

A. No, it's not decided yet. We have it under study, and we've got some awfully difficult priorities to assign, as was very well indicated in the news article yesterday. We have over 60 million dollars worth of additional requests and we obviously can't meet that kind of spending, so we've got some soul searching to do in deciding what spending we're going to go forward with by way of supplemental requests.

Q. How much for pay raises? Do you have any idea?

A. Well, again, there is going to be a State employees' pay raise included in the supplemental budget, there is no doubt about that. The exact mechanics of it — what it involves — hasn't finally crystalized at this point.

Q. What has held up negotiations in the tugboat strike?

A. As soon as I leave here this morning, I'm going back to Baltimore. The negotiation is being held up because the parties haven't reached a settlement. Is that a good answer? Seriously, I think that much progress is being made. We made a great deal of progress yesterday and I know it seems very idle to say we're making progress and yet no settlement ensues. But the issue has been narrowed down a tremendous extent since I first interjected myself, at the request of the Mayor and the Port Authority and other business leaders and the two principals, into the controversy. And I have hopes that we are reaching the end of that road. Whether it is going to happen today or not I can't tell, but I am going to go up there to try to push the thing over the cliff.

Q. Governor, you expressed yourself on open housing, two such bills?

A. Tell me what the bills are, Max, because I'm not —

Q. Governor, you expressed yourself on open housing. What about pending bills on bars and restaurants?

A. Well, I think in the area of public accommodations I have always stated, I believe this without any qualifications, that there are no reasons to make lines of demarcation. In short, I think that they should all be open without any restrictions whatsoever. I think that the bills that try to reach differences between taverns and bars and restaurants are making meaningless distinctions and I think we're grown up enough about the public accommodations situation now that we should be ready to reach it squarely and face it.

Q. There have been recommendations that the Governor be sworn in 30 days after election. Have you been hampered by the longer time now required?