

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA STATEHOOD CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

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Ninth Floor Auditorium
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Washington, D. C.

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P R O C E E D I N G S

(12:54 p.m.)

PRESIDENT CASSELL: Fellow delegates, we do not have a quorum at this point. However, our speaker has been here since 12:00. It is now 12:54, so we're going to begin the meeting. We won't conduct any business, but we're going to ask our speaker to join us and we ask for your attention.

Our speaker today is Ms. Josephine Butler. Ms. Josephine Butler is the Chairperson of the D. C. Statehood Party, and has been so for how many years?

MS. BUTLER: Five.

PRESIDENT CASSELL: Five years.

Ms. Butler is also one of the founders of the Statehood Party, along with Julius Hobson and several others of us. She is one of the founders of the statehood movement. She has actively been involved in all kinds of activities that have to do with self-determination. She has supported other kinds of activities leading to self-determination for Washington, D. C.

She has been actively involved even out of this country in matters dealing with fairness to human beings and human rights. She has brought with her some materials that will give us a little background on the statehood movement