

Mr. President, I think that anyone talking on a subject matter as serious as this where you are emasculating the office that has been in existence for 190 years is entitled to more than three minutes, especially when I have heard all along with the speeches that have been going on here about matters which are not as material or relevant as this matter is.

Now, again I do not care whether I win or lose, but I do not want to be cut off, Mr. President. I do not want the gag rule pulled on me. I would like to have an opportunity to study what this matter does. I know that you know. I know that the leaders of this Convention know, but we, the laymen, do not know and whatever the proper motion is, if it be to rise we will make that motion. If I lose, then I guess I will have an opportunity to talk on something else, won't I, Mr. President?

THE CHAIRMAN: I assume you will, sir.

Delegate Malkus, the Chair wants to advise you that consideration of the amendment cannot be postponed by a motion to postpone nor can it be postponed by the device of a motion to rise. You can make a motion to rise, request the Convention to postpone consideration of Committee Recommendation EB-1 or make it a special order at some future time. You cannot do that with respect to merely an amendment.

Do you desire to make a motion to rise?

DELEGATE MALKUS: I so move.

THE CHAIRMAN: The motion is not debatable.

Is there a second.

*(Whereupon, the motion was seconded.)*

THE CHAIRMAN: The question arises on the motion that the Committee rise.

A vote Aye is a vote in favor of the Committee rising. A vote No is a vote against.

Cast your votes.

Has every delegate voted? Does any delegate desire to change his vote?

*(There was no response.)*

The Clerk will record the vote. There being 18 votes in the affirmative and 99 in the negative, the motion is lost.

Does any other delegate desire to speak in favor of the committee recommendation?

Delegate Weidemeyer.

DELEGATE WEIDEMEYER: Mr. President, I would like to ask Delegate Morgan and the sponsors of this amendment whether they would accept a little amendment to it in line 4 and in line 10 where it says there shall be a comptroller and the comptroller is mentioned in line 10. Would they accept a very little amendment to that saying, "There shall be a paymaster"?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: The Committee would not accept that amendment, Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Weidemeyer.

DELEGATE WEIDEMEYER: Would the Chairman yield for a further question?

DELEGATE MORGAN: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Weidemeyer.

DELEGATE WEIDEMEYER: Are not all the duties prescribed by this amendment those of a simple, ordinary paymaster under the direction of the legislature?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: The comptroller is granted all of the present audit functions and he is also to be made a member of the Board of Public Works or as we call it the interdepartmental board of review so the comptroller has important functions in the executive branch of the state government.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Weidemeyer.

DELEGATE WEIDEMEYER: Can you tell me where in this amendment any of those duties are prescribed other than those of a simple paymaster to pay out money under warrants and appropriations made by the state legislature?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: I think I answered that question. The comptroller has all of the present audit functions in the executive branch of the government under this amendment and he is also to be made a member of the Board of Public Works so he has very important functions.

THE CHAIRMAN: Do you have a further question, Delegate Weidemeyer?