AMENDING TVA ACT OF 1933—TRIAL BY JURY

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 1968

House of Representatives,
Subcommittee on Flood Control
of the Committee on Public Works,
Washington, D.C.

The subcommittee met at 10:02 a.m., in room 1267, Rayburn Building, Hon. Robert F. Jones, subcommittee chairman, presiding.

Mr. Jones. The subcommittee will come to order.

We are meeting this morning for the purpose of continuing our hearings on S. 1637 and related bills that are pending before the committee.

We are pleased this morning to have our colleague, the Honorable Frank A. Stubblefield, of Kentucky, who has been most anxious and interested in this proposition before the committee. We are well aware of his interest and it is a great pleasure for us to have you with us, Mr. Stubblefield.

STATEMENT OF HON. FRANK A. STUBBLEFIELD, A REPRESENTA-TIVE IN CONGRESS FROM THE STATE OF KENTUCKY

Mr. Stubblefield. Thank you, Mr. Chairman and gentlemen of the

First, Mr. Chairman, I would like to express my appreciation to you and members of this committee for holding this very important hearing

I have a statement, which I have delivered to you a copy of, that I

would like to, in the interest of time, just summarize.

Mr. Jones. Without objection, the statement will be received and

printed in the record at this point.

Mr. Stubblefield. Mr. Chairman, if I were to come to you as a Federal official and tell you that you had to sell your home and surrounding property to the U.S. Government for approximately one-half its value, you would probably think I was joking. If I told you that bulldozers would eventually bury your house whether you agreed to the offered price or not, you would consider the remark incredible. If you took me seriously and threatened to appeal my offer and challenge my threats, you would consider me even more offensive, unethical, and dictatorial if I told you that your appeal would probably get you less money in the end. If I came into your home and carried off some of your personal possessions while you were still living in the house, your fighting spirit might even be aroused to the point of physical action. But suppose you restrained yourself and chose the