The achievements of the Bethlehem-Fairfield Shipyard, Incorporated, in the interest of Defense Preparedness have been outstanding in the extreme—and quite in keeping, I might say, with the accomplishments of the United States Maritime Commission itself.

When the history of this Emergency is written, due recognition will be given, I am confident, to the significant contribution to defense made by the Commission and by shipbuilding concerns such as Maryland is proud to acclaim at Fairfield.