

1 MR. ENEY: Mr. Mayor, do you think there
2 should be an official such as a lieutenant governor who
3 would take over not merely in the event of the physical
4 or mental disability of the Governor, but in the absence
5 of the Governor?

6 MAYOR McKELDIN: I don't think so. I think
7 we have done very well without a lieutenant governor, par-
8 ticularly if a lieutenant governor is elected as an indi-
9 vidual rather than with a governor. If he were elected
10 as the President and Vice-President are elected together,
11 it wouldn't be so bad, but I am a Republican, and if I
12 am elected Governor, you know very well a Democrat would
13 be elected lieutenant governor because it is only a miracle
14 that we get elected, so you would have a Democratic lieu-
15 tenant governor and Republican governor and which I think
16 would be a very bad thing for the State, a very bad thing.

17 MR. ENEY: Well, suppose they were tied together
18 in the way the Presidency and Vice-Presidency are, do you
19 think it would be desirable then?

20 MAYOR McKELDIN: I don't think it would be
21 desirable. I think the present situation is all right, let