

interruption including Saturdays, Sundays, Christmas Eve and Christmas?

DELEGATE SCANLAN: I just do not read it that way, Senator. If we met on a Saturday, yes, we would get \$25 for the Saturday we met, but I do not believe it is contemplated that it was figured on the basis of Saturday and Sunday meetings.

DELEGATE MALKUS: Does not the budget call for 15 days of straight paid per diem after the expiration of the 90 days?

DELEGATE SCANLAN: Sure it calls for 15 working days, however, they are spread out, whether it is five, five and five days over three weeks, or whether we go six in one week and go home on a Sunday and come back. I just do not know.

DELEGATE MALKUS: Does it not after the 15 days call for per diem for all of the remaining working days until January 12?

DELEGATE SCANLAN: Well, you are now talking of the 120-day session?

DELEGATE MALKUS: Yes.

DELEGATE SCANLAN: The 120-day session calculates that you will actually have been in session 105 days. I would gather that you may have a point there.

DELEGATE MALKUS: Thank you, sir. I am very hopeful, Mr. President — certainly glad to see you there, sir.

THE SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT: Thank you.

DELEGATE MALKUS: That was, of course, as you know, my wish, in the minority of course.

But, Mr. Chairman, a budget is a serious thing. Do you think it is fair to present this budget — the budget is going to pass, we know that, it does not make any difference whether it passes or not — but a budget is a serious thing. Here you are giving us this budget. The first 90 days you allow for Saturdays and Sundays by 75 working days, but the next, which goes into the holy season, starting with the 13th of December, carrying through to the 27th, or thereabouts, you allow no days off as far as this budget is concerned.

Is this in your opinion —

DELEGATE SCANLAN: I do not think this budget will determine the days we sit. I think the 120 day forecast wanted to be an absolute prudent, tight forecast by tak-

ing in the largest possible number of actual working days, so as to be able to present possibly the bleakest forecast of the monies on hand if we go the full limit. I do not think this budget will be the basis on which it is decided whether we sit on a Saturday, or, if it should come to that, a Sunday.

DELEGATE MALKUS: Mr. Chairman, Mr. President, I am not going to belabor the point any more. But one final question. I read this budget through rather carefully. I know you, Mr. Chairman, can tell me what is the cost of changing these voting machines around as far as this budget is concerned.

DELEGATE SCANLAN: I believe the cost for the change to the way they have it was \$2,500. I could stand corrected. I recall the testimony before the committee, the President or the Secretary mentioned that figure, but either of them is here and I would not want to state it with precision if I am inaccurate, if they have the accurate figure.

DELEGATE MALKUS: Can you tell me where that is in the budget?

DELEGATE SCANLAN: \$2,200, Mr. Martineau tells me.

DELEGATE MALKUS: Where is that in the budget?

DELEGATE SCANLAN: I believe it is under miscellaneous services.

DELEGATE MALKUS: That covers a multitude of sins, does it not?

DELEGATE SCANLAN: Yes, including changing the board.

DELEGATE MALKUS: Now, Mr. President, the Chairman has been very gracious, he is worthy of his hire. My final question is this. I am not going to go ahead and talk any more on the subject matter. Just vote against it. The easiest way that you allow me to vote against it is the way I want to take without taking up too much of the Convention's time.

DELEGATE SCANLAN: I know you would not want to do that, Senator.

THE SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT: Are there any further questions of the Chairman? If not, the question arises upon the adoption of the Committee Report. All those in favor, signify by saying Aye; opposed, No.

DELEGATE MALKUS: Mr. Chairman, can I be recorded as no?