

1        Sobeloff    became Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals  
2        I believe Mr. Stockbridge became Chairman of the Com-  
3        mission. I believe there were some changes made. As  
4        far as I can see they did not recommend the abolition  
5        of the Board of Public Works.

6                I call history to bear that until the report  
7        of less than two years ago, there has been no desire, no  
8        need, no recommendation for the abolition of the Board  
9        of Public Works as a Constitutionally created board in  
10       Maryland.

11               Let me digress at this point from what I  
12       have prepared. I have the utmost respect for Delegate  
13       Henderson, one of my dearest friends and a man whom  
14       I respect tremendously.

15               The legislature having given this power, can  
16       take it away -- my answer is no, because if the legislature  
17       dared to take this power away, the people of Maryland  
18       would rise up and in a referendum would overwhelmingly  
19       defeat that piece of legislation.

20               You see, we have had a Board of Public Works  
21       in Baltimore City. It has control of half of a million