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Mr. W. P. Kelly
Director, Job Corps
Office of Economic Opportunity
Executive Office of the President
Washington, D. C. 20506

Dear Mr. Kelly:

I feel I should first start out by saying I've heard only good of the Poland Spring Job Corps Center.

The facility is about 25 miles from Portland and we generally do not have direct contact with the center. However, our reporters have, since the opening of it, contacted officials and students in the course of their duties and have found all hands cooperative.

In the area of benefits to this community, Job Corps trainees are working as nurses' aides at Portland's Mercy Hospital and in the Portland Public Health Nursing program. In the latter program they are assisting at well-baby clinics, and with eye-testing programs in the local public schools.

Sister Mary Consuela, director of nursing at Mercy Hospital, and Miss Florence Tankevich, Health Department nursing director, both have praised the conduct and ability of the trainees, as well as the job corps.

I understand that at least one local department store has indicated it is willing to accept a retail sales trainee.

Job Corps women have been well received here.