

to sit every day, Sundays and all, as I have said before, I will be here. But as it is the desire of many members of this body to adjourn over for one week, I shall vote "aye."

Mr. BERRY, of Baltimore county. It is proper, perhaps, that I should explain my vote on this motion. It is generally understood, I have no doubt, that in pursuance of an order recently issued by the Governor of this State, a draft is to take place in the city of Baltimore on Monday next; and it is also further ordered that a portion of his staff shall be there to hear and determine upon applications for exemption; of necessity I shall have to be at headquarters in Baltimore, all next week. For that reason, and also to gratify gentlemen who desire to attend the Convention in Baltimore, I shall vote "aye."

Mr. CHAMBERS. I desire to explain my vote. I do not expect to be a member of the Convention to nominate candidates for President and Vice President, next week, therefore an adjournment for that purpose would be no avail to me. But I have business elsewhere which I consider better business than that. Now I cannot go home short of two days, and if we do not adjourn until to-morrow, I cannot leave here until Monday. It will take me two days to go home, and two to return, so that unless we adjourn from to-day over next week, the adjournment will not be of much practical use to me. I certainly desire to sit all the time we can here; but that is a responsibility which each gentleman must share with his constituents. I have none, and therefore every other gentleman here has a heavier responsibility than I have to encounter. If there is to be an adjournment at all, I want an adjournment for a week, so that we can all have fair play. I, therefore, vote "aye."

Mr. STOCKBRIDGE. Reminded by my friend from Baltimore county (Mr. Berry) that there is to be a draft commenced in Baltimore next Monday, and inasmuch as by that draft I may be brought under his orders, and be unable to come to this Convention at all, I want to work all I can now. In addition to that, I think such an adjournment as is now proposed is very bad policy and worse morals. I, therefore, vote "no."

The motion for an adjournment until Monday, June 13, was accordingly rejected.

The question then recurred upon the motion of Mr. Todd, that when the Convention adjourns to-day, it be till Thursday next.

Mr. STIRLING. If there is to be an adjournment at all, I move that it be from to-morrow until Thursday next. I will not promise to vote for that motion, but I prefer it to the one now pending.

The PRESIDENT. The question will be first taken upon the motion involving the longest time, being the motion of the gentleman from Caroline (Mr. Todd) that the adjournment be from to-day till Thursday next.

Upon this question Mr. HEBB called the yeas and nays, which were ordered.

The question being then taken, by yeas and nays, it resulted yeas 42, nays 43, as follows:

Yeas—Messrs. Belt, Berry of Baltimore county, Berry of Prince George's, Billingsley, Blackiston, Bond, Briscoe, Carter, Chambers, Clarke, Crawford, Dail, Davis of Charles, Dennis, Duvall, Edelen, Gale, Galloway, Harwood, Hatch, Henkle, Hopper, Horsey, Johnson, Jones of Somerset, King, Lansdale, Larsh, Lee, Marbury, Mitchell, Miller, Morgan, Noble, Peter, Ridgely, Sands, Smith of Dorchester, Smith of Worcester, Todd, Turner, Wilmer—42.

Nays—Messrs. Goldsborough, President; Abbott, Annan, Audoun, Baker, Barron, Brown, Cunningham, Cushing, Daniel, Davis of Washington, Dellinger, Earle, Ecker, Farrow, Greene, Hebb, Hoffman, Hopkins, Jones of Cecil, Keefer, Kennard, Markey, Mullikin, Murray, Negley, Nymann, Parker, Pugh, Robinette, Russell, Schlosser, Scott, Smith of Carroll, Sneary, Stirling, Stockbridge, Swope, Sykes, Thomas, Valliant, Wickard, Wooden—43.

The motion was accordingly rejected.

The question then recurred upon the motion of Mr. Stirling, that the adjournment be from to-morrow until Thursday next.

Mr. HEBB moved that the whole subject of adjournment over be laid on the table, which was agreed to.

ORDERS.

On motion of Mr. Scott, it was

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be requested to consider and report to this Convention what compensation should be allowed to the person whose duty it is, during the sessions of the Convention, to hoist the United States flag from the dome of the State House.

On motion of Mr. Smith, of Carroll, it was *Ordered*, That Thomas Tipton, a Committee Clerk, have leave of absence until Monday next.

DECLARATION OF RIGHTS—ALLEGIANCE.

The Convention then resumed the consideration of the order of the day, being the report of the Committee on the Declaration of Rights.

The pending question was upon the motion of Mr. BRISCOE to amend article four, by striking out the word "paramount," in the third line, so that the article would then read:

"The Constitution of the United States, and the laws made in pursuance thereof, being the supreme law of the land, every citizen of this State owes allegiance to the Constitution and Government of the United States, and is not bound by any law or ordinance of this State in contravention or subversion thereof."

Upon this question, being entitled to the floor—

Mr. BELT addressed the Convention as follows: