

that it does not intend to take any action with respect to the proposal, and accordingly, I refer it to the Committee on Personal Rights and the Preamble.

I am happy to advise you that again today for the second time there are no new delegate proposals to be introduced.

Are there any motions or resolutions? If not, I have several announcements to make.

First, and I think perhaps the most important of the announcements, is that it gives me a great deal of pleasure and I may say relief, personal relief, to announce to the Convention that I have appointed Mr. Sherrod East as historian or more accurately, archivist of the Convention. Mr. East is presently retired but until very recently was assistant archivist in charge of the military affairs division of the office of National Archives and Records in Washington. He has had many years' experience in this very exacting occupation and I think we are indeed fortunate that he has agreed to serve in this capacity for the Convention.

I hand to the Journal Clerk the announcement as to the absences which under the rules of the Convention I have excused for the pay period beginning October 18 and ending October 31, 1967. I will request that this be entered in the journal. I do not think it necessary to read it. Any delegate desiring to can examine the memorandum at his convenience. Any absences not included in the memorandum I have just handed to the Journal Clerk are not excused.

I have been requested by Attorney General Burch to announce to you that he has printed additional copies of the remarks which he made before the Committee on the Executive Branch dealing with the functions and duties of the office of attorney general. Any delegate desiring to obtain copies of these remarks may obtain the same from the attorney general's office on the first floor of the State House.

One other announcement of interest to the Convention, I think, is that I have granted a brief leave of absence to the Sergeant-at-Arms, Richard Rothenberg, and in his absence have designated Edward Smith, a member of the professional staff of the Convention, as Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms. The leave of absence is granted at the request of Sergeant-at-Arms Rothenberg to enable him to be married tomorrow.

*(Applause.)*

He will return to his usual occupation Tuesday. He said a long weekend would suffice for the moment.

*(Laughter.)*

Are there any delegates present now who were absent at roll call who desire to indicate their presence? If not, are there any announcements from committee chairmen? Sorry. Delegate Gleason.

DELEGATE GLEASON: I would like to have my presence acknowledged, please, sir.

THE PRESIDENT: Any other delegates absent at roll call who desire to indicate their presence? Delegate Kiefer.

DELEGATE KIEFER: Mr. President, the Committee on Personal Rights and the Preamble will meet fifteen minutes after this meeting adjourns.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Mudd.

DELEGATE MUDD: Mr. President, the Committee on the Judicial Branch likewise will meet fifteen minutes after this session adjourns.

THE PRESIDENT: Any other announcements by committee chairmen? Delegate Koss.

DELEGATE KOSS: Mr. President, the Committee on Suffrage and Elections will meet tomorrow morning at 10:30.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Gallagher.

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: Mr. President, the Committee on the Legislative Branch will not meet at all for the remainder of the day to give the many talented authors of minority reports sufficient time to get them together for the onslaught next week. We will meet, however, at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning to continue to hear delegates on their proposals.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Dulany.

DELEGATE DULANY: Mr. President, the Committee on Public Information will meet tomorrow at 1:00 P.M.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Morgan.

DELEGATE MORGAN: Mr. President, the Committee on the Executive Branch will meet immediately following the plenary session to finish its final wind-up of the executive article.

THE PRESIDENT: Any further announcements by committee chairmen? Delegate Boyer.