

1 does an individual, whether he be a small man or a big
2 man, find out what is really going on in government? He
3 cannot do it by himself. And what distinguishes this
4 country from most of the others of the world is the fact
5 that in this country we have one of the most vigilant
6 sources of effort to find out and to know on behalf of
7 those people, meaning you and me, and that is the press.

8 The newspapers, the radio, television, all news
9 media, are there on the alert. Sometimes we may think they
10 go too far. If they do, they are held accountable, but
11 they are the ones who find out and publish for us to know
12 that which is our own business.

13 We even go so far in Maryland -- and we are
14 different from other states -- so as to protect them in
15 their sources of information, and this is good, but now all
16 that we are asked to do is to say that where government
17 is concerned, we the people have the right to know, and
18 the legislature has the corresponding obligation to
19 protect that which needs protection, which Delegate
20 Willoner has so carefully explained and gone into detail so
21 that we know that those things which should allow the