

The child had never before in her life had money to buy her own clothing and to me this says a lot, Mr. Perkins.

Chairman PERKINS. Well, I am proud that you have brought this grassroots testimony. We have been delighted that you wanted to put in an appearance.

It was so sudden that I did not even have you on the regular schedule, but any other time in the future that I am lucky to hear you, whether I have got you on the regular schedule or not, you will always be welcome, as long as I am the chairman of this committee.

Mrs. DUNN. Thank you, sir.

Chairman PERKINS. I am delighted that we have got such patriotic people in eastern Kentucky, and to my way of thinking you exemplify the true eastern Kentucky, and I am most hopeful that you can expand your poverty program.

I would like to see it expanded. I know in times like these it is going to be real difficult, but above everything else, I am most hopeful that we can continue to have effective community action programs and let me say that the local directors of eastern Kentucky would do well to select a lady like you to put in charge down there.

I want that to remain in the record. I thank you.

Mrs. DUNN. Thank you, sir.

Chairman PERKINS. Mr. Alexander, I understand that you have a statement. Did you want to make a statement? Who are you with, here?

STATEMENT OF LYNN FRAZIER, INFORMATION OFFICER, KENTUCKY OEO, AND ALFRED ALEXANDER, ANALYST, STATE TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE OFFICE, FRANKFORT, KY.

Mr. FRAZIER. Mr. Chairman, I am Lynn Frazier, Mr. Whitehouse's information officer. Our Kentucky OEO director, Albert Whitehouse, was recalled home suddenly last night, due to the serious illness of his wife. We do have Mr. Whitehouse's prepared statement here that can be read.

Chairman PERKINS. Without objection, the prepared statement will be inserted in the record.

(Mr. Whitehouse's prepared statement follows:)

STATEMENT OF ALBERT WHITEHOUSE, DIRECTOR, KENTUCKY OFFICE OF ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY, FRANKFORT, KY.

Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, my name is Albert Whitehouse. Since January 3, 1965, I have been a special assistant to the Governor of Kentucky, The Honorable Edward T. Breathitt, and director of the Kentucky Office of Economic Opportunity. This office is set up under Section 209 of the Economic Opportunity Act and is located in Frankfort, Kentucky.

For twenty-three years (1942-1965) I was Director of District 25 and International Executive Board Member of the United Steelworkers of America, AFL-CIO. For over four years (December 1955 to March 1960), I was Director of the Industrial Union Department of the AFL-CIO, and, for seventeen years (1941-1958) I was President of the Kentucky State CIO Council.

We in Kentucky fully support the War on Poverty as it was so ably and effusely enunciated by Congress in 1964.