

1 THE CHAIRMAN: In line with that reasoning,  
2 isn't it true that all preliminary votes in the Legis-  
3 lature are by simple majority, that is, other than  
4 third reading and final passage?

5 MR. CASE: I think so.

6 MR. MELVIN: Not on a bill.

7 THE CHAIRMAN: Each reading has a majority?

8 MR. MELVIN: The final reading.

9 THE CHAIRMAN: Just the final reading?

10 MR. MELVIN: Yes.

11 THE CHAIRMAN: First and second reading is  
12 by a simple majority of those present?

13 MR. MELVIN: Yes.

14 MR. ADKINS: I would join Mr. Melvin in this  
15 discussion. It seems to me if we permit major changes  
16 of a controversial nature such as described in this  
17 constitution to be adopted by what could be 25 per  
18 cent plus one vote, we are leaving the matter open for  
19 substantial fights subsequent to the convention itself,  
20 and adding weight to those people who might want to  
21 oppose the constitution on that very ground. I think it