

1 as well as to salaries. As a matter of fact, a Judge
2 who is getting near to retirement it may be even more
3 important. For that reason I would hope the motion
4 would fail.

5 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Gentry, would you consider
6 amending your motion so as to provide that although
7 pensions, the system of pensions would be permissive
8 and not compulsory that nevertheless the Constitution
9 should provide that once granted, they should not be
10 reduced.

11 MR. GENTRY: You mean once a Judge would
12 start on pension, it could never be eliminated?

13 THE CHAIRMAN: That's right.

14 MR. GENTRY: No.

15 MR. SAYRE: Except when in the practice of
16 law.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: Any further discussion?

18 MR. CLAGETT: Except when he was practicing
19 law or while he was practicing law.

20 MR. GENTRY: It could be.

21 THE CHAIRMAN: I didn't mean that. I mean