

upon checking that he had committed a murder. So the question is not, really, shooting looters. It's should people who are fleeing justice, where the policeman doesn't know the severity of the crime, be stopped by any means available? And I say, "Yes, they should."

Q. You began by saying you don't think that looters should ever be shot and now you say (remainder garbled) .

A. That's right. I don't think that looters should be shot, if they surrender. The thrust of these reports is that I have said a policeman should come upon a store where a man's looting and take out a gun and shoot him. But I don't think anyone is justified in shooting anyone for any crime. A policeman is there to make an arrest, not to kill people.

Q. But if the looter flees, you'd then say the policeman should shoot?

A. It's up to the judgment of the policeman. Certainly if I saw a twelve-year-old boy running out of a grocery store with a box of cereal, I wouldn't shoot him. But if I saw a man running out of a building, and I saw someone lying on the floor inside that may have been killed and the man wouldn't stop, and I were a policeman, I wouldn't hesitate to shoot him.

Q. What about if he were a grown man running with a pair of shoes?

A. Well, I think, again, it depends on whether you think the shoes are all he took. How can you know that? Do you shoot him with a pair of shoes or with a diamond ring? These are matters that can't be generalized or assessed or laid down in specific guidelines, but *must depend* upon the training and intelligence of the individual law enforcement officer who's on the scene.

(Baltimore Police)

Q. Governor, Mr. Wallace stated yesterday that police were made *second-class citizens* in this State and this country. This seems to be fair, including your own police department and your own Police Commissioner, Mr. Pomerleau, in Baltimore and recent officers who were dismissed for minor abusive language against individuals, and again the two officers who were chastised and disciplined with a year's probation because they dared to criticize the electronic media and the Police Commissioner. How do you feel about that, sir?

A. Next question.

(Republican Convention)

Q. Governor, after you arrive in Miami this weekend, will you again try to meet with Governor Romney and Governor Rhodes to work out a voting bloc, so to speak?