

I have personally observed some of the fine things that have been done down at Breckinridge, and I agree wholeheartedly with your statement.

Mr. HORTON. I know you and other members of your committee have toured other installations. I have not had that privilege, but I have visited these two, and I am very impressed with this relationship where private industry works with the Federal Government to solve these problems.

I want to underscore one of the points you made; namely, the innovation which has been made possible by industry getting involved in this very important aspect of our society. I know from my personal experience of the innovations that Graflex has made with regard to the operation there at Breckinridge.

I just want to say another personal comment with regard to what I found.

Chairman PERKINS. I want to point out that the business people we have engaged in these efforts have come up with a lot of helpful answers to the problem. The innovation that has taken place is most remarkable, and it convinces me beyond any doubt that the Congress would be derelict in its responsibilities if we cut back the funds or altered the major thrust of this program.

Mr. HORTON. I feel it should be recognized, Mr. Chairman, from the standpoint of my personal experience with these two companies, and particularly with Graflex, that they are making financial sacrifices to take on this responsibility.

They are not making any money out of it. The return they get is a very small return, and certainly not anything that they could justify to their stockholders, certainly, in connection with comparison with their other aspects of business. So this, in my judgment, is a contribution that is being made by industry to help solve this problem.

I want to agree with you, too, that it seems to me this is the only way it can be done. I was impressed when I was there at Graflex. They have a dental dispensary, and they have medical attention for those boys. And they said 80 percent of those boys in there never had any dental care whatsoever.

When I was at Huntington girls were being treated and helped to learn how to make up their fingernails and make up their hair just to give them this personal confidence, which to them is so important in going out and finding a job.

I found the same thing there at Breckinridge. So I want to indicate to the chairman and the other members of the committee that based on my personal experience I have a very strong feeling it is very important for us to continue the Job Corps Center program and for us not to make any cutbacks at this time.

I think that we should give this program an opportunity to continue to prove its worth, and I think it will.

Chairman PERKINS. Representative Horton, in danger of monopolizing your time and that of our colleagues, I should not continue this colloquy, but you have made such an outstanding statement, I again wish to concur and state I agree wholeheartedly that the corporations involved in operating the Job Corps are not there for their own pecuniary gain, that they could spend their money far more wisely in other areas of their business, but they feel that they should make a