

purpose we may lose our liberty and all the other benefits we enjoy from our established way of life.

To you who are students here, let me offer you encouragement to continue on the course you have chosen in pursuit of knowledge and wisdom through the educative process. Education, as you know, does not end with the termination of formal schooling, but continues throughout life. To those of you who are being honored here today for student leadership, I offer hearty congratulations and sincere best wishes for continued success.

On the subject of leadership, one of the great journalists and historians of our era wrote: "The final test of a leader is that he leaves behind him in other men the conviction and the will to carry on. The genius of a good leader is to leave behind him a situation which common sense, without the grace of genius, can deal with successfully."

Here on this campus, you already have demonstrated that you possess the qualifications of the good leader. It should be a source of great satisfaction to you to know that you have imparted to those with whom you have been associated in Maryland State College "the conviction and the will to carry on"—that you have left behind you "a situation which common sense . . . can deal with successfully."

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The City of Baltimore and the State of Maryland are pleased to have as their guests this year the legislators, educators and others who have assembled for this Ninth Annual Legislative Work Conference of the Southern Regional Education Board. As Governor of the State, I extend to all of you a warm and cordial welcome. We hope your visit with us will afford you both pleasure and profit in great abundance.

The State of Maryland is proud to have been able to cooperate with the fifteen other Southern states in this joint undertaking for the improvement of our educational systems. We are well aware of the benefits we have derived from our participation in the regional education compact. We hope, in turn, that what we have done has been of value to the States which you represent at this Conference.

Maryland is especially pleased to have been chosen for this particular Conference on medical education. For we have a measure of pride on