

1 that. I think his veto, his item veto should be limited
2 to the appropriation bills.

3 JUDGE ADKINS: Mr. Eney.

4 MR. ENEY: Judge Adkins, I think one of the
5 questions was whether or not the Governor should have the
6 right to remove officials appointed by him other than for
7 misconduct, an absolute right of removal. Would you care
8 to comment on that?

9 GOVERNOR TAWES: Well, I don't hardly know
10 how to comment on that. That's a problem that is one of
11 the real problems of the Executive. We have had cases
12 where I would have given anything in the world almost if
13 there was a provision, if we could have, you know, dismissed
14 the employee, the department head or the person involved.

15 I think the Governor should have more of an
16 opportunity to discharge and to dismiss one of his appointees
17 for more reasons than are now set forth in the law. I think
18 you remember the various items, but it is not broad enough.

19 JUDGE ADKINS: Is there any reason why he should
20 not have complete power to the same extent that, for
21 example, the president of General Motors would have?