

1 THE CHAIRLADY: Dr. Zimmerman, the tendency
2 has been that this Committee has had thrown at it various
3 constitutional provisions such as State librarian as a
4 constitutional office and adjutant general as a con-
5 stitutional office. We made some recommendations already
6 in these areas and will probably make others which will
7 tend to eliminate the number of constitutional offices
8 rather than add to the present number.

9 Do you really feel as a practical working
10 matter that it is necessary to give constitutional
11 status to the Board of Education and the Superintendent?

12 DR. ZIMMERMAN: Yes, I do. I think you run
13 the risk of having the Board maybe eliminated by statute
14 and then an elected Superintendent and he becomes a
15 politician, and in some states the State Superintendent
16 is no sooner in office than he is a candidate for
17 governor, and I think this is the worst kind of State
18 Superintendent we want.

19 I think we want a career man who is not a
20 politician, and that is why I feel very strongly that
21 he should be a constitutional officer appointed by a