

find him to be very moderate and responsible, an excellent choice for the Supreme Court .

Q. Governor, what interest does the State have in buying the Oregon Ridge property?

A. I haven't had a chance to talk with Mr. Wahbe since I read that the county has given up the idea of moving ahead on the question. I would like to get with him and see what can be done. I'm not giving up hope that something can be done about Oregon Ridge. Frankly, I don't think that there is going to be any rapid disposition of the property at the figures indicated, and we may still be able to negotiate a solution by which we could take over that very fine natural asset.

Q. How far would you go, moneywise?

A. Well, I can't say yet because I'm not that far into it.

Q. Have you given any thought yet to the dates on the Constitutional Convention?

A. Yes, I discussed that with Mr. Eney this morning and, while we haven't set any definite date, it would be hoped that we would accomplish it without waiting too long, sometime in July, I would expect, because the delegates have to meet and organize and there's much to be done before the actual Convention begins in September.

Q. Governor, you said you spoke with Mr. Eney this morning. Did you assure him of every possible help on your part that he might be elected president of the Constitutional Convention?

A. No, we didn't even discuss the presidency, the chairmanship of the Convention, in any way.

Q. Governor, have you had a chance now to review the winners of the elections. Would you comment now on the quality and credentials of the candidates?

A. Yes, I was very pleased. I had a chance to do so last night. I not only looked at those who had won, I looked at those who had lost. And I'm pleased generally with the fact that the majority of those elected were people whom I think will prove to be a great asset to the Convention. This doesn't necessarily mean they're people whom I think agree with me on all questions that have been explored recently in government. On the other hand, I think there are some very fine people who were not elected. Fortunately, I don't think that the percentage of outstanding people who were not elected is as large as the percentage of those who were elected.