

A View From The Governor's Office

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Pennsylvania soon will become the site of the Nation's first research center devoted to helping the states use science and technology to solve the problems of cities, pollution and other environmental dilemmas.

This Administration, through the new Pennsylvania Science and Engineering Foundation, has agreed to help fund such a Center for the Study of State Science Policy with the Federal Government and Penn State University.

The National Science Foundation will contribute \$61,000; the Science and Engineering Foundation, \$25,000; and Penn State, \$12,595. The center will be established at the State College campus.

This center is being established to help our Commonwealth and other states use the enormous potential and resources of science in their efforts to improve the standard and comfort of living for all citizens.

For years, we have been using science in industry to produce more and better goods, and in government to produce sophisticated machinery for defense and the conquest of space.

But we have not yet demanded that the full attention of our scientists be given to solving the problems of water air and land pollution. We have not asked them to devote full time to producing better and cheaper low income housing with new metals and other modern materials. We have not involved the scientists enough in finding ways to provide better and less expensive health care facilities.

This fact has greatly concerned my Science Advisory Committee which is now at work on ways we Pennsylvanians can develop a "Science for Society"

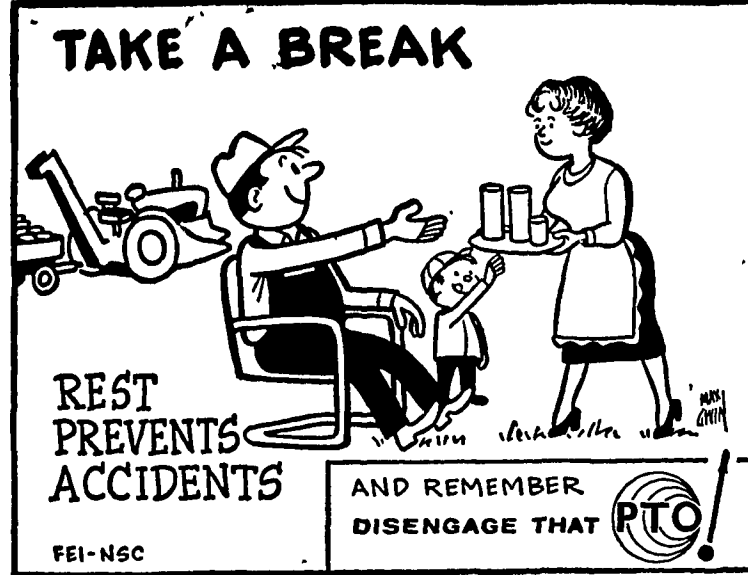
program. Establishment of the new center is part of that plan.

The first assignment of the center's staff will be to examine what Pennsylvania and other states have done to develop policies for the involvement of science in public matters.

Too often states establish long-range programs in urban aid, conservation, environmental health, and transportation without being fully aware of the scientific implications or without using the expertise of the scientific community.

Pennsylvania has attempted to correct this problem by the establishment of the Governor's Science Advisory Committee. The Committee has been helpful in conservation and transportation policy-making and, most recently, suggested guidelines for the establishment of a policy for developing "new towns" within the Commonwealth.

The new center will be very helpful in the exchange of information between the states. For example, other states with the problems of acid-mine water pollution will benefit from Pennsylvania's new experience



with treatment plants. The center will be able to communicate that experience fully and intelligently to those states that are establishing programs to combat pollution from mining operations.

I am proud that Pennsylvania has the foresight to develop this center at a time when the world is observing the most historic event of our time — the landing of men on the Moon. This is being done because the people of the Nation had the spirit and willingness to meet the challenge and the faith that their scientists could produce the result.

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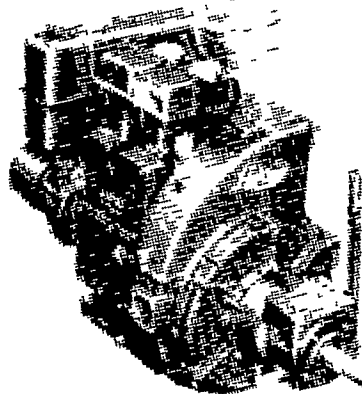


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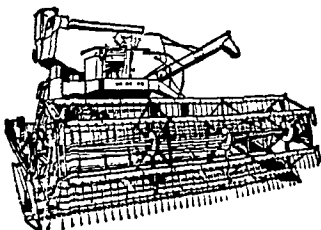
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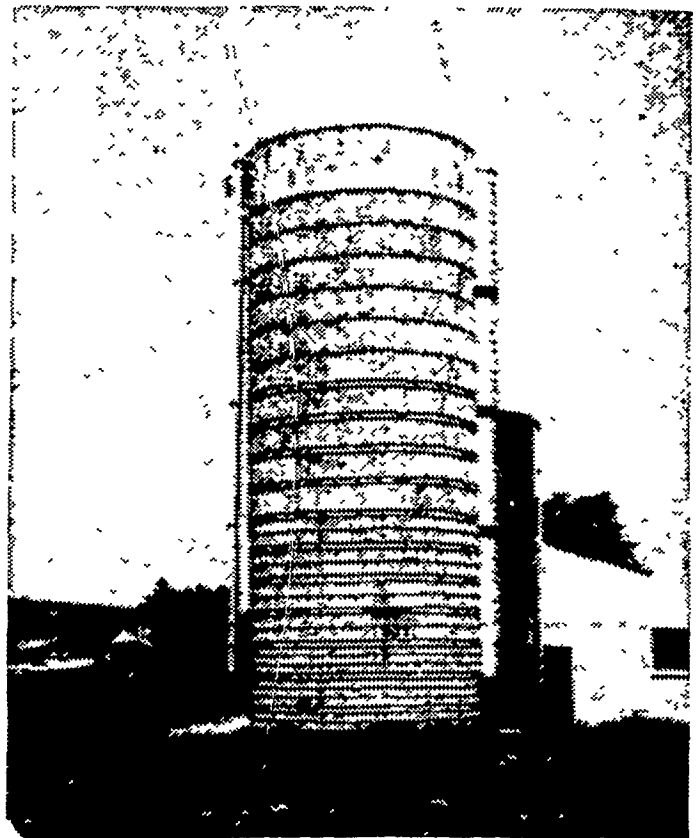


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