

much better. He has consulted his own doctor, who has suggested that he rest over the weekend, but sees no reason why he cannot return to his desk on Monday. Delegate Weidemeyer.

DELEGATE WEIDEMEYER: Mr. President, I quite agree with your ruling that any committee should be allowed to inquire into subjects not specifically before them by proposal, but I would want to suggest that it might be well that after a committee has inquired into an area that if that committee feels that that subject merits a specific proposal or merits some consideration on a subject which may be embodied in a final report of a committee later on, that in order to apprise each and every one of the delegates and of the public of the subject under discussion and consideration, that that committee introduce by way of a proposal a formal bill so that every one of us will know that that committee is considering that subject.

THE PRESIDENT: It will be done. The only difference between it and a delegate proposal is the name. The proposal by committee, the Rules Committee decided should be called committee recommendation, rather than committee proposal. Otherwise, it will be in the form and except that it will be on a different color paper, will be exactly in the nature of a delegate proposal. It will receive the same treatment, referenced to the committee, reporting back to the Committee on the Whole to the Convention and through the usual routine.

I have been asked by both the staff and the Press to make this announcement and request, particularly of the committee chairmen. The information service, as indicated the other day is endeavoring to have ready in the early afternoon each day a schedule of all committee events, I would say, rather than meetings, for the following day—witnesses, place, times, et cetera.

This will be the function of the administrative assistant to each committee. That is, it will be his function to get the report back to the information service at 12:00 noon each day. Some of the committees have been doing this. All have not. The newspapers not only have agreed to carry this, but they would like very much in the morning edition of the paper to carry the entire schedule of events before all the committees of the Constitutional Convention. Hopefully the late afternoon papers each day will carry the same schedule for the following day if we can get it out in time. Therefore, I request that the chairman of

each committee put this down as a must on his calendar. He can assign the duty to his administrative assistant. This is one of the functions of the administrative assistant. He can prepare tentatively a schedule and a little before noon have the chairman of the committee approve it to be sure that it is correct, and then see that it is transmitted promptly by page to the information service. From there on, it will be carried so that it can be handled.

A suggestion has been handed to me with respect to Delegate Proposal No. 27, but rather than act on it now, because I have some questions about it, I would like to consider the suggestion. It can be acted on later. It is not a question of whether it should be withdrawn but rather having been withdrawn it should nevertheless be preserved.

I am a bit puzzled because just a few moments ago I had handed to me what is marked Delegate Proposal, an amendment to standing rules of the convention, not on the Delegate Proposal form. I understand that this was distributed to your desks and it is marked introduced by Delegate Robie. I am not sure what was the intention. Delegate Robie.

DELEGATE ROBIE: Mr. President, I followed the standing procedure that we had used on previous suggested amendments to the rules and inasmuch as I submitted it to the Clerk, I would like to have it given its first reading this afternoon, so that if time permits the Rules Committee can consider this rules change, and that our two-day limitation can begin starting today.

THE PRESIDENT: The Clerk tells me that the proposal was in his hand in the hopper before noon, and therefore it should be considered. With the permission of the delegates, we will re-do it on the form to indicate the dates and introduction, et cetera, at a later date; at the moment it will be introduced as Delegate Proposal No. 41.

DELEGATE ROBIE: Thank you, Mr. President.

THE PRESIDENT: The parliamentarian calls my attention to the fact that it is probably improperly titled as a delegate proposal. It is merely offered as an amendment to the rules, and if so, I will withdraw the statement I just made.

I will have the Clerk read the proposed amendment. We will later number it and have it appropriately marked in your book.