

The present Department of Information would cease to exist as such, its functions being consolidated with the new department.

It would be the duty of the new department to gather information about resources and industrial opportunities of the State, encourage the location of new plants here, encourage the development of recreational areas and expansion of the tourist business and disseminate information about the State by publication, advertising and other means.

A special committee which drafted the report was comprised of Delegates Loveless; William C. Walsh, Cumberland lawyer and former attorney general; Delegate J. Frank Raley, Jr., of St. Mary's county; Joseph Stanton, of the Maryland Port Authority, and Harry Boswell.

ADDRESS, CHEVROLET CIVIC LUNCHEON BALTIMORE

July 9, 1959

It is an honor for me personally to be able to take part in this event which marks the passing of another milestone in the march of progress of a great industrial organization. The City of Baltimore and the State of Maryland are pleased that the 41-millionth vehicle produced by the Chevrolet division of the General Motors Corporation rolled off the assembly line of a plant located here.

We Marylanders are keenly conscious of the history of our State, and one of the finest chapters in that history is its record of commercial and industrial achievement. Like so many cities, ancient and modern, Baltimore's development is attributable in a large measure to the fact that it is a spot where men can live comfortably and produce, sell and distribute goods. The future of our city is brightened by the presence here today of men who still think of Baltimore as such a place. I trust that the ceremonies of today will cement the bonds of friendship and good will that have linked Baltimore with the Chevrolet and Fisher Body Divisions of General Motors for more than two decades.

We are pleased, of course, that a big corporation such as this has enough confidence in us to expand its investment and double the productive capacity of its plant. We think your confidence in our community is fully justified, for Baltimore is, indeed, as Mr. Cole said, a truly remarkable city industrially and commercially, just as it has been for more than a century and a half. Our seaport here is one of the