

1 statistics are far more revealing in fact than all the  
2 theory in the world that can be presented by general slogans  
3 which were suggested in the memo.

4 I think, in sum, Mr. President and ladies and  
5 gentlemen of the Convention, we have before us an issue  
6 which is clearly a divided one, it has divided us, and  
7 it has divided the population; it is certainly something  
8 that will suggest political opposition to the Constitution.

9 This is a reality we must all face.

10 Above all, it is clearly not something by its  
11 very nature which suggests to us it is all perfectly right.  
12 It has a great number of defects, and deficiencies. We only  
13 hope you will recognize them and give the commission and  
14 the legislature the reasonable amount of flexibility they  
15 need in drawing the lines for the future.

16 THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Gallagher.

17 DELEGATE GALLAGHER: I yield 2 minutes to  
18 Delegate Hopkins.

19 DELEGATE HOPKINS: Delegate Byrnes referred  
20 to the foremost authority in the country on single-member  
21 districts. I listened to see to whom he was referring.