

BRUCE HITS CHARGE 'SHORE IS BACKWARD'

Former Senator Refutes Statement of Prof. Mitchell

Charges that the Eastern Shore suffers from a "geographical isolation resulting in rather backward conditions" made recently by Dr. Broadus Mitchell, Johns Hopkins professor, are refuted in a public statement today by William Cabell Bruce, Baltimore attorney and former U. S. senator.

"The mental and spiritual backwardness of the Eastern Shore," Mr. Bruce said, "is supposed by him (Prof. Mitchell) to be attributable to geographical isolation, due to the interposition of the Chesapeake Bay between the Eastern and Western shores of Maryland, but, when it is

remembered how close the Eastern Shore is to the doors of two of the greatest cities in the world, Philadelphia and New York, it is hard to believe the loss of mental stimulus and spiritual exaltation, which the Eastern Shore suffers from not being nearer to such an abode of intellectual power and seraphic sinlessness as Baltimore, can be quite so pronounced as Dr. Mitchell seems to think."