

duction of appropriations in so many of these Federal programs is leaving the states in a posture of just beginning to get rolling to take advantage of things, and, maybe when we get to the point we can, the money won't be there. It took us a while to realize that we had to make a concurrent effort to fund these programs. Now that we've reached that conclusion, it's going to be a terrible thing if at the time our programs are enacted, the money is not there at the Federal level. That will just defer them that much longer.

Q. This new plan also calls for water contact sports in Baltimore City's streams. That's caused the City Health Department to groan.

A. I don't blame them. I think that's a little unrealistic. I think when our water studies are in, we're going to have to adjust ourselves based on the monetary limitations that we face, with so many public needs in so many areas, and the objection of the people in undertaking any more tax responsibilities. We're going to have to make some reasonable assignments of priority that can be reached with the money that's going to be available. And you're not going to have water contact sports in the Baltimore harbor in my judgment as long as it continues to be one of the principal harbors in the country.

Q. Would you consider the Baltimore City Health Department's concern unfounded, at this point?

A. Well, it's a little early for concern, when we haven't yet categorized our priority objectives. But I think it's smart of the Baltimore City Health Department to speak out against the impossible, because sometimes when somebody even suggests something it becomes a fait accompli in the minds of the public. And obviously we can't create these degrees of priority without the assignment of money all out of proportion to the need.

Q. Governor, there was a disclosure along the lines of what's being written out concerning lobbyists in the last Legislature, of Wyatt the father and lobbyist dealing with insurance matters with Wyatt the son on the insurance committee of the House. How do you view a situation like that? Is anything required to correct it?

A. Well, I assigned the problem of looking over the total legal questions involving lobbyists to the Secretary of the State, and I'm frank to admit that I don't feel conversant enough with the situation that you mentioned to make any comment on it. But Mr. Blair will continue to look into it, and I expect that he'll have some recommendations for me when he finishes his study.