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ALASKA CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

JOURNAL FOR THE THIRTY-SEVENTH CONVENTION DAY, Wednesday, December 14, 1955

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

The Invocation was given by Chaplain Swaff^aer of Ladd Air Force Base. At the request of Mr. Hilscher and Mr. Marston and with the unanimous consent of the Convention the prayer offered by the chaplain was ordered spread on the Journal, as follows:

"Almighty God, Creator of our universe, we invoke the blessing of Thy spirit on this assembly today. Bless each one with creativeness of mind, with uprightness of purpose and spirit, Amen."

Roll call showed all members present. The President declared a quorum to be present.

Mr. Doogan moved and asked unanimous consent for the approval of the Journal of the thirty-second day, subject to the following correction: page 3, paragraph 3, change "first" to "second". There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Mr. Doogan moved and asked unanimous consent for the approval of the Journal for the thirty-third day subject to the following correction: page 4, insert "o'clock p.m." after "12:15". There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Mr. King introduced Dr. Ira N. Gabrielson of the Wildlife Institute in Washington, D. C., who was granted privilege of the floor to speak on wildlife resources.

At the conclusion of his remarks, Mr. Barr and Mr. Taylor addressed questions to Dr. Gabrielson.

Mr. Smith introduced Mr. Arthur W. Greeley, Regional Forester of the U. S. Forest Service in Alaska, and with the unanimous consent of the Convention Mr. Greeley was granted the privilege of the floor to speak briefly.

Mr. Cross, Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions and Recommendations, submitted a report containing Committee Proposal No. 4.

Committee Proposal No. 4, by Committee on Recommendations and Resolutions, entitled LOCATION OF STATE CAPITAL, AND PROCEDURE FOR CHANGE THEREOF, was introduced, read the first time and referred to the Committee on Rules for assignment to the calendar.

Delegate Proposal No. 43, by Mr. Metcalf, entitled BILL OF RIGHTS, was introduced, read the first time and referred to the Committee on Preamble and Bill of Rights.

The following announcements of committee meetings were made:

Committee on Resources on recess; Committee on Suffrage, Elections and Apportionment ten minutes following recess; Preamble and Bill of Rights on recess; Finances on recess; Local Government at 10:30 o'clock a.m.; Ordinances on recess.

The President declared a short recess so that the Committee Chairmen could get together to arrange committee meetings.

AFTER RECESS

Mr. Johnson moved that the Convention adjourn until 1:30 o'clock p.m., Thursday, subject to Committee announcements.

Mr. V. Rivers announced a meeting of the Committee on the Executive Branch at 2 o'clock p.m.

Mr. Hellenthal objected to the motion for adjournment. Mr. Johnson asked unanimous consent. Mr. Robertson seconded.

Mr. Hellenthal moved to amend the motion for adjournment to read "8 o'clock p.m. for plenary session". Mr. Barr objected. Mr. Metcalf seconded.

Mr. R. Rivers suggested that adjournment be until 12 o'clock noon to simplify the arrangement for meeting the 8th grade students who are to be guests of the delegates at luncheon.

Mr. Rosswog announced a meeting of the Committee on Local Government at 9 o'clock a.m.

Mr. Taylor rose to a point of order to state that Mr. Hellenthal's motion to amend was out of order.

The President declared a short recess.

AFTER RECESS

Mr. Metcalf inquired whether all the Committee proposals would be submitted by the end of the week in order that the delegates would have copies to take home.

The President announced that this was the reason for the need of the longer adjournment to give the committees time to finish their work.

The President stated that he had allowed discussion on the motion to adjourn even though it was not debatable and at this time called for the question. The question being "Shall the Convention adjourn until 12 o'clock noon, Thursday?", on voice vote the Convention adjourned.

KATHERINE T. ALEXANDER
Chief Clerk

Attested:

WILLIAM A. EGAN
President