

Delegate Johnson?

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Mr. President, I would ordinarily leave this announcement for announcements, but if we have time, with the lull in the Committee of the Whole, perhaps I can make an announcement with respect to a minority report.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: Mr. Chairman, because JB-1 contains the majority view of the Judicial Branch, of the entire judicial article and since some inquiries were made concerning the minority view, if any, I should like to announce that a minority report is being prepared to some of the recommendations of the majority report, and with some luck this will be distributed to the delegates Wednesday, November 8.

Mr. Chairman, I was given to understand that the Committee Calendar had its schedule full through Thursday and that JB-1 would have to be considered sometime soon thereafter. As Temporary Chairman for the Minority Report, I join our Majority Chairman Mudd in a request to the Calendar Committee that JB-1 be considered no earlier than Monday, November 13. Representatives of each Committee are desirous that the Committee of the Whole have both the majority and minority reports before it so that a full and frank discussion of the relative merits of each can be made. Perhaps with everyone's cooperation, this will be accomplished.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Johnson, I doubt if we can do that, much as we would like to. If the consideration of the recommendation of the Committee on the Judicial Branch were deferred, we would have at least one and perhaps two blank days. This would mean that it would be imperative for us to sit this Saturday and the next Saturday.

Is it possible for your minority report to be concluded this afternoon? If so, we can have it printed tonight and distributed tomorrow morning.

DELEGATE JOHNSON: I do not think it is possible for it to be completed this afternoon, Mr. Chairman. I think there is the possibility that it can be completed tomorrow. I want to reiterate that the minority is not suggesting that there be any blank days or that consideration of the majority report be deferred. For this reason and for that matter, any other reason, but we were operating under the impres-

sion that the calendar had a full schedule through Thursday of this week, and the reason that I arise is because you announced earlier that it was possible for JB-1 to be considered on Thursday. I just wanted to make our position clear. We will work all the harder to complete our task so that there will be no delay in the matter.

THE CHAIRMAN: If you could possibly finish your minority report or even part of it tonight, it would be helpful.

I believe the amendment to be offered by Delegate Rybczynski has now been prepared and is circulated. The Chair recognizes Delegate Rybczynski. Is this the amendment you desire to offer?

DELEGATE RYBCZYNSKI: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: We will mark it Amendment No. 1. The Clerk will read the amendment.

READING CLERK: Amendment No. 1 to Committee Recommendation No. GP-2 by Delegates Rybczynski and Rush: On page 1, line 12 of Committee Recommendation GP-2, after the quotation mark, insert the words: "In the presence of Almighty God".

THE CHAIRMAN: The Chair recognizes Delegate Rybczynski.

DELEGATE RYBCZYNSKI: Mr. Chairman, I want to make it very clear—

THE CHAIRMAN: Just for the purposes of moving the amendment.

DELEGATE RYBCZYNSKI: I want to make clear that what was just read was not complete. I want to emphasize the parentheses before and after, so that I now move the Amendment No. 1 to Committee Recommendation GP-2.

THE CHAIRMAN: Is there a second?

*(Whereupon, the motion was seconded.)*

THE CHAIRMAN: So that I can be clear as to what you just said, Delegate Rybczynski, it is my understanding that you intend the amendment to include, not only the phrase, "in the presence of Almighty God", but also the parentheses around that phrase?

DELEGATE RYBCZYNSKI: Yes, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: The Chair recognizes Delegate Rybczynski to speak to the amendment.

DELEGATE RYBCZYNSKI: Mr. Chairman, ladies and gentlemen of this