

*(There was no response.)*

The Clerk will record the vote.

Delegate James Clark and Delegate Powers are voting Aye.

There being 112 votes in the affirmative and none in the negative, the motion carries. The amendment is adopted.

As has been obvious to the entire Committee, the Chair has been throughout the afternoon in almost continuous contact with Delegate Powers, Chairman of the Committee on Calendar and Agenda; and he has kept me apprised, not only of the progress we were making as compared with what had been anticipated, but also of the general sentiment among the Committee.

Until the last half hour we were running somewhat ahead of schedule, and it had been indicated to Delegate Powers that the majority and minority would both be able to shorten the time allotted in the debate schedule.

Under those conditions the Chair was disposed to continue, as announced yesterday, until we had concluded consideration of this article. You have had before you for some weeks a very excellent report of the majority and an equally excellent report of the minority. The subject of education has been discussed at great length in private conversations among all the delegates in recent weeks. The Chair is convinced that the delegates could vote on the matter today, just as well as they could Tuesday.

We also are under a strict limitation. It is not as though we had from now until January 12 to conclude the rest of our work without problems. It is imperative that the two Committees named in the discussions yesterday be allowed time enough to meet and report back to the Committee of the Whole. It is imperative that the Committee of the Whole and the Convention meet for several days next week. All of us want to be away from here at least a few days before Christmas and the day after. It is most important that we have at least a week after the Convention has concluded all matters before it to take a long, hard look at what we have done before we reach the final adjournment date.

All of those matters would impel a continuance of the consideration of the matter now before us. However, the Chair did announce last night that we would not try to finish the agenda at night. We would adjourn at about the tender hour and not have an evening session.

Most of the delegates present would prefer not to have an evening session, even if it meant sitting very late.

I do not believe that the entire remaining part of the calendar should go over until Tuesday. I think we could conclude within a very brief time the next item on the agenda, and then allow the separate subject matter of higher education to go over until Monday.

I say this because the next section is concerned with the same matter, the same general sphere of matters we have been discussing this afternoon.

The Chair therefore would like to proceed with the consideration of section 5. After we have concluded that, we will have the Committee rise and allow the rest of the schedule to go over until Tuesday.

I make this statement in reliance upon the statements of both the majority and the minority spokesmen to Delegate Powers that we will not need for consideration of this item the full time indicated in the debate schedule. Am I correct about that? Delegate Wheatley.

DELEGATE WHEATLEY: Mr. Chairman, I think Chairman Powers was referring to the prior section to this one. We do have just about all the time allocated on this section. We do have the entire fifteen minutes allocated. That was the prior section I was referring to. We have fifteen minutes allocated and have fifteen minutes scheduled on this particular section.

THE CHAIRMAN: In other words, you do not think you could shorten the time on this?

DELEGATE WHEATLEY: No, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Lord.

DELEGATE LORD: Mr. Chairman, I also have it allocated, but I can certainly shorten it appreciably.

THE CHAIRMAN: Under the circumstances if we continued with that amount of time we would be approaching 7:30 P.M. before we finished.

Delegate Clagett.

DELEGATE CLAGETT: What would be the appropriate motion to have the Committee of the Whole agree with the Chair that we complete this section tonight without recess for dinner?

THE CHAIRMAN: Well, I do not know that we need a motion. I would say that if