

1 on whims or fancy or some light reason, but would only
2 do so provided they felt that there was an opportunity
3 to accomplish something positive and there was some genuine
4 need which had to be acted upon immediately.

5 Because of the difficulty in gearing up and
6 getting staffs together, which we realize, we believe that
7 no special session of the General Assembly would be
8 called except for a good reason.

9 It is interesting to note, I think, that 15
10 other States of the Union allow the General Assembly
11 to convoke itself into special session.

12 Turning now to the last section of the Committee
13 Report on compensation of legislators, reading the language,
14 "The members of the General Assembly shall receive such
15 salary and allowances as may be prescribed by law. In-
16 creases in salary shall not apply to the General Assembly
17 which enacted them. No Senator or Delegate shall be paid
18 daily living expenses during regular session of the General
19 Assembly."

20 The effect of this proposed new Constitutional
21 section is to remove from the Maryland Constitution the