

Mr. SIEPERT. Figure G-5 shows visitors by major geographical regions.

Chairman TEAGUE. If I understand what you are saying correctly, we are going to go ahead with a million dollar temporary facility?

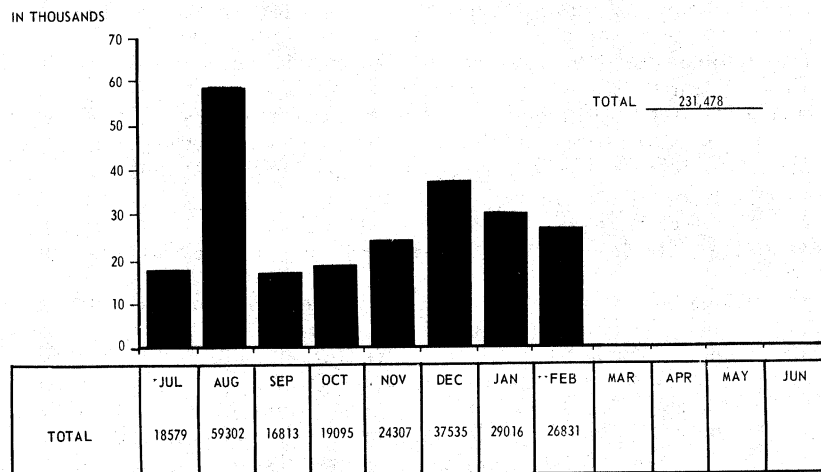
Mr. SIEPERT. We have underway a construction project under which \$613,000 will be invested in improvements that are directly usable now, as well as later, for the permanent site. We are going to develop the permanent site with all the grading, roads, utilities, and most of the parking needed for a permanent VIC operation. That is half the cost right there. In addition, the present contract includes \$243,000 for the structures. These are temporary, but they are reusable.

If at any point, it is decided by the Congress to replace them with permanent construction, these prefabs will have a salvage value when placed somewhere else on Merritt Island for warehousing, office, or shops space. The recovery value would be in the neighborhood of \$150,000.

The interior finishing and outfitting of the exhibit, projection space, and tourist accommodations will be a separate contract. The estimated cost is \$240,000, and much of this would probably not be salvagable if the temporary VIC were abandoned.

We have at the present time a fixed price contract for work which started about 2 weeks ago. The contractor is Houdaille-Duval of Jacksonville, Fla. They bid for the first two phases that I mentioned: site grading, utilities and road development, and the prefab structures. Their bid was \$838,550. The construction is on an accelerated basis so that we can move into these facilities in June 1967, at the start of the major influx of summer visitors.

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FIGURE G-5