

quo by a lot of people. Some of the farmers want to use this land for grazing, and the local people perhaps do not like to have their present existing arrangements changed too much.

I am going to talk to the Army people this afternoon while I am in the city to cut as much redtape as possible, to get in possession of this real estate so that we can move forward.

I think the burden of my remarks is really that we know from actual experience in Indiana that the boys respond beautifully to this type of outdoor work experience. We know from actual experience that there is a tremendous gap here, and that unless it is filled, unless some agencies fill it, by taking these boys who are out of school and are out of work and giving them some access to a skill or a vocation, we are facing serious trouble. It is really a much greater need than we believed. This has been our experience.

We know that the boys want to learn and desire an opportunity of this nature, and we are going to try to give it to them in Indiana. We are going to use Manpower Development and Training Act funds in vocational training of a limited nature, not necessarily as broad as we would like to be able to offer.

Concerning this bill that is before this committee: I would like to urge upon you that this is a need which desperately must have your attention. I am confident it is a problem in Indiana. I am sure the same problem exists in other States to a greater or lesser extent. Without question, a number of these boys came to Indiana and had no education because they were from migrant parents, who had never settled in one area long enough to let these boys ever acquire an education. They became 16 and hence didn't have to go to school, and they had reached this age without acquiring an education. So it is not a problem that is confined to our State, it is national in scope and it is going to take a national effort to get at it.

Mr. LANDRUM. Thank you, Governor. You described a most commendable program of your State to combat the problem of poverty and its associated conditions.

Is it your opinion that the problem is yet too large for the States and the localities to attempt to solve without the assistance of the Federal Government?

Governor WELSH. Certainly we are going to make every effort we can in Indiana to get at it. But, as I mentioned, this is a problem that exists because of the mobility of population and no matter how hard we try, this is not going to really solve the problem, it has to be solved all over the country. I mean, it has to be met all over the country. I am confident, of course, that if every State would do this on their own motion, this would be fine, but I am not sure that every State would do this. Indiana had not done it before last year and the need existed for some time prior to this.

Mr. LANDRUM. Let me ask you this in that connection—

Governor WELSH. And we are going to use Federal funds to finance this. We are going to use Manpower Development and Training Act funds to a large extent. The program should be expanded substantially, which we could not do without Federal funds.

Mr. LANDRUM. Do you find it difficult to get the interest and cooperation—that is, the enthusiastic interest and cooperation—from your wealthier sections in support of the problem that may come, does come, from less wealthy or less fortunate sections?