OPINION

The Governor's Action Will Tell

Next week, Gov. W. Preston Lane is scheduled to submit his supplementary budget to the State Legislature with recommendations for the expenditure of the state's surplus for capital improvements (buildings, repairs, etc.) in State-supported and State-aided institutions.

The recommendation in regard to Princess Anne, the only institution in Maryland, is asking the State to dump $3,755,000 into Princess Anne in the hope that he will be able to do two things:

1. Gain control of higher education for colored people in the State the State cannot afford to support two colleges for the higher education of colored persons if either institution is to meet minimum requirements of first-rate schools, then ex-of Morgan State College can be allained only at the expense of the other.

So the basic issue, in reality, is the future of higher education for colored persons. The fact that Dr. H. C. (Curtis) Byrd, president of the University of Maryland, is asking the State to keep up the pretense that Princess Anne is a college, when it is in reality, no more than a glorified high school, and that Governor Lane is going along with the idea, is a sad commentary on the state of affairs.

Unless Princess Anne is given the same opportunity to keep colored students out of the University of Maryland, and the same opportunity to grow up to a point where it may be used