

1 DR. TEMPLETON: Now, my question had to do with
2 this matter of groupings, with no fewer than three counties
3 in any one group and yet in the last sentence we speak
4 about a grouping of counties -- one grouping in five or
5 fewer counties.

6 THE CHAIRMAN: What he has said to you, Dr.
7 Templeton, is that the Legislature may not provide one
8 grouping for one purpose and another grouping for another
9 purpose at any one time, that if it provides a group of
10 two, three, four or five counties for any purpose, that is
11 the only kind of grouping it can make at that particular
12 time.

13 DR. TEMPLETON: All right, thank you.

14 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Sykes?

15 MR. SYKES: Is it contemplated that at any one
16 time the Legislature will have a grouping which will in-
17 clude every county of the State in at least one class? Is
18 that mandated or is it just possible?

19 MR. CLAGETT: If it does not exercise the power
20 of classification, that would be mandated.

21 MR. SYKES: Can it exercise the power of