

1 limiting the State in a way that Mr. Case's Committee
2 seems to think is desirable. The State shall incur in-
3 debtedness only, et cetera, is a clear statement that
4 the State has power to incur the indebtedness and a clearer
5 statement of the intended limitation than even the Com-
6 mittee's own language.

7 JUDGE ADKINS: I would like to ask, Mr. Chair-
8 man, if there has ever been any attempt during the history
9 of the State of Maryland to borrow on this so-called
10 inherent power outside of the Article, Section 34, as it
11 previously existed. If not, it seems to me we are talk-
12 ing about something that/^{is}pretty ephemeral. Has there ever
13 been any attempt to exercise the general power of the
14 State to borrow outside of old Section 34?

15 MR. CASE: Before 1851.

16 JUDGE ADKINS: I mean since 34.

17 MR. CASE: No. This has been the restriction.

18 JUDGE ADKINS: Since 34, since Section 34 was
19 enacted in 1951.

20 MR. CASE: 1851.

21 JUDGE ADKINS: I know, 1851, it has been con-