

PLENARY SESSION

NOVEMBER 8, 1967—10:00 A.M.

**PRESIDENT H. VERNON ENEY,
PRESIDING**

THE PRESIDENT: The Sergeant-at-Arms will clear the aisles and close the doors.

The Convention will please come to order.

The invocation today will be offered by the Reverend Vernon Dobson of Union Baptist Church in Baltimore City. Reverend Dobson.

(Whereupon, the invocation was offered by the Reverend Dobson.)

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you.

Roll call. Have all delegates answered roll call? The Clerk will record the roll call.

The Chair recognizes Delegate Powers, Chairman of the Committee on Calendar and Agenda.

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. Chairman, I move we adopt today's Calendar.

(Whereupon, the motion was seconded.)

THE PRESIDENT: All those in favor, signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered. The calendar is adopted.

Are there reports of other standing committees?

(There was no response.)

Committee Recommendation SF-2 by the Committee on State Finance and Taxation. The Clerk will read the report or recommendation.

READING CLERK: Committee Recommendation SF-2 by the Committee on State Finance and Taxation, Joseph Sherbow, Chairman.

"A RECOMMENDATION that the Constitution include a prohibition of governmental licensing or sponsorship of lotteries."

THE PRESIDENT: Committee Recommendation SF-2 is referred to the Committee of the Whole.

There is also with Committee Recommendation SF-2 Committee Memorandum SF-2.

You should have on your desk sometime during the course of the morning, a memorandum accompanying Delegate Proposal No. 419 submitted by Delegate Finch.

It is my understanding that there will be several groups in the gallery this morning. I doubt that they are there; at least, they are not in the gallery which I face. Are they in the rear gallery? Girl Scout Troop No. 975 from Cheverly, Prince George's County, and a group from the Johnnycake Junior High School in Baltimore County. We are delighted to have them here. *(Applause.)*

You also have on your desk this morning President's Memorandum No. 16, which gives you once again the letter from the District Director of Internal Revenue, from which you will note that he is not receding from his position, at least not very much. This is a matter, I think, each delegate will have to work out for himself, but consideration is being given to taking the matter up with the ruling section in Washington in an effort to secure a ruling so that each delegate will not have to handle the matter separately on his income tax return.

There are no proposals today. Are there any motions or resolutions?

(There was no response.)

No motions or resolutions. The Chair recognizes Delegate Powers, Chairman of the Committee on Calendar and Agenda.

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. President, I move the Convention resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole for the purpose of resuming consideration of Committee Recommendation LB-1, under the same provisions for control and limitation of debate as set forth on Debate Schedule No. 1, and to consider Committee Recommendation S&E-1, subject to the provisions of control and limitation of debate as set forth on Debate Schedule No. 2.

(Whereupon, the motion was seconded.)

THE PRESIDENT: The question arises on the motion that the Convention resolve itself into the Committee of the Whole for resumption of consideration of Committee Recommendation No. LB-1 under Debate Schedule No. 1, and subsequently for consideration of Committee Recommendation S&E-1 under Debate Schedule No. 2. Any discussion? All those in favor—Delegate Bamberger.

DELEGATE BAMBERGER: Mr. President, I would make the same suggested amendment with respect to Debate Schedule No. 2 that Delegate Adkins made yesterday, and that is that the limit on speeches in the uncontrolled portion of debate be five minutes instead of three minutes.