

1 applies is, in the Judicial Committee, they are going to
2 come up with a recommendation of the Bar Association's
3 recommendation of a system of Municipal Courts. Our
4 report, which you will get, will show how this will be
5 implemented, through payment of all salaries by the State.
6 So, it does have --

7 MR. BOND: I see where it does cut across --

8 MR. BENTON: "What I have said in connection with
9 the Probation Department and the Sheriff applies, with some
10 degree of variation, to the other Court Clerks. Although
11 I realize that such is probably not the province of
12 this Committee, I would be remiss if I did not express the
13 view that, in my opinion, these operations would be much
14 more efficient were the Clerks of the Courts not elected,
15 but appointed pursuant to the provision of the State Merit
16 System."

17 MR. BOND: Excuse me. How about the Register of
18 Wills? Do you have any suggestions --

19 MR. BENTON: Yes, I would include the Register of
20 Wills as an adjunct to the Court System.

21 MR. BOND: Because they run their offices on the