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...States, to dictate the State Department's action on those successive occasions.

The Salvadorean revolution is a horse of another color.

Maryland's Disgrace.

A few irresponsible hotheads have brought disgrace and shame to the State of Maryland. There is no way of expunging from the records of savagery and crime the action of the mob at Salisbury. Such things are written in indelible black that only fades with time.

But it is within the power of the people of one of the most progressive States to apply the remedy that lies in the law; to show that what majesty there is in the law and order that have been won at such cost through the years can be defied only momentarily and that those who defy it must pay the penalty.

The reports of the mob outbreak in Salisbury and the resulting lynching are such as to indicate the relatively easy task that lies before the authorities in apprehending those responsible. Such responsibility, of course, does not end with the few men who led the mob; it extends to the officials who, from reports, put up such futile and cowardly resistance.

One expects from Gov. Ritchie the leadership in a movement among the good people of Maryland, to punish those whose acts or failure to act has brought this blot. Maryland has been free from the stains of such outbreaks for the last twenty years. The punishment of the guilty should be so swift and sure as to constitute a definite guarantee that the barbaric scrawls of mob law have effaced justice in Maryland for the last time.
