

1 THE PRESIDENT: The Convention will please
2 come to order.

3 The invocation today will be offered by the
4 Right Reverend Monsignor Henry Rotrige, Vice Chief of
5 Chaplains, United States Navy. Admiral Rotrige is a
6 former shipmate of Delegate Edward Clarke. Father
7 Rotrige.

8 (Whereupon, the invocation was offered by
9 Father Rotrige.)

10 THE PRESIDENT: Roll call.

11 (Whereupon, a roll call was taken.)

12 THE PRESIDENT: Before recording the roll
13 call, the Chair wishes to announce that pursuant to
14 Rule 24, the Chair has reluctantly granted permission to
15 the Committee on Local Government to continue its session
16 during this session of the Convention.

17 The request of the Chairman of that committee
18 was presented tome urgently on the basis that the committee
19 had been meeting all yesterday afternoon until 11 o'clock
20 last night and from 9 o'clock this morning. They were
21 anxious to conclude their voting in order to present their