

1 the general provision recommendation and reject this  
2 amendment.

3 THE CHAIRMAN: Any further discussion?

4 Delegate Hanson.

5 DELEGATE HANSON: Mr. Chairman, I think to place  
6 a trial for impeachment in the hands of the judiciary,  
7 although the judiciary is normally conceded to be the  
8 place to try cases,<sup>is</sup> the most unwise decision; an impeach-  
9 ment trial, if you look at the history of impeachment in  
10 the various states or the Federal impeachment trials, is  
11 uniquely a political proceeding. The charges or condi-  
12 tions which may cause an impeachment to be brought are  
13 normally political. They are beyond the normal reach of  
14 the law. A man cannot be touched in some instances by  
15 the normal reach of the law and consequently the lower  
16 house must feel that his conduct is so grievous against  
17 the public interest that he should be tried on charges  
18 of impeachment.

19 If this goes before the court, it will still be  
20 a political trial. There will be tremendous pressure  
21 brought on the Court of Appeals by the -- if it is a