



MARYLAND has chosen for its tree the White Oak. The magnificent specimen shown here is known as the Wye Oak and is located at Wye Mills on the Eastern Shore. It is now owned by the State (Chapter 731, Acts of 1941.)



Maryland State Song

My Maryland.

James R. Randall.

1. The des-pot's heel is on thy shore, Ma-ry-land! His torch is at thy  
 2. Hark to an ex-iled son's ap-pel, Ma-ry-land! My Moth-er State, to  
 3. Thou wilt not cow-er in the dust, Ma-ry-land! Thy gleaming sword shall

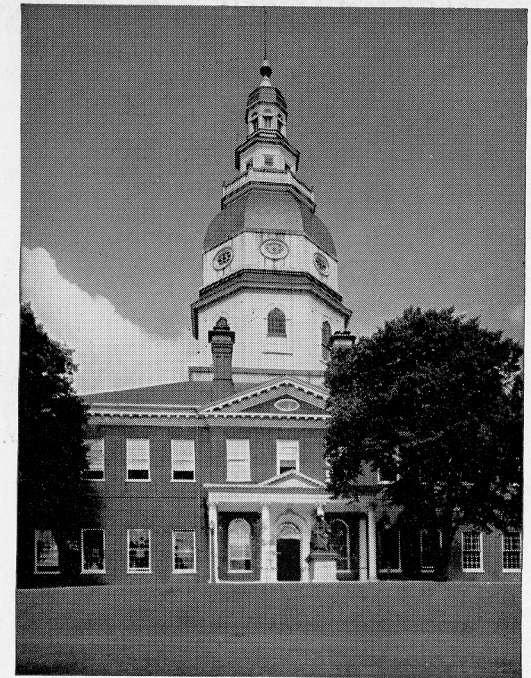
tem-ple door, Ma-ry-land, my Ma-ry-land! A-venge the pa-tri-ot-ic gore That  
 thee I kneel! Ma-ry-land, my Ma-ry-land! For life and death, for woe and weal, Thy  
 nev-er rust, Ma-ry-land, my Ma-ry-land! Re-mem-ber Car-roll's sa-cred trust, Re-

becked the streets of Bal-ti-more, And be the bat-tle-queen of yore, Ma-ry-land, my Ma-ry-land!  
 peer-less chiv-er-ry reveal, And gird thy beauteous limbs with steel, Ma-ry-land, my Ma-ry-land!  
 member Howard's war-like thrust, And all thy al-mo'st's with the just, Ma-ry-land, my Ma-ry-land!

THE Maryland State song, "Maryland, My Maryland," was written by a Marylander who was living in the Confederacy during the War between the States. The air is not original; the words reflect the bitter feeling following the passage through Baltimore of Union troops in 1861 (Chapter 451, Acts of 1939).

- Captain John Smith explores coast of Maryland..... June, 1608
- Charter of Maryland granted to Second Lord Baltimore..... June 20, 1632
- The *Ark* and the *Dove* sail for "The Capes of the Chesapeake Bay" ..... November 22, 1633
- The *Ark* and the *Dove* arrive at St. Clements (Blakistone) Island ..... March 25, 1634
- World's first law of Religious Freedom passed ..... 1649
- Seat of government removed from St. Mary's to Annapolis ..... 1694
- King William's School founded at Annapolis ..... 1696
- Baltimore-Town erected ..... July 30, 1729
- Mason and Dixon begin survey of Maryland boundary ..... 1763
- Peggy Stewart*, laden with 2,000 pounds of taxable tea, burned ..... October 19, 1774
- Formation of "Association of Freemen"..... July 26, 1775
- Maryland declares her independence ..... July 3, 1776
- First State Constitution adopted ..... November, 1776
- Washington College, Chestertown, chartered..... 1782
- Annapolis becomes temporary National Capital ..... November 26, 1783
- Washington Resigns commission in old Senate Chamber, Annapolis ..... December 23, 1783
- St. John's College, Annapolis, chartered..... 1784
- State Convention at Annapolis ratifies Constitution of the United States ..... April 28, 1788
- Maryland cedes District of Columbia to the United States ..... March 30, 1791
- British repulsed at the Battle of North Point ..... September 12, 1814
- Bombardment of Fort McHenry; Francis Scott Key writes "The Star Spangled Banner"....Sept. 12, 1814
- Beginning of work on first railroad in America (The Baltimore and Ohio) ..... July 4, 1828
- Chesapeake and Delaware Canal opened.....October 17, 1829
- First telegraph line in the world built between Baltimore and Washington..... 1844
- United States Naval Academy opened at Annapolis ..... October 10, 1845
- "Maryland, My Maryland" written by James Ryder Randall..... April 23, 1861
- Battle of Antietam (Sharpsburg).....September 17, 1862
- Battle of Monocacy ..... July 9, 1864

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1772  
 MARYLAND'S HISTORIC STATE HOUSE  
 OLDEST IN AMERICA STILL IN DAILY USE

MARYLAND'S  
 Flag, Seal, Song,  
 Flower, Bird and Tree



Theodore R. McKeldin  
 Governor of Maryland