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At Staunton....(start film)...Virginia Republican leaders wound up their State Central Committee meeting today.

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But there was no public mention at the meeting of the pressing problem before the group. That is the recommendation of a candidate for the federal judgeship left vacant by the retirement last August of Judge John Paul of Harrisonburg. It's a foregone conclusion that State Senator Ted Dalton of Radford can have the job if he wants it. The Patronage Committee--consisting of I. Lee Potter, Mrs. Hazel K. Barger of Roanoke, and the State's two Republican Congressmen, Rep. Joel Broyhill of the 10th district, and Richard Poff of the 6th---canvassed the issue thoroughly in a private huddle. Chairman Potter said he felt sure a recommendation would be made before the ~~1~~ first of the year. Other party leaders said, however, the recommendation might be made quietly, with no prior announcement, as early as next week. In addition to the name of Dalton, the committee had before it the names of U*S

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Attorney John Strickler of Roanoke and several
others.