

Mrs. GREEN. I am glad to have that clarification. I came in at the time the chairman was questioning you. I had thought that you were saying that this must not be changed and that it must go on.

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. I think the idea behind the Job Corps and that is training is essential. I am satisfied by the vehicle of the Charleston Job Corps. That is the only one I know. I did say that I felt that one is doing a good job. But that is the entire range of my statement.

Mrs. GREEN. Thank you.

Mr. GOODELL. Will the gentlelady yield?

Mrs. GREEN. Yes.

Mr. GOODELL. In that connection, you have indicated you have a backlog of applicants for the Job Corps?

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. My reading says that there are thousands and thousands all across the country.

Mr. GOODELL. Yes, that is wonderful reading, but the testimony and the facts that we have are that they have been sending out special recruitment teams to get enough to come to the Job Corps. I am interested in your personal experience.

You said something to the effect that only two of 23 or 24 in a group were able to get into the Job Corps; is that correct?

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. We have some that went to the Job Corps who had to return because there was this problem of insecurity.

Mr. GOODELL. When did that happen?

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. That was about a year and a half ago.

Mr. GOODELL. I am not referring to the ones who dropped out because of problems of insecurity. Do you have a group there which has been making application to the Job Corps and has not been able to get in?

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. No, because the route we have been taking there, I have been trying to work with some of the boys to get them into jobs in the Charleston area. In other words, rather than working through the Job Corps, because I knew the pressure there. I thought I knew the pressure.

I have been working more directly with industry. We have been able to get some of them jobs, but not all of them by a long shot.

Mr. GOODELL. I was not speaking about the on-going program. I was speaking about those who were interested in getting into the Job Corps. Am I correct in my understanding, that of the group that you were referring to, only two of 20 were able to get into the Job Corps?

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. That's right. That was a condition a year and a half ago. As far as I know, there are no more applicants from that area to the Job Corps, but there are a lot of unemployed people.

Mrs. GREEN. Mr. Erlernborn?

Mr. ERLERNBORN. I am interested in your comment about the involvement of private enterprise. Some of us feel that the present structure in the Neighborhood Youth Corps which allows Youth Corps enrollees to work only in public works projects is somewhat restrictive.

What would you think about expanding this to make it possible for those in the Neighborhood Youth Corps to be employed by private enterprise, profit-making companies, and get their training this way?

Mr. ROCKEFELLER. Again, our experience—the only way I am willing to comment is on the basis of my own experience. Our experience