

DELEGATE PULLEN: My next question, sir, is this: Would you have the governor rely upon the estimates of the Budget Bureau, the head of which is required to have no educational or professional qualifications?

DELEGATE ADKINS: I would require him to rely on such personnel as the governor of this State elected by the people saw fit to vest without authority. If he feels that an education is not necessary, then I think that is a matter that the people can call him to account for later.

I cannot conceive that a governor of this State competent to be governor and to receive the endorsement of more than fifty per cent of the elected voters would act in that irresponsible manner that you suggest.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Pullen.

DELEGATE PULLEN: I am not suggesting, sir. I am asking you for facts. Would you turn over the estimates of income to the Budget Bureau who is an appointee of the governor?

DELEGATE ADKINS: I would vest it in the executive branch in such manner as the governor in the discharge of his responsibilities thought necessary to perform the function, yes.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Pullen.

DELEGATE PULLEN: Could you be more precise, sir?

DELEGATE ADKINS: I do not really see how I can be much more precise.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Pullen.

DELEGATE PULLEN: That is what I am afraid of. You quoted —

DELEGATE ADKINS: I am not governor, Doctor. If I were governor, I could be more precise.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Pullen.

DELEGATE PULLEN: You referred to the Rubicon. I go back to Rome, too. I have had some experience with the budgets, and there is a statement which goes something like this: "Not being ignorant of misfortune, I have learned to pity those who have misfortune." I have learned something of this power that you are talking about. When Mr. McKeldin was governor, I thanked God for Governor Tawes.

THE CHAIRMAN: The questions are supposed to be directed to the Vice-Chairman of the Committee. Opportunity for de-

bate will be afforded you later. Delegate Pullen.

DELEGATE PULLEN: This is not a debate, sir. This is just a statement of fact to lay the grounds for a question.

Now, the next questions, when Mr. Tawes was governor, I thanked God for Louie Goldstein.

Now, that is said with kindness to all of them. The question I have here is, you are centering, if I understand it, all power of handling the budget in one individual. May I ask you a simple question about the power of the governor?

DELEGATE ADKINS: May I correct your assumption, which is not accurate. We are vesting the power of the budget in the governor and the elected representatives of the people, meeting in the General Assembly; so it is not fair to say that the power is vested in one person.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Pullen.

DELEGATE PULLEN: I accept that as a legalistic answer.

Sir, do you know that the governor of Maryland has control over the salaries of every department head, of the present president of the University of Maryland, of every college president, of every college teacher, anyone who works for the State who does not come under the present standard salary board; is that not correct?

DELEGATE ADKINS: I think if I understand your multi-headed question, it is not correct. The salary at the University of Maryland is established by the Board of Regents at the University of Maryland; the salary of many of the other heads of departments is established by the legislature, and it is in no sense established by the governor.

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Pullen.

DELEGATE PULLEN: I respectfully refer you, however, to attorney general opinions to the contrary. The governor of Maryland does control the salaries of these people in that —

THE CHAIRMAN: Delegate Pullen, you are still concerned with questions to the Vice-Chairman.

DELEGATE PULLEN: I realize that, Mr. Chairman, but if he does not know what I am talking about, he cannot answer.

THE CHAIRMAN: You will have the opportunity to debate that question later. Right now, questions, please.