

Then, you go on to tell that you agree with all these goals.

You are pointing out here, Mr. Mayor, that if we are to be strong from without, we must primarily be strong from within, is that correct?

Mr. LOCHER. That is a correct interpretation. As a matter of fact, the chairman has stated it more clearly indeed than I have, and I fully subscribe to that view. For unless we can do the things here at home that require doing—as I stated recently, we are about ready to shoot a man to the moon, but we will be standing ankle deep in sewage while we are doing it. We must tend to the things at home as well as those in outer space and elsewhere.

Mr. BARRETT. Thank you.

On page 4 of your statement, relative to the coordinator in Cleveland, would you explain and then comment further to the subcommittee on this basis. Is he paid out of Federal funds as part of the antipoverty program?

Mr. LOCHER. No, Mr. Chairman, Cleveland is unique in this regard, in that we are the first large city to have put into operation the arrangement which I describe here. It began from a discussion that was between Vice President Humphrey and the publisher and editor of our morning newspaper, the Cleveland Plain Dealer. They had had some discussions here in Washington about a means of coordinating all the many efforts that are joint efforts on partnership efforts between the Federal Government and the city of Cleveland.

As a result of that, I might add we have had a representative here in Washington as well—Mr. Erwin Silbert, of my staff. But in order that, back home, there be some correlation between the Federal programs and the city of Cleveland, it was suggested that what is known as the chairman, or, rather, the Federal executive, of the Federal Executive Association—that is an association that exists in all the large urban areas—the Federal officials have an organization that they call the Federal Executive Association, and the head of that group, who in Cleveland happens to be Mr. John W. Lehman, regional director of the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, is the executive of that Federal Executive Association. So it was thought wise that there be a close rapport between him and the Federal officials and the mayor of the city of Cleveland.

That was set up on January 20 of this year.

We have had a number of meetings. At the moment, as I pointed out I believe in my statement, our principal concern has to do with job training and job opportunities. This is not an official who is hired with regard to the OEO or any other project at all.

It is true that the relationship is voluntary, but it has produced great results. I envisage that the coordinator, who is spoken of in the bill which you are hearing testimony about today, and will for some time, I assume—that likewise envisages a coordinator—not someone that is looking down at Cleveland, so to speak, but rather someone who will correlate all the efforts to make certain that we are all pulling together, a cooperative type of thing.

Mr. BARRETT. Thank you, Mr. Mayor.

The Chair recognizes Mr. Widnall.

Mr. WIDNALL. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.