

FATHER BRIESTENSKY: Oh, Almighty God, assist us with your grace so that we who have the privilege of American citizenship may also serve the nation and our great state with a good conscience.

May You prompt everyone to be obedient to the Constitution and to the laws of this state and to give wholehearted support to the public officials from the most renowned to the least among them.

Finally may the delegates and members of this august assembly hear from You the familiar reward, "well done good and faithful servants of my people." This we ask through Jesus Christ Your Son, Our Lord.

Amen.

THE PRESIDENT: Roll call.

*(Whereupon, a roll call was taken.)*

THE PRESIDENT: Have all delegates answered roll call? The Clerk will record the roll call. There being a quorum present, the Convention is in session.

The Chair recognizes Delegate Powers, Chairman of the Committee on Calendar and Agenda.

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. President, before I move for the adoption of today's calendar, I would like to announce to the Convention that the Committee on Calendar and Agenda today has made plans for the future. We have a projection of business for the Convention which will enable us to adjourn *sine die* on December 12. That will permit full debate on all matters but it will necessitate that beginning this coming Tuesday the Convention will convene at 10:00 A.M. with a recess in the middle of the day for lunch, but conclude its business before dinner in the evening, so that the evenings can be utilized for business other than that which takes place on the floor of the Convention.

We still hope that it will be unnecessary to hold a session on Thanksgiving Day or the day after. We hope that it will not be necessary to hold Saturday sessions until the first Saturday in December. There would be a Saturday session on the two Saturdays in December before the 12th. The business for the immediate future we can tell you about and we propose to announce to the Convention in advance from this point forward the proposed dates that we will consider various matters. Of course, any delegate is on notice as soon as a committee recommendation is filed that that

subject matter can come up any time after the third day thereafter. That is the first notice the delegates will have.

In addition to that, we will make announcements in advance. On Monday the proposal is that the agenda will include the second Report of the Committee on General Provisions dealing with the oath.

On Tuesday the agenda will provide for the Legislative Branch Committee Recommendation.

On Wednesday the Recommendation of the Committee on Suffrage and Elections.

Further announcements will be made in advance so that the delegates can keep informed as to that.

We do find it necessary to point out that if for any reason there is any blank day, the projection will be interfered with and it will be necessary either to lengthen the day or to hold sessions on additional days.

Mr. Chairman, I move the adoption of today's calendar.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there a second?

*(The motion was duly seconded.)*

THE PRESIDENT: For what purpose does Delegate Malkus rise?

DELEGATE MALKUS: Mr. President, I arise upon a point of inquiry and ask the gentleman if he will yield.

THE PRESIDENT: Will Delegate Powers yield to a question?

DELEGATE POWERS: Yes.

DELEGATE MALKUS: You have curtailed our days to a great extent. When are we going to have the opportunity to have our amendments drawn?

DELEGATE POWERS: Well, there is some time before 10:00 A.M. each morning. There is an hour and a half in the middle of the day and assuming we will customarily conclude our business around 6:00 or 6:30 in the evening, there is that evening time. The Committee on Calendar and Agenda assumed that each delegate, when he undertook this job, would make his work here paramount to anything else and that he would be devoting full time to the business of the Convention.

DELEGATE MALKUS: Mr. President, my next question, if the gentleman will again yield, will you yield, sir?