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(The session began at 10:30 A. M.)

PRESIDENT ADRIAN M. FOLEY, JR.: Ladies and gentlemen, may I ask you to please take your places.

The second meeting of the Constitutional Convention of 1966 shall now come to order.

We will open our proceedings by asking Father Thomas O'Day, Pastor of St. Bernadette's Roman Catholic Church in Parlin, New Jersey, Middlesex County, if he would please give the invocation.

FATHER O'DAY: We pray Thee, O Almighty and Eternal God, who through Jesus Christ has revealed Your glory to all nations, to preserve the works of Your mercy that Your church being spread through the whole world may continue with unchanging faith in the confession of Your name.

We pray You, O God of Might and Wisdom and Justice, through whom authority is rightly administered, laws are enacted, and judgment decreed, assist with Your holy spirit of counsel and fortitude the President of these United States that his administration may be conducted in righteousness and be eminently useful to Your people, over whom he presides, by encouraging due respect for virtue and religion, by a faithful execution of the laws in justice and mercy, and by restraining vice and immorality.

Let the light of Your divine wisdom direct the deliberations of Congress and shine forth in all the proceedings and laws framed for our rule and government, so that they may tend to the preservation of peace, the promotion of national and state happiness, the increase of industry, sobriety and useful knowledge, and may perpetuate to us the blessings of equal liberty.

We pray for His Excellency the Governor of this State, for the members of the Assembly and the Senate, for all judges, magistrates and other officers, particularly those of this Constitutional Convention who are appointed to guard our political welfare, that they may be enabled by Your powerful protection to discharge the duties of their respective stations with honesty and ability.

We recommend likewise to Your unbounded mercy all our brethren and fellow citizens throughout the State of New Jersey particularly, and the United States at large, that they may be blessed in the knowledge and sanctified in the observance of Your most holy laws, that they may be preserved in union and in that peace which the world cannot give, and after enjoying the blessings of this life be admitted to those which are eternal.

Finally, we pray Thee, O Lord of Mercy, be mindful of the conflict in View Nam and, since you are the lover and preserver of peace and charity, grant unto all our enemies peace and true charity, give them remission of all their sins, and by Your power deliver us from their peril. And since You are the singular protector of human weakness, hear,

we beseech You, the prayers we humbly offer for those who are in peril, that you may save them from sin and bring them into safety. Amen.

PRESIDENT: On behalf of the delegation, may we thank Father O'Day.

May I inquire as to the pleasure of the Convention with regard to the reading of the minutes of the last meeting?

Senator Sarcone.

MR. ROBERT C. SARCONE: Mr. President, I move that the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting be dispensed with.

MR. J. EDWARD CRABIEL: I second the motion, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motion has been regularly made and seconded that we dispense with the reading of the minutes of the first meeting.

All those in favor, signify by saying "Aye."

(Chorus of "Ayes")

Those opposed, "No."

(Silence)

The motion is carried.

Will the Secretary please read the roll call.

SECRETARY JOHN E. DIMON: The roll call and all voting will be by last names only.

(The Secretary called the roll and the following delegates answered as their names were called:)

ATLANTIC COUNTY

Lilienfeld, Ponzio, Bozarth, Farley

BERGEN COUNTY

Andora, Bartoletta, Bectin, Bertini, Borg,  
Durkin, Inglima, O'Connor, Peer, Sammartino,  
Skevin, Weber, Woodcock

BURLINGTON COUNTY

Belopolsky, Dimon, Forsythe, Kelley

CAMDEN COUNTY

Dieghan, Malandra, McCord, Scholz, Thatcher,  
Perry, Weinberg

CUMBERLAND COUNTY

Horuvitz, Lupton

ESSEX COUNTY

Bate, Clapp, Duff, Fernicola, Foley, Handler,  
Jacobson, Kimmelman, Lynch, Sarcone, Stiles,  
Tate, Tompkins, Van Riper, Hume

GLOUCESTER COUNTY

Connery, Hunt, Caulfield

HUDSON COUNTY

Castano, Dugan, Gaulkin, Glauberman, Kelly,  
Koch, MacPhail, Musto, Phelps, Roberson

HUNTERDON COUNTY

Lance, Rittenhouse

MERCER COUNTY

Bash, Goldberg, Hollendonner, Weinroth, Lockhard,  
Pierson

MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Borst, Crabiel, Gallagher, Metzger

MONMOUTH COUNTY

Beadleston, Gross, McGann, Reilly, Sterner,  
Stout

MORRIS COUNTY:

Hillery, Manahan, Maraziti, Roach, Thomas

OCEAN COUNTY

Cucci, Novins

PASSAIC COUNTY

Biber, Dunn, Evers, Keegan, LaCava, Roemer,  
Sullivan

SALEM COUNTY  
Davis, Leap

SOMERSET COUNTY  
Bateman, Meredith, Ozzard, Shaffer

SUSSEX COUNTY  
Hollander, Woolfenden

UNION COUNTY  
Bailey, Cawley, Dietz, Gannon, Jamieson,  
McDonough, McGowan, Schreiber, Orkin, Pfaltz

WARREN COUNTY  
Curry, Dumont

SECRETARY: We have a quorum, Mr. President. You may proceed with the business of the day.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Camden.

