

THE PRESIDENT: I am not sure if that is a parliamentary inquiry or a statement of confusion. Let me say that the situation that arose today was, indeed, confusing, but not quite so confusing as it would be if we changed as suggested.

The committee recommendation which is referred to loosely as the Majority Report is not properly designated a Majority Report. It is a Committee Recommendation. When it is filed it is circulated to the delegates, and under the rules, of course, lays over for at least three days.

I think while it may be confusing, if we retain the present nomenclature and refer to that constantly as the Committee Recommendation, even though it may at the time of debate no longer have the support of the majority of the Committee, we would not have any confusion.

I have a few announcements that I want to make. I had intended to announce that we had in the gallery several distinguished visitors: Mr. June Haw and Mr. Younggun Hwang, who are members of the staff of the Korean National Assembly. They seem to have decided that a session such as we have had is more than Korean endurance could bear and they have departed. We are very happy to have had them. I am sure that their departure was because of other engagements.

I would like also to announce that the flowers on the rostrum today are there through the courtesy of Delegate Dorothy Murray, and thank her for them.

Delegate Murray.

DELEGATE D. MURRAY: Thank you, Mr. President. In lieu of the many words which I anticipate being spoken in this Assembly, with your permission and that of the delegates, I would like to be able to bring flowers whenever I can, and please do not mention them again.

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair, speaking for the Convention, says simply thank you.

*(Applause.)*

I understand that between 75 and 100 delegates saw the movie at the conclusion of the session of the Convention yesterday. I take it, therefore, that all delegates who desire to see it have seen it. There will be other showings of the movie from time to time. You are welcome to see it. No other showings are scheduled, particularly for Convention delegates.

I cannot refrain at this moment from one other announcement, and that is to say to the Convention delegates in their capacity as members of the Committee of the Whole a very sincere thank you for a well ordered debate, in which you bore with your presiding officer's slips with very good grace.

Are there any announcements by Committee Chairmen?

Delegate Kiefer.

DELEGATE KIEFER: Mr. President, the Committee on Personal Rights and the Preamble has what I think is a happy announcement, one I make with a great deal of satisfaction.

After about two days of hearings extending over some days and after at least a good day of debate and discussion, this Committee adopted by a vote of 16 to 1 the following language, subject to some polishing, as a recommendation to this Convention for a replacement of the language of section 103: "No law shall be enacted respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof."

This is the Committee's opinion as to what the First Amendment of the United States Constitution is. I make this announcement for two reasons. There has been a great deal of interest by a great many delegates. I think in view of the debate as carried on today, it is rather significant that this very highly inflammable subject was enacted by this Committee in a vote of 16 to 1. We had hoped to go for due process this afternoon, but obviously we are not going to do that. In fact, if we tried to reassemble before 7:30 P.M., I am sure nobody would come. We will reassemble at 7:30 P.M. to consider the Preamble and perhaps move on to some other matters.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Sherbow.

DELEGATE SHERBOW: The Committee on Finance and Taxation will meet tomorrow morning at 10:00 A.M. to hear Mr. John Lauber of the Governor's Task Force, to consider a series of recommendations sent to our Committee by the Governor.

After the session tomorrow afternoon, we will meet with the President of the Senate, Speaker of the House, and other legislative leaders for further discussion on the same subject.

I would like specifically now to invite Delegate Beatrice Miller and Delegate Sosnowski to appear at either of these two meetings tomorrow to discuss their proposal