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will prove that the influence of Philadelphia's greatest citizen is still at work.

### LYNCHING IN MARYLAND

MARYLAND has been properly proud of the fact that it has been free of lynchings for twenty years. Governor Ritchie's concern over the mob execution of a Negro under arrest for murder should be shared, therefore, by every good citizen of the State. The lynching was disgraceful and defiant toward authority and all the proper processes of law. For there was no reason to suppose that the murderer would escape the full consequences of his crime. He had confessed the shooting of his employer, he was entitled to trial and the law was sufficiently empowered to deal with his case.

The mob intended, no doubt, to intimidate the Negroes and warn them against further acts of violence. There have been two or three crimes lately that have been followed by threats of lynching. But mob vengeance is also an attempt to intimidate the law itself and to overturn the orderly processes of justice. The law has been lynched in Maryland, as well as the Negro who broke the law.