

1 dation of the Commission is, or Committee is as to the
2 second sentence. Is the phrase, existing powers, in-
3 tended to refer to existing powers in the charter powers?

4 MR. CLAGETT: Yes. I am asking that we
5 insert there, Mr. Chairman, after the word powers, the
6 words, set forth in its charter.

7 MR. SCANLAN: I second that.

8 THE CHAIRMAN: Is there any objection to that?

9 DR. BURDETTE: I object.

10 MR. HOFF: I object to it, too. I don't
11 think -- I think we are treading on dangerous territory
12 when we say that we are taking away the powers that have
13 been granted to the municipalities under Home Rule. I
14 think you are mistaken when you talk about the power of
15 a County having the veto power against annexation, for
16 instance. It is my belief that municipalities can enact
17 without the consent of the County.

18 MR. BURDETTE: Right now.

19 MR. HOFF: Right now. I don't think that that
20 power ought to be removed. I don't think that power
21 ought to be put in the hands of the Counties. I think