

Some of these people—and I know them—were making as much as \$12,000 a year, and they deserve an opportunity to get a job commensurate with the original job. This is a sad situation that the people have not spoken of, and these were responsible people.

I think we have in this country about 95 percent of the people that are responsible.

I think that we get too much about whether we should or should not shoot. We do not want to have a country with shooting. I will say again that our Government is involved in the obligation to protect its citizenry.

Mr. WHITENER. Thank you. Any questions, Mr. Winn?

Mr. WINN. I do not disagree with your philosophy that the President might have gone on the radio and on television. I assume you are talking about the night that Dr. King was assassinated.

Mr. LISS. The night that it started—April 4th. I understand that it started on 14th Street initially, about 8 o'clock, and then I think it got to be a mass of things about midnight. I do not know the Constitution; I am not a student of it; I have not had much education. But I have lived it, and it seems to me that in the oath of office the President is supposed to protect the individual and the property rights of all citizens from internal or external attack. Whether we want to say internal attack, they were internal disturbances.

There is another thing that has not been mentioned. I grew up in the city of New Bedford, Massachusetts. I do not know whether any of you have been there. It is about the most quiet place you could go to. I called some of my cousins up there last week to see what the condition was up there. I said, "It must be wonderful to take a walk on the street at night." They said, "Are you kidding? Nobody goes on the street."

"Where was the Government in Washington?" they asked.

They seemed to think that in Washington, D.C., the President is around here with a machinegun.

This has caused insecurity across the country. You have it going across the country. There must be a limit, and it must be eliminated, because we cannot get anything done in a climate of chaos.

Franklin Roosevelt said that the only thing we have to fear is fear itself. Never have such words been more appropriate than today.

It seems to me that some man in high office should get up and put this on the line, because this is what people want to hear—all people, black and white—and if he did, he would get 90 percent of the votes.

Mr. WINN. How can you expect a President to do that when he has been telling us for the last two years: "You have got to be prepared for the long hot summers," and then the Vice President said that he would lead some of the demonstrations himself. How do you expect any kind of cooperation out of them after those statements?

Mr. LISS. When you talk about the Vice President, I think that the Vice President's stand on civil rights and social responsibility are well known. I am for every reform, but if I were a presidential candidate now—and I am not a politician—I think I know how to write speeches that would elect me. I know how these people on the streets feel. They do not know what these people on the streets feel, these candidates. They get their information from so-called experts who do not know. I did not get it out of books. I am like James Brown. I did not get it out of books.