

1 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Scanlan?

2 MR. SCANLAN: I notice the Committee has
3 eliminated the present requirement in the Constitution,
4 not more than one half come from the City of Baltimore,
5 or one county, and that they say that the fact that any
6 petition will have to attract in excess of 20,000
7 signatures at the present time should insure the
8 petition is designed to advance narrow local interests
9 will be almost impossible. I respectfully suggest that
10 the last manifestation of the referendum,
11 the blocking of the congressional redistricting act
12 by the Baltimore Congressmen, disproves completely the
13 comment of the committee on that point. I think if we
14 are going to have a provision we should have some
15 discussion geographically, as Professor Burdette suggests
16 holds in Nebraska and I think also in Illinois.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: Any further discussion on the
18 question of raising the three per cent to six per cent?

19 MRS. BOTHE: Are we voting on that separately,
20 Mr. Chairman?

21 THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.