

Wheatley for a few minutes at the lunch hour.

Delegate Fornos.

DELEGATE FORNOS: When it is appropriate, I would like to be recognized on a point of personal privilege.

THE PRESIDENT: State the privilege.

DELEGATE FORNOS: I would hope that the Convention would join me in extending a warm welcome to a newspaper editor from southern Anne Arundel County, Mr. Otto Walters.

*(Applause.)*

THE PRESIDENT: Are there any announcements to be made by committee chairmen?

Delegate Beatrice Miller.

DELEGATE B. MILLER: Mr. Chairman, I have a point of personal privilege.

THE PRESIDENT: State the privilege.

DELEGATE B. MILLER: I rise to speak most briefly concerning section 1.17 of the Declaration of Rights. On considerable reflection it appears to me that the vote last night was not decisive. Rather it would serve to carry forward divisive forces in connection with the adoption of this constitution and this concerns me much. Therefore, in an effort to gain some true measure of compromise and consolidate all forces in support of the constitution and to move any vestage of claim that the constitution represents one privileged class, I intend to request consideration; I intend to offer different language which will not entirely please anyone, but it will not entirely displease anyone.

After time for the delegates to consider the language and make up their minds, I shall request reconsideration.

THE PRESIDENT: The reconsideration will require the concurrence of fifteen delegates.

Delegate Mitchell.

DELEGATE MITCHELL: I have that.

THE PRESIDENT: If you have it, you can let the Chair have it at any time.

Are there any other announcements?

If not, the Chair recognizes Delegate Powers.

Just a second. Any delegates present now and not present this morning may indicate their presence on supplemental roll call.

Has every delegate answered supplemental roll call?

The Clerk will record it.

Delegate Powers.

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. President, I would like to ask all the members of the Committee on Calendar and Agenda to gather in the senate lounge for a meeting immediately upon our recessing and I move that we recess until 2:00 P.M.

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you.

All those in favor signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

*(Whereupon, at 1:05 P.M., the Convention recessed until 2 P.M., of the same day.)*

## PLENARY SESSION

JANUARY 3, 1968—2:20 P.M.

PRESIDENT H. VERNON ENEY,  
PRESIDING

THE PRESIDENT: The Sergeant-at-Arms will clear the aisle and close the doors.

The Convention will please come to order.

Roll call.

Has every delegate answered roll call?

*(There was no response.)*

The Clerk will record the roll call.

There being a quorum present, the Convention is in session.

We will resume consideration under special orders of Committee Recommendation GP-6.

The Chair understands that there are no amendments to be offered which are germane to the amendments by the Committee on Style, but the request has been made to submit for separate action by the Convention the question of the adoption of the recommendations of the Committee on Style.

I think we can make the problem confronting us much simpler in this manner: I think the amendments can best be handled and understood if we will take them sentence by sentence in each amendment. Therefore, the question arises first on the adoption of the amendments recommended by the Committee on Style in the first