

depict the spirit, the sentiment and the steadfast aims that are Maryland.

On this 305th anniversary of the founding of our State, we must see to it that the spirit of early Maryland is preserved, now and while there is a single one of us to insure it, for an America, groveling beneath the totalitarian principle of "Everyone and everything for the State" is not to be thought of, much less endured.

When throughout our own Country we know that disloyal groups are working night and day to bring about here the very doctrines that have destroyed Individual Liberties throughout a great part of the world of today we may well take heed. When news dispatches, when perhaps, the experiences of our own friends and relatives in some of the unfortunate countries, when every authentic source of information, bears convincing testimony that individual rights are being trampled underfoot, we of this favored Nation, the bulwark of the democratic nations of the world, may well bestir ourselves to thoughtful consideration of what such world developments may soon or late mean to us. We must resolve as did those early founders of our great State, that our Government and the principles of individual rights and freedom for which it stands must be preserved at all costs. Should the time come when—God forbid—it might be necessary to take heroic measures to safeguard these principles, we may be strong in spirit to accept the challenge, and to devote every ounce of our energy to preserve the free institutions we now possess.

SURVEY OF LEGISLATIVE SESSION

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NOW that the stress and excitement of the past 90 days are over, and the Legislature has adjourned after its biennial session, there undoubtedly have arisen, in the minds of thoughtful citizens of our State, questions that run something like this:

"Just what has the Legislature accomplished after all its discussion and strife?"

"Will the 700-odd bills passed, if enacted into law by the Governor's signature, really achieve results of lasting benefit to our State, or are they, in the main, just so many laws that might as well have died in committee, as far as benefit to the citizens of Maryland is concerned?"

Along with such considerations, in the minds of many, there are probably similar questions with respect to whether the Democratic Party has succeeded, or even honestly attempted, to carry out its platform pledges dealing with the important issues facing the State; and finally, whether your new Governor, in his position as Chief Executive of this Commonwealth, has done his part to see that the pledges for the Party and himself, voiced during the campaign and on Inauguration Day, show promise of having been fulfilled, in whole or in part.

In justice to the members of the two houses of the General Assembly, in justice to the great Party that sent the majority of your Executive and Legis-