

1 when no Federal officials are elected.

2 GOVERNOR TAWES: No, I would not recommend  
3 that.

4 JUDGE ADKINS: You would see no reason to  
5 change?

6 GOVERNOR TAWES: No, I see no reason to change.

7 JUDGE ADKINS: Should the Governor take office  
8 sooner than the fourth Wednesday in January so that he  
9 can assume responsibility for budget preparation for the  
10 next legislative session?

11 GOVERNOR TAWES: There is absolutely no need  
12 for that. I would recommend that the Governor take office  
13 in January as the Constitution now provides.

14 There may be some feeling that if a governor  
15 takes office sooner, he would have more time to present  
16 his budget, and prepare his budget, but Governor Lane, I  
17 think, will understand that when a governor is going out  
18 of office and a new governor is coming in, the retiring  
19 governor has worked on the budget up to that time. The  
20 budget making starts in July of each year.

21 Now, when we know that there is a new Governor