

## EXCERPT FROM ADDRESS OF GOVERNOR E. P. CARVILLE

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**I**T BEHOOVES us well to employ every possible means, and pursue every practical step to conserve and intelligently develop our seemingly boundless natural resources. If that be done, we, of the present generation, may reap the greatest benefits, and at the same time retain a heritage of permanency for our progeny. It is just common sense to do so.

I do not believe we have reached the danger point, as yet. We have not reached the stage of a "have not" nation, and we do not want to reach that stage. Currently we have ample resources to carry on for some years to come, but let us take heed.

In this light, it would be a constructive and progressive step for each state to effectuate a systematic method of checking, or taking stock, of its natural resources in all their categories. Let us survey the various fields and know definitely what supplies are visible, what are potential supplies, and what prospects we should have for newly found supplies.

One important step leading to the development of a program of conservation should be immediate action to overcome serious handicap caused by the lack of adequate maps of those regions containing our natural resources. Few people realize that the greater part of this country is inadequately mapped; and in the western states especially, vast areas have never been properly charted.

We should promote a program to complete the mapping of this country at an early date; for until this is done, it will not be possible for us to inventory and catalog our resources and plan for their efficient use. At present there is a great deal of activity in many of the states to develop a nation-wide mapping program, and this work should be encouraged.

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### DEATH OF A PIONEER—W. L. RICHARDSON

MANY MEMBERS of the American Society of Photogrammetry, by whom he was well known, will regret to learn of the death on June 7 of W. L. Richardson of the Bureau of Aeronautics, U. S. Navy.

Mr. Richardson started his rise from the ranks in the Navy, during World War I by reason of his ability with a box camera. Mr. Richardson aided in the development of a complex and efficient aerial camera, with a telescopic lens, the first of its type produced in the United States. He became an ensign, served as an officer until 1922, and was then returned to civilian status and given the designation of senior scientist with the Bureau of Aeronautics, continuing in this post until his death.