

1 have a county council, can't call it Senate or anything.
2 It is fixed in the constitution, has to be called a coun-
3 cil. Why not have flexibility so there could be real
4 home rule instead of home rule down the line of a pattern
5 which in Maryland has meant the pattern of a charter?

6 DEAN FORDHAM: I don't embrace your expression,
7 real home rule. I don't see what you have described as
8 any more general within local autonomy as to these matters
9 than any other.

10 Talking about adoption of charter, you are
11 talking about local constitution, not necessarily inflexi-
12 bility in having the electorate participate in it?

13 DR. BURDETTE: I would favor that.

14 MR. MILES: You are saying you want County Com-
15 missioners, not necessarily the County Council --

16 DEAN FORDHAM: The County Commissioners from
17 the standpoint of proposing basic charter amendments
18 would insofar as it would affect their own posture under
19 position of conflict of interest insofar as it affects
20 their own status.

21 DR. BURDETTE: What would you think of our