

Charlie, would you want to file a statement, if you would, at this time?

Mr. BENNETT. Well, this is instructive to me, too. How long would you be going on, sir?

Mr. LIEBLING. Oh, about 30 or 35 minutes.

Mr. BENNETT. Why don't I come back? I have about a 5-minute presentation. I don't want to interrupt him.

The CHAIRMAN. All right, Charlie, we will accommodate you.

Mr. BENNETT. Could I make a statement? I will try to boil it down.

The CHAIRMAN. Do you want to file a statement?

Mr. BENNETT. Well, I would really rather—

The CHAIRMAN. You want to make a 5-minute statement?

Mr. BENNETT. Shall I come back in a half hour?

The CHAIRMAN. It looks like these gentlemen are going to be with us not too long. Maybe you can stay.

Mr. BENNETT. All right, I will stay.

The CHAIRMAN. Proceed, sir.

Mr. LIEBLING. Thank you.

It is apparent from the above discussion that if the bill is enacted, that even on a minimal basis, the activities of the Department would need to be expanded. To accomplish such aspects as go beyond our present programs, the Department would, of course, need additional resources in both manpower and dollars. In considering the workload which may be generated by the Industrial Defense Program, in particular, note should be taken of the number of investigations already being conducted by the Department of Defense.

The recently established Defense National Agency Check Center at Fort Holabird, Maryland, is responsible for all National Agency Checks required by all Department of Defense Components, including those required for our Industrial Security Program. The center completed 1,604,983 NACs in fiscal year 1967. This number represented our needs with respect to all of our programs, including military personnel, defense contractor personnel, and a certain number for our civilian employees not conducted by the Civil Service Commission.

Also, during fiscal 1967, we completed approximately 224,000 background (full field) investigations which represented our needs for this more extensive investigation for all security programs. The additional responsibilities taken on by an expanded program would have to be added to this present workload and is a factor which Congress would, of course, desire to consider.

Numbers of investigations do not tell the whole story. I would like to explain in a different way the extent of our resources and estimated costs now devoted to present security, including civilian, military, and industrial.

The following data are based on statistical information related to investigative operations of the three military departments during fiscal year 1967. The data do not include personnel or costs associated with the evaluation of investigative results, the adjudication of security cases, or the granting of security clearances.

a. *Personnel*: During fiscal year 1967, it is estimated that the equivalent of the following authorized personnel were engaged in conduct-