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ELECTION OF SPEAKER.

The Honorable Secretary then announced that the next business in order was the election of a Speaker.

Hon. W. W. Caves of Live Oak county nominated Hon. C. E. Gilmore of Van Zandt county.

Hon. Luther Nickels of Hill county nominated Hon. Sam Rayburn of Fannin county.

Hon. C. C. Highsmith of Harris county seconded the nomination of Hon. C. E. Gilmore.

Hon. C. A. Martin of Lamar county seconded the nomination of Hon. Sam Rayburn.

Hon. Brown F. Lee of Tom Green county seconded the nomination of Hon. C. E. Gilmore.

Hon. Homer A. Dotson of Nacogdoches county seconded the nomination of Hon. Sam Rayburn.

Hon. T. D. Rowell of Marion county seconded the nomination of Hon. C. E. Gilmore.

Hon. Ed. P. Mangum of Hunt county seconded the nomination of Hon. Sam Rayburn.

There being no further nominations, the Honorable Secretary appointed the following tellers:

To take up the ballots: Messrs. Wood of Galveston, Hamilton of Childress, Bagby, Broughton, Nichols of Hunt, Rogers, Singleton and Teel.

To count the ballots: Messrs. Maxwell, Maddox, Humphrey, McDaniel, Yarbrough, Haney, McDowra and Dillard.

After the ballots had been taken up and counted, and before the result was announced, Hon. C. E. Gilmore moved that the election of Hon. Sam Rayburn be made unanimous.

The Honorable Secretary then had the result announced as follows:

Hon. Sam Rayburn received 71 votes.

Hon. C. E. Gilmore received 65 votes.

Hon. C. E. Gilmore then withdrew his motion to make unanimous the election of Hon. Sam Rayburn as Speaker of the House.

The Honorable Secretary announced that the result of the ballot showed that there were more votes cast than there were members of the House, and declared there was no election, and ordered another ballot taken.

The Chair then instructed the Sergeant-at-Arms to clear the hall of all persons not entitled to the privileges of the floor under the Rules of the House.

Mr. Hamilton of Childress moved that the Chief Clerk be directed to call the roll of the members of the House and that each member when his name is called, come forward to the Clerk's desk and deposit his ballot with the tellers.

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Terrell of Bexar then moved that the Chief Clerk be directed to call the roll, and if any members are shown to be absent that the Sergeant-at-Arms be instructed to bring them in before the ballot is taken.

The motion prevailed.

In accordance with above action the Chief Clerk called the roll, and the Chair announced that the roll call showed all the members present.

The Honorable Secretary then directed the Chief Clerk to call the names of the members in alphabetical order, and requested each member to come forward when his name is called and deposit his ballot with the tellers.

The roll was called, and the result of the ballot was announced as follows:

Hon. Sam Rayburn received 70 votes.

Hon. C. E. Gilmore received 63 votes.

Mr. Gilmore then moved that the election of Mr. Rayburn be made unanimous.

The motion prevailed.

The Honorable Secretary then declared the Hon. Sam Rayburn of Fannin county duly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Thirty-second Legislature.

The Honorable Secretary then appointed the following committee to escort the Speaker-elect to the Speaker's stand:

Messrs. Kennedy, Maxwell and Nickels of Hill.

The Honorable Secretary of State then administered the oath of office to the Speaker-elect and presented him to the House as Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Thirty-second Legislature.

Mr. Rayburn then addressed the House, thanking the members for the honor conferred upon him.