

1 I have been elected to come down here and not to pass the
2 buck. It will be the easiest thing in the world to say,
3 Let them fight it out for themselves, but Harry Truman
4 had a very pleasant sign on his desk when he was President
5 of the United States, and it said, The buck stops here.

6 I am suggesting to you that the buck stops in
7 this Constitutional Convention, and I further suggest to
8 you that we have not for all time and for eternity cut
9 off the escape valve because there is the device of the
10 constitutional amendment. There is an avenue to provide
11 relief if it should be decided that this figure, whatever
12 it may be, is adopted.

13 I say to you this: Disregard the 35-105
14 figure, which the Committee has recommended in its aggre-
15 gate cumulative wisdom, but go to some figure, for the sake
16 of efficiency in government, minimum efficiency, pick a
17 number out of the air, but do not, I ask you, allow the
18 General Assembly to set its own limits, when man after man
19 came before our Committee and said, Please do it in the
20 Constitution.

21 I submit to you that we have a heavy respon-