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THE PRESIDENT: As Delegate to the Constitutional Convention—

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THE PRESIDENT: According to the Constitution and laws of this State.

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THE PRESIDENT: Thank you. (*Applause.*)

It gives me great pleasure to be the first to speak to Mr. Ritter as Delegate Ritter.

I now request Delegate Ritter to take the seat formerly occupied by Delegate Webster.

The next item on the calendar is introduction and first reading of proposals.

I have been asked to call to your attention the fact that there has been distributed on your desk this afternoon a memorandum by Delegate Byrnes to accompany Delegate Proposal No. 58. There has also been distributed this afternoon a memorandum accompanying Delegate Proposal No. 223. The memorandum is by Delegate Storm.

Delegate Proposal No. 228. The Clerk will read the proposal.

READING CLERK: Delegate Proposal No. 228, by Delegate Finch. Title,

*A PROPOSAL that a legislative committee be established to examine federal encroachment on states' rights, and to propose censure therefor.*

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Proposal No. 228 is referred to the Committee on the Legislative Branch.

Delegate Proposal No. 229. The Clerk will read the proposal.

READING CLERK: Delegate Proposal No. 229, by Delegate Finch. Title,

*A PROPOSAL that cruel or unusual punishments be prohibited, and that capital punishment be continued.*

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Proposal No. 229 is referred to the Committee on Personal Rights and the Preamble.

Delegate Proposal No. 230. The Clerk will read the proposal.

READING CLERK: Delegate Proposal No. 230, by Delegate Finch. Title,

*A PROPOSAL that a person arrested on a warrant for felony shall not be fingerprinted, photographed, or required to furnish bail until after a preliminary hearing, unless specified by the trial judge out of apprehension that the accused may become a fugitive from justice.*

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Proposal No. 230 is referred to the Committee on Personal Rights and the Preamble.

Delegate Proposal No. 231. The Clerk will read the proposal.

READING CLERK: Delegate Proposal No. 231, by Delegate Finch. Title,

*A PROPOSAL that the governor be empowered to enter into reciprocal compacts with other states, subject to legislative approval, on problems of mutual interest, including public safety, pollution, extradition, health, education, and welfare.*

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Proposal No. 231 is referred to the Committee on Local Government.

Delegate Proposal No. 232. The Clerk will read the proposal.

READING CLERK: Delegate Proposal No. 232, by Delegate Finch. Title,