MR. ELIJAH PERRY: Mr. Chairman, I would like the Secretary to amend his record. He called the name of John Healey from Camden County who has been replaced by John Bennie.

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Mr. Perry. The appropriate notation will be made.

MR. PERRY: And mark him present.

PRESIDENT: Yes, sir.

Pursuant to the Rules adopted by this Convention at its organization meeting, the Chair wishes to announce the appointment of the following Committees and their membership:

#### COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION AND OPERATION

J. Edward Crabiel  
Thomas F. Connery, Jr.  
Samuel L. Biber  
Angelo D. Malandra  
William V. Musto  
James McGowan  
Nicholas T. Fernicola  
John W. Davis  
Anthony D. Andora

Alfred N. Beadleston  
C. Robert Sarcone  
Henry P. Becton  
Thomas J. Hillery  
Charles W. Sandman  
John P. Gallagher  
Frederick Scholz  
Charles P. Bailey  
Walter D. Van Riper

COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT OF THE LEGISLATURE

Joseph M. Keegan  
Joel R. Jacobson  
John B. Duff  
John J. Reilly  
Karl Metzger  
Robert J. Ingle  
Walter Duane Lockard  
Alfred H. Lupton, III  
Isadore Glauberman  
Harris Y. Cotton  
Sanford L. Hollander  
William L. Roach, Jr.  
Irving E. Shaffer  
Neil F. Deighan, Jr.  
David J. Goldberg  
Saul Orkin

Wesley L. Lance  
Joseph C. Woodcock, Jr.  
Frank W. Thatcher  
John E. Hunt  
David L. Horovitz  
Sidney M. Schreiber  
Norman H. Roth  
William E. Ozzard  
Joseph J. Maraziti  
Irwin I. Kimmelman  
Frank S. Farley  
Wayne Dumont  
Milton Woolfenden, Jr.  
Robert J. Novins  
John F. Evers  
James M. Cawley

COMMITTEE ON RULES AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS

Christopher Dietz  
Charles Handler  
Charles H. Roemer  
Elijah Perry

Peter W. Thomas  
Irving A. Lilienfield  
Harry M. Weinberg  
Martin F. Caufield

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC RELATIONS AND INFORMATION

David V. Manahan  
Jeremiah F. O'Connor  
Arthur W. Ponzio  
Joseph Cohen

Peter J. McDonough  
Raymond H. Bateman  
Donald C. Borg  
Edmund T. Hume

COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS AND FORM

Arthur S. Meredith  
John J. Clancy  
Martin T. Durkin  
Joseph A. Gannon

Horace K. Roberson  
Edward Sisco  
Beatrice M. Stiles  
Donald L. Borst

COMMITTEE ON SUBMISSION AND ADDRESS TO THE PEOPLE

John Skevin  
Mason W. Gross  
Harold J. Curry  
Joseph P. Dunn

Alfred C. Clapp  
John Evanko, Jr.  
John J. Grossi, Jr.  
S. Rusling Leap

COMMITTEE ON STRUCTURE OF THE LEGISLATURE

William F. Kelly, Jr.  
John R. Bennie  
Oscar W. Rittenhouse  
Albert J. Cucci  
Austin J. Bozarth, Jr.  
Richard S. Peer  
Phelps Phelps  
Anthony M. Yelencsics

Richard R. Stout  
Hugo M. Pfaltz, Jr.  
Herbert H. Tate  
Samuel P. Bartoletta  
Mildred G. Willis  
Geoffrey Gaulkin  
Edwin B. Forsythe  
Anton J. Hollendonner, Jr.

COMMITTEE ON SCOPE OF THE CONVENTION

Joseph S. Bash  
Richard A. Lynch  
John Kelley  
Herman Belopolsky  
Charles L. Bertini  
Robert E. Jacks  
John L. Georges  
Arthur C. Dunn

Sidney P. McCord  
Walter H. Jones  
William F. Tompkins  
Samuel Weinroth  
Calvin S. Koch  
Frank L. Bate  
Joseph A. La Cava  
E. Donald Sterner

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS, PRINTING AND AUTHENTICATION OF DOCUMENTS

Marvin D. Perskie  
Mrs. Barbara B. Jamison  
James P. Dugan  
Gregory Castano

Arthur J. Sullivan  
Walter W. Weber  
Joseph M. Pierson  
William MacPhail

PRESIDENT: The Chair wishes to call the attention of the Convention to the procedure outlined in the Rules for the introduction of proposals and business to come before the Convention. If you will turn your attention to Rule 56, you will find spelled out in some detail the proper procedure for consideration of all matters.

