

A. No I didn't. I wasn't in New York.

Q. At the St. Regis Hotel?

A. Monday morning, yes. I didn't talk to him though. I didn't see him. He was out of town.

Q. What kind of reaction did you get from him at the Alfalfa Club?

A. From my personal observation — I didn't bring up the subject of his candidacy — but I observed that he was shaking every hand in sight.

Miles Commission Report

Q. Governor, do you care to comment on the Miles Commission Report about pinball machines?

A. I am still studying the proposals of the Miles Commission and as yet I haven't received the proposed legislation itself. That's to be sent in several days so I don't want to comment at this point on whether I would support the legislation that has been drafted or whether I wouldn't. I haven't even seen it yet. I think generally the objectives of the Commission to abolish legal gambling are praiseworthy and they certainly fit into my objectives.

Judge Bowie

Q. Governor, you were rather severely criticized yesterday by a group in Prince George's County. It was critical of you for not having done anything in connection with the Judge Bowie matter. What are your thoughts on that criticism?

A. Let me say that the Judge Bowie matter has concerned me and when I read the transcript of what had taken place I referred it to the *Judicial Disabilities Commission*, which is the group having jurisdiction over the actions of a Judge. I did not appoint Judge Bowie to the bench. I feel no personal responsibility for his actions. I agree with the *Judicial Disabilities Commission* that his actions were unnecessary, unwarranted and to be regretted. Beyond that I hesitate to comment because frankly I am concerned about the fact that we do have a separation of powers in government. I recognize that under the Constitution any further action that can be taken depends upon the initiative of the Legislature — that the Governor is given no power in it and I feel that I should not intrude in these areas. Personally I do regret the incident very much and it has given me a lot of concern, but I think that it would create a very bad situation for the Governor to be in a position where he was impliedly criticizing the judiciary