

tion, and Welfare, there would not be any change insofar as representation of the poor is concerned in any particular operation. The representation would be the same.

Am I right?

Mr. QUIE. There would be no reduction. There would be improvement by way of requiring a neighborhood council, which is not in the law now, a neighborhood council that would have to be all representative of the poor.

Mrs. SHAFFER. If OEO money was transferred to Health and Welfare we wouldn't have representation because we don't have any representation in Health and Welfare.

Mr. QUIE. Under our proposal you would. We pick up community action as it is now, bodily, and place it over there. The only difference would be that John Gardner would be the boss of Ted Berry instead of Sargent Shriver.

From all he says he is totally committed to Sargent Shriver. If he appoints Sargent Shriver as his Under Secretary, you would operate exactly the same. But the transfer would then give this person the overall responsibility that Wilbur Cohen has now in HEW, with the muscle that the poor would have a voice in the program, in health, welfare, and education.

This is not completely satisfactory to me because there are some other areas too. That is in the manpower training and housing areas. I wouldn't be satisfied until the poor have a voice in the programs all the way down the line at the Federal level.

Mr. BELL. If I may continue to elaborate further on some of the advantage to this.

Mrs. Shaffer, you probably have in your organization a Headstart program, do you not?

Mrs. SHAFFER. Yes, we have.

Mr. BELL. Sometimes in some places you may have a Headstart program to get the children started and then they go into a school which is not a very good school.

The children lose what they have gained by Headstart. If Headstart, for example, were under Health, Education, and Welfare where the school system was all closely allied and connected, something could be done to be sure the carrythrough would be accomplished. There is an example of a greater efficiency.

Mrs. SHAFFER. You have a followup?

Mr. BELL. Opportunity Crusade is a more efficient method of doing the same thing. OEO has done a good job in getting things started, but the breakdown in efficiency has been rampant throughout the country. My district is somewhat close to the Watts area of Los Angeles. It is not a part of it but it is close to it.

I know that just about 4 days before the Watts riot we had been testifying there in Will Rogers Park auditorium. The place was filled with people, all complaining about the promises that had been made through the OEO on which there had been no delivery.

This was a partial cause of the unrest.

Mrs. SHAFFER. This is true. We found out in Hartford when they had the cutback that a lot of these programs they had started and were working effectively on, they had to drop when the cutback came. This is when all this unrest started. It did not just start last week. They