

Q. Governor, are you satisfied with the speed of the Attorney General's investigation of the prison system?

A. Yes, I'm satisfied with the speed of it.

Q. Was Miss Blum's dismissal recommended in the last Burch report?

A. I think you would have to ask the Attorney General that. I'm not going to comment on what was in the interim reports. I think it's best that it be left to his comment, because he did the investigation and is in possession of the detailed information, which I don't have.

Q. Governor, do you have a pet legislation?

A. Pet legislation? Only the administration programs that we're pushing and I guess if I had to designate a pet, it would be the tax reform program.

Q. Governor, one more question? People in Baltimore were disappointed that Dashner wasn't reappointed to the liquor board. Would you discuss that?

A. No comment. I think it doesn't deserve a comment.

STATEMENT ON AGREEMENT TO END

BALTIMORE TUGBOAT STRIKE

March 9, 1967

After intensive negotiations during the past several days the union and management negotiating teams have reached accord on a recommended settlement to end the 148-day tugboat strike.

The agreement, subject to ratification by the union membership, will be reduced to writing by a subcommittee of both parties and presented to the union membership for approval at the earliest possible moment.

I am delighted that the difficult issues which have divided the parties during this lengthy dispute have been apparently resolved. I commend both parties for their cooperation and their willingness to continue negotiations in the face of what seemed to be insurmountable difficulties.