

Mr. PERKINS. Governor, I have one other question following up Mr. Bell's inquiry. The Farmers Home Administration, it is contemplated, of course, will be consulted and asked to make recommendations in connection with the provisions in the bill to assist farmers insofar as the grant up to \$1,500 and loan up to \$2,500 is concerned.

Do you feel that the Farmers Home Administration in Kentucky has been doing a wonderful job in administering programs of assistance to the small family farm?

Governor BREATHITT. Oh, yes.

Mr. PERKINS. And are they able to identify this marginal farmer that needs this assistance?

Governor BREATHITT. Yes, sir. In fact, in our agricultural development commission we are having study committees or subcommittees, just as you have, we are following the congressional pattern. We are conducting hearings and studies and we are utilizing these Farm Home Administration people in Kentucky to help us develop the plan of State aid.

We are asking their advice and help because they are the best in the business and they have done a fine job in Kentucky. They can administer it. I have no doubt in my mind about their ability to administer.

Mr. PERKINS. They can readily put their fingers on those marginal farmers who need the assistance more?

Governor BREATHITT. That is right.

Mr. PERKINS. Which will enable those farmers to stay on the farm, is that correct?

Governor BREATHITT. Yes, sir.

Mr. PERKINS. Thank you very much, Governor. I again wish to express my regrets that it is late Friday afternoon, when many members of the committee were unable to be present to hear you. I know the members would have been here if you had testified earlier in the week or this morning and those of us who were privileged to hear you have been impressed.

Governor BREATHITT. I am sorry I could not be here earlier.

Mr. PERKINS. Your testimony has been very helpful to the committee. I think I can speak for all the committee that we appreciate your being here. I know I appreciate your being here.

Governor BREATHITT. Thank you, sir.

Mr. PERKINS. When we adjourn today, we will reconvene on Monday morning, April 20, at 9 a.m. Our first witness will be Reuben Johnson, of the National Farmers Union, followed by Hershel Newsom, master of the National Grange, and Lou Schneider, American Friends Service, and Mrs. Dexter Arnold, president of the American Federation of Women's Clubs, and Mr. Richard Schifter, Association on American Indian Affairs, and Mr. E. B. Whitten, executive secretary, National Rehabilitation Association.

The committee will adjourn until Monday at 9 a.m.

(Whereupon, at 3:50 p.m., the subcommittee recessed until Monday, April 20, 1964, at 9 a.m.)