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The status of the special session of the Legislature is rather doubtful at this time, and is substantially as follows: The Governor has so far failed to call the session. Fifty members have petitioned Satterwhite to call an extra session. The Constitution of Texas prohibits a special session called by the speaker from appropriating money to defray expenses of same. Private individuals offered to underwrite the expense. The Attorney General rules this course would be illegal, and against the public policy of the State, and would set a dangerous precedent. Now Satterwhite has appealed to the members of the Legislature to bear their own expenses. This is rather doubtful, and all of which places the possibility of a special session very remote. The Chairman Dem. State Executive Committee, in an interview, says there is no necessity for a special session and is backing up the Fergusons in their refusal to call the session. And still there is this phase of the situation. The Attorney General recently ruled that the State Highway Commission has no authority to let contracts and replaces the power of road building back with the people, and since the special session is for the purpose of investigating and enacting laws for the purpose of amending the Highway Law on the lines as stated in the ruling of the Attorney General, namely placing the power back with the people. And since the Governor demanded and received the resignation of two of said Highway Commissioners as a result of the exposures in Attorney General Moody's developments in his suits. The new members appointed represent the highest type of our citizenship, and since they will carry out in the future the Attorney General's interpretation of the powers of the Highway Commission, it seems to us that all necessity for a special session has been removed.