

1 But becuae there was confusion on the matter, I offered
2 this amendment really as a clarifying amendment to make sure
3 that this concept was continued.

4 I don't bleieve I can say any more to you ladies
5 and gentlemen on this subject, except to say that I think
6 it is a valuable concept and one which will be a forward look-
7 ing thing in the Constitution in the years to come. And I
8 think, therefore, that becuae of this confusion I would
9 hope that we would adopt the amendment.

10 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Weidemeyer.

11 DELEGATE WEIDEMEYER: Mr.President and Members
12 of the Committee:

13 Delegate Child and I worked on this as a sub-
14 committee, and we had before us Article V of the present
15 Declaration of Rights.

16 We felt that this Convention would eventually
17 adopt Article V. We also had before us Article XXI of
18 the present Declaration of Rights, and if you will notice,
19 our language in our recommendation follows very closely the
20 language of Article XXI. We did not intend to change any-
21 thing existing in our present Maryland law regarding jury