

1 could preclude committees from finishing up their impor-  
2 tant business by not permitting them to sit. I think it  
3 received the unanimous support of our Committee. Proposed  
4 amendment to Rule 28, the rule that deals with the com-  
5 mittees. Delegate Chabot had different language, but I  
6 think the basic idea was that all committees should give  
7 reasons for their reports and their recommendations. The  
8 language we have recommended as the last sentence to  
9 Rule 28 states, All committee recommendations shall be  
10 accompanied by a concise written explanation of the  
11 reasons for the committee's action.

12 I think that such an amendment is meritorious,  
13 for two fundamental reasons. In the first place from  
14 the point of view of the legislative history of this  
15 Constitutional Convention, most of you have had occasion  
16 to deal with problems arising under the 1867 Constitution,  
17 and the Convention, especially those of you who are mem-  
18 bers of the Bar, you are distressed, I am sure, have been  
19 distressed by the paucity of legislative history that  
20 accompanied the recommendations of that historic body.  
21 They did not have in those days even written committee