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#### State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

# JOURNAL OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

Providence, Rhode Island

September 20, 1965

The Convention was called to order by Mr. Dennis J. Roberts, Chairman, at  $2:15\ P.M.$ 

#### INVOCATION

The Chairman presented the Reverend N. Gordon Luther, Pastor of the Chepachet Union Church, Chepachet, for the purpose of giving the Invocation The Invocation was given.

The roll of delegates was called; there were 74 present, 26 absent. A quorum was present.

Absentees were Messrs. Beauchemin, Bissonnette, Bride, Mrs. Castiglia, Messrs. Coleman, Corcoran, DeCiantis, Dyl, Dodge, Gallagher, Gallogly, Gmelin, Gorham of Scituate, Jordan, Kenyon, Kiernan, Martin, McCabe, Merolla, Moon, Murphy of Warren, Murphy of Coventry, Murray, SaoBento, Stapleton, Mrs. Webster.

The names of the absentees were called.

On motion of Mr. Cannon, seconded by Messrs. Murphy of Tiverton, Dolbashian and Chaharyn the reading of the Journal of the previous day was dispensed on a voice vote.

## PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

Mr. DiLuglio, recognized on a question of personal privilege discussed a newspaper editorial relative to functioning of the Committee on the Legislative Department.

On motion of Mr. Greenhalgh, the delegates extended to Reverend Luther a rising vote of appreciation for his kindness in giving the Invocation.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Mr. Kagan, for the Committee on Elections and Right to Vote, reported back that, after a duly advertised public hearing was held thereon, by a vote of 9 to 2 the Committee recommended adoption of the following proposal:

Proposal No. 21 "Election of General Officers"

The proposal and report were accepted, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the General Orders.

Mr. Kagan, for the Committee on Elections and Right to Vote, reported back that, after a duly advertised public hearing was held thereon, by a vote of 11 to 0 the Committee did not recommend the following proposal:

# Proposal No. 89 "Voting"

The proposal and report were accepted, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the General Orders.

Mr. Kagan, for the Committee on Elections and Right to Vote, reported back that, after a duly advertised public hearing was held thereon, by a vote of 8 to 3 the Committee recommended adoption of the following proposal:

# Proposal No. 47 "Municipal Elections"

The proposal and report were accepted, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the General Orders.

Mr. Kagan, for the Committee on Elections and Right to Vote, reported back that, after a duly advertised public hearing was held thereon, by a vote of 9 to 0 did not recommend the following proposal:

#### Proposal No. 147 "Qualifications to Vote"

The proposal and report were accepted, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the General Orders.

Mrs. Foster, for the Committee on Resolutions, reported back that, after a duly advertised public hearing was held thereon, by a vote of 9 to 0 the Committee recommended recommittal to the Committee on Judiciary of the following proposal:

## Proposal No. 123 "Judicial Power"

The proposal and report were accepted, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the General Orders.

Mrs. Foster, for the Committee on Resolutions, reported back that by a vote of 8 to 0 the Committee did not recommend the following proposal:

# Proposal No. 10009 (Offered by a qualified elector)

The proposal and report were accepted, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the General Orders.

Mrs. Foster, for the Committee on Resolutions, reported back that by a vote of 13 to 0 the Committee recommended recommittal to the Committee on the Legislative Department of the following proposals:

# Proposal No. 2 "Lotteries"

The proposal and report were accepted, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the General Orders.

# Proposal No. 3 "Of the Legislative Power"

The proposal and report were accepted, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the General Orders.

Mrs. Foster, for the Committee on Resolutions, reported back that, after a duly advertised public hearing was held thereon, by a vote of 8 to 0 the Committee did not recommend the following proposal:

## Proposal No. 93 "Oath of Fealty"

The proposal and report were accepted, referred to the Committee of the Whole and placed on the General Orders.

## INTRODUCTION OF PROPOSALS

The Chairman announced receipt of the following proposal:

<u>Proposal No. 183</u> offered by Mr. Chaharyn entitled "Bond Referenda". The proposal was read by title and referred to the Committee on Legislative Department.

# UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Chairman announced that unfinished business from the previous Convention session was in order. Action was taken on the report of the Committee of the Whole for August 23, 1965 as follows:

#### Proposal No. 53 "Protection of Salt Water Resources"

Mr. Corcoran, seconded by Mr. Champion, moved that the Committee recommendation be adopted and that the proposal not be adopted.

On a roll call vote, the motion passed, 64 delegates voting in the affirmative; 0 delegates voting in the negative and 36 delegates absent as follows:

#### AYES - 64

Felix A. Appolonia - West Warwick Mrs. Jane H. Barber - Westerly Vincent J. Baccari - Providence Arthur A. Belhumeur - Central Falls

Norman E. Bizier - Central Falls Domenic C. Canna - Bristol Jeremiah H. Cannon - Providence Mrs. Claire Capuano - Woonsocket Orist D. Chaharyn - Woonsocket William J. Champion, Jr. - Newport Eugene F. Cochran - Providence Miss Elaine C. Colaneri - Providence John P. Cooney, Jr. - Providence Osias Cote - Pawtucket Lloyd R. Crandall - Hopkinton Robert J. Delehanty - Newport Thomas R. DiLuglio - Johnston Domenic A. DiSandro, Jr. - Narragansett Edward M. Dolbashian - Portsmouth John F. Doris - Woonsocket Stephen A. Fanning - Cumberland Stephen A. Fanning, Jr. - Providence Ernest A. Foster - Pawtucket Mrs. Millicent S. Foster - No. Kingstown Michael A. Gammino, Jr. - Providence Robert B. Gates - South Kingstown Fulda E. Geoffroy - West Warwick Anthony Giangiacomo - Providence Noel A. Giguere - Woonsocket Bradford Gorham - Foster George D. Greenhalgh - Glocester Mrs. A. Marion Hager - Cranston Samuel C. Kagan - Providence Samuel J. Kanakry - Pawtucket

August P. LaFrance - Pawtucket John F. Lallo - Westerly Mrs. Demetra Lambros - Providence John W. Laporte - Burrillville A. Norman LaSalle - Warwick Frederick A. Lawrence - Providence Edward P. Manning - Cumberland Thomas F. McGrath - Providence Vincent P. McKinnon - Pawtucket Donald E. McKiernan - Providence Edward J. Mulligan - Central Falls William F. Murphy - Tiverton Charles Nathanson - Warwick Robert S. Ortoleva - Providence John A. Parrillo - Providence Mrs. Nuala O'D. Pell - Newport Robert F. Pickard - E. Greenwich Anthony F. Principe - Bristol Thomas D. Pucci - Providence Mrs. Theresa F. Pulner - Cranston Hugo L. Ricci - Providence Dennis J. Roberts - Providence Howard R. Smart, Jr. - Lincoln John J. Toolin - Richmond Anthony Vacca - Smithfield Charles C. Viall - East Providence David D. Warren - N. Providence Edmund Wexler - Providence Grafton H. Willey, III - Barrington John J. Wrenn - Providence

#### ABSENT - 36

Roger A. Beauchemin - Pawtucket Joseph A. Bevilacqua - Providence Adrien Bissonnette - Woonsocket Thomas H. Bride - Warwick Mrs. Aurora Castiglia - Cranston David J. Colbert, Jr. - Cranston Kevin K. Coleman - Woonsocket Edward B. Corcoran - Middletown Matthew C. Cunningham - Pawtucket Michael DeCiantis - West Warwick Harry J. Dyl - Central Falls John C. Dodge - New Shoreham William A. Feeney - East Providence Paul A. Fontaine - Woonsocket Mr. James A. Gallagher - Jamestown Edward P. Gallogly - Providence William J. Gmelin - Charlestown John Gorham - Scituate

Raymond E. Jordan - Pawtucket Bradford H. Kenyon - West Greenwich James H. Kiernan - Providence Mrs. Jeannette M. Lacroix - Lincoln Epifanio F. Macari - Cranston Frank A. Martin, Jr. - Pawtucket William I. Matzner - Providence Francis H. McCabe - Pawtucket Arthur Merolla - Providence Edwin J. Moon - Exeter James E. Murphy - Warren James F. Murphy - Coventry Paul F. Murray - Newport Antonio Prince - Woonsocket Augusto W. SaoBento-East Providence Owen V. Sherry - North Smithfield Alfred B. Stapleton - Little Compton Mrs. Charlotte H. Webster - E. Prov.

