

1 to distribute it around so it couldn't be effective, to
2 eliminate any publicity the legislature might have required
3 for the board action, any resourceful governor could delay
4 the legislature acting for this 50-day period.

5 The question therefore is not whether it is
6 desirable that this be a Constitutional board, but
7 whether it is desirable that we have any such board. If
8 you feel we are to have such board, the only way to pro-
9 tect it is to make it Constitutional.

10 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Grumbacher.

11 DELEGATE GRUMBACHER: Mr. Chairman, I rise to
12 correct what I believe is a misunderstanding on the
13 big hassle we had last year in the legislature over the
14 purchase of some land from the Naval Academy Athletic
15 Association.

16 My memory seems to be that at that time the
17 Department of Public Improvements, not the Board of
18 Public Works, was negotiating for the purchase of that
19 property at 1,300,000, that three members of the House of
20 Delegates got together and had at least three appraisals
21 made, all of which were very substantially low, in fact