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MONTANA CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION
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LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Place of Meeting: Room 434

Date Meeting Held: 1/29/72
Hour Meeting Held: 1:30 p.m.

Committee Chairman: Magnus Aasheim

MINUTES OF THE ELEVENTH MEETING OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

SUBJECT OF MEETING: Reapportionment

Roll Call:

Magnus Aasheim, Chairman	<u>Present</u>
Jerome T. Loendorf, V. Chairman	<u>Present</u>
Grace Bates	<u>Present</u>
Daphne Bugbee	<u>Present</u>
Jerome J. Cate	<u>Present</u>
George Harper	<u>Present</u>
Torrey B. Johnson	<u>Present</u>
Robert Lee Kelleher	<u>Present</u>
John H. Leuthold	<u>Present</u>
Richard A. Nutting	<u>Present</u>
Arlyne E. Reichert	<u>Present</u>
Mae Nan Robinson	<u>Present</u>
Miles Romney	<u>Present</u>
Carman Skari	<u>Present</u>

INTERESTED PERSONS TESTIFYING:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Occupation or Title</u>
Dr. Robert Taylor	MSU Professor
Jack Gunderson	State Representative, Dist. 18

January 29, 1972
1:30 p.m.

Chairman Aasheim called the meeting to order. He introduced Dr. Robert Taylor, professor of geography at Montana State University; Mr. Jack Gunderson, State Representative from District 18; and Margaret Barry, student from Helena Senior High School.

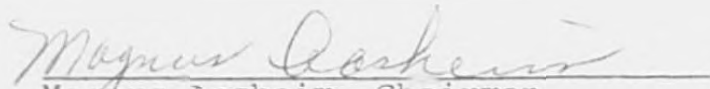
The chairman informed the committee that the public hearing that had been scheduled for Tuesday, February 1 at 7:30 p.m. has been rescheduled for Tuesday, February 1, at 1:30 p.m. The Chairman thanked everyone for the gavel he received for use at the meetings.


Dr. Taylor stated that he had no formal testimony, but rather he would entertain questions and answers concerning reapportionment. Some of Dr. Taylor's comments follow. He could not conceive of reapportionment without following the federal census, even if the federal census changes from a ten-year census to a five-year census. Dr. Taylor felt it was easier to design single member districts than multi-member districts. Dr. Taylor said that reapportionment of the state's precincts is not possible because they have not been apportioned.

Mr. Gunderson also entertained questions directed to him.

Chairman Aasheim thanked Dr. Taylor and Mr. Gunderson for attending the meeting, and reminded everyone of the public hearing tonight at 7:30 p.m.

Time of Adjournment: 4:30 p.m.


Magnus Aasheim, Chairman


Doug Easton, Acting Secretary