P. D. Dove, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Dove.
Mr. Barrett of Titus, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Stephens.
Mr. Templeton, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Fuller.
Mr. Campbell, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Macgill.
Mr. Woods of Fisher, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Blalock.
Mr. Webb and Mr. Craven, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Reeves.
Mr. Byrne, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Reedy.
Mr. Williams of McLennan, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Savage.
Mr. Wahrmund, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Hellig.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Baker, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Vannoy.
Mr. Yarbrough, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Rickerson.

Mr. Russell, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Nabours.
Mr. Morris of Coryell, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Oliver.
Mr. Ritchie, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Matchab.
Mr. Burges, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Neeley.
Mr. Broughton, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Burns.
Mr. Bruce, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Cooper.
Mr. Rogers, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Mills.
Mr. Harris, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Macgill.
Mr. Ridgell, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Harp.
Mr. Hughes, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Griswold.
Mr. Rowell, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Stephens.
Mr. Wortham, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Parks.
Mr. Sullivan, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Griggs.
Mr. Dunn, indefinitely, on motion of Mr. Houx.
Mr. Cope, for tomorrow, on motion of Mr. Terrell.

COMMITTEES TO NOTIFY GOVERNOR AND SENATE.

Mr. Mendell moved that two committees be appointed, one to notify the Governor that the House is organized and ready to receive any communication he may desire to transmit, and one to notify the Senate that the House is organized and ready for business.

The motion prevailed.

In accordance with the above action, the Speaker announced the appointment of the following committees:

To notify the Governor: Messrs. Mendell, Calvin and Lewelling.
To notify the Senate: Messrs. Kirby, Murray and Harrington.

GOVERNOR AND SENATE NOTIFIED.

The committees appointed to notify the Governor and Senate that the House is organized, appeared at the bar of the House, and being duly announced, stated that they had performed the duties assigned them.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1 ON FIRST READING.

The following House bill, introduced today, was laid before the House, read