

1 will quietly subside and what's best for the whole goes  
2 through.

3 I don't think that a conference committee  
4 ought to be a whipping boy. I think it is a very valuable  
5 part of the legislative system and I think it is very  
6 valuable to have the two chambers for that reason.

7 DR. BURDETTE: Could I make a comment on  
8 that? This is another thing to investigate. The  
9 Congressional rules as I understand them provide that  
10 the two chambers must make their decision between the  
11 extremes of the positions of the two Houses. In the  
12 Nebraska Legislature there was no such rule so that the  
13 bill might have no relationship whatever to the legisla-  
14 tion that had been considered in the chambers. I do not  
15 know about Maryland.

16 MR. MILLER: As a practical matter, anything  
17 the conference committee agrees on that is not subject  
18 to a point of order when it comes back on the floor,  
19 many times a provision that has never been considered on  
20 the floor goes through almost unanimously.

21 The fact that the leadership selects the