

1 to use the verbiage defined in the Constitution what we
2 mean by municipal corporations.

3 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Sayre?

4 MR. SAYRE: Abbreviating some thoughts here,
5 there is a booklet put out by Columbia City which reads,
6 Nowhere else in the country are two cities so big and so
7 close together as Washington and Baltimore. From center
8 to center they are 37 miles apart and the modern beltways
9 which ring both cities are only 20 miles apart. The com-
10 bind population of the metropolitan areas is 4½ million,
11 and it is one of the fastest-growing regions in the
12 United States. Between the cities among the major routes
13 connecting them lies the burgeoning Washington-Baltimore
14 corridor. In the last fifteen years the 15 Counties
15 through which the corridor runs have added one million
16 people. In the next fifteen years there will be another
17 one million people.

18 Because of the upward spread of Washington
19 and Baltimore, this central corridor will absorb the
20 major share of growth. We have a spring running roughly
21 from Fairfax, extend it to Richmond, Arlington County,