

on the Committee on Criminal Law and Statistics of the American Prison Association.

Mr. O'Connor in 1937 was president of the National Association of Attorneys General. He has taken a leading part throughout the country in the adoption of Interstate Compacts and was designated as the Chairman of the Maryland Commission on that subject. Legislation proposed by the Commission was adopted without change by the General Assembly.

Mr. O'Connor was nominated as the Democratic candidate for Governor and was elected to that office in the general election of November 8th, 1938, by a majority of over 65,000.

In June 1940, Governor O'Connor was selected by the Governors of the United States as a member of the Executive Committee of the Governors' Conference, the Governing Body of the Governors' Conference, and in June 1941 he was appointed Chairman of the Governors' Committee on Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice of the Conference. In the Spring of 1941, he was designated as Chairman of the Interstate Commission on the Potomac River Basin, an agency of the States and the District of Columbia situate in the Potomac River area.

At the annual meeting of the Governors in Asheville, North Carolina, June, 1942, Governor O'Connor was elected Chairman of the Governors' Conference, the first Maryland Governor ever so honored. In November, 1943, at the annual meeting of the Council of State Governments in Chicago, he was elected President of that body, which includes, besides the Governors' Conference, various State and interstate Governmental groups.

In May 1943, when, following four regional conferences, the Council of State Governments established the Interstate Committee on Post-War Reconstruction and Development, Governor O'Connor became, ex-officio, its National Chairman.

Breaking a precedent of 35 year's standing the Governors' Conference, at its 35th and largest annual meeting, in Columbus, Ohio, June 20-24, 1943, retained Governor O'Connor as a member of the Executive Committee, and unanimously adopted a resolution expressing appreciation of his "patriotic and faithful service, which has been of such benefit to the Governors of all the States and to the Nation—during one of the most important years in the history of the Governors' Conference."

The Governor has received honorary degrees of Doctor of Laws from the University of Maryland, Loyola College