

1 stand it fixes only a maximum period of time. Does not
2 prescribe a minimum. Mr. Miller?

3 MR. MILLER: Mr. Chairman, I may have spoken
4 before, but not on this point. I think that our sub-
5 committee felt that there ought to be some way in which
6 the Legislature would be free to act if in its judgment
7 it thought necessary without a sword over its head, about
8 consecutive days. As I see it, if we follow out the con-
9 tinuing idea, what we would attempt to have would be that
10 the Legislature might, for instance, have all its work
11 done, except it had to wait for an engineer's report.
12 They would have the discretion if they saw fit to adjourn
13 for six months, but it wouldn't stop the wheels of pro-
14 gress and if we are going to make the Legislature an
15 independent branch of the government, they shouldn't
16 have to be entirely dependent on whether the governor
17 called them back or not after he were considering asking.

18 THE CHAIRMAN: Any further discussion?
19 Mr. Sayre?

20 MR. SAYRE: The model has these succinct
21 phrases: The legislative process is continuous. It is