

1 a specific authorization in the Constitution would cer-
2 tainly be an invitation for them to do so, and I feel
3 that if there is going to be any question of committees
4 exercising the authority which they may or may not have,
5 but they have exercised in the past, that the Constitu-
6 tion ought to put as strong a restriction on them because
7 history has demonstrated that the nature of their busi-
8 ness is such that the allowance of unlimited power to
9 compel books and records and witnesses is bound to lead
10 to unconstitutional, by Federal and State standards as
11 well, chaos. I don't want to see it happen.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Case?

13 MR. CASE: I don't want to prolong this, but
14 if Mrs. Bothe's motion is founded upon the notion that
15 the Legislature is a political organization and not a
16 fact finding organization, it will fail. If a Legislature
17 is a fact finding body to make laws, upon the most dis-
18 cerning examination of the fact and it seems to me that
19 Legislature should have all the powers it can muster to
20 get at the facts and if these do include the subpoena power
21 and it seems to me perfectly obvious that the Legislature