The New York Constitution was defeated by the people yesterday. The figures I have for practically the entire State were 1,295,970 for, and 3,296,000, against, which means that the last three constitutions submitted by state governments to the people have been rejected. It behooves us, I think, to keep this in mind and strain every nerve to produce a constitution that the people will accept.

The Chair recognizes Delegate Hutchinson.

DELEGATE HUTCHINSON: Mr. President, I would like to take this opportunity to announce that in the gallaries are present Mr. Preston A. Hutchinson, who happens to be a delegate to the General Assembly, and his wife, Mrs. Evelyn Hutchinson, who both happen to be my mother and father, and who also happen to be the primary reason why I am sitting here today.

(Applause.)

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Delegate Powers.

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. President, during the recess for lunch, there was opportunity to consider the consequences of our deviation from the announced practice and recessing substantially in advance of the time. It has been concluded by the Committee on Calendar and Agenda that it would be much less disruptive to a much smaller number for us to adhere as closely as possible to the announced times for recess and adjournment during our normal sessions; that is, from 12:30 P.M. until 2:00 P.M. for lunch, on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Fridays and then at the most convenient time, at about 6:00 P.M. for adjournment until the following day. For the benefit of all concerned, we would like to announce that we would vigorously oppose any deviation from that, unless there were an extremely overpowering reason.

I now move that the Convention resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole, to resume consideration of the orders of the day under the debate limitation and control as heretofore established.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there a second?

(Whereupon, the motion was seconded.)

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Beall?

DELEGATE BEALL: I would like to announce my presence, Mr. President.

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Beall is present.

The question arises on the motion that the Convention resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole for the resumption of consideration of general orders of the day under Debate Schedules Nos. 1 and 2. All those in favor signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

(Whereupon, at 1:41 P.M., the Convention resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole.)

(The mace was removed by the Sergeantat-Arms.)

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THE CHAIRMAN: The Committee of the Whole will come to order.

The next item before you on Debate Schedule No. 1 is the presentation of Minority Report LB-1(D). You have the report before you.

The Chair recognizes Delegate Gleason and requests that he come forward to the reading clerk's desk.

Minority Report LB-1(D), to provide that the size of the legislature be established by law.

Lest you be misled, we have not yet considered LB-1(C). That follows LB-1(D) on the debate schedule.

DELEGATE GLEASON: Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gleason.

DELEGATE GLEASON: Before I commence my explanation of Minority Report LB-1(D), I would like to ask the Chair, if it is in order at this time to get unanimous consent to eliminate the second sentence of the amendment? I say this for the following: If we were in quorum—

THE CHAIRMAN: The amendment is not now before us. I do not have a copy.

Do you have a copy?

DELEGATE GLEASON: I have a copy.

In explanation, Mr. Chairman, I would just like to say that we were in the process of preparing the amendments for the consideration of the Committee of the Whole.