

1 different from what they are doing now. As you know,
2 their convention has been meeting about two years now.
3 I think they meet once a month and debate and discuss
4 but really accomplish practically nothing.

5 The Chairman of the Convention was present
6 and participated in the discussion in Boston. He
7 certainly was anything but optimistic.

8 New York's experience or lack of experience
9 was also illuminating. They have a preparatory Commis-
10 sion. The Commission has been apparently tied up or
11 tied down with politics and lack of funds for the
12 entire period of its existence. Until very recently it
13 had accomplished nothing at all.

14 It now has been torn asunder by conflicts
15 between the staff and the Convention, with resignations
16 of the Executive Director, and the whole setup of the
17 Convention as described at the meeting, of the preparatory
18 Commission, is entirely different from anything we have
19 been attempting to do. The Commission is politically
20 oriented with very definite attempts to balance the
21 representation in the Commission among the various