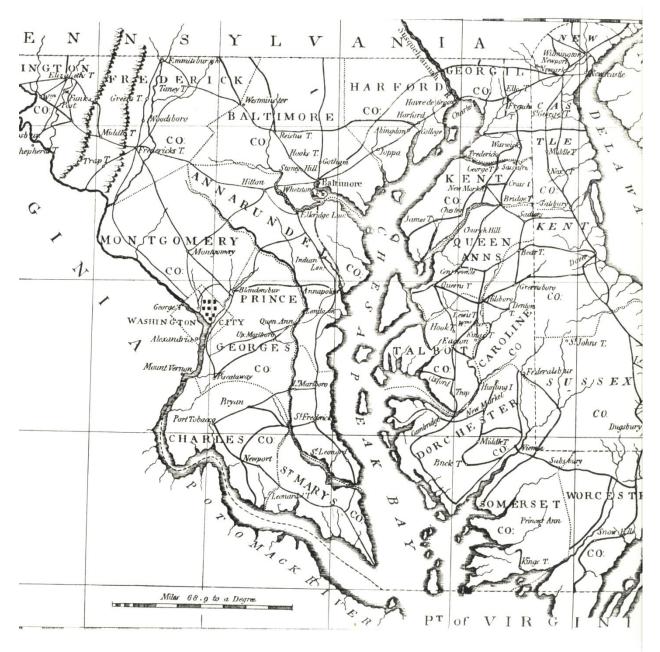
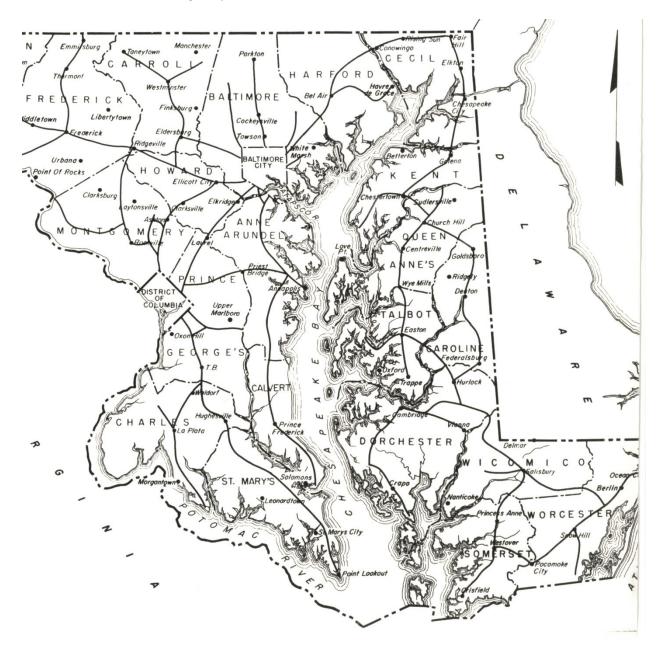
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Detail from J. Denison's 1796 Map of the States of Maryland and Delaware shows the links between Annapolis, capital of Maryland, and the future Nation's capital between the established towns of Bladensburg and Georgetown.



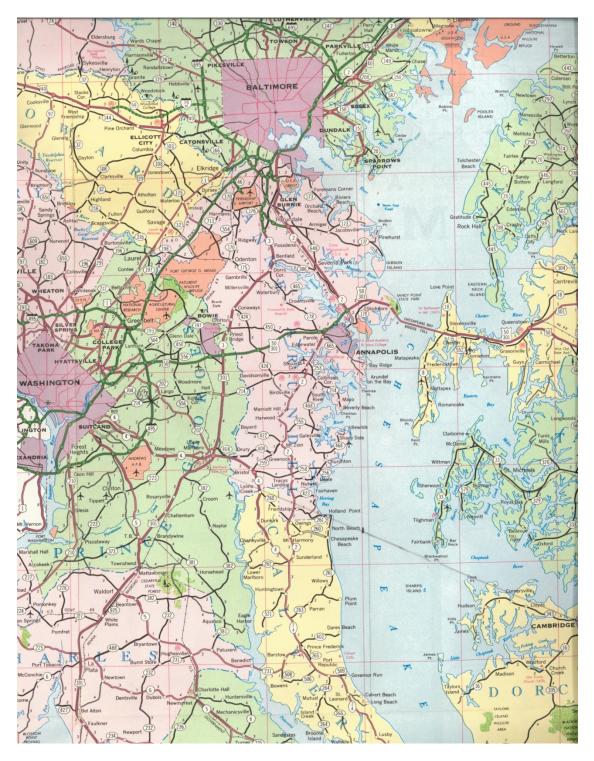
(Source: State Roads Commission of Maryland, 1958).

In April 1909, the Maryland State Roads Commission completed its designation of a State road system to be improved under the State Road System. This detail of the map shows the selected links between Annapolis, Maryland, and the District of Columbia. The southern link via Upper Marlboro was the most commonly used route, but the Old Stage Road via Priest Bridge would be upgraded to become the shorter National Defense Highway in the 1920s.



(Source: State Roads Commission of Maryland, 1958)

This detail from the Maryland State Roads Commission's official highway map of 1965 shows the roads between the District of Columbia and Annapolis, Maryland, including U.S. 50 and MD 450/Defense Highway.



(Source: Maryland State Roads Commission)