

be presented at the same time hopefully as the majority recommendation of the committee. To the extent that we are able to do so on short notice, we will have every possible assistance available for you by members of the professional staff and stenographic assistance.

In addition let me say particularly to the delegates who are members of the Committee on Style, Drafting and Arrangement, but as well to the chairmen of the other committees, I think you must from now on consider not only that your assignment to the Committee on Style is your primary assignment but it your only committee assignment. It is quite obvious from the schedule that has been worked out that the Committee on Style will have to be meeting at night. Other committees will also have to be meeting at night. You cannot have one body in two places at the same time. Therefore, will the members of the Committee on Style consider themselves divorced completely from their other committees at any time the Committee on Style is meeting.

The Chair recognizes Delegate Powers.

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. President, I move we adjourn until 4:00 P.M. on Monday.

THE PRESIDENT: All those in favor, signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

(Whereupon, at 3:10 P.M., the Convention adjourned to reconvene at 4:00 P.M. on Monday, November 6, 1967.)

PLENARY SESSION

NOVEMBER 6, 1967—4:00 P.M.

**PRESIDENT H. VERNON ENEY,
PRESIDING**

THE PRESIDENT: The Sergeant-at-Arms will clear the aisles and close the doors.

The Convention will please come to order.

The invocation today will be offered by the Reverend Father Francis Veith, of St. Michael's Catholic Church, St. Mary's County. Father Veith.

FATHER VEITH: We pray to You, oh, God of Might, wisdom and justice through Whom all authority is rightly administered, laws are enacted, and judgment decreed, assist with Your Holy Spirit of Counsel and Fortitude the members of this Consti-

tutional Convention that their administration may be conducted in righteousness and be eminently useful to the people of this state by encouraging due respect for virtue and religion, by a faithful execution of laws of justice and mercy, and by restraining vice and immorality. Let the light of Thy Divine Wisdom direct the deliberations of this convention and shine forth in all the proceedings and laws framed for our rule and governing so that they may tend to the preservation of peace, the promotion of happiness, the increase of industry, sobriety, and knowledge. May it perpetuate to us the blessings of equality and liberty. We pray for His Excellency, the Governor of this State, for the members of this convention, for the members of the General Assembly, for all judges, magistrates, and other officers who are appointed to guard our political welfare that they may be enabled by Your powerful protection to discharge their duties in their respective offices with honesty and ability.

We commend likewise, to Your unbounded mercy, all our brethren and fellow citizens throughout this state that they may be vested in the knowledge and sanctified in the observance of Your most holy law. May they be preserved in unity and peace so that after enjoying the blessings of this life they may be admitted to those which are eternal.

Amen.

THE PRESIDENT: Roll call.

(Whereupon, the roll call was taken.)

Have all delegates answered the roll call?

(There was no response.)

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, I move today's calendar be adopted.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there a second?

(Whereupon, the motion was seconded.)

All those in favor, signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered. The calendar is adopted.

I would like to recognize the presence in the gallery of fourth and fifth grade