

1 MR. BROOKS: That is right.

2 MR. CLAGETT: That is what the amendment
3 means to you?

4 DR. BURDETTE: I think that it can bear that
5 inference very strongly. If there were any intent to
6 let them have the powers given in this Constitution, it
7 would almost have said so.

8 MRS. BOTHE: It did.

9 MR. CLAGETT: Will you read it once again, one
10 or the other of you?

11 THE CHAIRMAN: Unless and until changed, pur-
12 suant to the provisions of Section (a) hereof, County
13 governments existing at the date of adoption of this
14 Constitution shall continue.

15 DR. BURDETTE: That means continue the way
16 they are, doesn't it? It seems to me they continue as
17 they are, structure and power. If you said, continue
18 with respect to structure --

19 MR. CLAGETT: May continue. Let's put a
20 may, instead of a shall, and I am satisfied with it,
21 because it doesn't mandate that they shall continue. It