seventeen. It would appear, therefore, that in the last two years the colleges and schools, particularly those at College Park, have increased their enrollment considerably. I consider it necessary to invite your attention to the fact that in addition to the appropriation to our State University, the State continues to appropriate large sums to colleges in the State, which are not under State control. The aggregate of appropriations recommended in this Budget to such colleges is \$261,500.00.

The appropriation from General Funds to the University in 1941 was \$1,-218,635.00 and from Special Funds \$2,292,469.38, or a total of \$3,511,104.38. The appropriations I am recommending for 1942 and 1943 are, from General Funds \$1,290,635.00 and Special Funds \$2,350,000.00, totaling \$3,640,635.00. The increase, amounting to \$129,530.62, is a total of increases of \$72,000.00 in General Funds and \$57,530.62 in Special Funds.

The General Funds increase is detailed as follows:

To the School of Engineering	\$10,000.00
To the Agricultural Experiment Station	9,500.00
To the Agricultural Extension Service	5,000.00
University Hospital	25,000.00
Appropriations for special purposes	
Total	\$72,000,00

With the demand for technically trained people, I feel that the appropriation to the College of Engineering is necessary and the Agricultural Experiment Station and Extension Service will be greatly benefited by the amounts recommended for their use.

The University Hospital in Baltimore closed the last fiscal year with a deficit of over \$30,000.00 and two public wards were closed. I believe our State hospital should be operated at its maximum capacity and I am, therefore, recommending an additional appropriation of \$25,000.00 to care for free cases. This should make available all the free care facilities of the hospital.

The special appropriations, amounting to \$22,500.00 are for the following purposes:

For the control of Bangs Disease For the enforcement of the Fresh Egg Law For Poultry Disease Control For research in Control of Cantaloupe Disease	1,500.00 5,000.00 1,500.00
For Canning Research	2,500.00
Total	\$22 500 00

A number of the older buildings at College Park should be improved and equipment provided for them. I am recommending in the bond issue the sum of \$100,000.00 for this purpose. I am also recommending an appropriation of \$65,000.00 to enlarge the Nurses' Home in connection with the University Hospital in Baltimore. The Hospital has been enlarged and the Nurses' Home is totally inadequate to provide for those necessary for duty in the institution. For Princess Anne, I am recommending \$35,000.00 for improvements to buildings and for equipment to enable the school to advance its program of agricultural and vocational education. This is a total of \$200,000.00 for construction to the University. Considerable increases have also been asked for the professional schools in Baltimore in order that fees can be reduced and the standards raised.