

1 and 5 of the Committee Report seriatim, taking a vote on
2 each item after it has been debated. Delegate Adkins.

3 DELEGATE ADKINS: Mr. Chairman, ladies and
4 gentlemen, some twenty-five years ago when I made my
5 maiden appearance before the Court of Appeals, meeting in
6 the building immediately across the street, I approached the
7 rostrum there with much the same fear and trepidation as I
8 do here. One difference was that there I dropped my books
9 as I rose to speak. I became completely flustered and was
10 able for several seconds to say nothing. The late dis-
11 tinguished Chief Judge Bond, who will long be my favorite
12 and kindest person, looked down from his high place, said
13 in the quietus of attorneys, Counsellor, take your time,
14 the ferry for the Eastern Shore does not leave for another
15 hour.

16 It may very well be that before I finish here,
17 I shall have wished that that ferry were still running.

18 No question here before presented to this Consti-
19 tutional Convention is fraught with the brilliant omni-
20 presence of the current political scene as is the matter
21 now pending before this House. We of the Majority,