

tucky. You see that 50.9 percent of all examinees were turned down, 21 percent of those were rejected as unfit because of poor education. Of these draft eligibles 66.7 percent were rejected before examination because they had not received an eighth grade education.

If you take 66.7 plus 50.9 percent of the others, you have a Youth Conservation Corps or Job Corps.

Mr. BELL. Governor, would you say that the prime objective of these young men is to make an economic livelihood and to find jobs for themselves and to be trained to achieve a satisfactory living? Isn't that what they are after?

Governor BREATHITT. Yes.

Mr. BELL. The sooner they can get at a vocational program or programs that would apply to the job they want to get, the quicker they will be satisfied and the slack of 16-percent unemployment could be taken up; is that right?

Governor BREATHITT. Our experience in Kentucky has been with our jobless parent program, which in a sense is a guide to what this program would be to a more restricted age group. In Floyd County—I have been talking to our county attorney, he says the dropout rate in Floyd County schools has gone down since the 4 months we have had this jobless training program in that particular area.

Once they have the feeling that they have an opportunity for education and for work, then they have hope and they have guidance, and they can direct them. These are people who are not going to school. These are the dropouts. These are the people who are not even eligible to serve in the Armed Forces. They are the ones who are a tremendously large part of our population.

Mr. BELL. What is your job training program?

Governor BREATHITT. It is part of the Federal aid to dependent children of unemployed parents. We have gone with a pilot program in Kentucky this year into nine counties. Next year, starting July 1, we are going to the 39 counties in Appalachia. The following year to the entire State.

We enacted it into our budget this year.

Mr. BELL. These youngsters are not in residential homes, are they? You are giving them regular vocational job training, aren't you, in a local area?

Governor BREATHITT. We have a work relief crew. These are fathers, but many of them fall within this same age group. Many of them are fathers. They are unemployed parents.

Mr. BELL. I understand.

Mr. PERKINS. Mr. Bell, we adopted an amendment to the Social Security Act temporarily in 1961, and then in 1962 we made it permanent, for extending the aid to dependent children to aid to dependent children and unemployed parents. It was set up provided the States wanted to take advantage of it on a work relief basis. Very few States have taken advantage of it on a work relief basis, but about 18 or 19 have.

What we have done in Kentucky under a pilot project under a million dollar grant, they have done wonders down there in setting up a work relief program with these jobless parent people.

Mr. BELL. I see. I would like to commend you for that. That sounds to me like a very wise approach to a very difficult problem which