# Proposal No. 43 "Merit System"

Motion for the adoption of the proposal had been made and seconded.

Motion to amend had been made and seconded.

The motion was debated.

On motion of Mr. Doris, seconded by Messrs. Corcoran, Cote, Bizier, and Kagan the motion to amend was laid on the table indefinitely on a division vote, 30 delegates voting in the affirmative; 26 delegates voting in the negative.

The roll of delegates was called on the motion for adoption of the proposal and the motion failed of passage, 25 delegates voting in the affirmative; 45 delegates voting in the negative and 30 delegates absent or not voting as follows:

#### AYES - 25

Mrs. Jane H. Barber - Westerly
Mrs. Claire Capuano - Woonsocket
Lloyd R. Crandall - Hopkinton
Thomas R. DiLuglio - Johnston
Stephen A. Fanning - Cumberland
Stephen A. Fanning, Jr. - Providence
Mrs. Millicent S. Foster - No.Kingstown
Robert B. Gates - So. Kingstown
Fulda E. Geoffroy - West Warwick
Bradford Gorham - Foster
Mrs. A. Marion Hager - Cranston
Vincent P. McKinnon - Pawtucket

Westerly
Woonsocket
Pkinton
William F. Murphy - Tiverton
Charles Nathanson - Warwick
Cumberland
Charles Nathanson - Warwick
Cumberland
Charles Pickard - East Greenwich
Charles Robert F. Pickard - East Greenwich
Charles T. Pulner - Cranston
Charles T. Pulner - Cranston
Charles G. Smart, Jr. - Lincoln
Charles C. Viall - East Providence

NOES - 45

Felix A. Appolonia - West Warwick
Vincent J. Baccari - Providence
Arthur A. Belhumeur - Central Falls
Joseph A. Bevilacqua - Providence
Norman E. Bizier - Central Falls
Domenic C. Canna - Bristol
Jeremiah H. Cannon - Providence
Orist D. Chaharyn - Woonsocket
William J. Champion, Jr. - Newport
Eugene F. Cochran - Providence
Miss Elaine C. Colaneri - Providence
David J. Colbert, Jr. - Cranston
John P. Cooney, Jr. - Providence

Osias Cote - Pawtucket
Robert J. Delehanty - Newport
Domenic A. DiSandro, Jr. - Narra.
Edward M. Dolbashian - Portsmouth
John F. Doris - Woonsocket
Paul A. Fontaine - Woonsocket
Ernest A. Foster - Pawtucket
Michael A. Gammino, Jr. - Prov.
Anthony Giangiacomo - Providence
Noel A. Giguere - Woonsocket
George D. Greenhalgh - Glocester
Samuel C. Kagan - Providence
Samuel J. Kanakry - Pawtucket

August P. LaFrance - Pawtucket
John F. Lallo - Westerly
Mrs. Demetra Lambros - Providence
John W. Laporte - Burrillville
A. Norman LaSalle - Warwick
Frederick A. Lawrence - Providence
Epifanio F. Macari - Cranston
Edward P. Manning - Cumberland
Thomas F. McGrath - Providence

Robert S. Ortoleva - Providence
John A. Parrillo - Providence
Mrs. Nuala O'D. Pell - Newport
Antonio Prince - Woonsocket
Anthony F. Principe - Bristol
Thomas D. Pucci - Providence
Hugo L. Ricci - Providence
Owen V. Sherry - No. Smithfield
Graften H. Willey, III - Barrington

John J. Wrenn - Providence

#### ABSENT - 30

Roger A. Beauchemin - Pawtucket
Adrien Bissonnette - Woonsocket
Thomas H. Bride - Warwick
Aurora Castiglia - Cranston
Kevin K. Coleman - Woonsocket
Edward B. Corcoran - Middletown
Matthew C. Cunningham - Pawtucket
Michael Deciantis - West Warwick
Harry J. Dyl - Central Falls
John C. Dodge - New Shoreham
William A. Feeney - E. Providence
James A. Gallagher - Jamestown
Edward P. Gallogly - Providence
William J. Gmelin - Charlestown
John Gorham - Scituate

