

A. No, there is only one sounding you get regarding any tax and that is negative. I think the point is that the only people who make the response are usually the people who are affected by that particular tax; and those who are not affected by it, even though they may favor it, don't say anything. I have never let myself become involved in a tax program solely on a basis that there is a response — a favorable response — to it because, I guess, we would never pass a tax if we waited for that favorable response.

(Again Spring Grove)

Q. Governor, returning to my question for a moment, the fact remains that despite your long-range efforts in this area there are still eight people sleeping on the floor there and that Dr. Tuerk says that this will get better before it gets worse — no, I mean that it will get worse before it gets better. Do you plan to take any (interruption) . . .

A. Let me say this, Mr. Weiss: It becomes completely apparent to me that this is a rather frivolous line of inquiry when you single out eight people in a State of 3,600,000, and what you are trying to say to me is, Are you going to drop other matters and rush to see what happened with eight people? The answer is that we are going to continue to — within the best means at our disposal — make the reforms that are necessary to prevent this kind of thing. But Dr. Tuerk himself, I am sure, with the number of beds at his disposal, is able to adjust an eight patient plus or a minus factor overnight without my intervening.

(Cost of New Constitution)

Q. Governor, you have come out in strong support of the new Constitution — you have said that you will work hard to see that it is approved or to encourage its approval. Do you think that when the people find out what it is going to cost to put it into effect, its approval might be in danger?

A. A lot of the things that are cost factors in the Constitution are difficult to cope with — to even make a reliable estimate of at the present time. I think that there are going to be some rather extreme claims of what this Constitution is going to cost, but regardless of whether that is done or it isn't done, it seems to me that if the reforms are necessary and if the costs are programmed over a reasonable time, they would eventually come into existence whether or not by way of a new constitution. If the court system needs a reform and if the reform came about through simple legislative program to reform the courts, it would happen regardless of whether or not the Con-