

A. I am answering that in my answer to the question by the chairman. The medium of distribution proposed by Technocracy Incorporated is energy certificates. An energy certificate would be identified to the person, in other words, non-transferable. It would carry either his signature or his picture so that no one else could use that particular certificate.

BY THE CHAIRMAN:

Q. An energy certificate issued by whom? A. By the government.

Q. By the state do you mean? A. Yes.

Q. I see. A. The energy certificate would carry other identifying features, such as the area in which this person lived and worked. The means of obtaining goods with an energy certificate would be briefly these: the energy certificate would be non-denominational. There would be no particular number of units printed on each certificate. The means of determining the number of units required to obtain any particular article would be these: the number of units of energy, you could use any unit you wished, as used by engineers; the number of units of energy, extraneous energy, other than manpower, that are required to produce that particular item. And that is a fairly simple matter even at the present time. In other words, the amount of time that the individual spent at labor hours to produce any particular item would not be used in determining the number of units required to obtain the particular item. Anything that is entirely and simply the product of man's time would carry no stipulation as to the use of any unit to obtain it.

Q. There is no relation between a man's time and his energy? A. That is right, and the reason for that is this:

THE CHAIRMAN: I know some men with not much energy whom that would suit.