except presidents of institutions of higher education.

It would be incongruous for the Governor to appoint the president of the University of Maryland. The State Superintendent of Schools is responsible to the State Board of Education. This has worked very well in Maryland even during Dr. Pullen's tenure when there were plenty of instances of conflict with the Governor.

I think it is very essential that the Superintendent

of Schools have some degree of independence and I do know that this particular issue is of great and vital interest to the people of the state who are interested in education.

THE CHAIRMAN: Dr. Bard.

DR. BARD: I would like to add two points
to what has been made. It is nighly important that we
look upon the State Board of Education in the same
way as we look upon the Board of Trustees of a college
and the superintendent would have the same relationship
to the State Board and thus to elementary and secondary
education as the president of a college would have to
higher education. I don't see any reason for differentiating