

Mr. ROSENTHAL. But facts, we want facts.

Mrs. SLAVIN. Facts. OK. You mean actual prices?

Mr. ROSENTHAL. Precisely.

Mrs. SLAVIN. Well, Mr. Nadler has analyzed the results of our survey in terms of the reflection of the poverty area stores in more precise terms. I wouldn't care to make that discussion. We are looking for the housewives in terms of lower prices throughout the St. Louis area. I turned my data over to Mr. Nadler after we had tabulated our own results for our own purposes and they have analyzed them.

Mr. ROSENTHAL. Had you ever known Mr. Nadler before this price meeting?

Mrs. SLAVIN. No. No, I called him somewhere toward the middle of our survey, I called Mr. Baum after reading the article in the newspaper, and at the end of our third week we had a meeting with some of the people who had worked and invited them and members of the Better Business Bureau and the Post-Dispatch if they would like to come. Mr. Baum was able to come as was Mr. Nadler. We gave them the material to analyze it if they wished.

Mr. ROSENTHAL. Can you tell us what the survey showed?

Mr. NADLER. Yes. The reason that we had Mrs. Slavin here was because the data that she presented us was very much in support of what we found.

The chain that we did select from their data that was useful was the Kroger stores. The other stores are not represented today, so we did not deal with them.

(The Slavin survey follows:)

A TOTAL OF 61 FOOD ITEMS SURVEYED EACH WEEK

FIRST WEEK SURVEY (BASED ON 43 ITEMS AVAILABLE IN STORES 3 AND 4)

Store 3 (poverty) market basket, \$14.32; store 4 (upper income) market basket, \$12.60; 13.6 percent higher price in poverty store.

Twenty items higher priced in poverty store, 46.5 percent.

Eight items lower priced in poverty store, 18.6 percent.

SECOND WEEK SURVEY (BASED ON 42 ITEMS AVAILABLE IN STORES 3A AND 4A)

Store 3a (poverty) market basket, \$16.64; store 4a (upper income) market basket, \$15.96; 4.2 percent higher priced in poverty store.

Sixteen items higher priced in poverty store, 38.09 percent.

Five items lower priced in poverty store, 11.9 percent.