

1 with Mr. Melvin's thinking. The Legislature by the con-
2 stitution would have the authority to grant, either by
3 express right or something similar to Article 25(a), any
4 and all powers, but how do you persuade the Legislature
5 to go ahead and give all of those powers?

6 DEAN FORDHAM: The constitution would grant the
7 powers.

8 THE CHAIRMAN: Under your theory?

9 DEAN FORDHAM: Yes.

10 THE CHAIRMAN: But under Mr. Melvin's approach
11 to the thing, the constitution would grant to the Legis-
12 lature the power to give the powers to the home rule units.

13 MR. MELVIN: Coupled with the further provision
14 that the Legislature could not pass local legislation.
15 It seems to me they would almost have to immediately enact
16 something similar to 25(a) to have it apply to all counties

17 THE CHAIRMAN: I can't understand why there is
18 any advantage to doing it that way as against going ahead
19 and having the constitution do it.

20 MR. MILES: Nor can I.

21 THE CHAIRMAN: I think we really just are