amended, this resolution, so that the Rules Committee will be directed to give some attention to the relationship of attendance, and the right of members of committees to cast votes.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there a second?

(The motion was duly seconded.)

THE PRESIDENT: The motion is to amend the previous motion by adding to it the recommendation that the Committee on Rules give some attention to the relationship between the attendance of delegates at committee meetings, and their right to vote on such committees. Is there any discussion on the motion to amend? Ready? Delegate White?

DELEGATE WHITE: In support of the motion, Mr. President, and members of the Convention, some of us find that proposals in which we are vitally interested and which we have pursued very diligently through hearings, committee discussions, et cetera, for many weeks, are occasionally upset by some committee members who have possibly been in attendance three times in such committee since September 12.

Without wishing to appear unkind, I question the motivation and capacity of such a delegate to cast an intelligent vote, when he has been absent on so many occasions, coming in a bit before 2:00 P.M. to push the green button, and going back home.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there any further discussion on the motion to amend? Delegate Lloyd Taylor.

DELEGATE L. TAYLOR: Mr. President, I have a question to address to Delegate White.

THE PRESIDENT: Will Delegate White yield for a question?

DELEGATE WHITE: Yes.

DELEGATE L. TAYLOR: In the consideration of the voting, would take it into consideration a good excuse or reason for absence?

DELEGATE WHITE: My reply to that is, it is all right; but the question posed to some of us will be on a particular question. As you all know, when a person has been in attendance three times since September 12, I question how he could be excused for only appearing five minutes before two each day, and go back home.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Rybczynski, do you desire the floor?

DELEGATE RYBCZYNSKI: Mr. President, I would vote against this motion. I think Congressman Miller is as capable of voting on any issue, as any man in our committee.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there any further discussion? Delegate Storm. This is discussion on the motion to amend.

DELEGATE STORM: I would just like to mention that on the Committee on the Executive Branch we have several members, not including myself, who really have known more than any of the experts that would testify. Those fellows have been in attendance all the time, but their source of knowledge is so vast that if they wanted to skip all of this, they really could and still know more than most any member sitting on this floor. I suggest we would be penalizing sometimes people who are very well qualified.

Then in my own instance, I have been absent two times—excusable, Mr. President, I think. I intend to ask both the liberals, and the conservatives, to get what happened while I was out. I think I will be briefed very well by them. I do believe we would be taking a dangerous step, if we placed voting or conditioned voting on attendance. Some people do not need to attend, and some who do need to attend will get all the benefit, even though they have not attended.

This would also require some delegates, who want to testify in other committees, not to be able to vote back on their own substantive committee. It might be good to prevent some of the fellows with more votes than one, if you want to interpret it that way, but one woman, one vote, that is the best principle. If the party has been in attendance, or has the knowledge to vote, do not penalize him because of his absence.

THE PRESIDENT: Any further discussion on the motion to amend? Delegate Gallagher?

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: Mr. President, I move the previous question.

THE PRESIDENT: The previous question has been called for. Is it seconded?

(The motion was duly seconded.)

THE PRESIDENT: It takes precedence. Are you ready for the question?

(Call for the question.)

All those in favor of the previous question, signify by saying Aye; contrary, No.