

1 committee. It recommends the following offices not be
2 provided for in the Constitution: The Secretary of State,
3 coroners, elisors, notaries public, surveyors, and the
4 State librarian.

5 As a matter of fact, the Secretary of State had
6 the distinction of being the only State officer/^{who}recommended
7 to our committee that his office not be provided for in
8 the Constitution.

9 These officers which I just mentioned do not
10 significantly interfere with the governor's executive powers,
11 since the office holders exercise only ministerial func-
12 tions. However, to the extent that these officers are
13 given constitutional functions their status is too inflex-
14 ible and such inflexibility interferes with efficient
15 administration of the State.

16 For example, the Commission of Land Offices was
17 originally provided for in the prior Constitution and was
18 given certain functions. In 1966 it was necessary to
19 amend the Constitution in order to transfer the duties of
20 the office to another State agency.

21 It is therefore recommended that these officers