



FRIDAY FLASHES . . . MSC Apollo Program Manager GEORGE M. LOW will talk to Space Center Rotarians Monday about the mission of the NASA Manned Spacecraft Center . . . This week DICK ALLEN president of Clear Creek Basin Authority, discussed the terrible pollution problem in Clear Lake and the Clear Creek Basin itself, and the public apathy people have about sewage, - as long as they can flush the john and it works, he said they don't worry about it . . . DICK described the various authorities working toward cleaning up the waterways . . . Some of them are overlapping, he said . . . The Federal government made grants to Houston-Galveston Area Council, which was developed to study guidelines to coordinate planning facilities . . . The Clear Creek Basin authority was formed as a result of the study but had no money so DICK said it has spent four frustrating years . . . DAVE W. LANG is chairman of the Community Environment Committee of Space Center Rotary Club. In a letter to Rotary president ROGER HOBART, he said, "We have a beautiful community located in an outstanding environment of the Gulf Coast . . . The people are highly educated and there is a dearth of indigent people and substantial building . . . Land values are high and life is pleasant, but will only remain so if we keep it that way . . . Our three greatest problems are water pollution, land disfigurement, (particularly by waste material) and air pollution." . . . DAVE said, "We are a plethora of small communities faced with common problems of environmental control . . . Solution of these problems requires space community wide action of the part of all these small political entities . . . This undoubtedly will include spending programs for adequate waste disposal facilities and enforcement of clean air ordinances on a wide geographic (Clear Lake Basin or even Galveston Bay Basin) basis . . . Our only hope is a clear understanding of the problems and support of control efforts by the people . . . Thus, community EDUCATION is essential." . . . The report is too lengthy to finish here, so we will give you some more recommendations from it later . . . DICK ALLEN was in Boston the day of the Moratorium, and talked to some of the youth taking part in the peace demonstrations . . . He said he read stories and saw television coverage that exaggerated the demonstrations and said a London Paper carried a headline that read the day of the Moratorium America was divided . . . DICK said it was shocking to see that many of the youth demonstrating just wanted America to surrender and pull out of Vietnam at any cost . . . Other students demonstrating told him they were there to enjoy all the "pop" bands . . . He said there were more demonstrations in Boston than any place else he heard about . . . And he severely criticized the news media for irresponsible reporting . . . He said this was another example of "us not getting the truth", and said if newspapers and t.v. wanted to slant their news coverage, they should report it as an editorial . . .