

appropriation for maintaining State government," and I underline the word "maintaining", and it also says that there "shall be exempt any bill for aiding or maintaining a public institution".

Now, the word "maintaining" is not a word couched in capital terms. That is to say, this word would not in my opinion cover a capital expenditure. It is more of an expense nature. Therefore, I suggest the elimination of the words "maintaining the State government" or "for the aiding or maintaining", and inserting in lieu thereof the words "State government", so that the bill would now read, or the proposal would now read, "and there would be exempt from referendum, any law proposing a tax or any law making an appropriation for the State government or any public institution".

If this were done, it would be absolutely clear that bond issues would not be subject to referendum, and this would mean in substance that the law would be in effect, after the new Constitution were adopted, as it had been heretofore.

Therefore, Mr. Chairman, I move the amendment.

THE CHAIRMAN: Does any other delegate wish to speak for or against?

Does anyone wish to question Delegate Case for the purpose of clarification? Are there no questions or further debate? The question arises on Delegate Case's amendment. The Chair recognizes Delegate Cardin.

DELEGATE CARDIN: Mr. Chairman, I was just going to say that as Chairman of the subcommittee on referendum, we did consult with Delegate Case, and we were advised this would be a correction which would facilitate and make a matter of fact the fact that bonds were not subject to referendum, and that is as we wish it to be so the subcommittee on referendum would request that this be adopted by the Committee of the Whole.

THE CHAIRMAN: The question arises on the adoption of the amendment. All in favor, say Aye; opposed, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered. Amendment No. 4 is adopted.

Is Amendment No. 3 available? I understand it will be approximately ten minutes before Amendment No. 3 will be available. In the meantime, while we are waiting, the Chair will make some announcements.

From Chief Curry of the Tour Service on the subject of tour groups attending today, we have a group of five or more teachers of Calvert County High School who are attending committee meetings of the General Session. We are happy to welcome them here.

(Applause.)

I have a message from Delegate Anderson which says that he will be glad to exchange overcoats with the party who by inadvertence removed his overcoat last week from the Legislative Committee room and left another in its place.

This happens to everybody at least once.

I would like to recognize Delegate Winslow.

DELEGATE WINSLOW: Mr. Chairman, an inquiry, please: I think this question was raised the other day.

I am sorry to say I did not get the answers, but does section 2 as it now stands, keep a referendum out of possibility with respect to an appropriation to a private institution? Say if the appropriation is for St. John's College or for a privately endowed hospital, are such appropriations subject to a referendum?

THE CHAIRMAN: Will the Chairman of the Committee answer that question?

DELEGATE KOSS: Yes. It was not the intent of the Committee to exclude appropriations for private institutions from referendum. Does that answer your question?

DELEGATE WINSLOW: Yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: The Chair would like to recognize Delegate Clarence Mitchell from the Fourth District of Baltimore City. We are happy to have you with us.

I have a message from Delegate E. J. Clarke that Mrs. Joseph M. Dukert, wife of the Chairman of the Republican State Committee passed away Sunday. She was very active in civic affairs and, as a Republican, served in precinct, county, city, state and national capacities. She served her party and the people of Maryland in a most distinguished manner. We will not only miss her fruitful contributions but her warm personality and friendship as well.

For those desiring to attend the funeral mass at 10:00 A.M. at the Cathedral of Mary Our Queen in Baltimore, arrangements have been made for transportation