

1 as the people he appoints are concerned.

2 Certainly, the Merit System should be preserved  
3 in its structure because they need protection in the hold-  
4 ing of their jobs. Their protection has worked in the past,  
5 and certainly no serious complaints about it have been  
6 called to my attention, and I wouldn't be qualified per-  
7 sonally to comment on that either.

8 Should the Governor be given the power to alter  
9 the functions of the administrative departments to the  
10 extent necessary for efficient administration?

11 I think he should, but so long as he doesn't  
12 in doing that, violate any law that has been passed by  
13 the Legislature for the regulation. I would say otherwise  
14 you would put the Governor up in the position of doing  
15 whatever he pleases, and that could be handled by any res-  
16 trictions on revamping that the Legislature has tied down,  
17 and it oughtn't to go beyond that. What authority the  
18 Legislature has done in particular instances should be  
19 continued, and I think about the people that have served,  
20 well, our prison setup for one, how essential it is to  
21 have people that are qualified and who conduct themselves