

1 and voting if a quorum was present.

2 MR. MELVIN: Mr. Chairman, I don't know  
3 whether there was any discussion on it because I was  
4 out of the room but it seems to me that on substantive  
5 matters it should be a majority of the members elected,  
6 on something as important as the constitution. I don't  
7 know whether it is possible to go back and reconsider  
8 it or not or whether any of the other members feel the  
9 same way. If they don't, that would be the end of it.

10 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Scanlan, do you want to  
11 comment?

12 MR. SCANLAN: We felt a majority of those  
13 present and voting was sufficient protection. If you  
14 went the other way, some important issues might not get  
15 considered or not considered expeditiously. There would  
16 be the possibility of a filibuster. We would think that  
17 most of the delegates would have enough interest in  
18 their work to be there and with an important vote coming  
19 up they would be there. We found no reason to limit a  
20 group representing the people with somewhat artificial  
21 parliamentary restrictions about the vote required to