

1 that we want. Let us not put ourselves in a position
2 where we don't permit the government to act as it must at
3 times away from everyon'e eyes.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Schneider.

5 DELEGATE SCNNEIDER. Mr. Chairman, I want
6 to speak against 24-A. As Delegate Dukes has pointed out,
7 it is a step backwards. If not a step backwards, it is
8 a step forward. If you are in favor of the right to
9 know, this does nothing. It merely constitutionalizes
10 what we presently have, and perhaps not quite as much.

11 If you are against the right to know, why would
12 you want useless language in the Constitution? No matter
13 how you feel on this, there is no use ~~also~~ putting a
14 toothless provision of 24-A in the Constitution.

15 If you are in favor of the right to know, I
16 think you are in favor of the right to require public
17 meetings. This does not do that. This says that merely
18 you can inspect the minutes after the meeting has been
19 held. I would say anyone here, whether you are for or
20 against the right to know, would vote against 24-A.

21 So I would urge you vote against the Yokum