As an individual, I am thrilled by the progress that has been made to date. As a citizen, I am inspired by our nation's space program. And as a Governor, I am dedicated to do all in my power to continue and expand Maryland's participation in the effort.

Although I regard the exploration of space valuable and commendable in itself, I sincerely believe that the implications of our discoveries in the conquest of space should have even more profound significance in the development of new philosophy, which in turn should stimulate and evolve new political, social and economic concepts on earth. The culmination of this vast chain reaction, should be a better way of life for all.

We stand at the threshold of a new horizon, much as did the nascent Western European nations during the Renaissance. Only our knowledge is more secure and our horizons virtually limitless. I accept this building for the State of Maryland. May I express the sincere gratitude of the citizens of our State for the assistance of the Federal government and commend the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for the vital role which is has played in the construction of this building. I have complete faith that efforts in the Space Sciences Building will richly reward the confidence that brought this building to the University of Maryland campus. Thank you.

REMARKS, ROTARY LADIES' NIGHT, CUMBERLAND* April 26, 1967

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Last year you did a very wise thing. You had Abigail Van Buren as your guest. As Dear Abby, she solves the problems of mankind. She tells husbands how to get along with mothers-in-law. She tells mothers-in-law how to get along with husbands. She tells you how to win a raise from your boss at the office and when to take a night off from your real boss. She lightens the burden of your mind, brightens the spirit of your soul and heightens your feeling of self-esteem. I've got to admit that she's a hard act to follow.

^{*} The Governor made a similar speech to the Maryland Division, American Association of University Women, at Silver Spring on May 5, 1967. — Ed.