

cards in her hand, something happened inside her. Now this is the thing you have to come and see. The Members of Congress can not judge this program until you have been to a center and been all the way through it and spent some time with us and looked at what we are doing.

There is no way for you to imagine what is happening to these youngsters. Sure we fail with them. Every time we do, I weep because I don't think it is their failure, it is our failure. We have not learned yet enough about what to do for them. We talk about it. We give them, I would rather give them one too many chances than one too few. Sometimes it is difficult to make a decision because I don't feel it is not girl's fault. It is our fault because we have not yet found out all the answers. I wish it were possible to just share with you letters of recommendation just like the one I read to you, stories of girls who come to us really out of correctional institutions, a girl who took care of herself since the age of nine.

Chairman PERKINS. Will you put some of those success stories in the record?

Dr. GEORGE. Now? You want me to write them up or tell them? You won't ever read it. You won't have time to read it.

Dean PERLMUTTER. Dr. George has a very important point about firsthand experience with the centers. I have been in seven or eight. It is a very gratifying thing to see these youngsters.

Mrs. GREEN. You say you have been in seven or eight. How long did you stay and in which ones were you?

Dean PERLMUTTER. I have been in Gary and Kilmer and Parks that I remember offhand. I have been in the Cleveland center several times.

Mrs. GREEN. Gary, Kilmer, Parks, and Cleveland.

Dean PERLMUTTER. Yes.

Mrs. GREEN. How long did you stay in each one? How long were you in Gary when you were there?

Dean PERLMUTTER. I would have to check to see if I have any records of when I was there but I usually was there 24- to 48-hour periods.

Mrs. GREEN. Were you ever in any center for more than 48 hours?

Dean PERLMUTTER. I never stayed overnight in a center, which I would have liked to have done.

Mrs. GREEN. Were you in any center for more than 2 days?

Dean PERLMUTTER. No, I have been, however, with center personnel for as long as about a week, with just center personnel.

Mrs. GREEN. There were studies that have been made by people taken on a Cook's tour where a center has been given a wonderful rating. Then when the real detail study was made it was far from what was on the surface. Did you ever personally make a study of the training courses that were given to the enrollees?

Dean PERLMUTTER. Of some I have.

Mrs. GREEN. Where?

Dean PERLMUTTER. At Parks.

Mrs. GREEN. Of the training courses that were given at Parks?

Dean PERLMUTTER. I have looked at many of the curriculums and the programs. I am not a strong defender of the program academically. I think they have a long way to go.