

Mr. THOMPSON. I agree with you.

I will conclude by saying this, and I say not on a personal basis, but on an objective basis, with respect to you and your incumbency as the Secretary of the Interior, I think that you can be enormously proud of your achievements and of the achievements of your Department.

Although I am not a historian, I venture to say that many, many years after both you and I are gone your name will be in the books as one of the truly greatest, if not the greatest, Secretaries of the Interior.

Secretary UDALL. Thank you.

Chairman PERKINS. I concur in that statement, Mr. Secretary.

Mr. Scherle.

Mr. SCHERLE. Mr. Secretary, there appears to be mutual appreciation here this afternoon.

Mr. Secretary, I have always had a great respect and fondness for the Department of the Interior. I have never ceased to be amazed at the protection you give to our natural resources and heritage. As an outdoor man myself, I am greatly appreciative of this.

I have just a few questions, Mr. Secretary.

How many projects are there now as a part of the OEO that fall under your jurisdiction?

Secretary UDALL. I don't know that any of us here at the table could give you a specific answer because probably the answer today is different from a week ago.

You know, some are phased out and there are new ones that come on the line.

I would be delighted to furnish to you and the committee what the total number of projects were as of, say, the end of the fiscal year ending July 1, but I don't have it at my fingertips.

Mr. SCHERLE. Now, these individual projects we have reference to are all separate grants, are they not?

Secretary UDALL. In most instances, yes.

Mr. SCHERLE. Like the Job Corps, and so on?

Secretary UDALL. Yes.

Mr. SCHERLE. Would you give me or submit for the record a cost ratio of the grant in regard to the number of enrollees and the amount of most involved?

Secretary UDALL. Yes; we can do that, also.

Mr. SCHERLE. Fine.

(The information follows:)

COST RATIO OF GRANT TO JOB CORPS IN REGARD TO THE NUMBER OF ENROLLEES

The Job Corps Conservation Center program is the only program through which there is an identifiable direct transfer of funds to the Department of the Interior from OEO. All other OEO grant programs are funded and administered directly by the receiving organization, other than Interior, i.e., Labor for Neighborhood Youth Corps, etc.

During the period July 1, 1966 to May 1, 1967, Job Corps centers operated by the Department reflected a total of 4,525 corpsmen man-years with an operating cost of \$24,222,000.

This indicates an operating cost per enrollee man-year ratio of \$5,352. The figure does not include amortization capital costs, agency direction, or other costs funded by OEO. (Ref: "Job Corps Reports", June 1967, Office of Economic Opportunity, pages 62 through 69.)