

1 MR. ENEY: So that you get a situation like
2 death taxes. The inheritance tax goes to the Register's
3 general fund, and you pick up excess over expenses, or
4 the Treasurer picks it up?

5 MR. NOSSEL: No. We pick up 75 per cent on
6 a monthly basis from the Register of Wills.

7 THE CHAIRMAN: Of the estate tax?

8 MR. NOSSEL: Of the inheritance tax. He
9 doesn't collect the estate tax. He retains 25 per cent
10 by law as a commission and out of this 25 per cent, plus
11 the fees he collects for the various services he renders,
12 he operates his office. At the end of the year he
13 reports to us, showing his collections in the form of
14 fees and commissions, the cost of operating his office
15 and pays over the difference to us, which is picked up
16 as excess fees of office.

17 MR. ENEY: That is the way the clerks of court
18 work.

19 MR. NOSSEL: Clerks of court work the same
20 way. In the case of registers, all the fees they collect
21 come to the State. In the case of clerks, they collect