## Mandel Offers Support for Suit ANNAPOLIS, April 23

ANNAPOLIS, April 23 (UPI)—Gov. Marvin Mandel, the chairman of the National Governors Conference, said today that he will ask Democratic governors to offer financial support to press the party's Watergate civil suit against the Committee for the Re-election of the President.

Mandel said National Democratic Chairman Robert Strauss should reject any attempt by the Republicans to settle the suit out of court.

"That such a proposition is even thinkable reflects the arrogance of an administration whose basic attitude appears to be only that money will wipe away scandal and corruption, and even thwart this nation's system of justice," Mandel said.

He offered to ask the Maryland Democratic Party for funds to finance the court battle.