

Mr. McCLURE. You would be in favor of that kind of a program of judicious use of the forest resource along these rivers?

Mr. POMEROY. It would be primarily to preserve the scenic values though rather than to harvest timber.

Mr. McCLURE. Yes.

Mr. POMEROY. I was just not excluding timber cutting as a part of the treatment.

Mr. McCLURE. Mr. Chairman, I just want to express my appreciation for some very constructive suggestions here. I appreciate your statement.

Mr. POMEROY. Thank you.

Mr. TAYLOR. Mr. Pomeroy has an outstanding record in the field of conservation. He has given a lot of thought to it, and we do appreciate these recommendations, Mr. Pomeroy.

Mr. POMEROY. Thank you, sir.

Mr. TAYLOR. We are trying to get the best possible practical bill.

Mr. POMEROY. If I may offer one other comment, it is refreshing to me to see citizens of Florida talk about a river that I know in an area where I lived, and offer to do something themselves. So often people come to this committee and want the committee to do it for them.

Mr. TAYLOR. Well, we have that same theory. We appreciate local units of government taking the lead in doing things for themselves, and local individuals doing things for themselves. I think we have gotten too far away from that.

Mr. POMEROY. Yes, sir.

Mr. TAYLOR. We say let Washington do it. That applies to welfare and everything else today.

Thank you, Mr. Pomeroy.

Mr. POMEROY. Thank you.

Mr. TAYLOR. We now have a group of witnesses from West Virginia.

Mrs. John P. Goulding of Sheperdstown, W. Va. I received a letter from Mr. John Moulton stating that Mrs. Goulding lives on a farm near the Potomac River, and the water was up so much this morning that her hired man couldn't get across the river by boat as he usually does to take her to catch the train so she couldn't be here, so the river prevented her from testifying about the river.

Mr. McCLURE. Was it a wild river this morning?

Mr. TAYLOR. The Potomac River has become a wild river. Mrs. Goulding will be permitted to testify along with the West Virginia witnesses tomorrow.

We have Mrs. Virginia Burns of Charles Town, W. Va., Mr. Bernard Leimaster, president of Upper Potomac River Basin Protective Association, Martinsburg, W. Va. They can come up.

Mr. MOULTON. Mrs. Burns is here, but Mr. Leimaster has asked me to present written testimony of his for the record, and I also have four letters—

Mr. TAYLOR. State your name.

Mr. MOULTON. I am John Moulton of Charles Town, W. Va., and I have letters from a Mr. Stokes of Charles Town, Mr. C. B. Hendrix of Shenandoah Junction.

Mr. TAYLOR. Are you authorized to use the time of Mrs. Virginia Burns and Mrs.—