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There were several changes in the membership of the Commission during the year. Governor Tawes, who has been a member almost continuously since 1938 when he was first elected Comptroller of the Treasury, continues as a member but now by virtue of his election to the governorship. The Archivist is gratified that Mr. Tawes will remain a member of the Commission because as the senior member he has had more experience with its affairs than any of his colleagues. Moreover, his long service in county and State agencies has given him extraordinary understanding of the problems of record custodians. The Archivist is confident too that the single new member, Mr. Goldstein, because of his experience in the legislative branch of Maryland Government and his lifelong interest in local history and records, will be most helpful to the staff of the Hall of Records as well as to the Commission.

We shall all regret the loss of Mr. McKeldin whose second term as Governor ended in January 1959. Throughout his eight years as Chief Executive of Maryland and a member of the Hall of Records Commission, Mr. McKeldin rarely missed a meeting of the Commission. Moreover, he was always an interested participant in its affairs. His long service in government had convinced him of the economy of proper recordkeeping and his unique enthusiasm as a student of Maryland and its history led him to offer us every aid at his command—and this proved to be a great deal.

A meeting of the Hall of Records Commission was held at the Hall of Records on May 18, 1959. Judge Brune called the meeting to order at 4 p. m. Other members present were Dr. Weigle, Senator Radcliffe and Mr. Goldstein.

Following its established procedure, the Hall of Records Commission held an election of officers, this being the first meeting after the inauguration of a new Governor. Judge Frederick W. Brune was reelected Chairman, and Dr. Richard D. Weigle was reelected Vice Chairman.

The following members of the staff who had received tentative appointments subsequent to the last meeting of the Commission were approved as permanent employees: Eunice L. Callahan, Senior Account Clerk, Frank F. White, Jr., Junior Archivist.