

1 with respect to education.

2 I am not quite clear just what you advocate
3 in this regard. Let me ask you specifically as to cer-
4 tain areas. It has been suggested that the Governor's
5 control over State agencies should be greater than it is
6 now and that many independent boards should be made
7 advisory only and the head of the department under that
8 board be made accountable directly to the Governor. If
9 that were applied to the Department of Education and
10 the State Board of Education would become advisory and
11 the Superintendent of Education would be responsible
12 to the Governor rather than to the board, would you
13 think that desirable or undesirable?

14 DR. PULLEN: I think that is the most danger-
15 ous thing you can possibly do to public education in the
16 country. Alaska has done it, Hawaii did it. Mr. . .
17 Byrd did that in Virginia. As soon as he became Governor
18 the first thing he did was to make the Superintendent
19 appointed by the Governor. You simply make a sycophant
20 out of a professional. You simply put your whole pro-
21 fessional career in the hands of a politician. I say