

Mr. THOMPSON. Was there any violence involved in the meeting in May? There were incendiary words. I have a copy of it.

Mr. ADDONIZIO. It was a June meeting, Mr. Congressman—June 26.

Mr. THOMPSON. Was there any physical violence involved there, Mr. Mallard?

Mr. MALLARD. It was not that night.

Mr. ADDONIZIO. There was no physical violence on that night.

Mr. THOMPSON. There was great dissension, wasn't there?

Mr. ADDONIZIO. Exceedingly so.

Mr. THOMPSON. This man took a very strong position and he used what one might consider intemperate language, but there was no violence?

Mr. ADDONIZIO. There was no physical violence, no.

Mr. THOMPSON. Mr. Bernstein referred to the political situation and you say, Mr. Addonizio, that there is a lot of politics in this.

I am from New Jersey and I know something of Newark. Mr. Bernstein says 4 years ago Students for Democratic Society—SDS—entered the scene and "took over Area Boards 2 and 3."

Now, that being the case, that having been known for a long period of time, I would like to ask two questions of you.

First, what did you do about this, if you didn't believe in it; and second, who specifically, from those boards, participated in the riots in Newark?

Mr. BERNSTEIN. We advised the police department, we advised the FBI and had meetings with them. They were aware of the backgrounds of many of these people and also many of these people who used their influence in bringing the Students for Democratic Society into Newark.

Mr. THOMPSON. What sort of backgrounds did these people have? Was it criminal?

Mr. BERNSTEIN. I would say Communist backgrounds.

Mr. THOMPSON. Communist?

Mr. BERNSTEIN. That is right.

Mr. THOMPSON. Card-carrying Communist members?

Mr. BERNSTEIN. Not the students but the people who brought them in were.

Mr. THOMPSON. Who were these people?

Mr. BERNSTEIN. I would prefer not to mention their names.

Mr. THOMPSON. You have immunity here.

Mr. BERNSTEIN. I would prefer not to mention the names. You can contact the FBI and if they want to reveal that to you they have it in their files and let them do it because we worked with the FBI on this for 3, 3½, or even 4 years.

Mr. THOMPSON. During those years what did you do about the involvement of "Communists" whom you won't name?

Did you make this public knowledge?

Mr. BERNSTEIN. I advised the police department, I advised the FBI, and the FBI told us that they were aware of what the situation was and the people who supposedly were backing these students who were in our city and that all they could do was watch and report back to the director.