

the past fifteen days. One is the complete and utter sincerity of delegates to each side of this question in the justness, the rightness, and the correctness of their own position.

And the other was the complete sincerity and dedication of both sides in this dispute to do nothing that would jeopardize the work of this Convention and their feeling that in persisting in their efforts it was necessary to save the product of this Convention. It became obvious to me that these differences in philosophy were not a mere matter of words, but were a matter of great feeling, intense feeling, but complete sincerity.

It wish it had been possible that the debates on this issue could have been avoided. At the same time I think they have done a tremendous amount of good because the people will know what the issue is, the people will know what the debates have been because all of the discussion has taken place in the open on this very floor in the full light of not only the press but public visitors in the galleries.

It has become entirely clear and beyond question that practically every delegate supports the general principle underlying the proposed section 1.17 and that delegates do not dispute the right of labor to organize and to collectively bargain, but that the division occurred on the question of whether the regulation not only of the right to bargain but of the right not to bargain collectively should be worked out in Convention or in the legislative halls. We are able to go forward today and tomorrow and conclude our business and draft a constitution of which I am sure the State of Maryland will be proud.

I am sorry that I personally was not able, I did not have the capacity, the wisdom, to be able to work out a solution, but I have never been more proud of this Convention than I am at the moment and I applaud the efforts of all the delegates to enable us to go forward at this time.

*(The Convention rose and applauded.)*

THE PRESIDENT: Mr. Clerk, you have Resolution No. 28.

Mr. Clerk, will you please read the resolution?

READING CLERK: Resolution No. 28 by Committee on Style, Drafting and Arrangement, a resolution concerning capitalization of words in the proposed new Constitution.

“A RESOLUTION concerning capitalization of words in the proposed new Constitution.

“WHEREAS, the Committee on Style, Drafting and Arrangement deems it desirable and appropriate that a uniform system of capitalization be used throughout the text of the proposed new Constitution; and

“WHEREAS, the Committee on Style, Drafting and Arrangement suggests to the Convention the following rules of capitalization; now therefore be it

“RESOLVED, By the Constitutional Convention of Maryland that:

- “1) when the names of institutions are used as nouns they shall be capitalized;
- “2) when the word “State” is used as a noun is shall be capitalized;
- “3) when officers of the State are referred to they shall not be capitalized;
- “4) when the words “Maryland”, “United States”, “Constitution” are used they shall be capitalized; and
- “5) when any reference to the deity is made it shall be capitalized; and be is further

“RESOLVED, that the Committee on Style, Drafting and Arrangement be instructed to follow these rules in its preparation of the final draft of the Constitution.”

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair would like to act on Resolution No. 28 at this time. It calls on Delegate Penniman, Chairman of the Committee.

DELEGATE PENNIMAN: This is simply to change what had been originally a policy to capitalize some of the offices and in the last few days it became clear that it would be simpler both here and in the transitory provisions to maintain a policy of lower case for all except the offices or institutions of the State, the deity, the State itself, and return all the others in lower case. This will save us the problem of bringing it up in instance after instance noting we have reduced this capital letter to a lower case if we can get this accepted.

THE PRESIDENT: Any questions of the Committee Chairman?

Are you ready for the question?

*(Call for the question.)*