

1 The comment I made is that you will find the people almost  
2 unanimously in these counties who would have one delegate  
3 want to have freedom to have broad grants of power to  
4 them to have a charter government. It hasn't the slight-  
5 est political implication in the world, and there is no  
6 basis for your suggestion.

7 THE CHAIRMAN: I have to back up Mr. Miles on  
8 that. I think what he was really saying to us was, by  
9 reason of the fact that there had been reapportionment  
10 in fact, the necessity of home rule was there, and that  
11 if we were going to meet that necessity, through the  
12 constitution, we should do so by the mandatory require-  
13 ment of home rule for all of the counties.

14 This points up really, I think, what now Mr.  
15 Melvin has also said, that the constitutional grant will  
16 be one which will be a mandatory form of home rule govern-  
17 ment for all counties, emanating from the constitution,  
18 but leaving the definition question still open as we are  
19 now approaching and debating it, definition either by  
20 way of constitution or definition by way of Legislature.

21 I believe and suggest to you that our first