

East-West system, and he indicated that the design concept team had been approved and that Maryland had shown great leadership in this regard.

Q. Governor, there is increasing concern for the Republican nominee for President next year. Have you changed your mind about perhaps being a favorite son candidate at the next convention?

A. I haven't at this stage changed my mind. I feel that if my opinions are going to have an effect on the delegates to the national convention from the State of Maryland, they are going to have an effect because they have respect for them. I do feel that the favorite son device is absolutely not needed anywhere at any time. If a person is going to lead the delegation he should be able to control the delegation, persuade the delegation, without resorting to a favorite son candidacy. And I think it's just a little bit misleading, because what a favorite son candidacy would attempt to say in the first instance is that, yes, I am considering being a candidate. But we all know that it doesn't say this. What it really says is that I don't want anybody in my delegation to get out of line, and I'm going to hold them to this device until the very last minute.

Q. Speaking of anti-federalism as we were a moment ago, the head of the Maryland NAACP yesterday condemned Mr. Eney, whom she took to be a strong anti-federalist. She said there should be more cooperation between the state and Federal governments.

A. I did see something about that, and I certainly don't think that Mr. Eney meant to convey an anti-federalist sentiment. I think what Mr. Eney was trying to do was to point out that the states had to take their rightful place in the overall governmental establishment of this nation. And at the Southern Governors' Conference, I might point out, when we were talking about law enforcement and criminal justice, one of the Federal gentlemen from the Department of Justice who was speaking advocated a direct flow of Federal monies to the cities for police use. And every governor at that conference rose up and fought that. And I pointed out that under our tax program we had sent \$16 million to the subdivisions for police protection, whereas under the Safe Streets Act the Federal government had provided only \$50 million on a nationwide basis, thus far. And it wasn't logical for us to expect that the Federal government was going to channel its money directly to the cities when we were making a 16 to 1 effort over them to improve that situation, and the other governors feel that way too. Now, Mr. Eney apparently is worried about a drift toward the consideration