

1 MR. CASE: It is statutory, insofar as all
2 other departments are concerned, and what I'm trying to
3 develop is, as far as the Department of Education's
4 budget, the switching cannot take place and never can
5 take place so long as it is written this way. I don't
6 know that I'm right about this, but --

7 MRS. BOTHE: Our interpretation, after some
8 investigation, was that the school fund did not mean
9 that at all. The words school fund did not refer to
10 the appropriations made annually by the legislature.
11 We'd like to know if we are wrong, because we don't
12 want to mislead the convention in making a recommenda-
13 tion.

14 MR. CASE: It has been indicated here this
15 morning by the State Superintendent and his people
16 that you are wrong.

17 MR. ENEY: No, no, quite the contrary is
18 what he said.

19 MR. HAILE: This might clarify it. Prior to
20 the turn of the century, there were two tax rates and
21 the proceeds of one tax rate went in a separate fund