

of the mining industry, and yet the mining industry is important to the nation as a whole. But if you have senators from states where mining is the primary industry of the state, the people in most states are conscious of the question, 'Is this man interested in the thing we're interested in ^{the welfare of} our mining industry which means everything to our lives. These people aren't the least bit interested whether the civil rights in ~~Nebraska~~ Nevada are well in hand or not. They don't know anything about it, but the welfare people in New York
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and through Nevada they can elect senators [?] all to the people of Nevada, and appeal them about their interest in that area. They vote for the senators. Then there are our representatives who are elected on a smaller area
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The result is that you do not have your power concentrated, but you have it diffused so very few people are elected by different groups. You have your senator who is in for 6 years. The senator, consequently who is in 6 years doesn't worry. If my people like what I'm doing--here are all the people ^{in this state} who make a 1st ballot. Well, the representative in congress says, "I'd better say what these people want. If I don't, I won't be reelected." But your senator says, "I'd rather say what would be good for my state so that at the end ^{stand for} because if I ~~do it~~ what the people want now, and if they have a bad idea, they have it figured that they have their intelligency, and if I do what they want me to do and then it doesn't work out, [?] 4 years from now when I come to be re-elected they'll all blame me--they won't blame the delegates. They'll forget about it. They'll blame me. So I have to think it through--what they will like at the end of 6 years

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...Under our system you have some of them coming up for re-election all the 2time, and so you get a representation of ⁽⁰⁾ and you have others, who are in for a longer period of time, ^(1/2) and who will think not what the people ask for, and so you have a system here which actually represents the will of the people more than the English type of parliamentary system. The greatest weakness in our system is the failure of the people to take interest in the government. If the people of the country were wide awake and actively