

of Somerset County, and he experienced there, at first hand, the record problems of our county officers; as Comptroller of the Treasury he supervises the expenditure of all state funds for record-keeping supplies and equipment; and as a member of the Board of Public Works he must pass on all requests from state and county officers for the destruction of records. The staff of the Hall of Records will surely benefit from his wide experience and his constant interest in Maryland records.

At the same general election the voters of Maryland elected a new Governor, the Honorable Theodore R. McKeldin. The losing candidate was former Governor William Preston Lane, Jr., who had been Governor and a member of the Hall of Records Commission for four years. It was at Governor Lane's request that the Hall of Records Commission organized the Department of Information and then sponsored the legislation which made that division of the Hall of Records an independent agency. It was also at his request that we undertook the publication of the *Maryland Manual*. In many other ways he showed his interest in and his appreciation for our work. We have reason to anticipate a like interest on the part of Governor McKeldin, whose training as a lawyer, as a historian and as chief executive of Baltimore City has acquainted him with our local and state records.

There were no meetings of the Commission during the year.

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