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TWENTIETH DAY (Thursday, February 14, 1974)

The Convention met at 1:30 o'clock p.m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following were recorded present: 174 Present, 7 Absent-excused. (Record 1, Appendix)

Mr. David Lusk, Minister, Northside Church of Christ, offered the invocation as follows:

Dear God, we know that "it is not in man that walketh to direct his own steps" and so we come seeking for guidance for our steps today. Knowing the heavy burden that these people assembled bear, and the momentous decisions before them, we ask your blessings upon their deliberations, and their decisions.

We pray for our state, our nation and our world. May we be at peace with one another, that each of us might become more like you would have us; more like the Prince of Peace in whose name we pray, Amen.

### LEAVES OF ABSENCE

Delegate Adams of Jasper was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Delegate Jones of Taylor.

Delegate Schieffer was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Delegate Olson.

Delegate Washington was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Delegate Leland.

Delegate Caldwell was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Delegate Santiesteban.

Delegate Schwartz was granted leave of absence for today on account of illness on motion of Delegate Hightower.

Delegate Snelson was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Delegate Hightower.

Delegate Finney was granted leave of absence for today on account of important business on motion of Delegate Geiger.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RIGHTS AND SUFFRAGE RELATIVE TO ARTICLE VI RECOMMITTED

On motion of Delegate Nowlin and by unanimous consent, the report of the Committee on Rights and Suffrage relative to Article VI was recommitted to the Committee on Rights and Suffrage.

REPORTS BY CHAIRMEN OF SUBSTANTIVE COMMITTEES

The President called for progress reports from representatives of Substantive Committees. The following progress reports were given:

Delegate Kubiak, Chairman, reported for the Committee on Education.

Delegate Wolff, Chairman, reported for the Committee on Submission and Transition.

Delegate Evans, Vice-Chairman, reported for the Committee on Local Government.

Delegate Sherman of Potter, Chairman, reported for the Committee on Style and Drafting.

Delegate Nowlin, Vice-Chairman, reported for the Committee on Rights and Suffrage.

Delegate Meier, Chairman, reported for the Committee on the Executive.

Delegate Hale, Chairman, reported for the Committee on the Judiciary.

Delegate Santiesteban, Vice-Chairman, reported for the Committee on Finance.

Delegate Gammage, Chairman, reported for the Committee on General Provisions.

# CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION RESOLUTIONS REFERRED

The following Constitutional Convention Resolutions were referred to the Committee indicated:

By Delegate Hale:

To Committee on Rules.

C.C.R. 20, Proposing an amendment to the Rules of Procedure of the Constitutional Convention of Texas.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OF TEXAS:

Section 1. Section 13 of Rule XIV of the Rules of Procedure be and said section is hereby amended so as hereafter to read as follows:

Section 13. After a proposal has been reported by the Committee on Style and Drafting, the President shall schedule such proposal on a future daily calendar for floor consideration on third reading. On third reading the Committee on Style and Drafting and Delegates may offer amendments recommending substantive changes necessary to reconcile conflicting or inconsistent provisions and any Delegate may offer amendments limited to matters of style and form, which amendments shall require a majority vote for their adoption. Other amendments thereto shall be in order but such

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amendments shall require a two-thirds vote for their adoption. Full debate shall be permitted on any proposal on third reading, and amendments thereto, within the limitations of these Rules. After all amendments have been disposed of, the question shall be upon the passage of the committee report or portion thereof on third reading, which shall require a [majority] two-thirds vote.

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Section 2. Section 14 of Rule XIV of the Rules of Procedure be and said section is hereby amended so as hereafter to read as follows:

Section 14. If amendments have been adopted to a proposal on third reading, the proposal shall again be automatically referred to the Committee on Style and Drafting, which shall again make a report to the Convention, following which the President shall again schedule the proposal for consideration on an appropriate daily Convention Calendar. On this consideration by the Convention, amendments shall not be in order, and the question shall be upon the final passage of the proposal, which shall require a [majority] two-thirds vote.

By Delegate Hale:

To Committee on Rules.

C.C.R. 21, Proposing an amendment to the Rules of Procedure of the Constitutional Convention of Texas.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OF TEXAS:

Section 1. Section 16 of Rule XIV of the Rules of Procedure be and the same is hereby amended so as hereinafter to read as follows:

Section 16. After a document has been reported by the Committee on Submission and Transition, the President shall schedule such document on a future daily calendar for floor consideration, at which time amendments thereto shall not be in order. Question shall be upon the final adoption of the document for submission to a vote of the Such vote shall be taken by record people. vote with the yeas and nays to be entered on the Convention Journal, and no such document shall be submitted to a vote of the people unless two-thirds of the total membership of the Convention shall have voted in favor thereof. Each proposal, alternative, or question to be placed on the ballot separate\_ shall require a separate vote in the Convention, with the yeas and navs to be entered on the Convention Journal in each case, and no proposal, alternative, or separate question shall be placed on the ballot for a vote of the people unless two-thirds of the total membership of the Convention shall have voted in favor thereof. A submission resolution which fails to gain the necessary two-thirds vote for passage shall be returned to the Submission and Transition Committee for reconsideration and redrafting after which it shall be promptly reported back to the Convention.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Delegate Aikin the Convention at 2:30 o'clock p.m. adjourned until 9:00 o'clock a.m. tomorrow.

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