THE PRESIDENT: Will Delegate Powers yield to a question?

DELEGATE POWERS: Certainly.

DELEGATE MALKUS: If we do not have ample time to prepare our amendments, are you going to delay action on the subject matter?

DELEGATE POWERS: I would answer that by saying that our paramount objective is to give everyone a reasonable opportunity to express his opinion on any subject and that if we reach a point where it appears that delegates are not being af- forded a reasonable opportunity, something will be done so that they will be afforded such an opportunity.

DELEGATE MALKUS: Mr. President, I am very grateful to the gentleman.

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you, Delegate Malkus. The question arises on the motion to adopt the calendar. All in favor, signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered. The Calendar is adopted.

The Chair recognizes Delegate Dukes.

DELEGATE DUKES: Mr. President, with permission of the Chair, I would like to direct the attention of the Convention to the right front gallery where there are seated a number of young ladies and gentlemen from Riverdale Hills Elementary School, Prince George's County, together with some teachers and parents. We are happy to have them here.

In the rear center gallery are seated four other citizens of Prince George's County in whom I have a great interest, my daughter, Aurelia Ann Dukes, my son Charles Weathers Dukes, my son David Lloyd Dukes, and my wife Becky.

In spite of the liberality of the Suffrage and Elections Committee, they will not be able to vote in the next election, at least three of them, but they are nevertheless the principal reason I am here.

(Applause.)

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Delegate Koss.

DELEGATE KOSS: I would like to acknowledge the presence in the gallery of members of the ninth grade civics class of Takoma Park Junior High, who are here today observing the doings of our Convention with their teacher, Mrs. Esther Wright.

THE PRESIDENT: Delighted to have you with us.

(Applause.)

Next item on the calendar is reports of other standing committees. Before receiving the first report, I want to call to your attention that in accordance with the announcement made several days ago, the Recommendation GP-1 of the Committee on General Provisions as amended by the Committee of the Whole attached to a report of the Committee of the Whole has been reproduced. I am not sure whether it has as yet been printed and circulated to the delegates. It has been. It is on white paper so that it will not be confused with your other documents. Remember that the amendments are shown by striking through the portion of the section which was deleted by amendment and by showing in italics the portions which were added.

The Committee Recommendation GP-3. The Clerk will read the Recommendation.

READING CLERK: Committee Recommendation GP-3, by the Committee on General Provisions, Elroy G. Boyer, Chairman. A recommendation that the constitution include a provision on natural resources.

THE PRESIDENT: The Committee Recommendation GP-3 is referred to the Committee of the Whole. Accompanying this recommendation is Committee Memorandum GP-3, a two-page memorandum. The next report is that of the Committee on Suffrage and Elections. Committee Recommendation S&E-1.

READING CLERK: Committee Recommendation S&E-1, by the Committee on Suffrage and Elections, Helen L. Koss, Chairman. A recommendation that the constitution include a provision on referendum.

THE PRESIDENT: Committee Recommendation S&E-1 is referred to the Committee of the Whole. Accompanying this recommendation is supporting memorandum, Committee Recommendation S&E-1, a nine-page memorandum.

That is all of the committee reports. Before coming to proposals, I call to your attention that there has been filed today by Delegate Finch a memorandum accompanying Delegate Proposal No. 415, a two-page memorandum.

I also wish to call to your attention that Delegate Proposal No. 421 which had a typographical omission has been reprinted and is substituted in your books for the previous copy. This is on the salmon-