

Many lives would be saved also if funds were available to furnish pneumonia serum free to those patients who cannot afford to buy the same. Pneumonia serum is an effective weapon in fighting this disease, which is one of the most frequent causes of death in Maryland.

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## CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTIONS

### House of Correction

No allowance from the bond issue is made or needed by this Institution for plant extension.

#### *Maintenance:*

In the budget for the men's division of this institution a reduction of \$36,685.00 has been effected. It is, however, necessary to appropriate the funds needed to maintain the Women's Prison, which is now under construction, and will be ready for use October 1, 1939. Heretofore, women prisoners have been housed in the present institution. After careful consideration, I have recommended an allowance of \$51,070.00 to operate the women's prison in 1940, and \$48,070.00 in 1941—the difference for the two years being a non-recurring allowance of \$3,000 in 1940 for household equipment. These allowances are largely offset by the savings of \$36,685.00 in the appropriation to the men's division, so that the net cost of operating the new women's prison is \$14,385.00 in 1940 and \$11,385.00 in 1941.

### Penitentiary

No allowance from the bond issue is made or needed by this institution for plant extension.

#### *Maintenance:*

1940 Budget Appropriation.....	\$359,692
1939 Budget Appropriation.....	352,562
	\$ 7,130
Increase 1940 over 1939.....	

This increase is accounted for by an allowance for an interne in the Infirmary, and by necessary increases in fuel, wearing apparel, household equipment, repairs to buildings and pensions to retired guards, required by law.

In 1941 the appropriation to the institution is reduced by \$2,750.00 in the item of household equipment.

### Penal Farm

An allowance of \$1,200,000.00 is included in the proposed bond issue for this institution, which has been under construction since 1931. I am advised that this amount, together with a balance which will be in hand on October 1, 1939, will be sufficient to complete the construction and purchase of the equipment for this institution. I have recommended that all expenditures from this allowance be approved in detail by the Board of Public Works.