

THE CHAIRMAN: Does any other delegate desire to speak in favor of the amendment to the amendment?

Delegate Neilson?

DELEGATE NEILSON: Mr. Chairman, I rise to support Mr. Rybczynski, because I believe that his substitute motion or amendment is a much better one than authored by Mr. Lord and Mr. Case.

However, at the proper time I will push the button as hard as I can against it, because I support the Committee in its recommendation of single-districts.

I concur with Delegate Clark and his remarks that single-member districts will spread the representation as far as we can to the rural areas.

THE CHAIRMAN: The Chair recognizes Delegate Raley to speak in opposition to the amendment to the amendment.

DELEGATE RALEY: Mr. Chairman, I would like to ask a question of Chairman Gallagher if it is in order.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gallagher, do you yield for a question?

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: Yes, sir.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Raley.

DELEGATE RALEY: Delegate Gallagher, as I understand it, you are for single-member districts, but are in favor of the Rybczynski amendment because it provides flexibility that is not given in the Lord-Case amendment, that is, flexibility that would permit either an at-large delegate or a district delegate. Is that correct?

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: I am sorry, I possibly misled you in that respect. If the Case-Lord proposal were to pass, and I am opposed to it, I would prefer to see it passed as Mr. Rybczynski has changed it. However, I am against it.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Raley?

DELEGATE RALEY: Well, Mr. Gallagher, then why do you want the Rybczynski amendment?

What is your reasoning on it?

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gallagher.

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: I was under the impression that we would first take up the Rybczynski amendment to the amendment, and then move to the amendment itself. That is not the case. As I understand it, since the Rybczynski amend-

ment is really a substitute for the Case-Lord amendment, I am going to vote against it. However, if it passes, I will be happier with it than I would have been had the Lord-Case proposal passed. In other words, I would like to say that I am for the Committee report, and I am against the attempt to change it, but if there is to be a change, I prefer the kind of change which Mr. Rybczynski has given us.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Raley.

DELEGATE RALEY: You are for that change because there would be greater flexibility, there could be either at-large delegate districts, or single-member delegate districts? As I read it, I think that is what it says.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Gallagher.

DELEGATE GALLAGHER: Assuming that one gets the change, which I am opposed to, the reason that I would prefer the Rybczynski one is that I believe it requires that the three delegates either run within the single-senatorial district, or that the single-senatorial district be divided into three separate districts, so that it is either an at-large running of three or the three running compartmentalized within the single senatorial district.

I do not like the possibility of two delegates running within districts, that is, a single senatorial district, and then one running at large, which nobody has said anything about, but which I have had in the back of my mind since the debate began.

THE CHAIRMAN: The Chair will have to limit you to questions at this time. There are too many others seeking to debate. Does any other delegate desire to speak in opposition to the amendment to the amendment?

Delegate White?

DELEGATE WHITE: Mr. Chairman, I am disturbed about the use of the word "visibility." It seems that the term "visibility" has a value to certain members of the Convention which my experience does not lead me to share. Possibly this is the first time I have been invisible for the last fifteen or twenty minutes. I finally have the mike, but on those occasions during my long life when I was visible under the conditions which prevailed in Maryland, my visibility always worked to my disadvantage. Although I am going to vote against this amendment, I hope that we can find another word in arguing in behalf of the resolution for which I shall vote.