

1 presented as a definitive position, and that is the reason
2 why we are here with this Report.

3 Basically, we are recommending that the Consti-
4 tution contain no further reference to the Board of Public
5 Works.

6 The Board of Public Works in its origin, as
7 set forth in the report itself, arose originally in the
8 Constitution of 1851, re-enacted in the Constitution of
9 1867.

10 The powers of the Board as they -- as it is now
11 constituted are basically statutory and not constitutional.
12 Reference to the Constitution currently gives the Board
13 only powers which by this time have in essence become
14 obsolete. If it is desired that the powers which the
15 Board currently hold continue to be exercised, we think
16 that that can be done by Legislative enactment without the
17 necessity of Constitutional sanctions.

18 We have earlier recommended and this Commission
19 has approved the elimination of both the Attorney General
20 and the Comptroller as elected officers.

21 I understand that some question may arise at