- Q. Governor, several weeks ago Mr. Holmes of Prince George's County outlined a number of accusations he had against the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission's suburban work in the area. Have you received any reports on that? If so, what?
- A. I have not received a report on that, no.
- Q. Governor, what was your reaction when you found Senator Robert Kennedy getting your reserved parking space at the Baltimore Colts' game?
- A. Well, I didn't have a specifically designated parking space, but I have to admit it shook me a little bit to find out that I was being moved for an out-of-State celebrity. However, I think it's only courteous under those conditions to move and we did.
- Q. Would you consider Mr. Lively as fitting the category of people that the Republicans are looking for for young politicians?
- A. I think there's a distinct possibility that Mr. Lively fits into the category of people I'm referring to, and I think there's a great likelihood that we can muster a great amount of support among young people who are looking for answers and aren't satisfied with the answers that are presently being provided. But I think that when we go out looking for a broad base of support that's going to make the Republican Party an effective ingredient in the future City elections, we can't look only in this direction. I think we've got to look in the colleges and among people of various persuasions in order to recruit a broad cross section of opinion, possibly on an ideological basis that has one common point of focus, and that is that it's geared to the solving of governmental problems. Yesterday I had a chance to meet with a number of young college students and discussed with them some of the problems they see in government. They have a fresh point of view, and I think they can be very valuable to us.
- Q. Governor, what I had in mind is whether there's any chance of the Republican Party getting back the Negro vote.
- A. Well, I think it depends on whether the Republican Party can offer solutions to the problems that the Negro community is concerned with. And I'm very impressed with the job that the Republican Task Force put together under Governor Rockefeller's direction in New York this past spring as a result of the rioting, and we still have copies of that result which was more or less emulated by the National Governors' Conference later on. So what I'm saying is, if we offer solutions to the problems, we're going to get the support. If we don't, we're not. It's that simple.