

1 that time and were subject to such uncertainty that we
2 felt we ought not include it.

3 THE CHAIRMAN: I am not clear, does the com-
4 mittee indicate that merely there is doubt as to such
5 matters or indicate that there are any decisions, and
6 when I say such matters, I mean not merely the so-called
7 factory laws but the differences, age of consent for
8 marriage, testamentary capacity, age of contract, and
9 numerous other distinctions.

10 DELEGATE KIEFER: Yes, sir. We looked into
11 some of these and we felt there would be a considerable
12 confusion if the word sex were added.

13 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Mitchell.

14 DELEGATE MITCHELL: Mr. President, I would like
15 to say that women, or even particular classes of women,
16 the Supreme Court has held may be singled out for special
17 treatment in the exercise of the state's protective power,
18 without violation of the 14th Amendment classification,
19 based on differences in their physical characteristics
20 or in the social conditions which surround their employ-
21 ment.