

1 ought to support the existence of the party systems in
2 this country and candidates and so forth, and I think
3 judges should be allowed to, in their own discretion.

4 THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Clagett?

5 MR. CLAGETT: I agree with the Doctor, but
6 I believe we should have inserted between the two words,
7 any contribution, the word, financial, because the inter-
8 pretation given a moment ago was that you could be a
9 member of a political party, but you could not make any
10 financial contribution, not including in that services at one
11 time or another.

12 MR. MARTINEAU: Frankly, the services of stand-
13 ing at a polling place on election day would be far worse
14 than the financial contribution.

15 THE CHAIRMAN: I would like to ask the Chairman
16 of the Committee a question.

17 Why is it felt necessary to include this kind
18 of prohibition in the Constitution instead of placing
19 reliance on the observance of the canons of judicial
20 ethics, for instance?

21 MR. MARTINEAU: Well, I suppose the reason for