

taxpayer is taking a pretty rough going-over at the hands of all areas of government to meet the needs of the people. And some of the taxpayers don't like this. Now we are singling out certain people for too much burden. This we tried to correct in the graduated income tax last year. Unfortunately, because of some very poor revenue estimating, we are still in trouble. Had the revenue estimating been good, we wouldn't be in trouble.

Q. Governor Agnew, Comptroller Goldstein has repeatedly intimated that your ear belongs to Charlie Bresler — that he makes all your revenue estimates. Is this true, sir?

A. The only thing I can say about that is that I only used one set of data in the budget work and that was the data supplied by Mr. Goldstein.

(Civil Rights)

Q. Governor, do you continue your series of private meetings with Negro leaders?

A. Oh yes. I had several meetings last week as a matter of fact.

Q. How do you feel about the situation now, Governor?

A. About my relationships with the Negro community? I think they are very promising. I think that we've had some good exchanges of opinion and other meetings are going forth. We are getting down on a level of real work sessions at this point. As I told you before I felt it necessary to regroup my way — or regropo my way through establishing better personal relationships before getting down into the specifics. I think we are doing this very well and I am very pleased that the ones who have cooperated are so eager to reach a common ground of solving the problems.

Q. Do you feel that Commissioner Pomerleau and the Baltimore City Police Department have the situation well in hand here now?

A. As far as I know. The Commissioner hasn't indicated to me, nor has Colonel Lally, any problems existing in Baltimore at the moment.

Q. Governor, on these real work sessions — we talked about this at a press conference earlier. Is there any legislation being planned in the area?

A. We haven't gotten to that stage yet — no. When I say real work sessions I mean the specifics of what are objectives that we can commonly endorse that are achievable from a fiscal standpoint and also an ideological standpoint.