

Mr. SCHEUER. Most of them have gone to cities where they are very well represented.

Mr. POAGE. Beg your pardon.

Mr. SCHEUER. A good many of them have continued over the past few centuries to migrate to cities where they are well represented, and where they are well represented today where they remain on the farms by the members of this committee.

Mr. POAGE. There is always a question here. I say in my comments that it's right clear that people are going to have less and less knowledge of agriculture. It is a question of knowledge, not of motives. I think the next generation is going to be just as well informed as you and I, I am not questioning that; but I do think it is clear that there is going to be less and less knowledge of agriculture and the needs of agriculture and it is our viewpoint that it is unwise to seek to place those people in the next generations in the position where they will likely be inadvertently injured by the actions of perfectly able and honest men who have no immediate connection with and have had no past experience with agriculture.

Now, Mr. Brademas has gone now, but he pointed out he had been on a farm and many of us have. But I'm sure that this committee as the Agriculture Committee, in the next generation will be less conversant with agricultural problems, and we think we would be foolish to sit by and idly allow something to be established now that we think we can foresee is going to do a terrible injury to the very people that we are all talking about helping in the next generation.

Now, maybe we are unduly alarmed, but it was the view of our committee that we should express our feeling. Whether our feeling is correct, we don't claim any greater knowledge or patriotism than you gentlemen have, but we do have a feeling on the subject. We felt it was our duty to express our feeling. We have expressed it. We are not taking issue with you gentlemen or your feeling; we are not resenting your attitude at all. We understand your position. We hope you will understand ours; we hope that you will recognize that there is another viewpoint.

Mr. THOMPSON. Mr. Chairman, you have expressed it in a most articulate and splendid way and I for one am delighted you did not listen to whatever warnings you got about coming. I hope that your experience before us will reassure your colleagues so that in the future rather than the device of a resolution, they can come and we can have the benefit of their tremendous knowledge of their subject.

Mr. Ford?

Mr. ASHBROOK. Will the chairman yield?

Mr. THOMPSON. I yield to the gentleman from Ohio.

Mr. ASHBROOK. I concur with the very able chairman of the subcommittee. While I don't agree with the action taken by our committee, I nonetheless think this is an area where we had jurisdiction, we had the right to take the action and the proper place for discussing this is on the floor in debate and while we welcome the chairman I would certainly reiterate what the chairman, Mr. Thompson, said, and hope in the future that this will be brought to us in a more orderly fashion.

Mr. THOMPSON. You see, a logical extension of this would be for our committee to say to the Committee on Banking and Currency that all employees of banks, savings institutions and so on ought to