

efficient way to utilize the witnesses' knowledge and also provide opportunity to each member to use his questioning time as he sees fit. Of course, if we have additional time left after the first round of questioning, we will go as far around again as possible.

Our witnesses this morning are a distinguished group: Mr. Leon H. Keyserling, former Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers under President Truman; Mr. George H. Kimball, president of Kimball's in Portsmouth, N.H., representing the National Retail Merchants Association; Mr. John W. Edelman, president of the National Council of Senior Citizens, Inc.; and Dr. David Caplovitz of Columbia University, author of the book, "The Poor Pay More."

Congressman Wyman of New Hampshire would like to introduce his constituent to us, and we are happy to have you do that now, Mr. Wyman.

We also want to hear from Mrs. Sarah Newman, of the National Consumers' League.

I would ask all of you whose names I called to come up to the witness table where you will find your name cards.

Congressman Wyman, would you introduce Mr. Kimball to the committee and to the audience?

MR. WYMAN. Madam Chairman, and members of the subcommittee, I won't take a minute of your time, but I did want to come here today to present to you a personal friend of mine for many years who happens to be the representative of the National Retail Merchants Association, a member of the board of directors of that association, the president and general manager of the largest general retail dry-goods outlet in Portsmouth, N.H., who does a very substantial business—a man who has testified before Senate committees, other committees in this field for more than three times, a man on whom I have depended for advice for many years as an attorney general and as a Member of the House and a man whose opinions I respect very highly.

I think you will find that Mr. Kimball's testimony will be a valuable contribution to the deliberations of your subcommittee, Madam Chairman, and I commend him to you very highly.

Thank you.

MRS. SULLIVAN. Thank you very much, Congressman. We are glad to have you bring Mr. Kimball into this hearing and to introduce him.

I wish you could stay—if you can we would like to have you.

I believe, Mr. Kimball, you have two gentlemen accompanying you, including, if I am not mistaken, Mr. James Wooley, who appeared last week also with the American Retail Federation and Mr. Cianca.

MR. KIMBALL. He is not here. Just Dr. Wooley is with me this morning.

MRS. SULLIVAN. We will start with Mr. Caplovitz, since he is at the end of the table.

Can you and will you please summarize your statement in about 10 minutes so that we get the high points of it?

DR. CAPLOVITZ. I will do my very best.