Raymond E. Jordan - Pawtucket
Bradford H. Kenyon - West Greenwich
James H. Kiernan - Providence
Mrs. Jeannette M. Lacroix - Lincoln
Frank A. Martin, Jr. - Pawtucket
William I. Matzner - Providence
Francis H. McCabe - Pawtucket
Arthur Merolla - Providence
Edwin J. Moon - Exeter
James E. Murphy - Warren
James F. Murphy - Coventry
Paul F. Murray - Newport
Augusto W. Saobento - East Prov.
Alfred B. Stapleton - Little Compton
Mrs. Charlotte H. Webster - E. Prov.

Mr. Doris, seconded by Messrs. Kagan and Cote, moved reconsideration of the motion for adoption of Proposal No. 43.

The motion prevailed on a division vote, 53 delegates voting in the affirmative; I delegate voting in the negative.

Mr. Fanning, seconded by Mrs. Foster, moved that further consideration be postponed until the next session of the Convention.

Mr. Doris, seconded by Messrs. Cote, Belhumeur, Kagan and Bizier, moved that the motion to postpone be laid on the table.

The motion to lay on the table prevailed on a division vote; 40 delegates voting in the affirmative and 13 delegates voting in the negative.

Mr. Doris seconded by Messrs. Cote, Bizier and Kagan moved that the Committee recommendation be adopted and that the proposal not be adopted.

Mr. Fanning of Cumberland recognized on a point of order, submitted that the motion was not in order. The Chairman ruled that the motion was in order.

The roll of delegates was called and the motion to adopt the committee recommendation and not to adopt the proposal passed, 44 delegates voting in the affirmative; 24 delegates voting in the negative and 32 delegates absent or not voting as follows:

#### AYES - 44

Felix A. Appolonia - West Warwick Vincent J. Baccari - Providence Arthur A. Belhumeur - Central Falls Joseph A. Bevilacqua - Providence Norman E. Bizier - Central Falls Domenic C. Canna - Bristol Jeremiah H. Cannon - Providence Mrs. Claire Capuano - Woonsocket Orist D. Chaharyn - Woonsocket William J. Champion, Jr. - Newport Eugene F. Cochran - Providence Miss Elaine C. Colaneri - Providence David J. Colbert, Jr. - Cranston John P. Cooney, Jr. - Providence Osias Cote - Pawtucket Robert J. Delehanty - Newport Edward M. Dolbashian - Portsmouth John F. Doris - Woonsocket William A. Feeney - East Providence Paul A. Fontaine - Woonsocket Ernest A. Foster - Pawtucket Michael A. Gammino, Jr. - Providence

Anthony Giangiacomo - Providence Noel A. Giguere - Woonsocket George D. Greenhalgh - Glocester Samuel C. Kagan - Providence Samuel J. Kanakry - Pawtucket August P. LaFrance - Pawtucket John F. Lallo - Westerly John W. Laporte - Burrillville A. Norman LaSalle - Warwick Frederick A. Lawrence - Providence Epifanio F. Macari - Cranston Edward P. Manning - Cumberland Robert S. Ortoleva - Providence John A. Parrillo - Providence Mrs. Nuala O'D. Pell - Newport Antonio Prince - Woonsocket Anthony F. Principe - Bristol Thomas D. Pucci - Providence Hugo L. Ricci - Providence Owen V. Sherry - North Smithfield Edmund Wexler - Providence John J. Wrenn - Providence

# NOES - 24

Mrs. Jane H. Barber - Westerly Lloyd R. Crandall - Hopkinton Thomas R. DiLuglio - Johnston Domenic A. DiSandro, Jr. - Narra. Stephen A. Fanning, Jr. - Providence Mrs. Millicent S, Foster - No. Kingstown Robert F. Pickard - E. Greenwich Robert B. Gates - South Kingstown Fulda E. Geoffroy - West Warwick Bradford Gorham - Foster Mrs, A. Marion Hager - Cranston Mrs, Demetra Lambros - Providence Thomas F. McGrath - Providence

