

1 labor unions have nothing to do with this proposal?

2 DELEGATE BOTHE: The labor unions certainly have
3 a deep interest in it. I might add, however, Delegate
4 Hostetter, that organized labor has an unselfish interest
5 in this matter because its basis is that those employees
6 who are covered by the National Labor Relations Act, the
7 ones who would get some practical effect out of this proposal
8 are not people with whom big labor has any interest.
9 They already have the protection under federal law which
10 would be extended here to others.

11 DELEGATE HOSTETTER: On page 2 of the minority
12 report you equate collective rights with freedom of speech
13 and freedom of assembly.

14 Now, you have stated, I believe, that
15 collective rights are fundamental as would be freedom of
16 speech.

17 May I ask you this question with respect to the
18 organization? Would not an individual who had the freedom
19 of speech also have the counter right of not to speak?

20 DELEGATE BOTHE: I don't understand your question.
21 Does he have the right to keep his mouth shut? I don't