

1 thought perhaps you might even want to go previous to the
2 third Wednesday in order to give them some time in
3 advance of the Legislature coming in. Did you discuss
4 that at all?

5 JUDGE ADKINS: We discussed that. We could
6 see no particular reason for that. The main problem
7 would be a budgetary problem, making up the budget but
8 all of the former Governors with whom we discussed the
9 matter have indicated the budget procedure is sufficiently
10 well established now so they are almost in constant
11 contact with the budget bureau from the date of
12 election. There is no real problem. Moreover, some of
13 the Governors expressed the thought that they would
14 like to have the period as much preparatory time prior to
15 actually assuming the office as they could have. The
16 reason for making it concurrent with the Legislature,
17 we felt that this week or so period, with a lame duck
18 Governor and a new Legislature would not be a particularly
19 healthy condition; that there could be potential problems
20 arise out of it.

21 DR. BARD: We agree with that. That is why we