We have been asked to announce also that the Secretary will provide to any delegate blank forms for proposals which a delegate may wish to utilize for the purpose of introduction of business to the Convention.

Your attention is also directed to Rule 62 which spells out in some detail the time sequence which must occur before a matter can be properly considered by the Convention.

Your attention is directed to these Rules only for the purpose of perhaps guiding you in your future actions, hopefully within the committee meetings of this morning.

Another announcement. We have been asked by the Business Manager to announce that luncheon will be available to all the delegates only at one o'clock. Lunch tickets are or should be on your desks at this time and should be presented at the cafeteria.

At this time the Chair asks for any business that properly can be brought before the Convention.

Senator Crabiel.

MR. CRABIEL: Mr. President, I offer the following resolution and move its adoption: "RESOLVED, that the Convention create the office of Librarian and that Roger H. McDonough be appointed to that post."

PRESIDENT: Is there a second to that motion?

MR. SARCONI: I second the motion.

PRESIDENT: Motion has been made and seconded that Roger H. McDonough be appointed to the post of Librarian. Is there any discussion on the motion?

(Silence)

Will all those in favor of the motion signify by saying "Aye."

(Chorus of "Ayes")

Those opposed, "No."

(Silence)

The motion is carried.

Any further business to come before the Convention?

Senator Sarcone.

MR. SARCONE: Mr. President, I offer the following resolution and move its adoption: "RESOLVED, that the Convention create the office of Public Relations Consultant and that H. Mat Adams and John McDonald be appointed to this post."

MR. CRABIEL: Mr. President, I would second that resolution.

PRESIDENT: Resolution has been duly made and seconded as to the appointment of John McDonald and H. Mat Adams.

Is there any discussion on the motion?

(Silence)

All those in favor, signify by saying "Aye."

(Chorus of "Ayes")

Those opposed, "No."

(Silence)

The motion is carried.

The Chair wishes to announce for the convenience of the delegates that it has been requested by leaders of the delegations that immediately upon adjournment today the respective delegations meet both in this gym and immediately across the street in the Commons for discussion purposes. Thereafter, would each of the Committees meet for the purpose of organizing at rooms which will be designated directly.

During your Committee organization meetings, we would

call your attention to the request of the leaders of the delegations that all matters properly received by the various committees which are such as to invite public hearings and the volunteering of public information be first considered from the standpoint of time.

Now your Rules Committee is charged with the obligation of drawing the specific procedures for public hearings. Rules regarding public hearings should be adopted at our next meeting. These rules, under the Rules you have already adopted, must be outlined by the Rules Committee. However, it has been the thought that your Committees need not await the definition of those rules in picking appropriate dates for hearings. So, if during your organization meetings today agreement can be reached as to tentative dates for public hearings, it would expedite the business of the Convention if your Chairman would meet with the Chairman of the Rules Committee and also with Mr. Herman Crystal, the Business Manager of the Convention, so that appropriate arrangements can be made for available facilities within which you can conduct your public hearings.

The Committee rooms available for organization meetings this morning are as follows:

Organization and Operation	Room B, Commons
Apportionment of the Legislature	Room A, Commons
Structure of the Legislature	Room C, Commons
Scope of the Convention	Room D, Commons

Credentials, Printing and Authentication of Documents	Room 103, Gymnasium
Rules and Business Affairs	President's Office Gymnasium
Arrangements and Form	Room 203, Gymnasium
Submission and Address to the People	Room 205, Gymnasium
Public Relations and Information	Press Room, Gymnasium

These rooms will be available for the meetings approximately one-half hour after the adjournment of this morning's session.

The Chair has been asked to announce that immediately upon adjournment the delegation headed by Floor Leader Sarcone, that is, the entire delegation, will please meet in Room D of the Commons; and the floor delegation headed by Senator Crabiel, please remain here for a meeting.

While it is not the province of the Chair to conduct the meetings of the Committees, I would ask each Committee to consider as its first order of business the fact that the request has been made by the press for permission to be present and to witness the organization meetings as well as the other meetings of the various committees.

We call this to the attention of each delegate for the purpose of making that the first order of business at your organization meeting.

Senator Crabiel.

MR. CRABIEL: Mr. President, I move the Convention adjourn until next Thursday, April 7, at 11:00 A. M.

PRESIDENT: Is there a second to that motion?

MR. SARCONE: I second the motion.

PRESIDENT: All those in favor, signify by saying  
"Aye."

(Chorus of "Ayes")

Those opposed, "No."

(Silence)

The Convention stands adjourned until 11:00 A. M.,  
on Thursday, the 7th of April.

(The session adjourned at 11:00 A. M.)