

it will be circulated to the delegates. I make this announcement prior to the meeting of the Rules Committee. It will be done regardless of what action they may take. Are there any further announcements? Are there any delegates present who were not present at roll call who desire to indicate their presence?

*(There was no response.)*

THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Delegate Powers.

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. President, I move we adjourn in honor of the birthday of Delegate Samuel W. Barrick until 2 P.M. tomorrow.

*(The motion was duly seconded.)*

THE PRESIDENT: All in favor, signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

*(Whereupon, at 2:30 P.M., the Convention was adjourned to reconvene at 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, September 28, 1967.)*

## PLENARY SESSION

SEPTEMBER 28, 1967 — 2:00 P.M.

PRESIDENT H. VERNON ENEY,  
PRESIDING

THE PRESIDENT: The delegates will please come to order.

The Sergeant-at-Arms will please clear the aisles and close the doors.

The invocation today will be offered by the Reverend Myles McGowan of St. Ursula's Catholic Church in Baltimore.

REVEREND MCGOWAN: Let Us Pray:

Oh, Almighty and Eternal God, Who through Jesus Christ has revealed your Glory to all nations, help us to arrive at the type of constitution best suited to the needs of all the people of this state. In these days of change and challenge, may we have the ability to be not the first by whom the new is tried nor yet the last to lay the old aside. Let the light of Your Wisdom direct our deliberations and shine forth in our efforts to distinguish between changeable laws and unchangeable principle; between patient consideration of opinion and political procrastination. As we stand at this historical mark in the legislative progress of our state, let us work creatively for practical, dynamic directives for this and future generations of the State of Maryland.

Amen.

THE PRESIDENT: Thank you.

I have been asked to request you to delay for just a second after the bell sounds before you vote. Apparently there is some problem. The delegates are too speedy and the machinery in the basement cannot keep up with you. After the bell, pause for just a second.

Roll call.

*(Whereupon the roll call was taken.)*

THE PRESIDENT: Delegate Bothe, Delegate Boyles, Delegate Groh, Delegate Hanson, Delegate Hardwicke, Delegate Maurer, Delegate E. T. Miller, Delegate O'Connor, and Delegate Webster.

The Clerk will record the roll call.

There being a quorum present, the Convention is in session.

The Chair recognizes Delegate Powers, Chairman of the Committee on Calendar and Agenda.

DELEGATE POWERS: Mr. President, Item 5A, on today's calendar and agenda calls for consideration of the report of the Committee on Rules and a substitute proposal offered by Delegates W. S. James, James Clark and E. J. Clarke. Since the latter proposal has not been before the Convention for two full convention days, I move that we suspend the rules so that this may be considered today, and also move the adoption of the agenda providing for consideration of this proposal.

THE PRESIDENT: Is there a second?

*(The motion was duly seconded.)*

THE PRESIDENT: The motion arises on the motion to approve the calendar and suspend the rules in order to take up this afternoon Item 5A on the calendar. Is there any discussion?

*(There was no response.)*

Are you ready for the question?

*(Call for the question.)*

All those in favor, signify by saying Aye; contrary, No. The Ayes have it. It is so ordered.

I believe there is the amended Fourth Report of the Committee on Rules, Credentials and Convention Budget. Mr. Clerk, do you have the report?

The Clerk will read the report.