

1 to hold this meeting at the Brown Estate in Harford  
2 County. We will advise you about this. John has checked  
3 and the accommodations seem to be or will be by that time,  
4 sufficient and suitable. That will be a two-day meeting.

5 If there are no further questions, then we  
6 will proceed to a consideration of the Second Report of  
7 the Committee on State Finance and Taxation.

8 Mr. Case?

9 MR. CASE: In order to conserve time, Mr.  
10 Chairman, I am not going to attempt to repeat or even  
11 summarize for that matter the background material which  
12 underlies this particular Report. Suffice it to say that  
13 our State is perhaps as well-known in the governmental  
14 field for a strong executive type budget provision in  
15 its Constitution as it is known for anything else, and  
16 this has had a rather interesting history, which is traced  
17 in the Report, and I should merely say that prior to  
18 1916, Maryland, like most of the other States in the  
19 country, dealt with the method by which monies were ex-  
20 pended from the Treasury on almost a piecemeal basis.  
21 If the Governor needed appropriation for a given depart-