COMMITTEE PROPOSAL NO. 17c

January 26, 1956 - Committee Proposal No. 17c was introduced.

January 29, 1956 - Proposal No. 17c was withdrawn by the Committee on Ordinances and Transitional Measures, and Committee Proposal No. 17c/Revised was introduced.

January 29, 1956 - Committee Proposal No. 17c/Revised was considered by the Convention in second reading. It was referred direct to the Committee on Style and Drafting with amendments, without reference to the Committee on Engrossment and Enrollment, and with the power to suggest amendments in substance. (See Journal of January 29, 1956, page 8.)

January 29-31, 1956 - The two committees, i.e., Committee on Ordinances and Transitional Measures, and on Style and Drafting, working in conjunction, prepared a Second Revision* which was the basis for the Style and Drafting reports.

January 31, 1956 - The first Style and Drafting Report/17c/S.R. was considered by the Convention.

February 1, 1956 - The second Style and Drafting Report/17c/S.R. was presented and considered by the Convention.

*The "Second Revision" was never duplicated and distributed. It was prepared and used by the Committee on Style and Drafting, and the only copies appear in the work files of the Style and Drafting Committee. The letters "S.R." in the title of the Style and Drafting reports indicate that the Second Revision was the basis for the two reports.

The above explanation is to account for the absence of enrolled copies of the proposal.
AMENDMENT TO (COMMITTEE) PROPOSAL NO. 17/c Revised

MR. PRESIDENT:

I move that (Committee) Proposal No. 17/c R be amended as follows:

Page 3, commencing with subsection (4), line 14 and all subsequent wording on that page and all the wording on page 4 and page 5 down to and including the word "then" on line 7 be striken.

Section 29, subsection (6), line 7, page 6, insert the following sentence after the word "elected": "The duties and emoluments of these offices shall be provided by law."

Page 5, Section 29, subsection (b), line 8 after "made", insert "for this election only".

Page 2, line 12, strike "the regular" and substitute "an initial short"; line 13, strike "1963" and substitute "1959".

Page 3, line 7, strike "primary and".

Strike the word "general" on line 7.

January 30, 1956

The words "Alaska-Tennessee Plan" be used wherever "Tennessee Plan" appears in the proposal 17/c Revised.
Alaska Constitutional Convention
Committee Proposal No. 17/c/Revised
Introduced by Committee on Ordinances and Transitional Measures

RESOLVED, that the following sections be adopted as part of the schedule of the Alaska State Constitution:

SCHEDULE

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Appointment of First Legislators

Section 27. The provisions of Section 5 of Article II of this constitution shall not prohibit the appointment of any member of the legislature first organized under this constitution to any state civil office or position created by this constitution or created during his first term.

Special Voting Provision

Section 28. Citizens who legally voted in the general election of November 4, 1924, and who fulfill the residence requirements for voting, shall be entitled to vote notwithstanding the provisions of Article V, Section 1 of this Constitution.

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Section 29. Ordinance II. Since the election of two United States Senators and a Representative to the Congress of the United States is a necessary and proper measure in preparation for the admission of the state of Tennessee into the Union, the provisions of Section 3 of Article II of this constitution shall not prohibit the appointment of any member of the first legislature organized under this constitution to any state civil office or position created by this constitution or created during his first term.
Election of U. S. Senators and Representative

of Alaska as a State of the Union, it is hereby ordered, pursuant to Chapter 46, Sessions Laws of Alaska, 1945, and in order to carry out the purposes of this Convention, as follows:

(1) Upon ratification of this constitution by the people of Alaska, and separate approval of this ordinance by a majority of all the votes cast for and against this ordinance, there shall be chosen at the general election immediately following such ratification two persons to serve as members of the Senate of the United States, one for the regular term, expiring on January 3, 1963, and the other for an initial short term, expiring on January 3, 1961, unless when they are seated the Senate prescribes earlier expiration dates for one or both of them, and one person to serve as a member of the House of Representatives of the United States for the regular term of two years, expiring January 3, 1959. Such persons shall meet the qualifications for these offices as set forth in the Constitution of the United States and shall be qualified voters of Alaska.

(2) Until the admission of Alaska into the Union as a State, the persons nominated
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and elected to these offices may also hold or be nominated and elected to other offices of the territory or of the United States, provided that such a person shall receive the compensation assigned to only one of the positions held.

(3) Except as provided herein, the laws of the territory governing primary and general elections applicable to the Office of Delegate to Congress shall, to the extent applicable, govern elections to these offices, and territorial and other officials shall perform their duties with reference to these elections accordingly.

