tertainment, it is good and needed therapy for all of us in these difficult days. When we think of Mayberry we can turn our thoughts away for a moment from Orangeburg. The problems of Aunt Bee are easier to take than those of Uncle Sam. We are reminded that there is still something left in the world to laugh about.

I am proud to award to you, Andy Griffith, a plaque of esteem and have you know the respect all of us feel for you and your special brand of good and clean humor. You brighten our hours and lighten our hearts and make just about every parent in town thankful that on Monday nights, at least, they can give a happy and positive answer to the man on TV who asks: "Parents, do you know where your children are?"

They're home because that's Andy Griffith night and if there were seven of these instead of just one they could discontinue asking that question altogether.

In addition to the plaque, I am pleased to present another honor reserved for very few and very special people. Andy Griffith, alias Andy Taylor, I am proud to proclaim you an Admiral of the Chesapeake, an officer of that prestigious fleet that sails the bay, an honor you will share with Admiral Eddie Albert, Admiral Herb Block, Admiral Jim Nabors, and that Admiral of Admirals Stan Musial.

I hope you will find reason and cause to visit with us often, to share our bay and mountains, our Colts and culture, and to know that you are always welcome among us.

NEWS CONFERENCE

February 28, 1968

There were no opening statements and the news conference started immediately with questions.

Questions and Answers (Alleged Wiretaps in the Capitol)

Q. Governor, the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company representative here has confirmed that Democratic legislative leaders have requested a security check of the telephone system. There's a suspicion that the phones are bugged. Do you know anything about this?