

1 it is fair to say that there will be continued stalemates.

2 I think it is interesting to note that Congress--  
3 that is, the House -- has been quite anxious to forestall  
4 litigation in this area, and consequently has approached  
5 the problem of congressional redistricting both from a  
6 temporary point of view and from a permanent.

7 Congress has attempted, in the House, at least,  
8 to provide for variations as high as thirty percent, but  
9 saying that after 1972 the House figure shall be a fifteen  
10 percent one. This has not met with any approval in the  
11 Senate, and consequently you have had the stalemate of  
12 which I have spoken and which I suspect is going to continue  
13 to exist for some time.

14 Now, we require under the constitutional provision  
15 here that there be congressional redistricting in 1972 and  
16 every tenth year thereafter. There will be no question,  
17 therefore, that the decennial census figures will be at  
18 hand for the purpose of determining what the districts shall  
19 be.

20 You will note, too, that we used the identical  
21 sentence with respect to natural boundaries and boundaries