

I am a freshman in the Congress. I am not sure if this is correct or not, but I would like—since aspersions that have been cast on these gentlemen who have come here at our invitation, and aspersions have been cast on them as officials of the city of Newark, both elected and appointed—I would like to yield to them my 5 minutes.

I would like to yield them my 5 minutes so that they may get on record whatever they desire.

Mr. BERNSTEIN. Mr. Chairman, if I may, I would like to have this entered into the record because I made a comment earlier in this hearing about a left-wing group and this Students for Democratic Society admits to being such.

One of their ardent workers has published a book "Studies on the Left".

Mr. MALLARD. I brought the book down. I will give you copies but I have to keep that one.

Mr. BERNSTEIN. The detective said he would make copies available to you. I think you will find it very interesting reading. It is kind of discouraging the way our democracy is going.

Mr. MALLARD. I am told this goes to anyone who works on an area board and works on a staff. This book was previously the property of James H. Blair. He was second in command. One of the editors of this book is Tom Hayden, who recently went to Vietnam.

Mr. BERNSTEIN. Against the United States.

Mr. ESHLEMAN. Would you please give the title of the book?

Mr. MALLARD. "Studies on the Left."

Mr. BERNSTEIN. In winding up, I would like to say that all of us believe there is a need to eliminate the poverty situation in this country.

I think the discussion here today is certainly the best way of going about it. I feel that the responsibility lies in the hands of the elected officials because they answer directly to the people.

There are some who feel that it should be left to the poor people or to those outside of the Government and keep politics out of it.

I don't necessarily feel by having elected officials involved that you necessarily have politics as we know it getting involved.

You have direct representation of the people involved. I think this is the most serious thing that faces us and I would like to feel this country is that great that there will never be an outside power that could defeat us but I am very much concerned about the undercurrent of an inside power that could some day possibly destroy this great democracy of ours.

Mrs. GREEN. I agree with the statement you have just made and how the Hatch Act has been quoted from in its legalistic terms.

While I have no question about any individual having a constitutional right to speak or to protest or to participate in demonstrations, I have a very serious question, in fact, I would heartily disapprove of the expenditure of Federal funds to finance people who are outside of Government and who would be working for the express purpose of changing the political structure and changing the democratic process and upsetting or overturning the decisions which are made by mayors of duly elected city officials or council people or anyone else that has been chosen by the majority of the people through the democratic process.