

Q. Governor, have you heard from Mr. Miles yet regarding the gambling commission's investigation?

A. I have a report from Mr. Miles of a preliminary nature on the status of the gambling investigation, but at this point I have not discussed it with him and I want to do that personally before I say anything about it. I think it would be better if Mr. Miles would make public his own disclosures and findings as he sees fit. I don't want to become a reporting source for that committee, because I want the committee to have 100 percent freedom to investigate the subject in the broadest possible manner.

Q. Governor, the Republican candidate for mayor in Baltimore City is charging that his opponent is a racist, and, unless he disassociates himself from the two Democratic council member candidates who ran on a white supremacy or segregationist platform, he will continue to make these charges. How do you feel about this?

A. Well, I just don't know enough about that to comment. I haven't talked to Mr. Sherwood since the election, and I haven't the benefit of his exact statements and the context in which they were made, and I'm not going to say anything about that until I have a chance to hear it from his own lips exactly how he feels and stands on the situation. I do know this, that Arthur Sherwood is certainly not a racist, that he is not a person who would exploit the racial issue. I certainly think his position papers during the campaign were very well thought out, *innovative and of great benefit to the City in pointing up some of the very serious problems that face it.*

Q. Yesterday, Governor, Mayor McKeldin said as far as the City of Baltimore is concerned he believes that we have passed the crisis in the racial situation and things are going smoothly. How do you feel about the rest of the State?

A. Well, let me say first that I can't find myself in total agreement with the Mayor that we have passed the crisis. I think that this crisis is going to be with us until we begin to reverse the flow of problems that is going into the city through the efforts of the poverty program to place more and more money into the city slums and in the city programming, because this irretrievably causes a flow of people from the outside of the city to the city compounding and aggravating the problem out of proportion to the money we are able to provide to cure it. I think the cities are still in trouble. I think they're going to get in increasing trouble. I'm not speaking merely about any rioting caused by poverty or slums or deprivation or bias, I'm talking about