

1 Delegate Bennett.

2 DELEGATE BENNETT: Delegate Willoner, would
3 a proceeding before the merit system granted for removal
4 of a government officer be open to all?

5 DELEGATE WILLONER: Under this proposal it
6 would be possible that such a situation could occur, but
7 once again I would refer you to the example of the exclusion-
8 ary statute which would provide that "The dismissal,
9 promotion, demotion, or compensation of any public employee,
10 or the disciplining of such employee or investigating of
11 charges against him, unless the employee affected shall
12 have requested an open meeting", shall be a closed meeting.

13 DELEGATE BENNETT: In other words, this is
14 meaningless so far as reaching a great many important issues
15 that are facing the executive departments, is that right?
16 Is that correct?

17 DELEGATE WILLONER: Would you repeat the question,
18 please?

19 DELEGATE BENNETT: Do I understand you to say
20 this proviso is meaningless, and has no effect on hearings
21 of that kind?