

## OPERATION OF THE DISPOSAL ACT

As usual, several groups of records were offered to the Hall of Records Commission in accordance with the procedure for destroying records established by Chapter 825 of the Acts of 1941.

On September 10, 1946, the Maryland Racing Commission, facing the loss of its records storeroom in the Maryland Trust Building, offered the materials stored there to the Hall of Records. The Archivist replied by telephone that a similar offer had been made two years ago, and, since the factors which had caused him to request that the Commission continue to keep the records had not materially changed, he was forced to refuse the offer again. (See *Tenth Annual Report*, pp. 20-21.)

On January 13, 1947, the Unemployment Compensation Board offered us its records for the calendar year 1941. These were similar to the records which have been destroyed in previous years and the Board was authorized, after receiving approval of the Board of Public Works, to destroy them. The certificate of destruction is dated June 6, 1947. We also received a certificate dated January 21, 1947, for the records destroyed by the Board the year before, but for which no certificate had been previously filed.

On April 24, 1947, the Commissioners of the State Accident Fund expressed the wish to destroy some of their records and asked that a member of the Hall of Records staff be sent to examine them. After the material had been surveyed and listed, the Archivist, in a letter dated May 2, 1947, refused the following material and recommended that it be destroyed:

Accident Reports and Claims for Compensation, 1924-1937, 90 file drawers.

Canceled Checks, 1924-1938, 55 transfile boxes.

Canceled Insurance Policies, 1914-1937, 5 file drawers.

On May 3, 1947, the Register of Wills for Frederick County offered us the following materials as a preliminary step to having them destroyed: