

1 As delegates we have learned to know Maryland's
2 problems -- we have had months of intensive study. As we
3 have been given this knowledge, so also have we been given
4 a duty -- to spread that knowledge and the faith we have
5 developed in this Constitution.

6 We have one more thing to do to justify the honor
7 which has been done us. We must convince the people of
8 Maryland that we have done our best -- and that we have done
9 it for all of them. We have many miles to go before we
10 rest.

11 Thank you. (Applause)

12 THE PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Delegate
13 Juanita Jackson Mitchell. (Applause)

14 DELEGATE MITCHELL: Mr. President and fellow
15 delegates:

16 This is a great day. But it is not a day of
17 triumph. Rather it is a day of rededication to the endur-
18 ing principles on which our nation was founded.

19 One hundred years ago in this same State House
20 the Constitution was adopted which precluded the people of
21 this State who were members of the Negro race from voting.