H. RES. 226.

[Report No. 503.]

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

NOVEMBER 16, 1921.

Mr. ANTHONY submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs and ordered to be printed.

DECEMBER 9, 1921.

Reported adversely and ordered to be printed.

RESOLUTION.

1 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of War is requested to

2 transmit to the House of Representatives at the earliest

3 possible moment the following information for the Members

4 of the House: Whether the evidence before the court which

5 tried those soldiers of the United States Army who were

6 alleged to have been implicated in the riot at Houston.

7 Texas, on the 23d day of August, 1917, as a result of which

8 nineteen were hanged, sixty-two sent to the United States

9 penitentiary for life, and five given sentences of fifteen years

10 each, showed the direct participation of all of them in said

11 riot; whether or not it is true that some of these soldiers now

12 under confinement were found guilty merely because they

13 were absent from roll call the evening of the riot; what

1 steps, if any, the War Department has taken or is taking

2 toward the investigation of the justice of the severe penalties

3 inflicted upon these soldiers, together with information as

4 to their conduct, discipline, and behavior during the years

5 they have been in confinement; and what steps have been

6 taken by the War Department, in view of the large measure

7 of clemency which has been extended in the cases of other

8 military prisoners, to pardon or extend clemency to the men

9 now undergoing severe punishment for alleged participation

10 in said riot.

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Calling on the Secretary of War for information in regard to soldiers under sentence for participation in the Houston riot.

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