

1 courage to go out and tell what they really thought about  
2 something. They might, when the record was printed  
3 months later be sued for slander or libel.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: Section 13.

5 DR. BARD: Each House shall be the final  
6 judge of the qualifications. If you want to read this, it  
7 is Section 19 of the Constitution. You have it right  
8 there.

9 THE CHAIRMAN: Should the word, may, be in  
10 front of compel? Is that correct?

11 DR. BARD: Yes.

12 DR. BURDETTE: I wonder if this is new language  
13 here from the old Constitution, and shall have power to  
14 compel the attendance and testimony of witnesses and the  
15 production of books and papers either before such House  
16 as a whole or before any committee thereof.

17 I ask this because this seems to be extremely  
18 sweeping language in this day of Federal legislative  
19 inquisition that I would hate to get started in the State  
20 of Maryland.

21 DR. BARD: As a matter of fact, if you look at