Vincent P. McKinnon - Pawtucket Donald E. McKiernan - Providence Edward J. Mulligan - Central Falls William F. Murphy - Tiverton Charles Nathanson - Warwick Dennis J. Roberts - Providence Howard R. Smart, Jr. - Lincoln John J. Toolin - Richmond Charles C. Viall - East Providence David D. Warren - North Providence Grafton H. Willey, III - Barrington

#### ABSENT - 32

Roger A. Beauchemin - Pawtucket Adrien Bissonnette - Woonsocket Thomas H: Bride - Warwick Aurora Castiglia - Cranston Kevin K. Coleman - Woonsocket Edward B. Corcoran - Middletown Matthew C. Cunningham - Pawtucket Michael DeCiantis - West Warwick Harry J. Dyl - Central Falls John C. Dodge - New Shoreham Stephen A. Fanning - Cumberland James A. Gallagher - Jamestown Edward P. Gallogly - Providence William J. Gmelin - Charlestown John Gorham - Scituate Raymond E. Jordan - Pawtucket

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#### REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The Chairman announced that he would present the report of the Committee of the Whole for August 30, 1965, a copy of which was on the desk of each delegate.

On motion of Mr. DiLuglio, seconded by Messrs. Wexler, Toolin and Dolbashian reading of the report was dispensed and the Convention proceeded to act thereon, on a voice vote.

The Chairman, as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole on August 30, 1965, presented the report of the Committee of the Whole to the Convention; and action was taken thereon as follows:

"The Committee of the Whole meeting August 30, 1965 considered Proposal No. 37, 'Education'.

"The Committee on Education recommended that the proposal be adopted. On a division vote, with a majority of the delegates so voting, the Committee of the Whole recommended to the Convention that Proposal No. 37 be adopted."

The proposal was referred to the Committee on Style and Drafting.

Also, "The Committee considered Proposal No. 56, 'Of Education'.

"The Committee on Education recommended that the proposal not be adopted. On a division vote, with a majority of the delegates so voting, a motion to recommend adoption of the proposal was defeated."

Mr. Doris, seconded by Messrs. Dolbashian, Cote and Belhumeur moved that the recommendation of the Committee be adopted and that the proposal not be adopted.

The roll of delegates was called and the motion passed, 58 delegates voting in the affirmative; 9 delegates voting in the negative and 33 delegates absent or not voting as follows:

#### AYES - 58

Felix A. Appolonia - West Warwick Vincent J. Baccari - Providence Mrs. Jane H. Barber - Westerly Arthur A. Belhumeur - Central Falls Joseph A. Bevilacqua - Providence Norman E. Bizier - Central Falls Domenic C. Canna - Bristol Jeremiah H. Cannon - Providence William J. Champion, Jr. - Newport Eugene F. Cochran - Providence Miss Elaine C. Colaneri - Providence David J. Colbert, Jr. - Cranston John P. Cooney, Jr. - Providence Osias Cote - Pawtucket Lloyd R. Crandall - Hopkinton Robert J. Delehanty - Newport Thomas R. DiLuglio - Johnston Domenic A. DiSandro, Jr. - Narra. Edward M. Dolbashian - Portsmouth John F. Doris - Woonsocket William A. Feeney - E. Providence Paul A. Fontaine - Woonsocket Ernest A. Foster - Pawtucket Fulda E. Geoffroy - West Warwick Anthony Giangiacomo - Providence Noel A. Giguere - Woonsocket George D. Greenhalgh - Glocester Mrs. A. Marion Hager - Cranston Samuel C. Kagan - Providence

Samuel J. Kanakry - Pawtucket Mrs. Jeanne M. Lacroix - Lincoln August P. LaFrance - Pawtucket John F. Lallo - Westerly Mrs. Demetra Lambros - Providence John W. Laporte - Burrillville A. Norman LaSalle - Warwick Frederick A. Lawrence - Providence Epifanio F. Macari - Cranston Edward P. Manning - Cumberland Thomas F. McGrath - Providence Vincent P. McKinnon - Pawtucket Donald E. McKiernan - Providence Edward J. Mulligan - Central Falls William F. Murphy - Tiverton Charles Nathanson - Warwick Robert S. Ortoleva - Providence John A. Parrillo - Providence Antonio Prince - Woonsocket Anthony F. Principe - Bristol Thomas D. Pucci - Providence Mrs. Theresa F. Pulner - Cranston Hugo L. Ricci - Providence Dennis J. Roberts - Providence Owen V. Sherry - North Smithfield Charles C. Viall - East Providence Edmund Wexler - Providence Grafton H. Willey, III - Barrington John J. Wrenn - Providence

