

would be well satisfied it would have the same advertising on it that it has right now.

I do not like some of the advertising, but I find some of the advertising is better than some of the programming I get.

Mr. OTTINGER. That is more a reflection on the poor quality of programming than the excellence of advertising, I think.

I must say that I would be very much concerned if pay television were permitted to carry advertising in addition to making a charge for its programs.

I do think there is a tremendous opportunity for the future here. If we adopted your philosophy, not necessarily your legislation, because I think Congress ought to make the decision, but if we adopted your opposition to subscription TV, we would be denying something which is very exciting to the general public.

I think it is a subject that deserves further exploration by the Congress with an affirmative outlook.

Mr. DINGELL. I think the committee should demand a full accounting from the Federal Communications Commission as to why this abundance of problems are now strangling them, why they have not evolved an expedited procedure to handle the matters, why they have not made a better allocation of the spectrum, why they have not solved the clear channel problem.

They are up to their ears in problems and yet they are creating new mischief at a time when it is not desirable.

Mr. OTTINGER. Well, now we are back on common ground. I agree with the gentleman completely.

Mr. MACDONALD. I am sorry the time of the gentleman has expired.

Mr. Brotzman.

Mr. BROTZMAN. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

I am sure you have followed this subject over a period of years as a member of this committee, is that not right, Mr. Dingell?

Mr. DINGELL. That is correct.

Mr. BROTZMAN. To follow up on Jim's questioning here, there really are two problems as I see it. One is jurisdictional and then there is the substantive question of—is subscription TV good?

Actually most of your remarks go to the substantive matter, but your bill, if I understand your remarks, is for the purpose of insuring retention of jurisdiction in the Congress.

Is that correct?

Mr. DINGELL. That is correct.

Mr. BROTZMAN. Now turning to your statement just for a moment, I understand the jurisdictional question, have you followed the Hartford trial over a period of time?

Mr. DINGELL. I have made a study of the comments on the Hartford trial as included in the Commission's fourth order and report.

Insofar as having scrutinizing it or observed how it worked I must confess I did not.

Mr. BROTZMAN. How was this set up? By that I mean what opportunities were afforded to different agencies and different competition to participate in this particular trial?

Mr. DINGELL. I did not—

Mr. MACDONALD. Mr. Brotzman, if you will excuse me, the people who ran the experiment will testify and I think they will probably have all those answers.