

1 THE CHAIRMAN: And the third sentence contem-
2 plates a change involving the line of more than three con-
3 tiguous Counties by one law.

4 MR. CLAGETT: That is correct.

5 MR. SYKES: If that is the case, doesn't it
6 mean it is a restriction as to form only, which doesn't
7 mean very much, and the Legislature could circumvent it
8 by passing separate bills? It seems to me that any res-
9 triction in the Constitution ought to be a meaningful
10 restriction that can't be evaded by parliamentary hanky-
11 panky.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: I think the intent of the Com-
13 mittee, and you will have to amplify this, Mr. Clagett,
14 was that they were requiring the State wide referendum
15 not because the Legislature changed the lines of more
16 than three Counties, but because they were changing the
17 lines in one deal, one package, so to speak.

18 MR. SYKES: It is quite often that for par-
19 liamentary reasons essentially a single deal or package
20 is introduced into two, three or four bills, and I wonder
21 whether you are really reaching the policy question if you