

by the Legislature which is a political body. There is no real way for them to be totally independent so there some ideas connected with the judiciary which exists only in theory and never in reality. Judges will be very accommodating and kind to Senators when a bill dealing with their pay is before the Legislature. There is a sort of mellowing and understanding of the Senators position. So we see that judges in reality are mere human beings. However, for the proper functioning of a system like that in the United States the judiciary has to be accorded a certain amount of respect which in some peoples mind will border on reverence. In order for them to make decisions which will indicate that laws passed by the Legislature are, in fact, nonlaws because they violate the constitution in the opinion of the judges or a majority of them, they have to have considerable respect in the minds of the populous for that opinion to be upheld. For lawyers to be bound by it does not say too much because lawyers by and large, they partake of the animal in the barnyard that crows in the morning to wake people up and I don't think he is known particularly for his courage in mythology and fiction. Although some of these creatures are pretty rough if you come right up to them, however, lawyers don't in general share that roughness. So this bill that deals with the pay of the judges is going to have to be hammered out by the non-lawyers in the Legislature. I think it is a foregone conclusion which direction the lawyers must go and I don't think too much of a burden in addition to that ought to be placed upon them. I think that the judiciary to function the way I would like to see it function, to have the kind of people serving that I would like to see serve, would be justified in receiving a salary of \$100,000 a year. However, those kind of people do not wind up on the bench. Most judges are political appointees. A lot of them were legal hacks and ne'er-do-wells as lawyers, but they happen to know the Governor or they happen to have an in with the nominating commission that submitted their name to the Governor for selection. So either we are going to deal with the reality of the judicial system which means that sometimes it strikes at mediocrity that Roman Hruska wanted the Supreme Court to strike on purpose or you are going to deal with the theory of what the court system is supposed to be, what judges are supposed to do and the kind of people we would like them to be. If we strike a balance somewhere in between the judges are entitled, I feel, to what that original bill says they should be paid. I think even the county judges, if they