(Acts 1949, Ch. 729). The Department is responsible for the collection of statistics concerning labor in the State of Maryland. The Department is further charged with the examining of the conditions of labor within the State with especial reference to wages and the causes of strikes and disagreements between employee and employer. The Commissioner is required to follow the progress of negotiations in all labor disputes occurring within the State and shall, if deemed necessary, mediate such disputes or compose arbitration boards to arbitrate them. The Department collects, maintains and publishes statistics and information in regard to the volume of production of the various manufacturing industries of the State and the value and volume of shipping over railroads and other transportation companies.

The agency is responsible for the inspection of all boilers in the State and the enforcement of the Steam Boiler Inspection Law. All fee charging employment agencies operating within Maryland are licensed and supervised by the Department. This agency is further responsible for the enforcement of the laws in regard to the hours of labor for females and the Child Labor Laws. Under the terms of the Child Labor Laws, minors between the ages of fourteen and sixteen must receive employment certificates from the Department. Before such certificates are issued, children applying for the same must pass an educational examination and a physical examination given by the physicians of the Department (Code 1947 Supp. Art. 89, secs. 2-13; Art. 56, secs. 270-276). The Department cooperates with the Federal Government in the enforcement of the Walsh-Healy Act.

## STATE INDUSTRIAL ACCIDENT COMMISSION

Chairman: Emanuel Gorfine, 1951

Simon F. Reilly, 1954; Daniel T. Doherty, 1950.

W. Albert Menchine, 1955

DeLancey B. Scrivner, Secretary

Joseph A. Haller, Director of Safety

Members of Medical Board:

Chairman: Nathan B. Herman, M.D., 1953

John W. Pierson, M.D., 1955; T. Conrad Wolff, M.D., 1951

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