
SCIENCE

The development of the "Maryland-D.C. Science-Industry Complex" as a result of the location of numerous federal and private industry facilities was recognized by Governor Tawes as one of the most promising trends in the State's advance. The Goddard Space Flight Center and the Atomic Energy Commission laboratories are two examples of outstanding federal contributors to technological change.

Federal investment in science research activities attract related private facilities. The Governor was very explicit in stating the need for the encouragement and promotion of these activities by State government. He recognized their contribution to a stable, depression-resistant economy and the superior educational qualifications of the personnel employed. The two selections presented here are representative of his interest.

ADDRESS, MARYLAND SCIENCE- INDUSTRY CONFERENCE

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I am most happy this morning to welcome all of you to this significant one day meeting. To my mind, nothing is more important to the future of Maryland than the subject which you are here to discuss today. Just last week when I and most other Marylanders opened our phone bills, we were struck by a headline on the regular telephone company enclosure which read: "Maryland is a space age state." The reason, according to the article, is the presence in Prince Georges County of the Goddard Space Flight Center, the nerve center and main base of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration. The Goddard Center has four completed buildings and four more in various stages of planning and construction. Officially established only in 1959, Goddard will have 2,000 scientists and technicians and administrative personnel at work by early summer. But the Goddard Space Flight Center is by no means the only space age installation in Maryland. There are many others, both governmental and private, and the list is growing longer each day.