

1 Senate in which it is not anybody but the people who
2 as soon as they conveniently can, next general election,
3 determine who is going to represent them in the Senate.
4 I think the same thing should happen in our Legislature.

5 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Smith, you had a comment.

6 MR. SMITH: I forgot what it was.

7 THE CHAIRMAN: To have something to act on,
8 Dr. Bard, in light of the discussion, do you stand on
9 the Committee's report or desire to make any change?

10 DR. BARD: I think I would stand on the
11 Committee's report though I would say we did discuss
12 this. You might bear in mind the fact that for a while
13 an unexpired term could be filled out rather easily
14 under a staggered system because you would have one
15 coming up rapidly. This is one reason we didn't come
16 to grips with the very point which Dr. Burdette raised.

17 MR. SCANLAN: I think Dr. Burdette's objec-
18 tion is grounded on a distrust of the Legislature that
19 the Legislature will act in a selfish way, that the
20 Legislature will not pass a vacancy law that makes sense.
21 If I shared that distrust of the Legislature, I would