

1 Those within a metropolitan area might be an easier classi-
2 fication.

3 MR. THOMPSON: I think this is a problem we
4 will run into when you get to consider your policy ques-
5 tions, also, because this is also heavily weighted with
6 the numerical population approach, which I cannot help
7 but agree with my colleague, Mr. Ratchford.

8 THE CHAIRMAN: Yes. I think you begin to see
9 why I put the questions first before getting to the policy
10 issues or questions, because it directs our thinking, I
11 believe, in the direction of what we've got to know before
12 we can decide these questions, and a lot of it does re-
13 quire a good deal of hard solid research and that means
14 time that I do not think we, as a committee, have the time
15 to give it. So, it seems properly to be a matter for
16 research and assigning out, because it is going to tie
17 in directly with the issues which we are going to have to
18 determine.

19 The seventh question is now moving in another
20 direction, a study of the effect on bond issues of changing
21 county lines, creating metropolitan governments, et cetera.