

Mr. WHITAKER. That is correct, that is the cost per enrollee per year. That includes that \$1,500 that is given as mustering out pay.

Mr. QUIE. The Office of Economic Opportunity provided us with a big document listing all of the centers. They list for Breckinridge \$7,737 as the experience to date.

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Quie, that is past information. It has cost us more to operate in the past than what it will cost us to operate in the future.

The figure I gave in my testimony is for the year ending June 30, 1968. That is the basis under which we accepted the contract.

Mr. QUIE. So this is an estimate for next year that you are using rather than the figure that actually is the cost in this past year?

Mr. WHITAKER. It is more than an estimate now. We will live within that figure, and I can assure you of that.

Mr. QUIE. What was the average cost this past year?

Mr. WHITAKER. I am guessing, but I would say it was between \$7,000 and \$7,500.

Mr. QUIE. Then where did OEO get these figures for fiscal year 1967? The cost-per-man-year was \$7,737 at Breckinridge, wasn't it?

Mr. WHITAKER. That could be correct.

One of the reasons, Mr. Quie, that the cost is high is the number of enrollees was down last year. As we get the number of enrollees up, the cost per individual can come down very dramatically.

Mr. QUIE. You say your capacity is 2,000 enrollment and that at the end of the period it was actually 1,098. And you are going to get it up to 2,000 this year.

Mr. WHITAKER. The average I am talking about will be 1,900, but the actual enrollment as we are sitting here is 2,007.

Mr. QUIE. What was the difficulty this last year in not operating at capacity as you expect to operate next year?

Mr. WHITAKER. They were not fed to us. The recruiting is a responsibility of OEO, and they were not fed in as rapidly as the projected schedule intended.

Mr. QUIE. How do you expect that they will be fed in that rapidly this year?

Mr. WHITAKER. It is apparent they will be because we are already at the 1,900 to 2,000 level, and last year we were building up from the inherited level.

The SIU had its problems, and it was impossible to feed in enrollees when we first took over the contract. There were 400 enrollees, and we had to build up to the 1,900 to 2,000 level.

Mr. QUIE. What was the month and year you took over?

Mr. WHITAKER. We took over as prime contractor on July 1, 1966.

Mr. QUIE. What was the amount of your contract for that, then, the fiscal year of July 1966 through July 1967?

Mr. WHITAKER. It was 12,300,000 approximately.

Mr. QUIE. What is your contract for this coming year?

Mr. WHITAKER. Approximately 12,150,000, but let me correct both aspects.

We voluntarily extended the period of the first year by 2 months, making it a 14-month contract when it was intended to be a 12-month contract, and the new contract is a 14-month contract.