

1 a very controversial thing. As I pointed out before,
2 I have found from my observations and my polls I have
3 taken a great many people against it. I don't feel that
4 the new Constitution, as important as it is, should be
5 jeopardized by inserting a controversial matter that
6 doesn't belong there in the first place.

7 In regard to the lottery itself, I don't
8 intend to go into great detail about the arguments in
9 favor of having a state-operated lottery. This is just
10 incidental to the question before you. But I would like
11 to point out that I have a list here of 81 foreign
12 countries that have lotteries. I think it is out of
13 place to have a provision in our new Maryland Constitution
14 which goes against the trend, world-wide trend, which is
15 going in favor of lotteries. We have all the European
16 countries having lotteries. We have the Asian countries,
17 African countries, the whole Western Hemisphere has
18 lotteries except -- that includes, of course, South
19 America -- except for the United States and Canada. As
20 you know, we do have one state here which has authorized
21 a lottery, New Hampshire. I might remark that the