

1 Information had supervisory authority over the Michigan
2 equivalent of the Director of Public Information.

3 The Committee felt that in view of the clear
4 statutory admonition found in Section 14 of the Enabling
5 Act that the creation of the Commission was, if not
6 necessary, most desirable. In that section, the General
7 Assembly said, "The Convention shall establish an infor-
8 mation service for the purpose of regularly communicating
9 to the people of Maryland information about all pertinent
10 issues and shall further provide for the publication of
11 the whole Constitution in such manner and at such times
12 after the Constitution is proposed by the Convention as
13 will allow the people of Maryland an opportunity to
14 become informed before voting on May 14, 1968."

15 I think the Committee unanimously was substan-
16 tially in favor of dealing with this matter by Committee.
17 There was some division in the Committee as to whether it
18 should be done through a new committee, or whether the
19 function of public information as proposed here be
20 vested in one of the existing procedural committees such
21 as, for example, the Committee on Rules, but a significant