

DELEGATE WEIDEMEYER: Mr. President, members of the Convention, one of the few powers and prerogatives that we have is to select those associates to sit with us in this Convention, as this Convention may desire. I would think that the selection committee, in its wisdom, certainly, would not go into any other county and get advice, but would go into the very county where the vacancy occurred. I think we would be in the height of folly to pass an amendment to this rule which would bind this Convention in all cases to accept a runner-up and tie its hands in exercising a free choice. I think I understand the motive behind Delegate White's motion, the idea of it, and so I feel justified in addressing myself to that proposition. I do hope that we will not recommit this matter, and I do hope that we will defeat his motion to amend the rule.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Gleason.

DELEGATE GLEASON: Mr. President, in order that this Convention get on with its business, I would like to move at this time that Delegate White's motion be tabled.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there a second to the motion to table?

*(The motion was duly seconded.)*

THE PRESIDENT: The parliamentarian advises me, Delegate Gleason, that your motion is not in order. It would be in order to move the previous question. The Chair will so rule. Do you move the previous question?

DELEGATE GLEASON: I so move, sir.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there a second?

*(The motion was duly seconded.)*

THE PRESIDENT: The question arises on the motion for the previous question. All those in favor, signify by saying Aye. Contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

The question before you now is the previous question. Did you have a point of inquiry, Delegate Armor?

I will have to inquire into the nature of your question.

DELEGATE ARMOR: It has to do with the replacement. The only comment I wish to make is that we are unrepresented by one delegate in the Third Legislative District, and I deplore these delaying tactics.

THE PRESIDENT: The question arises on the motion to recommit the rule to the Rules Committee, requesting that the Com-

mittee draft a rule under which the person receiving the next highest number of votes to those elected in any given legislative district would be the candidate for election to fill the vacancy, and authorizing the Committee to report such a rule, together with its recommendations thereon.

Are you ready for the question?

*(Call for the question.)*

A vote Aye is a vote in favor of recommitting; a vote No is a vote against. All those in favor, signify by saying Aye. Contrary, No.

Have all the delegates voted? Does any delegate desire to change his vote?

*(There was no response.)*

There being 11 votes in the affirmative and 119 in the negative, the motion is lost.

The matter before you is the discussion of the motion of the Chairman of the Committee to approve the report of the committee and adopt Rule 71 [77]. Is there any further discussion?

*(There was no response.)*

Are you ready for the question?

*(Call for the question.)*

The question arises on the motion to adopt Rule 71 [77], consisting of 71A [77], 71B [77], 71C [77], 71D [77], as reported in the amended Fourth Report of the Committee on Rules, with the addition of the phrase at the end of Rule 71D [77], as indicated by the Chairman of the Committee.

All those in favor, signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

The next order of business is the introduction and reading of proposals. There are 17 proposals today, Numbers 211 to 227. I understand that alternate proposals have been reproduced. You should have all of them. Perhaps one memorandum is not.

Delegate Proposal No. 211. The Clerk will read the proposal.

READING CLERK: Delegate Proposal No. 211, by Delegate Finch. Title,

*A PROPOSAL that the governor shall annually inform the citizenry of the State as well as the General Assembly of the general conditions of the State, with concrete recommendations necessary to improve the general welfare.*