(4) Primary elections for these offices shall be held on the 24th of April 1956. Any person desiring to become a candidate for these offices shall file a declaration of candidacy and pay a filing fee of $40.00 in the office of the Director of Finance on or before the 20th of February 1956. The Director of Finance shall certify all declarations of candidacy for these offices to the Clerks of the Court for the respective Judicial Divisions and to the Secretary of the Alaska Constitutional Convention within five days after the same are filed.
The Secretary of the Convention shall arrange for the preparation of ballots bearing the names of all candidates for these offices in general conformity with the provisions of law for the preparation of primary ballots as prescribed in Section 38-4-4, ACLA 1949, and for the distribution of Official and Sample ballots to the Clerks of the Court for the respective Judicial Divisions. Across the head of each ballot shall be printed in large type the words "Official (or Sample) Primary Ballot", and in smaller type, "Candidates for U. S. Senate and House of Representatives". The ballot shall include a statement referring to this ordinance and the purpose thereof. The Secretary may supply the Clerks of the Court with such additional election supplies as may be necessary. The Director of Finance shall, on or before June 15, 1956, certify to the Clerks of the Court of each Division the names of all candidates who have been nominated for these offices, including the names of qualifying independent candidates who file a declaration of their candidacy on or before February 20, 1956.
(5) If primary elections for these offices are not held in all Divisions of the Territory or if, for any other reason, the Director of Finance has not, by June 25, 1956, certified to the Clerks of the Court of the respective Divisions, the names of the party nominees for these offices, then party nominations for each of these offices may be made by party conventions in the same manner as set forth in Section 38-4-11, ACLA 1949, for filling a vacancy in a party nomination occurring in a primary election. The Chairman and Secretary of the Central Committee of each major political party shall immediately upon such nominations being made and in no event later than July 15, 1956, certify by telegraph or otherwise the names of the candidates nominated to the Clerk of the Court in each Division, who shall place the names of the candidates on the ballot for the general election. The names of qualifying independent candidates for these offices shall also be placed on the ballot for the next general election if they have filed a declaration of their candidacy with the Director of Finance on or before July 15, 1956.
(6) The applications for filing and the ballot form shall clearly indicate whether the candidates for United States Senator are running for the office carrying the regular or the short term. The candidate receiving the largest number of the votes cast for the office shall be elected. The unexpended and unobligated funds appropriated to the Alaska Constitutional Convention by Chapter 46, Session Laws of Alaska, 1945, may be used to defray expenses attributable to elections under this ordinance.

(7) Should the Senators and the Representative be elected and seated in the Congress of the United States after the Congress approves this constitution but before the first elections are held for elective state offices under this constitution, then the following section shall be substituted for Article____, Section____ of the constitution.

"This constitution shall take effect upon admission of Alask into the Union as a state in the following manner:

Section_____(re. first election of state officers) shall take effect immediately and the rest of the constitution shall
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1. take effect on the date that the elected Governor of the state takes office."

2. (8) Each qualified voter who offers to vote upon this constitution shall be given a ballot by the election judges which in substance shall contain the following proposition:

3. "SHALL ORDINANCE NO. II (TENNESSEE PLAN) SET FORTH IN THE PROPOSED CONSTITUTION FOR THE STATE OF ALASKA, CALLING FOR THE IMMEDIATE ELECTION OF TWO UNITED STATES SENATORS AND ONE UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE, BE ADOPTED?"

4. **YES**

5. **NO**
Alaska Constitutional Convention

Committee Proposal No. 17/c

Introduced by Committee on Ordinances and Transitional Measures

RESOLVED, that the following sections be adopted as part of the schedule of the Alaska State Constitution:

SCHEDULE

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Appointment of First Legislators

1. Section 27. The provisions of Section 5 of Article II of this constitution shall not prohibit the appointment of any member of the legislature first organized under this constitution to any state civil office or position created by this constitution or created during his first term.

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7. Section 28. Ordinance II. Since the election of two United States Senators and a Representative to the Congress of the United States is a necessary and proper measure in preparation for the admission of Alaska as a State of the Union, it is hereby ordered as follows:

13. (1) Upon ratification of this constitution by the people of Alaska, and separate approval of this ordinance by a majority of all the
votes cast for and against this ordinance, there shall be chosen at the general election immediately following such ratification two persons to serve as members of the Senate of the United States, one for the regular term, expiring on January 3, 1963, and the other for an initial short term, expiring on January 3, 1961, unless when they are seated the Senate prescribes earlier expiration dates for one or both of them, and one person to serve as a member of the House of Representatives of the United States for the regular term of two years, expiring January 3, 1959.

(2) Until the admission of Alaska into the Union as a State, the persons nominated and elected to these offices may also hold or be nominated and elected to other offices of the territory or of the United States.

(3) The applicable laws of the territory shall govern nominations and elections to these offices, provided that the Director of Finance shall place on the ballot for the primary election to be held on the 24th of April, 1956 the names of qualifying candidates for party nomination therefor who file their declaration
of candidacy on or before February 20, 1956. The Director of Finance shall place on the ballot for the general election the name of the candidate of each political party receiving the largest number of votes for the respective office at the primary election, and also the names of qualifying independent candidates who file a declaration of their candidacy prior to February 20, 1956.

(4) If for any reason primary elections do not serve as a basis for party nominations to these offices for the general election, then one nomination to each office may be made at a party convention convened by each of the political parties of Alaska. Each such party shall certify its candidates to the Director of Finance of the territory on or before July 1, 1956, who shall place the names of the candidates on the ballot for the next general election. The names of qualified independent candidates for these offices shall also be placed on the ballot for the next general election provided that the filing shall be accomplished on or before July 1, 1956.

(5) The applications for filing and the
ballot form shall clearly indicate whether the candidates for United States Senator are running for the office carrying the regular or the short term. The candidate receiving the largest number of the votes cast for the office shall be elected. The duties and emoluments of these offices shall be as provided by law. The unexpended and unobligated funds appropriated to the Alaska Constitutional Convention by Chapter 46, Session Laws of Alaska, 1945, may be used to defray expenses attributable to elections under this ordinance.

(6) Should the Senators and the Representative be elected and seated in the Congress of the United States after the Congress approves this constitution but before the first elections are held for elective state offices under this constitution, then the following section shall be substituted for Article _____, Section ____ of the constitution.

"This constitution shall take effect upon admission of Alaska into the Union as a state in the following manner:

Section_____ (re. first election of state officers) shall take effect immediately
and the rest of the constitution shall take effect on the date that the elected Governor of the state takes office." (7) Each qualified voter who offers to vote upon this constitution shall be given a ballot by the election judges which in substance shall contain the following proposition:

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AMENDMENT TO (COMMITTEE) PROPOSAL NO. 17/c

MR. PRESIDENT:

I move that (Committee) Proposal No. 17/c be amended as follows:

Change date on line 10, page 4, to 1955.