

1 be prohibited by Article 1, Section 10 of the Constitution
2 of the United States".

3 THE PRESIDENT: The amendment is submitted by
4 Delegate Gallagher. Is there a second?

5 DELEGATE BENNETT: Second.

6 THE PRESIDENT: The amendment is seconded by
7 Delegate Bennett.

8 Delegate Gallagher.

9 DELEGATE GALLAGHER: I hope you will agree with me
10 this is the last ride on the B&O Railroad amendment. The
11 other evening when we amended this section, question was
12 raised about the possibility concerning some pre-1892
13 special or general laws that would put us in a position with
14 this language to contravene the prohibition against the
15 right of contract interference with the first article of
16 the Constitution of the United States.

17 At that particular time I could see no known
18 statute. However, I have had a discussion with Mr. Walter
19 Lewis, the advisor to the Committee on State Finance and
20 Taxation and with other knowledgeable parties who are
21 aware of the history of the B&O Railroad amendment, and we