# NOES - 9

Orist D. Chaharyn - Woonsocket Mrs. Millicent S. Foster - N.Kingstn. Robert Gates - South Kingstown Bradford Gorham - Foster

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r - Mrs. Nuala O'D. Pell - Newport
Robert F. Pickard - E. Greenwich
Howard R. Smart, Jr. - Lincoln
John J. Toolin - Richmond
David D. Warren - North Providence

#### ABSENT - 33

Roger A, Beauchemin - Pawtucket Adrien Bissonnette - Woonsocket Thomas H. Bride - Warwick Mrs. Claire Capuano - Woonsocket Mrs. Aurora Castiglia - Cranston Kevin K. Coleman - Woonsocket Edward B. Corcoran - Middletown Matthew C. Cunningham - Pawtucket Michael DeCiantis - Warwick Harry J. Dyl - Central Falls John C. Dodge - New Shoreham Stephen A. Fanning - Cumberland Stephen A. Fanning, Jr. - Providence James A. Gallagher - Jamestown Edward P. Gallogly - Providence Michael A. Gammino, Jr. - Providence Mrs. Charlotte H. Webster - East Providence

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#### GENERAL ORDERS

Mr. Cooney, seconded by Messrs. Doris and Chaharyn, moved that the Convention resolve into a Committee of the Whole upon the General Orders of the Day.

The motion prevailed on a voice vote.

(For Journal of the Committee of the Whole, see appendix, this Journal.)

Upon the rising of the Committee of the Whole, the Chairman again called the Convention to order.

Mr. Fanning of Cumberland announced that the Committee on Administration of the Convention would meet on Wednesday, September 29, 1965 at 1:30 P.M.

Mr. Cochran announced that the Committee on Local Government would meet at the rising of the Convention on September 29, 1965.

#### RECONSIDERATION

Mr. Willey, seconded by Mr. Pickard, moved reconsideration of Resolution No. 6 which was adopted at the previous session of the Convention on September 13, 1965.

The motion was debated.

On a division vote the motion failed of passage, 13 delegates voting in the affirmative; 42 delegates voting in the negative.

#### ADJOURNMENT

At 6:00 P.M. on motion of Mr. Cooney, seconded by Messrs. Wexler and Kagan, the Convention adjourned to meet on Wednesday, September 29, 1965 at 1:30 P.M. in the Chamber of the House of Representatives at the State House, on a voice vote.

August P. LaFrance Secretary Constitutional Convention

## APPENDIX

Journal of the Committee of the Whole

September 20, 1965

Upon the resolving of the Convention into a Committee of the Whole, the Chairman called the Committee of the Whole to order.

# GENERAL ORDERS

The Committee of the Whole proceeded to consider and act upon the General Orders of the Day.

Proposal No. 59 "Of Suffrage"
(The Committee on Elections and Right to Vote does not recommend.)

The proposal was read.

Mrs. Pulner, seconded by Messrs. DiLuglio and Warren, moved that the Committee of the Whole recommend adoption of the proposal.

Mrs. Pulner, seconded by Mr. DiLuglio offered the following written motion to amend:

"I propose to amend Proposal No. 59 by adding the following sentence at the end:

"The General Assembly shall set minimum standards for the registration and qualifications of these citizens."

Theresa F. Pulner

The motion was debated.

Mr. Kagan, seconded by Messrs. Viall and Lawrence moved that the motion to amend be laid on the table.

The motion to lay on the table and the seconds thereto were withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. Kagan, seconded by Mrs. Pulner, the Committee of the Whole recommended that the Convention recommit the proposal and the amendment offered thereto to the Committee on Elections and Right to Vote, on a division vote, 63 delegates voting in the affirmative; 0 delegates voting in the negative.

