

Chairman PERKINS. So many vocational educators have children who are going right on to advanced training, going into technical training, and so on.

Mr. WHITAKER. Exactly.

Chairman PERKINS. Mr. Quie?

Mr. QUIE. No further questions.

Chairman PERKINS. Mr. Bell?

Mr. BELL. No questions.

Chairman PERKINS. Mr. Meeds?

Mr. MEEDS. No further questions.

Chairman PERKINS. If you have any further comments that you feel we have not asked you about or if you have additional statements, furnish them to me and I will see that the minority and Mr. Quie are furnished a copy and we will insert the material in the record after the minority sees it.

Mr. WHITAKER. Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, I appreciate more than I can say your patience and the understanding way in which you have asked the questions. I hope the answers have been as good as your questions.

I do have a statement I would like to make as a concluding remark.

Chairman PERKINS. Go right ahead.

Mr. WHITAKER. Graflex and our associates in GPE feel that profits alone are not enough, that a truly successful business must have a social conscience. Today economic and social health go hand in hand. We regard education and training as means for achieving a controlled reaction instead of social dynamite where we have pockets of poverty in the midst of plenty.

Failure to recognize this could lead to the cancerous growth of social unrest and unwittingly to our own destruction. Job Corps is as significant an approach to the crux of this problem, the disadvantaged youth of America. Think of it as transforming school dropouts, some of them as much as third-generation relief into self-reliant taxpaying citizens.

As imperfect as it is, Job Corps is doing something about it, helping youth to help themselves, at the same time revealing useful leads on success, innovative learning techniques.

I thank each and all of you.

Chairman PERKINS. You are excused, and thank you very much.

Mr. WHITAKER. Thank you all. We appreciate your patience.

Mr. QUIE. May I make this one comment for the record?

I noticed the comment from the State leagues give the inference that Community Action would be ended; that there wouldn't be any Headstart program and so on. It gives that impression.

I want to say for the record for anybody who reads it, Community Action and Headstart and none of these programs would be eliminated under the Opportunity Crusade.

Mr. BELL. Mr. Chairman, may I add a point to this?

It does indicate to me also a general lack of understanding that the issue here is not the elimination of any of these programs. The issues are primarily mechanical as to where the programs can be placed more efficiently. That is the issue, not the question of elimination of any of these programs.

I think that is the program, Mr. Chairman, that seems unfortunately to be misread by many people throughout the Nation.