

Mr. BERRY. We will get you a whole set, Mr. Dellenback. We put out a series of eight.

Mr. DELLENBACK. I was asking for you to be my editor.

Mr. SHRIVER. On the back page it shows the names of the others in case you want to order.

Mr. BERRY. I have the answer to your last question of what would be the estimated need. Approximately 1,800 centers.

Chairman PERKINS. How many do we have funded at the present time?

Mr. BERRY. 700.

Chairman PERKINS. How many of the 700 did we fund the past fiscal year?

Mr. BERRY. Since the beginning? Approximately 100 additional to those that we initially funded in the first year of our effort in 1966.

Chairman PERKINS. In other words, about 600?

Mr. BERRY. 600 the first year.

Chairman PERKINS. What are your plans this year?

Mr. BERRY. 300 more to 1,000.

Mr. DELLENBACK. To get to the 1,800 which you anticipate is the optimum, what is the annual cost?

Mr. BERRY. It would be \$400 million the first year with \$600 million as a continuing supporting budget.

Mr. DELLENBACK. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Chairman PERKINS. How much for the next fiscal year for neighborhood centers?

Mr. BERRY. \$160 million.

Chairman PERKINS. Go ahead, Mr. Shriver.

Mr. SHRIVER. We are just responding to questions.

Chairman PERKINS. Mr. Gibbons?

Mr. GIBBONS. I just want to say while I agree that the neighborhood centers weren't designed to prevent unpleasantness such as I have had in my district in the last week, I would like to say, and I want the record to clearly reflect, all the reports that I have received from the Tampa area showed first of all that when daylight came the neighborhood service center workers volunteered and were the first ones in the area when the riots were going on, a biracial basis, really taking their lives in their own hands; that nearly all the people who were actively involved in bringing the situation under control were actively identified with the economic opportunity program. I think they performed in an exemplary way.

Mr. BERRY. Mr. Chairman, I would like to comment. The experience in Congressman Gibbons' district was borne out also in Cleveland last year. The neighborhood center that we had funded for the Hough area had only recently been opened a matter of approximately a month to 6 weeks before the Hough incident in Cleveland. But the neighborhood center remaining open 24 hours of the day became virtually a lighthouse in the storm in terms of rallying the people and establishing a focal point of some responsible leadership in a torn area.

This has been borne out in other communities likewise. The neighborhood center has become a sort of social anchor in an area of considerable confusion and distress.