<u>Proposal No. 68</u> "Of Elections" (The Committee on Elections and Right to Vote does not recommend.)

The proposal was read.

Mr. Fanning of Providence, seconded by Messrs. Toolin and Viall, moved that the Committee of the Whole recommend adoption of the proposal.

The motion was debated.

On a division vote the motion failed of passage, 3 delegates voting in the affirmative; 61 delegates voting in the negative.

<u>Proposal No. 74</u> "Of the Qualifications of Electors" (The Committee on Elections and Right to Vote does not recommend.)

Mr. Parrillo, seconded by Mr. Fanning of Cumberland, moved that the reading of the proposal be dispensed. The motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Mr. Kagan, seconded by Mr. Viall, moved that the Committee of the Whole recommend rejection of the proposal.

Mr. Pickard, seconded by Messrs. Cunningham, Toolin and Cochran moved that the Committee of the Whole recommend recommittal of the Proposal to the Committee on Elections and Right to Vote.

Mr. Kagan then withdrew his motion.

On a division vote the motion to recommend recommittal prevailed, 61 delegates voting in the affirmative; 0 delegates voting in the negative.

<u>Proposal No. 80</u> "Of Qualifications for Office"

(The Committee on Elections and Right to Vote does not recommend.)

Mr. Viall, seconded by Mr. Cote, moved that the reading of the proposal be dispensed. By unanimous consent the reading was dispensed.

Mr. Viall, seconded by Messrs. Bizier and Wrenn, moved that the Committee of the Whole recommend recommittal of the proposal to the Committee on Elections and Right to Vote.

On a divisor vote, the motion to recommend recommittal prevailed, 60 delegates voting in the affirmative; 0 delegates voting in the negative.

Proposal No. 106 "Disclosures"
(The Committee on Elections and Right to Vote does not recommend.)

The proposal was read.

Mr. Fanning of Cumberland, seconded by Mr. Cunningham moved that the Committee of the Whole recommend adoption of the proposal.

The motion was debated.

On a division vote the motion failed of passage, 15 delegates voting in the affirmative; 45 delegates voting in the negative.

Proposal No. 118 "Suffrage" (The Committee on Elections and Right to Vote does recommend.)

The proposal was read.

Mr. Fanning of Cumberland, seconded by Messrs. Wexler and Chaharyn moved that the Committee of the Whole recommend adoption of the proposal.

The motion was debated.

On a division vote the motion prevailed, 62 delegates voting in the affirmative; 0 delegates voting in the negative.

Proposal No. 171-Substitute A "Of Amendments" (The Committee on Resolutions does recommend.)

The proposal was read.

Mrs. Foster, seconded by Messrs. Vacca, Cote and Gorham of Foster, moved that the Committee of the Whole recommend adoption of the proposal.

The motion was debated.

Mr. Bizier, seconded by Messrs. Chaharyn, Fontaine and Giguere moved that the Committee of the Whole recommend recommittal of the proposal to the Committee on Resolutions.

On a division vote the motion to recommend recommittal prevailed, 60 delegates voting in the affirmative; 0 delegates voting in the negative.

Proposal No. 86 "Of Amendments"
(The Committee on Resolutions does not recommend.)

The proposal was read.

Mr. Cote, seconded by Mr. Cochran, moved that the Committee of the Whole recommend rejection of the proposal.

The motion was debated.

Mr. Cote, seconded by Messrs. Cochran, Cunningham and Vacca moved that the Committee of the Whole recommend recommittal of the proposal to the Committee on Resolutions.

On a division vote the motion prevailed, 56 delegates voting in the affirmative; 0 delegates voting in the negative.

<u>Proposal No. 99</u> "Personal Liberties" (The Committee on Personal Liberties does not recommend.)

The proposal was read.

Mr. Fanning of Cumberland seconded by Mr. Manning, moved that the Committee of the Whole recommend adoption of the proposal.

The motion was debated.

On a division vote the motion failed of passage, 6 delegates voting in the affirmative; 53 delegates voting in the negative.

Mr. Warren, seconded by Mr. Cochran, moved that the Committee of the Whole rise. The motion prevailed on a voice vote.

August P. LaFrance
Secretary
Constitutional Convention