

1 MR. CLAGETT: Nobody is the answer.

2 THE CHAIRMAN: Exactly.

3 MR. HARGROVE: Of course, that is exactly
4 the point because I think we are talking about a
5 Constitution and its responsibility, of course, to this
6 Commission to give some direction, I suppose, in areas
7 where, in new areas.

8 I think past history has shown us that
9 the General Assembly will probably do nothing in an
10 area such as we have here. So far as I know, they
11 have made no attempt at regional government or any such
12 thing but a proliferation of authority within the
13 counties. So I think this is clearly an area where this
14 Commission has to sort of prod the Legislature in one way
15 if they don't act, and I think the people should be
16 able to act in some way. I think Dr. Jenkins' point
17 is that if the Legislature does not go so far as the
18 permissive aspect of this, then I think the people should
19 because we all agree in the future we are going to need
20 some sort of regional government.

21 MR. CLAGETT: Mr. Chairman, I think we have