

Chairman PERKINS. Thank you very much. I will call on Mrs. Green, first, for questions.

Mrs. GREEN. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

I join my colleague from Oregon in welcoming Mr. Ben Day especially and members of the panel. Remembering our association of 20, 15, and 10 years ago, your testimony is most interesting.

Mr. Day, you are involved primarily in the CAP program?

Mr. DAY. Yes, I am.

Mrs. GREEN. What do you do in Headstart?

Mr. DAY. We run it, ourselves. We have a combination Headstart-day care center program, which begins at 7 in the morning and ends at 6 in the evening. We have developed what was originally our advisory committee, it is now incorporated, and we intend to make them the contacting agency for us.

Mrs. GREEN. I did not hear you. I am sorry. Who is the contacting agent?

Mr. DAY. We have a new organization which was our advisory committee. They will be our contacting agent. Right now we run it ourselves.

Mrs. GREEN. How do you run it?

Mr. DAY. We had trouble to begin with getting proper head personnel, but we now have a very capable person. We have had two who work for us and direct it for us.

Mrs. GREEN. Where did these two personnel come from?

Mr. DAY. The first one who went in on a temporary basis, because our first person was not able to do it, was the wife of a teacher in Southern Oregon College. She had gone to Oregon State College and taken a summer course on Headstart. For family reasons she did not want to continue the job, although she did an excellent job.

Then we found another professional person with a master's degree, who is our director.

Mrs. GREEN. Did she come from Education? Was she in the Medford schools?

Mr. DAY. No, she did not have any teacher's certificate or anything like that at all. She was not a teacher.

Mrs. GREEN. How many are employed in the Headstart program?

Mr. DAY. 26. We have two centers, one in Ashland and one in Medford. We have 26 employees.

Mrs. GREEN. Summer or full year?

Mr. DAY. Full year.

I am going to go from memory. There are 26 total employees and this takes in cooks, aides and teachers, and the director. We have one social worker, one nurse, one director. We have two head teachers.

Incidentally, as of now both of these head teachers are ex-high school dropouts, ex-welfare people and both are doing a very remarkable job. Mr. Dellenback went through one of our centers. He was taken through by the then acting head teacher, who is now an acting head teacher. She was a welfare person.

I don't think you knew that. We didn't tell you. But she is doing a very, very commendable job.

Mrs. GREEN. The two head teachers are both former high school dropouts?

Mr. DAY. Yes.