

1 "Please accept and extend to the Delegates to
2 the Maryland Constitutional Convention my sincere best
3 wishes for a fruitful session. The opening of the Conven-
4 tion today marks a milestone in the long and noteworthy
5 history of our State. It also presents a unique oppor-
6 tunity to establish the course of future progress with
7 the constitutional guide lines that are the hallmark of a
8 free society. This is truly a momentous occasion for
9 Maryland. I share with the other citizens of our State a
10 sense of pride in the present and hope for the future,
11 as your deliberations begin, and I wish you every measure
12 of success."

13 I understand that Senator Tydings is here today,
14 although I have not seen him.

15 I also have a telegram from the Honorable Herbie^{JEY}~~bie~~
16 G. Machen, Member of Congress from the Fifth District of
17 Maryland:

18 "I regret that I will be unable to attend the
19 opening session of the Constitutional Convention. My best
20 wishes for success in this historic endeavor. I am sure
21 the Convention will produce a new Constitution which will