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ALASKA CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

JOURNAL OF THE TWENTY-FOURTH CONVENTION DAY, Thursday, December 1, 1955

The Convention was called to order by President Egan at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

Chaplain Martin L. Shaner of the Air Force at Ladd Field gave the Invocation.

Roll call showed all delegates present except Mr. Coghill, who had been excused. The President declared a quorum to be present.

Proposal No. 29 by Mr. Metcalf, entitled INITIATIVE, REFERENDUM, AND RECALL -- AMENDMENT & REVISION, was introduced, read the first time and referred to the Committee on Direct Legislation, Amendment, and Revision.

Resolution No. 7 by Mr. Smith, asking that the Committee on Resolutions and Recommendations be charged with the responsibility of making certain that proposals covering the seven requirements of H.R. 2535 are submitted to this Convention, was introduced and referred to the Committee on Resolutions and Recommendations.

Mr. Hurley stated that the Committee on Ordinances had these requirements under consideration.

Without objection, the President referred Resolution No. 7 to the Committee on Ordinances, rather than to the Committee on Resolutions.

Mrs. Sweeney asked unanimous consent that the Convention recess until 1:30 o'clock. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

AFTER RECESS

Mr. Knight moved and asked unanimous consent that the Journal for the twenty-second day be approved as read. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Mr. Hurley asked unanimous consent that the Convention revert to introduction of proposals.

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF PROPOSALS

Proposal No. 30 by Mr. Hurley, entitled STATE LANDS AND NATURAL RESOURCES, was introduced, read the first time and referred to the Committee on Resources.

Mr. Riley announced a meeting of the Committee on Rules on adjournment.

Mr. Sundborg inquired into the origin of a report on apportionment.

The President stated this was an individual committee member's report made for study by the Committee on Suffrage, Elections and Apportionment.

Mr. Armstrong moved and asked unanimous consent that the Secretary be instructed to write a letter of sympathy through the Command at Eielson Air Force Base to the families and personnel who were affected by the crash of the F-84. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Mr. McNealy stated that out of regard for the delegates from the Second Division he asked unanimous consent to withdraw Proposal No. 27. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Mr. Smith, Chairman of Resources, announced that Mr. Vincent Ostrom, consultant to Committee on Resources, had arrived.

Mrs. Hermann stated that she believed the Convention should have the opportunity to meet and hear from the consultants as soon as they arrived.

Mr. McLaughlin stated Mr. Shelden D. Elliott, consultant to the Judiciary Committee, had arrived and was in the gallery.

The Sergeant-at-Arms was instructed to ask Mr. Ostrom to come to the Assembly Room.

Mr. McNees stated he agreed with Mrs. Hermann's statement and hoped the Convention could hear from the consultants as soon as possible.

The President introduced Mr. Elliott to the Convention and he spoke to the delegates.

Mr. Ostrom being present in the Assembly Room, the President introduced him to the delegates and he spoke to the group.

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The President noted the presence in the gallery of the Attorney General of Alaska, Honorable J. Gerald Williams, and stated the Attorney General had resolved several legal problems which had come before the administrative staff.

Mr. Sundborg moved and asked unanimous consent that the Convention adjourn until 9 o'clock a.m., Friday morning.

Thomas B. Stewart
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Secretary

Attested:

WILLIAM A. EGAN
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President