

Let me just cite a few of them. Perhaps the largest volume one is the maintenance of the annuity rolls for the retirement program. We have more than 800,000 names on that annuity roll, and we are adding new names at an increasing rate from year to year as more people retire from service.

Secondly, we use our computer system for the processing of applications and test results for all competitors in our nationwide examinations. To give you a quantitative figure on that, we anticipate that about 1,135,000 applications and about 780,000 competitors will be processed through our system this fiscal year.

We maintain a 10-percent sample of Federal personnel statistics which we use for a variety of study purposes in order to have the necessary information, in order to reach decisions with respect to our personnel programs.

We process monthly and annually Federal employment statistical reports that are made to the Congress, to the President, to the public, concerning Federal employment.

Recently, in the last 4 or 5 months, we have had a new application which we had not anticipated when we developed our requirement for the RCA Spectra. That was the development of our executive assignment inventory file. This is a file containing significant data on 26,000 people in the Federal service in the top four grades.

Mr. BROOKS. How many?

Mr. MACY. The 26,000 in grades 15, 16, 17, and 18.

We utilize this inventory in providing information with respect to qualified people when an agency has a vacancy in the supergrade. This is a new program for which we have high hopes.

Mr. BROOKS. Have you been cutting down on the time it takes to evaluate those applicants, Mr. Macy?

Mr. MACY. Yes; we have.

Mr. BROOKS. I am not needling you. I know it does take some time.

Mr. MACY. I think we had a colloquy on this last year.

Mr. BROOKS. It is still a fascinating subject.

Mr. MACY. My figures show that we have reduced the time significantly since we created the new Bureau which made it possible for all of the functions relating to jobs and persons at this level to be consolidated in one bureau. Time has been reduced, and Mr. Berlin, as the program manager, has made a number of systems analyses of processing in order to cut the time.

Mr. BROOKS. Is Mr. Berlin in charge of all your computer operations?

Mr. MACY. Mr. Berlin is in charge of the executive manpower function. The computer operation is under Mr. Williams in the Bureau of Management—

Mr. WILLIAMS. I think the important point, Mr. Chairman, is that this is a completely centralized system. It is the only place in the Civil Service Commission where there is any computer capability. We service the entire organization. We service retirement in terms of its annuity rolls. We do all of the scoring of the papers in the examinations. We handle Mr. Berlin's roster of 26,000 names. We do all of the work in connection with all of the programs, whenever there is a need for electronic data processing.