

we have been around the world. I fail to see why we can't hold field hearings where necessary and essential. I intend to bring this to the committee for a vote.

Chairman PERKINS. Let me say to my friend—

Mr. AYRES. If the gentleman will yield, we might even get over into Kentucky if the situation so requires.

Chairman PERKINS. I would be delighted for you to come to Kentucky on any occasion. You are welcome. You may go anywhere you want to go but I told Mr. Ayres that I would discuss this problem with the leadership on this side of the aisle, on this side of the committee aisle. We took this matter up before the full committee the other morning and voted on it. It was the view of your side and of the minority on this committee that we should proceed in the way that we are now proceeding.

Mr. AYRES. If you will yield for a moment, to clarify the record, I should point out it was a meeting of the executive session; I didn't vote the proxies. If I had we would have the mayor of Newark before the Commission to find out just what happened up there and why, and thus be better able to prevent similar occurrences elsewhere in the future.

Chairman PERKINS. Let me say if you get any statement from any responsible public official, or any responsible private individual that poverty workers have done the wrong thing in connection with inciting any riot or any other wrongful act, we will send investigators, but first come in here with some responsible statements and let's not just go fishing trying to do the program much harm.

Mr. AYRES. It is not the intent of any member of this committee to do anything that would disrupt helping the poor, but I think the American taxpayer is becoming a little confused with hundreds of millions of dollars going into this program without creating very many jobs. It has always been my observation until people learn to earn you are not going to break the pockets of poverty. I definitely think we should all direct our efforts in that direction.

Chairman PERKINS. I agree with my friend that we should all direct our efforts in the direction of improving the program but, to my way of thinking, much good has come from the program, from the Job Corps, the work-study program, the Neighborhood Youth Corps, these are programs that have kept thousands and hundreds of thousands of youngsters in school and we have given them the necessary training to earn.

I know mistakes have been made, and I don't defend the mistakes. I know we come across instances where poverty employees have gone overboard, done things they should not have done but, by and large in my mind where one has done wrong, 99 have done good for the welfare of the country.

Mr. AYRES. I move that we recess so we can answer the call for the final passage of the bill before us on the floor.

Chairman PERKINS. The committee will stand in recess for 10 minutes.

(Short recess.)

Chairman PERKINS. The committee will come to order.

Go ahead, Mr. Ashbrook.

Mr. ASHBROOK. Mr. Hansan, you have stated that very little poverty funds were used in this west end community council. It is my information that all of these circulars, just two of which I brought to your