

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Morgan, do you yield to a question?

DELEGATE MORGAN: I yield.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Johnson.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Delegate Morgan, since our present Constitution sets forth some functions, some duties, some powers pertaining to the Board of Public Works, and although I certainly agree that these particular provisions are not appropriate for the new constitution, but because of that and because I originally read the meaning of the amendment that is before us before it was amended by you to provide that the various duties set forth shall be given to the Board of Public Works, but not necessarily limited to those particular functions or duties, would you please tell me why we should not set forth some duties, some powers in the constitution, if not for my other reason but as a guideline?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: As I understand the situation now there is only one power in the Constitution that is of any significance, that the Board of Public Works has as of the present time, and that is borrowing to meet temporary deficiencies in the operations of the State, and that is a limited power. I forget the limit on it, but something like a million dollars. All of the other functions of the Board of Public Works are purely statutory.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Johnson.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Just for my own satisfaction, Delegate Morgan, are you absolutely certain that it is the feeling of all the members of your Committee that the duties and powers set forth were not meant to be specifically given to the Board of Public Works in the Constitution, and that they will in addition to that, have such other duties as the General Assembly may provide?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: Well, I do not know what went through the mind of the other members of the Committee, but I know what I intended when I wrote the amendment, and I intended that the General Assembly in the first place not be limited as to what it could grant the Board of Public Works and the enumeration of these powers in the amendment was not intended to mean that the General Assem-

bly had to grant any of them to the Board of Public Works.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Pullen.

DELEGATE PULLEN: Mr. Chairman, I would like to support the position of Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Johnson. I voted for this amendment upon the strength of your statement of the duties of the Board of Public Works, as to being had in this particular statement, and I feel, sir, that certain of these points—I agree some changes should be made—should be enumerated in the constitution.

THE CHAIRMAN: Any further discussion? Are you ready for the question? Ring the quorum bell. The question arises on the adoption of Amendment No. 10 as amended. A vote Aye is a vote in favor of Amendment No. 10 as amended. A vote No is a vote against. For what purpose does Delegate Carson rise?

DELEGATE CARSON: A point of inquiry?

THE CHAIRMAN: State the inquiry.

DELEGATE CARSON: Will an amendment to this amendment lie tomorrow if this amendment is passed tonight?

THE CHAIRMAN: I am assuming that the Committee of the Whole will soon rise and if so it would still have this matter, this matter being the committee recommendation, under consideration. That being the case further amendments would be in order at the next sitting of the Committee of the Whole. Delegate Carson.

DELEGATE CARSON: Mr. Chairman, then there would lie until such time as the Committee of the Whole had reported this entire article?

THE CHAIRMAN: That is correct.

The Parliamentarian is wondering whether you were thinking of bringing before the Committee deletion of the words that were just added. The Chair thinks that would require reconsideration. I understood your question to be whether another amendment to this amendment would be in order. If it is another amendment other than to delete the words, "in public," I do not think we could do that without reconsideration. You could reconsider it and it would still be before the Committee of the Whole for that purpose. Delegate Carson.

DELEGATE CARSON: I understand it could be amended until we finished the arti-