

section 3.01 would still be open to further amendment. There is no provision in the debate schedule limiting time on such further amendments—because the Chairman of Calendar and Agenda has not been advised of any further amendments. Accordingly, there is no limitation of debate on such further amendments, except the general limitation of five minutes per speaker. After section 3.01 is considered, we reach section 3.04, and the same procedure will be followed, except that in this instance, there are three minority reports. The consideration of these reports under strict parliamentary procedure, such as was followed yesterday in connection with the motion to adjourn the Convention would, I fear, result in a great deal of misunderstanding because, for instance, if at the time of the first minority report on section 3.04 the amendment were to change the size of the General Assembly to the 40-80 combination, and that were submitted, secondary amendments to the committee recommendation would be in order, and could be considered. However, if a secondary amendment to the committee recommendation were acted upon and adopted, the question would then arise on the minority report 40-80 to substitute for the committee recommendation as amended. If the Committee of the Whole should adopt that amendment, you would then not have the opportunity to further debate the other alternatives with respect to that section because the Committee of the Whole would have acted and would preclude any further internal amendments, except with respect to amendments that would encompass more than the numerals 48.

I think this could lead to considerable misunderstanding and a failure to present to the Committee of the Whole all of the alternatives offered by the minority report. Accordingly, the Chair will follow the procedure, which is not strictly in accordance with technical rules of parliamentary procedure, but I believe is justified, of taking each minority report successively, regardless of the action taken by the Committee of the Whole on the previous one, and in addition, considering any other amendments dealing with the same subject, after a consideration of the three minority reports. This procedure could result in the Committee of the Whole wasting time, debating, alternate procedures, when a majority of the Committee clearly wants it earlier, but I think as a procedure to follow until we see just what kind of amendments develop, it will be preferable to following the strict procedure that would have us

involved in secondary amendments to amendments, et cetera. Accordingly, I simply want to announce to you that in connection with the debate schedule now before you, keep in mind the two things I have mentioned: first, the debate schedule, other than the five-minute limitation on debate, covers only the matters mentioned therein, and second, in the case of successive amendments to the same section, we will treat them successively and not be concerned with whether they are primary or secondary amendments.

Is there any discussion? Delegate Gleason?

DELEGATE GLEASON: Mr. President, I would like to make a correction in the debate schedule, on page 2, if you will.

The minority report under the controlled time will be under the control of Delegate Bard, rather than Delegate Gleason.

THE PRESIDENT: Will the Chairman of the Committee on Calendar and Agenda make the amendment to the debate schedule? As I understand it, it is under section 3.12. The control of the time for the presentation of the minority report will be by Delegate Bard and not Delegate Gleason.

DELEGATE POWERS: The debate schedule will be amended to reflect that change.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there any further discussion?

*(There was no response.)*

Are you ready for the question?

*(Call for the question.)*

Delegate Bamberger.

DELEGATE BAMBERGER: I should like to address an inquiry to the Chairman of the Committee on Calendar and Agenda.

THE PRESIDENT: You may do so.

DELEGATE BAMBERGER: Mr. Chairman, in the uncontrolled time which follows the discussion by the spokesman for the minority reports or the chairmen on the various sections, may a Delegate speak to either a majority report or a minority report without offering an amendment to either of those reports?

DELEGATE POWERS: The answer to that is yes, he may, subject to a limitation of three minutes. He may speak favorably or unfavorably on the matter immediately before the Convention.