

Mr. SCHWENGEL. Further, on that point, Governor, you are aware of the very fine research that we had in the highway system, one in New Jersey, one in Illinois where the fact was that industry cooperates, State and local communities cooperate, and the Federal Government cooperates, and we have a joint effort there and it has been a magnificent contribution.

Would you think it might be advisable for us to consider this kind of thing so that we can more truly—for research and pollution—more truly reflect the need and the changes and the special needs of areas in the community?

Governor ROCKEFELLER. Dr. Hollis Ingraham is in charge of this. I would be glad to have him comment on that if you would permit me.

Dr. INGRAHAM. Part of the Governor's program was to intensify research activities. And as his arm, the Government, was concerned with that, we have been contracting with universities to carry on research in algae control, looking for better methods of treatment, looking for methods of reducing phosphates, taking care of chemicals you mentioned, and in addition to that we are also carrying on research within the department, our Division of Laboratories and Research. And we have recently made an arrangement with the Department of Correction to establish a pilot program in one of the institutions where it will be a combined training program for inmates and an opportunity for research activities in various methods of sewage treatment.

So we feel that this is very definitely something that needs to be intensified at this time.

We are able unquestionably to clean up the streams of the State without any trouble, so that they are in very good shape. However, there are certain problems that are bothering us. The wastes from paper plants need more investigation. There is the problem of taking care of the enrichment of our lakes, a very serious problem, and one that needs to be attacked very vigorously.

Governor ROCKEFELLER. So in other words if a small effort relatively speaking can be productive, certainly a cooperative effort, Federal, State, with private, would certainly be beneficial.

Mr. SCHWENGEL. That would be another way to carry forward the solution by using what you have called the Federal system. I am glad to have your comment on that.

SOIL CONSERVATION

One other thing, you will recall from the history of your State and the history of your country there was another great New York Governor who laid out the pattern for conservation. And I am very interested in conservation, and I am keenly aware of the fact that in the Midwest we are losing millions of tons of the best soil we have every year floating down the river. And I have a feeling the resolution of this problem will relate to the problem of solving pollution. We now know how to contain our soil. We know how to prepare watersheds. We are not moving very fast on that. But we had a better program. And in addition to the completion of the watershed program, that would help in resolving the Government pollution problem. Is that right?

Governor ROCKEFELLER. Exactly.

Mr. BLATNIK. Mr. Denney.