

1 DELEGATE CLAGETT: Before Delegate Carson leaves
2 the chamber, I wish to state for the record that he has
3 been one of the most valuable assistants to our Local
4 Government Committee and to me personally throughout the
5 work on that Committee. I have worked closely with him in
6 finding ways in which to compromise differences of view,
7 and we have achieved that purpose.

8 One of the bases upon which we approached
9 compromise was an understanding between us that the
10 natural resources and environment clause would be included
11 in the Constitution. There was to some extent a difference
12 of view with respect to whether it would be by general or
13 by local law, and because of the nature of the understanding,
14 I went to him two days ago and asked him to release me
15 from that understanding, whereby it applied to that differ-
16 ence. He did so in the spirit of and in a way for which
17 I wish to express deep gratitude now, which I feel toward
18 him for having done so. Thank you. (Applause)

19 THE PRESIDENT: Article 7 is open to amendment.
20 Are there any amendments?

21 The Chair hears none.