

1 to meaningful debate and such amendments as are offered
2 are debated and disposed of quickly.

3 We think that this is a realistic estimate of the
4 time necessary, and we would very much hope that the Com-
5 mittee of the Whole and the Convention can proceed in ac-
6 cordance with that schedule. If not and if it proves
7 impossible and by Thursday we have not concluded, it
8 would be the intent of the officers to continue the Conven-
9 tion in session until we do conclude all work of the Com-
10 mittee of the Whole and second readers, and not take a recess,
11 at least not until the 22nd of December.

12 We see no reason why we should require that much
13 time. I mention the matter today for two reasons: One,
14 so that you can make plans. It would be the intention of
15 the officers to suggest to you that in any event, regardless
16 of where we are, that the Convention not sit on Friday,
17 December 22; Saturday, December 23; Sunday, the 24; Monday,
18 the 25; or Tuesday, the 26, so that you can count on those
19 days as not being days in session.

20 Hopefully most of the delegates would also
21 be able to consider as free days Friday and Saturday of