

wish to continue the government of Maryland under Democratic Party auspices. We Democrats have had a good administrations and can be justly proud of our accomplishments. If I may borrow and slightly change a famous quote — we have nothing to fear but ourselves.

In line with this concept of continuing our programs there are two commissions which were very recently appointed and which are probably of particular interest to you ladies. The Constitutional Convention Commission has a tremendously important task in bringing about a revised Constitution which will better meet the needs of the present day. The Status of Women Commissions was recently formed and instructed to (quote) "find ways and means of utilizing to its fullest extent the potential of women of the State." (end quote)

In closing, I should like to quote the noted writer, F. S. Oliver, who, I feel, has expressed most eloquently my feeling about my more than 35 years in politics and public service.

"Politics is the most hazardous of all professions. There is not another in which a man can hope to do so much good to his fellow creatures, neither is there any in which by a mere loss of nerve he may do such widespread harm, nor is there another in which he may so easily lose his own soul, nor is there another in which a poitive and strict veracity is so difficult. But danger is the inseparable companion of honor. With all the temptations and degradations that beset it, politics is still the noblest career that any man can choose."

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Mr. Chairman and fellow Democrats:

My remarks to you this morning will be in the nature of a farewell, for, as you know my term of office as Governor is approaching an end and not again as Chief Executive of the State will I have an opportunity to speak at a State Convention of Maryland Democrats.

I was particularly grateful, therefore, to have been asked to come here today, because, among other things, it affords me a forum in which I may express to Democrats here and elsewhere my profound appreciation for the many honors I have received from this great Party. Under our American system of government, a political party