

are acting like a couple of little boys, pointing their fingers at each other saying, "We are the good guys and you are the bad guys."

All of the equities are either on labor's side or management's side. I would say if I read the sense of Congress accurately, we are becoming a bit weary of being put in the position of attempting to mediate labor disputes when collective bargaining should resolve the differences.

As I say, you both point the finger at each other.

It seems to me that unless you can come to some conclusion, the Congress will ultimately pass some restrictive legislation that will not be satisfactory either to labor or management.

I would merely urge upon you and Mr. Wolfe—and, of course, Mr. Fox on behalf of your interests—to try to get this matter settled before Congress has to act.

I don't believe the proposed legislation would be satisfactory to either of the parties concerned.

Mr. LEIGHTY. Congressman, I would like to say that I personally am not involved in the current shopcrafts' dispute.

Mr. DEVINE. I understand; but you are speaking on behalf of the entire group.

Mr. LEIGHTY. That is correct.

But I am interested in anything that I can do to bring about a settlement of the dispute. I can assure you that my efforts are being devoted to that task.

Mr. DEVINE. I would hope that you continue. I don't think any useful purpose is going to be served by you calling the other side all kinds of names nor his calling you all kinds of names.

Mr. LEIGHTY. That is exactly what I pointed out in my statement. When you get to compulsory arbitration, you are really adversaries, you are not trying to evaluate the situation or making a reasonable determination of what the settlement should be.

If you begin calling each other names, you are not going to make a settlement.

Mr. DEVINE. Thank you.

That is all.

Mr. DINGELL. Mr. Satterfield.

Mr. SATTERFIELD. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. Leighty, based on your assessment of the situation now, do you feel there is any prospect that free collective bargaining will begin between these parties on their own initiative?

Mr. LEIGHTY. On their own initiative?

Mr. SATTERFIELD. Yes.

Mr. LEIGHTY. Possibly not on their own initiative. I wouldn't paint a poor picture, but I think they could be induced to do some collective bargaining on it.

Mr. SATTERFIELD. I have one other brief question.

I take it from what you have said that the suggestion made to the Secretary of Defense to continue shipments necessary to the war in Vietnam and to public health is now at a standstill, that it is no longer being considered or discussed?

Mr. LEIGHTY. In effect, they told us that they had already made up their minds before they heard us. We explained how the various commodities could be handled, how it wouldn't pose very much of a prob-