

consent that our staff director be directed to work with OEO and include these charts in our hearings at the proper place. I don't want to have to get unanimous consent every time we have one of these but they are helpful in understanding the program.

Mr. SCHERLE. Mr. Shriver, or one of you gentlemen at the table, does self-help come under this neighborhood service system?

Mr. BERRY. Yes, sir.

Mr. SCHERLE. We have a project done by OEO in a locality where it takes a certain group of women, I think perhaps in a low-income bracket, maybe \$2,000 or \$2,300, and they have these women go out and solicit old clothing. They bring this old clothing back into the center and they have them sew patches on the clothing. They are paid for their labor in monopoly money.

Mr. SHRIVER. You mean the game called monopoly?

Mr. SCHERLE. They are paid in sort of script like monopoly money at the rate of \$1.25 an hour. They then are allowed to purchase back this clothing that they have repaired with the same type of money that they have been paid in.

Now, I can't, for the life of me, see how this can raise the dignity of the individual to the extent that down in my general locality we have no area whatsoever where if they were taught to sew, and of course this is what it means more or less, it is to try to raise their present economic position, where they can ever utilize this. But the most disgraceful thing is to pay these people for those services in play money.

Now the other project we have going down there, these same women are sent out to pick out old hens at 8 cents apiece.

Mr. SHRIVER. Old what? Hens?

Mr. SCHERLE. Hens.

Mr. SHRIVER. Chickens?

Mr. SCHERLE. Right, at 8 cents apiece and they are brought in and they are taught to be chicken pickers. Now I have proof for this. If you ask for it, I have it. It is a so-called self-help.

Mr. SHRIVER. Could you tell us where this is?

Mr. SCHERLE. Yes. It is in Red Oak, Iowa, Montgomery County.

Mr. SHRIVER. Yes.

Mr. SCHERLE. What more do you want?

Mr. SHRIVER. I thought you were going to say something more. If you don't want to say anything more, I will say something.

Mr. SCHERLE. I will go back to this. We don't have any chicken picking businesses in our locality. It irritates me to think that this money is being spent to try to raise the level of these people and all you are doing is humiliating these people to the extent you are not giving them anything. I think both these programs are completely outrageous. This is one of the reasons why you have fewer friends on this side of the aisle, as you perhaps know. So far as I am concerned personally, I think this OEO program needs a real readjustment. Many other people throughout the United States agree with me.

Mr. BERRY. If the Red Oak program is that demeaning, the responsibility for its low quality rests upon the people in the local community.

Mr. SCHERLE. You know, this is a good question. I am glad you