

1 nature of a declaration or affirmation independent of the  
2 concept of being an oath; so I think that the question of the  
3 Ober Law so far as the voting today on the oath is con-  
4 cerned, is not of material import. I think it would be,  
5 however, important for us to determine the meaning and  
6 read the Supreme Court decision in the case insofar as it  
7 pertains to the retention of Article XV, Section 11 of the  
8 Code. There the Article XV, Section 11, not of the Code  
9 but the Constitution, I think that was enacted for the pur-  
10 pose of implementing the Ober Law; so it may be that when the  
11 Committee on General Provisions determines whether to re-  
12 tain in the Constitution Article XV, Section 11, which was  
13 the basis for the Ober Law, that at that time we can con-  
14 sider the constitutionality and the decision of the Supreme  
15 Court in ruling on the unconstitutionality of the Ober Law.

16 I think the Ober Law may decide that Article XV,  
17 Section 11 may not be necessary, and then again, it may be  
18 necessary for other purposes, but I think that will come  
19 when we meet it. I think the important question before  
20 us right now is the question of whether or not it is  
21 a need to consider the Ober Law in connection with the oath