

agency of welfare activities in the State, with authority to create in each county a County Welfare Board, constituting an administrative department of the local government. Such boards, when created, have authority to administer public assistance and relief to families and individuals in need, including the administering of relief under the Mothers' Assistance Law, the administering of Old Age Pension relief, the administering of relief to the blind, handicapped and needy, the care of neglected, dependent and delinquent children. Each County Board consists of seven members, one of whom shall be a County Commissioner, and serves for three years. The local board of each county and the Department of Welfare of Baltimore City are charged with the administering of Old Age Pensions. The Old Age Pension Law (Chapter 592, Acts of 1935) provides for a State-wide system of old age pensions by the local boards and the Department of Public Welfare of Baltimore City, under the general supervision of the Board of State Aid and Charities.

In order to finance the Old Age Pension Law and to provide for the funds for unemployment relief, the Legislature, during the 1935 session, passed the Emergency Gross Receipts Tax of 1% on gross retail sales in the State. It was estimated that by this tax sufficient revenue would be derived for unemployment relief and old age pensions.

County Welfare Boards for each of the counties are as follows:

BALTIMORE EMERGENCY RELIEF COMMISSION

Headquarters: 327 St. Paul Place, Baltimore, Md.

Administrator: Howard C. Beck, Jr.

Chairman: D. Luke Hopkins.

Members of the Commission

Brooks, Rodney J.....	213 St. Paul Place
Hazlet, Adam J.....	c/o Eastern Rolling Mill Co., Rolling Mill Ave.
Healy, Joseph P.....	c/o Drivers & Mechanics Bank Bldg., Eutaw and Fayette Sts.
Hopkins, D. Luke, Chairman.....	c/o Maryland Trust Co., Eutaw and Fayette Sts.
Pouder, G. H., Treasurer.....	22 Light St.
Roberts, W. Frank.....	Bayard and Hamburg Sts.
Sondheim, Walter, Sr.....	c/o Hochschild, Kohn & Co.
Waxter, Judge T. J. S., Vice-Chairman.....	City Hall
Beck, Howard C., Jr., Administrator.....	327 St. Paul Place

ALLEGANY COUNTY

J. Milton Patterson, Chairman	Jenvey Bldg., Cumberland
A. Charles Stewart, County Commissioner.....	Frostburg
Mrs. A. M. Lichtenstein.....	12 N. Allegany St., Cumberland
Joseph L. Mansfield	Westernport
William A. Miller	345 Bedford St., Cumberland
Rev. Walter Twigg	Flintstone
Harvey H. Weiss	Memorial Hospital, Cumberland