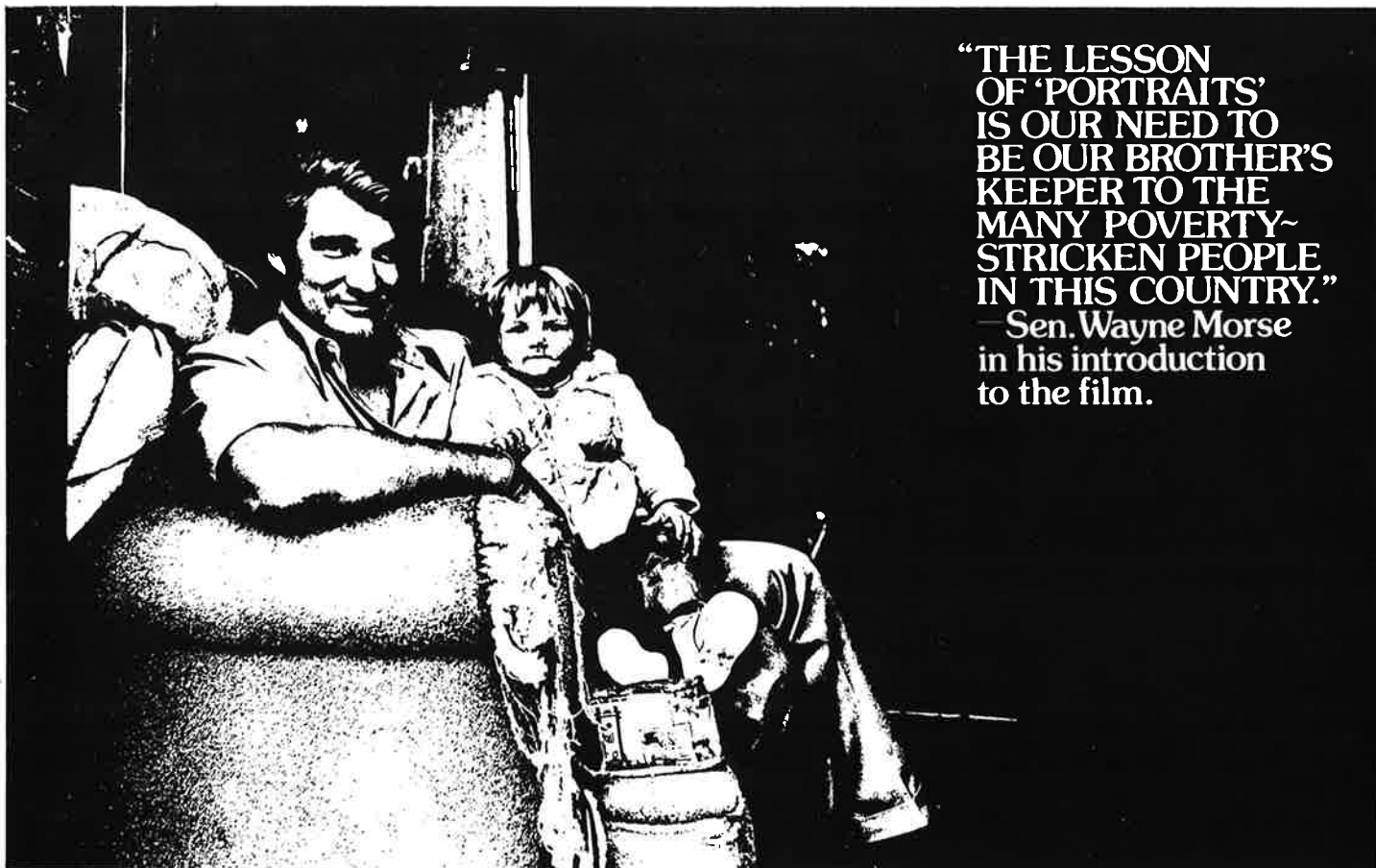


A FILM BY CLYDE KELLER

PORTRAITS

SPONSORED BY WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION



**“THE LESSON
OF ‘PORTRAITS’
IS OUR NEED TO
BE OUR BROTHER’S
KEEPER TO THE
MANY POVERTY-
STRICKEN PEOPLE
IN THIS COUNTRY.”**
— Sen. Wayne Morse
in his introduction
to the film.

Washington County is one of Oregon’s wealthiest. Yet, even here are the unmistakable cries of people in need, if we only look. PORTRAITS tells us who the poor are. We see poverty with a human face as the poor speak of their day-to-day problems of “paying the light bill”, “the rent”, “buying food”. The restrictive cycle of poverty is quietly and poignantly stated.

16 mm, 28 minutes, black & white, sound — \$ 195 preview copies for those considering purchase
video copies, ¾ inch cassette, ½ inch or 1 inch tape — \$ 115 available for \$15.00 from:

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PORTRAITS:

Poverty in Washington County

"Portraits" is a film about people—poor people, the young and old, migrant farm workers and welfare recipients.

It is set in Washington County, one of Oregon's wealthiest.

Oregon coast film maker and still photographer Clyde Keller traveled through Washington County and returned with more than 240 portraits of people. They are the cast and their tape recorded words are the script of his film.

"Portraits" is a combination of moving and still photography. The late Oregon U.S. Senator Wayne Morse opens the film with a comment on poverty followed by a private talk of an old Carl Dixon song "I Once Lived the Life of a Millionaire" played by a 80 year-old, black, Vista worker Sissy Smith from Cornelius.

The sepia-toned still portraits then follow backgrounded by the taped voices.

"It's a very dynamic use of still photography," Keller explains. "Each photograph creates its own psychological mood. I create interest through my perception in each still portrait. I'm very pleased."

The film which took six months to complete was funded

through the Washington County Community Action Council which will use the documentary film as an educational tool.

This film can be purchased from the Community Action Council, 546 E. Baseline, Hillsboro, OR for \$165.00.

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