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in a boat all day long, catch nothing and say you've been fishing? Well, he was waiting for that because fisher...anglers are sharp people. He said: In the same way you can go shopping all day and buy nothing and call it shopping. So, when there are disputes, there will always be a comeback in the form of an answer. When you're dealing with an issue as serious as the constitution and a frivolous attempt to amend it, those who support the frivolous attempt to amend it are going to reach very far afield to try to find a justification. Nowhere in all of my reading of material presented by and about the so-called founders who were dealing with the constitution -- and Senator Landis and others can give you the name of the person who kept a journal because they didn't have a secretary of ... and that's how we know most of what goes on there--none of them talked about these kind of rambling reminiscences to show why hunting, trapping, and fishing should be put in the constitution, but some of them laughed to scorn the proposal by a minority of the Pennsylvania delegation to put it into the constitution. They said, you don't realize why we're here. When they decided to a constitution, the conservatives, people who called themselves that, obviously don't know the history of their country. The most radical thing done in the history of this country was writing ...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...a constitution that overthrew the existing form of government. They were sent there simply to amend the Articles of Confederation, which had been ineffective because the central government that was created under those articles lacked the power to carry out those national duties which the national or central government was to discharge under those articles. I'm going to talk more about that next time. I am going to take a vote on this and, because I want to see how many people are here and other reasons, I'm asking for a call of the house, Mr. President, if you please. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Been a house call requested. All in favor of the house going under call vote aye; those opposed, nay. Record please, Mr. Clerk.