

1           The Constitution which we are writing here  
2 in Annapolis will not last unless it has flexibility,  
3 but at the same time it will not pass unless it offers  
4 representation.

5           A vewy few ~~ya~~rs before Maryland wrote its  
6 first Constitution a ship called the PEGGY STEWART  
7 was burned in the Harbor of Annapolis on the question of  
8 taxation without representation. I do not suggest that we  
9 should go back to the harbor and burn the MARYLAND LADY  
10 on the question of small county representation.

11           I am not ashamed of compromise. Edmund Burke,  
12 in his speech on the conciliation of America, said, "All  
13 governments, indeed every human benefit and enjoyment,  
14 every virtue and every prudent act, is founded upon  
15 compromise."

16           This minority report and amendment offers flexi-  
17 bility. The ratio between the number of members in the  
18 House and that in the Senate can be changed. Alternatives  
19 in districting, and the hope of representation for diverse  
20 areas and communities of interest are offered.

21           It offers a size which permits more latitude