

categories to avoid the ambiguity that might otherwise be present. For that reason, I am informed another delegate has prepared an amendment, and if this is his purpose, I suggest that a comma after the word "laws" would accomplish the purpose, thereby negating any implication that this limitation might apply. I urge the defeat of the amendment.

THE CHAIRMAN: Is there any further discussion? Delegate Henderson?

DELEGATE HENDERSON: Mr. Chairman, I suggest the difficulty is in the use of phrase "at such times", which seems to refer back to the three preceding sentences or categories.

The insertion of a comma would not in my opinion clear that up. It is the use of the word "such" which causes the difficulty. As I understand it, by striking out "at such times" you would then have the four categories. If "at such times" remains there, I would interpret it to limit it not only to the categories which had previously been mentioned but implicitly to those categories requiring the construction of "imminent." In this case it would not be possible under the amendment as drafted to call out the militia if, for example, there were a forest fire or a great earthquake. The difficulty I find is with the word "such". I would speak for the amendment by deleting the words "at such times." It seems to me the ambiguity is then removed.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Wheatley.

DELEGATE WHEATLEY: Without belaboring the point, I would think the interpretation given by Delegate Henderson, whether the amendment is passed or defeated, would accomplish the purpose of the Committee to categorize four classifications, and on that particular point, I am in agreement with him.

THE CHAIRMAN: Is there any further discussion of the amendment? Delegate Stern.

DELEGATE STERN: I have a question to ask you, sir. Will it not be up to the Committee on Style and Drafting to change language and make it more flowing so that the sense intended by the Committee of the Whole will be retained without our saying whether or not a comma should be inserted, or the like?

THE CHAIRMAN: So long as the intent of the Committee of the Whole and of the Convention ultimately is clear, the

Committee on Style and Drafting and Arrangement could make changes, but changes of form only. They would normally hesitate to delete words. They would not have as much hesitancy in changing punctuation, I think. Is there any further discussion on the amendment? Delegate Boyer.

DELEGATE BOYER: Mr. President, I understand that Delegate Chabot is going to have an amendment put in to include after the word "such" the one word "other." This would make it "at such other times" in order to carry out the intent of the Committee to establish the fourth category in this proposal. For that reason and with the anticipation that this amendment will be forthcoming, I would have to be opposed to this particular amendment.

THE CHAIRMAN: Is there any further discussion? Delegate Chabot.

DELEGATE CHABOT: I had prepared and had intended to offer such amendment. In view of Judge Henderson's comments, I think that the appropriate method of obtaining the result that I want and evidently that the Chairman of the Committee and many others here want, would be to accept that part of Amendment No. 4 which is now before us.

THE CHAIRMAN: Is there any further discussion on the amendment? Delegate Lloyd Taylor.

DELEGATE L. TAYLOR: I would like to speak in behalf of the amendment. I believe the words "at such times" are superfluous. I believe the wording, as Delegate Bamberger has introduced it, is adequate and covers the situation.

THE CHAIRMAN: Is there any further discussion on the amendment?

*(There was no response.)*

Ready for the question?

*(Call for the question.)*

The question, as divided, arises on the adoption of the amendment in line 14 of page 1 of the Committee Recommendation GP-1 to strike out the words "at such times." A vote Aye is a vote in favor of the amendment, a vote to strike out the words. A vote No is a vote against the amendment, and leaves the language in the form presented to the Committee of the Whole.

Are you ready for the question?

*(Call for the question.)*