

the United States, or shall directly or indirectly endeavor to justify the acts, measures or conduct of the persons or States in rebellion against the United States, and shall be thereof convicted, such person or persons shall be sentenced to confinement in the Penitentiary for a term not less than two nor more than six years, or to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or both, at the discretion of the court;”

Which was rejected.

Mr. McIntire proposed the following:

In the 42d line of sub-section 4, insert the words “or public,” after the word “secret;”

Which was adopted.

Mr. Mathews proposed:

To insert the words “or them,” after the word “him,” in the 43d line;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Price proposed the following amendment:

Strike out the words “if any person or persons,” after the word “that,” in the 57th line, and insert, “if, with intent to promote rebellion or war against this State, or to give aid and comfort to the enemies thereof, any person shall attempt to burn or destroy, or any persons;”

Which was adopted.

Mr. Hammond, of Howard, proposed the following amendment:

At the end of 4th sub-section, insert :

“Provided that nothing in this section contained shall be construed to prevent or prohibit a fair public discussion of the true policy of this State, in her relations to the United States or any of them;”

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Price,
The House adjourned.