

by reason of background, having served 31 years in the educational system of our State. Other appointments are under consideration and will be announced at a later date.

The second major aspect of the Curlett recommendations involves the creation of a special unit with a continuing study of State programs with a modernization of the executive branch.

Immediately after my inauguration, I intend to establish, within my office, a task force on modern management to take a detailed look at the operation of the present State programs with a view of eliminating wastes and duplication of services. I also will measure the effectiveness of these departments in terms of their original objectives. The basic idea is to obtain for all our citizens a dollar's value for every dollar spent in government.

Before implementing these recommendations, I discussed them with Mr. H. Vernon Eney, who is heading the Commission which is preparing for a rewriting of the State Constitution, to make sure that they would not conflict with Mr. Eney's Commission recommendations. I also discussed them with the leaders of the Maryland Legislature, House Speaker Marvin Mandel and Senate President William James. They have been kept abreast of our thinking, and we have received no objections from them as to our proposals. The two recommendations will account for a total of \$260,670.00 or 80 percent of the increase in the executive budget during the next fiscal year.

Q. Mr. Agnew, not the budget for the Governor's office, but the budget which will be presented to the Legislature, is it your budget or is it Governor Tawes' budget?

A. It is obviously Governor Tawes' budget. The budget had to be in the hands of the printers before Christmas. I took office, I mean I was elected, on November 8th and there wasn't adequate time for me to make any major changes in it. There was a certain amount of flexibility left in my personal staff budget which I have just covered, but the budget primarily is a Tawes budget.

Q. Do you have major differences with Governor Tawes' budget as you have described it?

A. No, because the budget by and large is simply a budget which prepares for the growth of existing programs which are under way and which should not be curtailed at this time.