

1 that odd year elections do in fact draw a selective
2 electorate even if not a large one, perhaps odd years would
3 be warranted.

4 Secondly, odd year elections cost the government,
5 candidates and contributors. Again, if the value could be
6 shown to us, this could be justified. Again, no proof has
7 been suggested.

8 Thirdly, elections should be a special event in
9 the lives of the citizens, not a continuous process.

10 Fourthly, high turnouts increase the pressures
11 on candidates, we think, and devotes more energy to issues
12 rather than gimmicks and gross publicity.

13 Fifth, less frequent elections permit greater
14 degree of average citizen participation.

15 Sixth, governmental issues and political office
16 holders at one level can never, no matter what we do here,
17 insulate it from the issues and office holders of other
18 levels, intergovernmental realities speak too clearly to the
19 contrary.

20 Seventh, election in three of every four years
21 force office holders at all levels of governments to devote