

life of high vocation. Let now its nobleness into our lives. Interpret for us its sacred opportunity to serve the people of this state, not alone for the present but for many generations to come. Help us to face with courage and discernment these pressing, human problems with their challenging complexity. Touch with Thy glory every cloud of sorrow. Shine with light through the atmosphere of care. Above all, grant that humility may be our sanctuary and Thy supervision be the true joy of our lives. We ask this in Thy Name.

Amen.

THE SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT: Roll call.

(Whereupon a roll call was taken.)

THE SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT: Has everyone registered his vote? The Clerk will register the roll call.

Report of the Committee on Calendar and Agenda. Chair recognizes the Chairman.

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. Chairman, I move we adopt today's calendar.

(The motion was duly seconded.)

THE SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT: All those in favor of the motion, signify by saying Aye; opposed, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

Reports of standing committees, consideration of the Eleventh Report of the Committee on Rules, Credentials and Convention Budget. The Chair recognizes the Chairman, Delegate Scanlan. Does Delegate Scanlan wish to come forward and give his report?

DELEGATE SCANLAN: Mr. Vice-President, fellow delegates, I have the honor to present the Eleventh Report of the Committee on Rules, Credentials and Convention Budget. Our report today deals with the Convention budget. Hopefully you should have before you not only a copy of the Committee's Report, but an attachment to that report showing the estimated budget and divided into three columns, 90-day session, 105-day session, 120-day session.

I also believe you should have before you a memorandum by the Secretary of the Convention, Secretary's Memorandum No. 30, which I believe was circulated yesterday, and which indicates the expenditures paid and incurred thus far in the operations of the Convention and compares with the budget for the particular items listed, and indicates the balance remaining.

It is not completely uniform. As I understand it, the salaries and per diem expenses of the delegates referred to in Mr. Martineau's memorandum are as of October 18, whereas all the other expenses are as of October 23rd.

Earlier in the session, I believe there was circulated a list of all the staff people, all the employees of the Convention, and their respective salaries and compensation.

I am not going to go into great detail in the report here from the rostrum. You do have our report and you do have the budget. I would just like to touch upon a few points that I think may be of special interest to you.

It is clear under the rules that the President and officers of the Convention have the primary responsibility of preparing the budget under which the Convention must operate. That has been done.

It is also reasonably implied that the Convention itself should finally approve or disapprove any budget prepared for it and presented to it by its officers. Section 11 of the Enabling Act specifically permits the Convention to incur such expenditures as may be proper to carry out its work. It forbids the Convention from incurring "total expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated by law for its expenses." I think there is very little doubt that in the final analysis, the budget is the Convention's responsibility, because in the first instance, as your committee entrusted with the function of reviewing the budget in your behalf, we have the duty to review it and to report to you concerning it. This is the first opportunity we have had to do that. We have had the privilege of having the President and other officers of the Convention, and budget analysts from the comptroller's office, all of whom appeared before your committee on October 11. At that time, they, and the President especially, went over in great detail the various items on the estimated budget that you have before you today.

There is one change. The only significant change in the budget as presented to us on October 11, and the budget you have in your possession today, is the fact that the post-Convention expenses, should the Convention go the full 120 days, is reported as \$22,580, rather than the \$35,000 or so that was listed in the original budget, which would have resulted in a technical deficit of some \$12,000.

I think the President was very candid in his appearance before our committee. He