

You raised the question and you have the concern about women having the opportunity to work. I wanted to let you know that part of our nationwide summer campaign this summer is going to be telling people about the fact that welfare is supposed to provide training for people who want it and day care and so forth. Now, we are going to be advertising and recruiting people to claim their rights under those provisions. Now, one of the problems we see, however, is if we find a lot of people who want to work voluntarily, which I know we will do, the Congress and people like yourself back us up in not letting the welfare department cut other people off and try to force other people who do not want to work, because they feel their place is in the home, not try to force other people into those jobs or into those training slots, rather than accepting and doing something for the people who really want it, of which there are a very great number. So we are going out and doing something on getting people for them, for the job programs. But on the other hand, we want to see that people's rights are protected, that they are not cut off, that their children are not taken away, that they are not put on these voucher and protective payments and all these penalties against these recipients that they are writing into these laws and that some action is taken on your part to see that the States live up to their responsibilities rather than having this entire burden put upon recipients.

Representative GRIFFITHS. We will do our best. You see, when you go out and help people get training and so on, we had to write into the law in the Congress that one-third of those spots had to be for women, because up until that date, there were no places for drop-outs for women at all.

So I want to remind you, when I came to Congress, a woman drew \$64 for doing the exact same job that a man did and under welfare, today she draws only \$60. The discrimination against those women in those jobs is pretty bad.

Again, let me thank you for using your time to come here. I am thoroughly grateful to you. You have been very helpful.

Mr. WILEY. One footnote, since you are from Detroit. Our welfare rights organization in Detroit, after the disorder there and after the chamber of commerce said they were going to go out and find all these jobs, some of our welfare mothers there who are able to work and wanted to work went and tried to get some of those jobs. Big publicity, Time magazine, New Detroit—not one of our people was offered a single job under that program.

Representative GRIFFITHS. I tried in Detroit after World War II to keep women on the streetcars. They got them all out. I tried to get women jobs out at that plant outside of Detroit. I have done my best.

Thank you very much.

This subcommittee is adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning in this room.

(Whereupon, at 12:07 p.m., the committee recessed subject to reconvening at 10 a.m., Thursday, Jun 13, in room 1310, Longworth House Office Building.)