

For instance, in the scheme that I have outlined, the waste of course is the fission products from the reactor, but we can handle these fission products in a much more efficient fashion because we get tremendously small amounts of fission product waste from nuclear energy for the production of a tremendous amount of energy. We can concentrate these into relatively small packages, and the thought of, shall we say, depositing these in outer space where radioactivity is no stranger is not at all out of the realm of possibility, and it is definitely economically feasible. We are talking of disposing of 10 or 15 pounds of reaction fission products after it has produced several hundred million megawatt-hours of energy.

I think I should give the other people a part of the time who want to be heard. I would like the opportunity of meeting with you two gentlemen in Washington and discussing this in some detail.

I have presented this program to Congressman Overton Brooks over the years, and I just had a conference with Senator Clinton Anderson at his home discussing these issues. I would like to go into it in more detail, and I am, frankly, not quite at home without a blackboard.

Mr. BROWN. We appreciate your willingness to come here this morning, Dr. Clark, and present this to us. I think Mr. Bell and myself are both receptive to innovative ideas of this sort. We are looking for new ideas, and may I assure you on my own part of our willingness to meet and discuss this with you.

Dr. CLARK. The last thought I would like to leave is that my preliminary studies, with the cooperation of Mr. Fuller making a considerable amount of his information available to me, led me to believe Los Angeles is on the brink of a disaster regarding smog.

Mr. BROWN. Well, I would not be at all surprised if you were right. Any further questions?

Mr. BELL. I am sorry there wasn't more time to hear further discussion of this. I have heard of your work in the past, and I hope you have the opportunity to come back and bring this problem up to us in Washington, and expand on it.

I hope that you will give us maybe some written material and additional information with your thoughts in them.

Dr. CLARK. I will forward a few reports I have gotten up on the subject to the committee for your reading and reaction.

(Additional material furnished may be found in committee files.)

Mr. BROWN. Thank you very much.

Dr. CLARK. Thank you.

Mr. BROWN. Mrs. Slade, would you like to make a brief statement at this time?

Mrs. Slade, you represent the Stamp Out Smog Committee?

STATEMENT OF MRS. SHERMAN SLADE, STAMP OUT SMOG COMMITTEE

Mrs. SLADE. That is correct. We represent about 400 organizations throughout the State of California dedicated to eradicating smog. I suppose we speak for the people as much as anyone could.

I would like to briefly say, while we have had a cooperative Governor and supervisors, you can see the problem is still with us. We are happy for the great interest the Federal Government has shown recently.