

1 districts of the City of Baltimore, and I don't want
2 to go over the arguments on both sides, but our
3 committee basically felt that this was a better way,
4 better calculated to secure a higher quality delegate.

5 If it's going to be a non-partisan election,
6 hopefully, citizens groups, the League of Women Voters
7 and leaders of both political parties might agree on the
8 type of a slate that would bring to Annapolis the dele-
9 gates of the quality we would hope will go there and are
10 needed, badly needed, if we are going to come up with
11 truly fine Constitution.

12 There were good arguments on the other
13 side, however. There was a concern expressed by a
14 number who participated in the debate that especially
15 in Baltimore County there was a good chance of a political
16 machine using all its resources would be able to secure
17 the election of a great majority, if not all the
18 delegates of a particular county and especially, as I
19 say, Baltimore County.

20 These arguments were expanded upon by both
21 sides in that debate and I think the vote was a substantial