

1 tution as it now stands to require that schools be public?
2 This would not be in this Article.

3 THE CHAIRMAN: No, it would not be.

4 MRS. BOTHE: I call the Commission's attention
5 to a discussion on this subject, recognizing aid to
6 private schools, which is contained in the Miscellaneous
7 Provisions Committee's report on education. We recommend
8 that no reference be made in the Constitution to private
9 schools, not without taking a position as to whether or
10 not the Legislature should appropriate funds for that
11 purpose, but we felt that the Constitution was a document
12 dealing with the public institutions in the State and not
13 with the private, and we recommended that no reference be
14 made in what is now Section 8 of the Constitution to
15 private education, rejecting the proposition that this be
16 done.

17 Mr. Gentry, who is on the Committee, was a
18 minority view in that respect, and I would feel it consis-
19 tent if the word, local school system, does mean public
20 schools, and I thought it did when I read it, but if it
21 doesn't mean that, I think the addition of the word, public,