

and this area, but their attitudes on crimes and the law enforcement agencies in the City of Washington differ from the average working man.

The average working man looks on a policeman as something with honor. He thinks that he should be looked upon as a leader and a protector of his rights. Instead of that they look upon him as a sad state of affairs because his hands are tied every time he makes an arrest.

I won't linger on that subject any longer although I could talk on it for hours. I think, like I say, it is a disgrace.

The crime problem that we are interested in, particularly, is within the printing industries of Washington. There are three major branches, the newspaper industry, the bookbinding or commercial industry, and the United States Government Printing Office.

Some of the gentlemen that I have here with me today are victims of the assaults, armed robberies, and acts of physical violence, vandalism and so forth, and we could crowd this court room or this hearing room with many of these people but I will tell you, it is a hard thing to get most of them to show up because they say "what's the use. All we are going to do is going to do a long big round of talks and nothing is going to be done" and this is the general attitude of the public in the City of Washington, particularly with our members working in the Government Printing Office, and he says "au, what the hell," and it is a true statement of fact.

We have sent and you have on record, Congressman Broyhill has been very cooperative with us, Congressman Machen, Senator Brewster, Senator Byrd from West Virginia, we have appeared before them several weeks ago, and we have a telegram that we sent to the President of the United States on May 21, 1968, Senator Carl Hayden, Senate Committee on Appropriations and also the Printing Committee of the Congress of the U.S. Representative John McMillan, the Attorney General of the U.S., Ramsey Clark, Mayor Walter Washington, Representative Burleson, Representative Broyhill, and the Public Printer, James L. Harrison, and I will read that and then give it to you for the record.

I have another letter I would like to read into the record, which is more up to date, and I don't think Congressman Broyhill has one, he may have one. This was addressed to me by the Executive Director of the Printing Industry of Washington, Miss Doris Hall.

(The telegram and letter as read by Mr. Hines are as follows:)

[Telegram]

MAY 21, 1968.

LYNDON B. JOHNSON, *President*.
 Senator ALAN BIBLE, *Chairman, Committee of the District of Columbia*,
 Senator CARL HAYDEN, *Chairman, Committee on Appropriations*.
 Representative JOHN J. McMILLAN, *District of Columbia Committee*,
 RAMSEY CLARK, *Attorney General of the United States*.
 Mayor WALTER WASHINGTON, *District Building, Washington, D.C.*
 Representatives OMAR BURLESON and JOEL T. BROYHILL.
 JAMES L. HARRISON, *Public Printer*.

Your immediate attention is requested on the subject of police protection for approximately 7,800 employees of the U.S. Government Printing Office, of which 1,800 are member of the Union that I represent. There is not a day or night that goes by that one of our loyal Government Printing Office employees isn't mugged, yoked, beaten, stabbed or robbed or damage done to personal property all due to