

early days the government of the State intended that this college was to be the nucleus of a University of Maryland. The War of Independence had hardly ended (in 1784) when the General Assembly provided funds "for founding a college on the western shore of this state (now St. John's College in Annapolis) and constituting the same, together with Washington College on the Eastern Shore, into one university, by the name of the University of Maryland." Well, as you know, the University of Maryland as we now know it, had a separate origin, from various schools operated by the State, and St. John's of Annapolis and Washington College of Chestertown went their merry way alone as private institutions. But gradually as the years went by, the pendulum swung in the other direction and the State again began its subsidization of certain private colleges and universities. This program of limited State support, largely in the form of scholarships and capital improvement appropriations, has continued over the past several decades. It has been justified on the very plausible basis that the State, with ultimate responsibility for the education of all of its citizens has benefitted greatly, and will continue to benefit, from the operation of private colleges and universities within its confines.

May I, in conclusion, pay tribute to Washington College for the invaluable contributions it has made to Maryland, and to the social, cultural and economic well-being of Marylanders, in a long and glorious history that spans two centuries. I am inspired and encouraged by the efforts you are making now to carry on the noble mission of spreading knowledge, wisdom and understanding among the people of our State.

ADDRESS, DEDICATION OF STRAYER COLLEGE
BALTIMORE

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Let me assure all of you here that I am both deeply pleased and highly honored to be here this afternoon as we dedicate these new quarters of Strayer College. As Governor of the State of Maryland, and as a proud alumnus of this institution, I offer heartiest congratulations to the officers, the members of the faculty and the students of Strayer on this achievement which marks the passing of another milestone in a glorious history which stretches back nearly a hundred years.

Since it was founded in 1864, while the War Between the States was