

1 THE CHAIRMAN: The request is that the amend-
2 ment be modified by adding at the end of line 11 the
3 words "or the General Assembly by law".

4 Is there any objection?

5 The Chair hears none. The amendment will be
6 considered as modified.

7 Delegate Willoner.

8 DELEGATE WILLONER: It seems to me the issue
9 before the Convention is whether or not the right of
10 removal will continue to exist. The history of those
11 cases where the question was left to the discretion of
12 the Court have unanimously been reversed.

13 I think an example of how far the Court will go
14 on this question is the Sam Shepherd case which of course
15 is not a Maryland case and I couldn't conceive it as being
16 that bad in Maryland, where they were interviewing jurors
17 and witnesses and where the case was being tried in the
18 press and wherein the Court refused to remove the case.

19 It is the same as in the Ruby case. Maybe
20 there wasn't any place to remove it, but removal was
21 requested and the Court in Texas refused to remove it.