

1 pleased. That, continued as long as it pleased, got
2 eliminated, and I am afraid the date got eliminated at
3 the same time, and I think this is perhaps an oversight
4 that the date of the session was not included in this
5 Section that we have just dealt with.

6 THE CHAIRMAN: Since so much hinges on this
7 presentation of the budget and many other things, should not
8 the Constitution fix the opening date at least at the
9 beginning of the annual session?

10 DR. BARD: I would think so, yes.

11 THE CHAIRMAN: Would the Committee want to make
12 a recommendation that it be the beginning of the terms
13 of the Members elected?

14 DR. BARD: I would think so, since it is now
15 clarified.

16 MR. BROOKS: That has been the clear intent
17 all the way through.

18 DR. BARD: It has been the intent, but you
19 would think an actual statement of it would be authorized.

20 MR. MINDEL: It now so provides. Section 14
21 says, the General Assembly shall meet on the third Wednes-