

you will have all of tomorrow morning to have carefully read over the draft constitution which you have adopted in the past weeks, and see if it all hangs together.

There are a few loose ends to pick up in connection with the constitution, the enacting clause, which I hope to have here for you tomorrow. There are some resolutions to act upon, post-Convention operations. There are several resolutions expressing appreciation. There are a number and similar such matters.

I think we could easily conclude everything that needs be concluded, including the sections of the schedule of transitional provisions and legislation which we passed over this evening in several hours, but we are anxious to conclude in any event by 4 o'clock. I have suggested to Delegate Powers that we convene tomorrow at 1, which gives us a little leeway. I think we should finish certainly by 3, but in any event by 4.

I think we will be in a position to take the final votes on Saturday. This means the mechanical problems of having everything which you have before you now checked, double-checked, and triple-checked again, and this is one reason I ask each of you to go over it carefully and if you note any correction at all that needs be made, I think it would be helpful to centralize it; if you let Lanny Harchenhorn who has been working here with me on this know, he will see that it gets to the proper persons.

If we are able to do this and get the corrected copies reproduced, and I would hope to have before you not only this copy showing changes, but a clean copy, that is, one that does not show the strikeouts and the inserts, so that you can read it for sense very simply, ready for you by early Saturday morning, I would hope we could start a session on final votes at 10 o'clock Saturday morning.

If we have difficulty in accomplishing this, we should know by the time we are in session tomorrow afternoon and can let you know at that time.

Assuming that we are able to conclude final voting on Saturday, it would probably be Wednesday rather than Tuesday that we would have the signing ceremony. The reasons for this, of course, are mechanical, not merely the final check, but also having the copy to be signed properly printed. It will be printed in proper form on parchment, bound, and several copies ready for execution. While there is no requirement

in the enabling act that the constitution be signed by all delegates, the officers felt, as announced some weeks ago, that all the delegates would certainly want to have their signatures appended to the constitution and arrangements have been made accordingly to do this.

There has been considerable discussion as to where the signing should take place. Some feel that since all of our endeavors have been in this chamber, we should have it in this chamber. Considerable feeling is also expressed for having the signing in the old Senate Chamber, which is replete with so much in the way of tradition and history.

We are trying to ascertain whether it is possible to have the ceremony in the old Senate chamber. When I say possible, I mean to arrange for the filming, that is, the official filming for the Convention itself, for the archives, but in addition to that, coverage by all five T.V. stations. This has meant some investigation of the gallery in the old Senate chamber to see that it is strong enough to support the cameras, equipment, etc.

These decisions have not yet been made. In all probability, if we can use the old Senate chamber, we may do so, but there can be no assurance that this is likely. There are disadvantages to having the entire Convention in there to sign. There would be practically no room for sight-seers, except of course, through the eyes of the television cameras.

On the other hand, if the signing takes place in this chamber the two galleries are available. If the signing takes place in this chamber we would propose to have a desk for delegates to sign placed up here in the front aisle so that the delegates would be able to sit down and sign in their handsomest style, preserved for posterity in all of its charm, if it is charming, and in addition we would hope to be able to so arrange the table that for those delegates who wanted it, we could have individual photographs of them signing the constitution.

This poses a problem. Some delegates would want members of their family or others to come up and take the photograph. Obviously, this cannot be arranged for all delegates. We are exploring the possibility of having a photographer here who would be behind the desk, and for any who want it, for a fee, could snap their picture as they sign.