

County Delegation will meet promptly at 9:45 A.M. tomorrow morning in the County Office Building, where we will conduct Citizens Day. We expect to get the advice and counsel of the citizens of Montgomery County at this midway point in our Convention.

THE PRESIDENT: Are there any further announcements by delegates? If not, the chair recognizes Delegate Powers, Chairman of the Committee on Calendar and Agenda.

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. President, I move we adjourn until 4:00 P.M. Monday, October 30.

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

(Whereupon, at 3:05 P.M., the Convention was adjourned to reconvene at 4:00 P.M., Monday, October 30, 1967.)

PLENARY SESSION

October 30, 1967 — 4:00 P.M.

PRESIDENT H. VERNON ENEY,

PRESIDING

THE PRESIDENT: The Convention will please come to order.

The invocation today will be offered by the Reverend Thomas L. Perry of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, of Baltimore City. Reverend Perry.

REVEREND PERRY: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Oh, God, by Whose wisdom the life of men is set within communities and nations, we offer thanks for the blessings of our life in this commonwealth and entreat Thee to look with favor upon the work of the minds and hands of those whose task it is to bring forth a new Constitution for our people's governing. May these delegates in all their deliberations strive to rise above faction and narrowness in any form, to seek what is good and just for all. May the fruits of their labors find acceptance with our citizens and with Thee, in whose sight all men and all actions are weighed. Help us, good Lord, to labor under the eye of eternity in this our time and place, which are thy gifts, thy challenge.

And to Thee we ascribe all majesty, might dominion and power through Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE PRESIDENT: Roll call.

(Whereupon a roll call was taken.)

THE PRESIDENT: Have all delegates answered roll call?

(There was no response.)

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

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

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. President, I have been informed that the Committee on Rules intends to report on Resolution No. 18 under Item 5 of the calendar. The report will recommend an amendment to the rules, and it is desirable that this change be considered today. Therefore, I move that the calendar, with that amendment, be adopted and that the rules be suspended so that consideration of that report may be given today.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there a second?

(The motion was duly seconded.)

THE PRESIDENT: Are you ready for the question?

(Call for the question.)

The question arises on the adoption of the calendar as amended to include a report of the Committee on Rules with respect to Resolution No. 18 and to suspend the rules to permit consideration of the amendment to the rules to be proposed by that committee. This requires a roll call vote.

(Whereupon a roll call vote was taken.)

THE PRESIDENT: Have all delegates voted? Does any delegate desire to change his vote?

(There was no response.)

The Clerk will record the vote. There being 139 votes in the affirmative and none in the negative, the motion carries. The rules are suspended for consideration of the amendment to the rules when we come to that item on the agenda.

Next item is reports of other standing committees. We have first the committee report of the Committee on Style, Draft-