

1 like to do, to kid ourselves. We just get a great kick
2 out of it.

3 Of course, we have many cities that operate on
4 this basis and the reason for it is basically that in the
5 latter part of the last century and the early part of this,
6 we had a lot of corrupt political machines in our states
7 and in our cities, and a lot of people developed the notion
8 that politics was a dirty business and that politicians
9 are undesirable characters and no man in his right mind
10 would want to be associated with them; all this bunk that
11 we are still afflicted from the results of it. I think it
12 is very unfortunate.

13 Oh, there are, sure, there are machines left,
14 but they are not like the machines they used to have.
15 They don't have the power they used to have. That is my
16 reaction.

17 THE CHAIRMAN: May I ask you a quick question?
18 Who does have the power structure there? I asked where
19 was the power structure, since it does not lie within the
20 political organization, which we are accustomed to here
21 in Maryland and they had some difficulty actually