- Q. Does that mean that you're reviewing Mr. Housley?
- A. No, it doesn't. It means that I've made the same review of this position as every other position I have had to appoint. But it doesn't mean that I'm looking with any more intense scrutiny as this; I just haven't had a chance to talk with Mr. Housley.
- Q. Concerning racial disturbances in many cities, are you doing anything along those lines?
- A. Well, we are doing everything we can. Dr. Ware is working very hard in this Summer Work Opportunities program, and I had a chance to have about an hour and a half meeting with him last week and I'm very pleased with the results he's getting. I think the climate in Baltimore should be very good to avoid any kind of racial violence this year. I've been in reasonably close touch with the members and leaders of the Negro community, and I find nothing that gives me any cause for alarm.
- Q. Have you done anything to prevent overreaction by police in Negro communities?
- A. No, I haven't. I just heard of that today, that particular claim on the part of Senator Mitchell. I think that this sort of thing always comes to attention when something erupts in another geographic area. I've always been one who believes in the police being extremely careful in the exercise of power. But, on the other hand, I think it's reasonable to expect that they have got a law enforcement job to do and the job must be accomplished. If a few feelings get hurt in the process, it's not the end of the world. I'm talking about the feelings of the people who happen to be breaking the law. But I think the rights of citizens who are simply in the way of law enforcement, without being the targets of police action, have to be very carefully safeguarded.
- Q. Governor, a couple of days ago the President nominated a Marylander to sit on the Supreme Court. What's your reaction to the nomination of Thurgood Marshall?
- A. I think Thurgood Marshall's nomination is an excellent one. This man has, and this is not a racial consideration, this man has tremendous ability. He's served well as Solicitor General. He's an experienced constitutional lawyer. I wish we had had him around when the tax bill was drawn. I think he'll do a magnificent job on the Supreme Court. I have had a chance to talk with him personally, not since his elevation to the bench, but on several other occasions, and I