

Q. Do you have to ask for extradition to bring Brown back here?

A. No, he's arrested under a Federal warrant. In this regard, I think it's important for me to say this, it may not be the smartest thing I've ever said politically, but I'm not in accord at all with the broad based Republican criticism of President Johnson with regard to the race riots across the country. I think it represents an over generalization, and I think it, to some extent, is a disservice to what are obviously sincere efforts to do something about conditions in the urban areas. I'm not an admirer of every Federal program, and I've been a critic of the President on many occasions, particularly when I think he's involved in under funding and over programming certain activities. I've said this many times, but I think that if we, the Republican opposition, are going to be effective, we've got to restrain ourselves from seizing upon expedient times to politically criticize, playing on emotions, as this particular criticism obviously did. I don't agree with it at all.

Q. Do you disapprove of political poetic license?

A. I don't know what that is.

Q. Was the meeting with the mayor at his request or your request?

A. It was at the mayor's request.

Q. When will that take place, Governor?

A. I'm not sure, but sometime this afternoon.

Q. Here?

A. Yes.

Q. Governor, there are some reports that some newsmen went down to Cambridge and the press were manhandled by the Cambridge police. Any kind of a comment on it?

A. I have no knowledge of it, I really don't. This is the first I've heard of it.

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## STATEMENT ON CIVIL RIGHTS AND RIOTING

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Our country is as much threatened by the lawless rioting in our streets as it is by our enemies abroad. In such a serious time, the