

1 unenforceable.

2 It seems to me there are two issues presented
3 here today. Originally I thought there was only one,
4 the narrow issue we discussed before the Constitutional
5 Convention Commission. Namely, shall the present prohi-
6 bition in the Constitution which prohibits the state from
7 granting a lottery that is conducting a lottery itself,
8 or having private persons conduct it for it, should such
9 a prohibition be continued?

10 Now, there, I think, the issue is a fairly
11 simple narrow one. My own personal opinion is it is an
12 anachronistic prohibition, ^{that was} ~~that~~ one perhaps ~~is~~ justified
13 in history in a day when people didn't trust their
14 legislature, but the whole thrust of this Convention and
15 the whole reason of evolution of ^{the} ~~the~~ history of this state
16 is the development of ^{the} ~~the~~ legislature that we can trust.
17 If state lottery is as poor as the oponents say, I agree
18 they are at least on New Hampshire experience, if they are
19 that bad as revenue raisers, if they are, as my friend
20 Delegate Chabot said, a form of retrogressive taxation,
21 then I suppose the New York Legislature will soon abolish