

celebrating her birthday. Anyone curious about knowing which birthday may take that up directly with Delegate Cardin. *(Applause.)*

I move adjournment until 2:00 P.M. tomorrow.

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

*(Whereupon, at 2:30 P.M., the Convention was adjourned to reconvene on Wednesday, October 11, 1967.)*

## PLENARY SESSION

OCTOBER 11, 1967 — 2:00 P.M.

**PRESIDENT H. VERNON ENEY,  
PRESIDING**

**THE PRESIDENT:** The Convention will please come to order.

The invocation today will be offered by Father Robert A. Bozel, St. Jane Frances Catholic Church, Riviera Beach, Anne Arundel County. Father Bozel.

**FATHER BOSEL:** In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, Amen.

Almighty and Eternal God, God of Might, Wisdom, and Justice, through Whom all authority is rightly administered, laws are enacted and judgment decreed, we ask You to assist, with Thy Holy Spirit of Counsel and Fortitude, all the delegates to this Constitutional Convention of Maryland.

Watch over them that their deliberations may be conducted in righteousness and be eminently useful to Thy people by encouraging a due respect for virtue and religion, by a faithful execution of the law of justice and mercy. Let it light the deliberations of this convention. Let it shine forth on all the proceedings and laws framed for our rule and government that they may tend to the preservation of peace, the promotion of happiness, the increase of industry, sobriety and knowledge, and give citizens the blessings of liberty.

We pray also, God, for all the duly elected and appointed officers of this state who guard our political welfare that they may be enabled, by Thy Powerful Protection, to discharge the duties of their respective stations with honesty and ability.

Finally we commend to Thy Unbounded Mercy all our fellow citizens throughout

the State of Maryland that they may be preserved in that union and peace which the world cannot give; and after enjoying the blessing of this life, they may be admitted to those which are eternal.

Amen.

**THE PRESIDENT:** Roll call.

*(Whereupon a roll call was taken.)*

**THE PRESIDENT:** Have all delegates answered the roll call?

*(There was no response.)*

The Clerk will record the roll call. A quorum being present, the Convention is in session.

The Chair recognizes Delegate Powers, Chairman of the Committee on Calendar and Agenda.

**DELEGATE POWERS:** Mr. President, I move adoption of the daily calendar and agenda.

**THE PRESIDENT:** Is there a second?

*(The motion was duly seconded.)*

**THE PRESIDENT:** Is there any discussion?

*(There was no response.)*

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

We have several very distinguished visitors with us today. I would like to recognize on the floor of the Convention the presence of the Honorable Perry O. Wilkinson, former Speaker of the House of Delegates of Maryland. *(Applause.)*

Mr. Wilkinson said this morning he enjoys very much being here and not having any duties to perform.

It also gives me very great pleasure to recognize as a distinguished guest in the gallery this afternoon the Honorable Mrs. Shulamit Aloni, member of the Israeli Parliament. Mrs. Aloni is in the gallery. *(Applause.)*

I might add that Mrs. Aloni is particularly interested in the proceedings of this Convention. She will be in this country for some weeks, and has been here about ten days. Her own country is considering plans for the preparation of a constitution which they do not now have.

Reports of standing committees. Report of the Committee on Rules, Credentials