

DELEGATE J. CLARK (presiding):
Chairman Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: I suppose that is possible, but highly unlikely.

DELEGATE J. CLARK (presiding):
Delegate Grant.

DELEGATE GRANT: But as the present article stands, you do not, or it would mean that the General Assembly would be unlimited in the powers it could delegate to the lieutenant governor, whether the Governor wanted them so delegated or not?

DELEGATE J. CLARK (presiding):
Delegate Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: Well, I do not know whether they would be unlimited. In other words, you could not take some of the governor's powers and put them in the lieutenant governor, but you could make the lieutenant governor head of this program or that program or some other program, if the General Assembly wanted to, and it would be possible to have that done even over the governor's objection, I suppose.

But I reiterate; I think that would be very unlikely.

DELEGATE J. CLARK (presiding):
Delegate Grant.

DELEGATE GRANT: I was not so concerned with the positive, which you indicated as the capacity that the General Assembly might override the Governor, as to the performance of governors. There should be a sharp split, particularly in view of the fact that there is a minority block within the State.

DELEGATE J. CLARK (presiding):
Chairman Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: Well, the Committee thinks it has done everything it can to be sure that the governor and lieutenant governor are just like two peas in a pod, and should see eye to eye all through their administration, and for that reason we think it highly unlikely that you would run into a situation such as you have described in your question.

DELEGATE J. CLARK (presiding):
Delegate Grant.

DELEGATE GRANT: Would it be a fair statement then of the Committee's position that what they intended to say was that the lieutenant governor may perform such duties as may be delegated to him by the governor, and such other duties as may

be delegated to him by law, which could be not delegated to him by the governor?

DELEGATE J. CLARK (presiding):
Chairman Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: I think that is probably correct.

DELEGATE J. CLARK (presiding):
Are there any further questions?

The Chair recognizes Delegate Ritter.

DELEGATE RITTER: Chairman Morgan, how many department heads are there under the merit system at the present time?

DELEGATE J. CLARK (presiding):
Chairman Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: That I do not know. I know the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles is, I know the Department of Welfare chief is; I will tell you in just a minute.

DELEGATE J. CLARK (presiding):
The Chair would like to use this few minutes break to say that the chief page has just told me that they now have copies of the report, the memorandum and the recommendation for this section.

They have been short on them and some of the delegates have wanted extra copies. They are now available.

DELEGATE J. CLARK (presiding):
Chairman Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: The information I have before me indicates that there seem to be about six.

DELEGATE J. CLARK (presiding):
Delegate Ritter.

DELEGATE RITTER: You say this would only affect the department heads. It will not affect any of the employees that are under the merit system?

DELEGATE J. CLARK (presiding):
Delegate Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: I would assume that no employees that are under the merit system would be affected.

DELEGATE J. CLARK (presiding):
Delegate Ritter.

DELEGATE RITTER: But you do not know positively?

DELEGATE J. CLARK (presiding):
Chairman Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: Of course, it is perfectly possible to have one of these de-