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3 DELEGATE MITCHELL: Mr. President and Chairman
4 Mudd, I am concerned about the concentration of too much
5 power in the judiciary. I think this is a democratic
6 form of government and of course there should be checks
7 and balances in each division of the government as well.

8 I think that while it is a laudable aim to
9 eliminate political influence from the judiciary, a number
10 of efforts have been tried and I have not seen too much
11 elimination of political influence from the judiciary.

12 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Mitchell, do you
13 have a question?

14 DELEGATE MITCHELL: Yes, sir, I preface it
15 with that. Therefore, I am concerned about the concentration
16 of so much power, appointing power, in the judiciary
17 because I think that that opens the door to more political
18 activity by the judiciary.

19 For example, it seems to me to improve --

20 THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Mitchell, don't you
21 think you could state your question now?

DELEGATE MITCHELL: Yes, sir. Wouldn't it be
better to have the Commissioners qualified by the
state civil service system and appointed on merit rather