

opening is the Swift Bird Center on the Cheyenne River Reservation, near Gettysburg, S.D.

"These centers with 1,653 young men enrolled, have accounted for more than \$2.5 million worth of work in fiscal 1967 on conservation, Center and community projects, while at the same time offering new educational opportunities to high school dropouts and preparing others for work in many trades," Bennett said.

The appraised value of work done by these corpsmen during the year ended June 30 was \$1,543,038 on conservation projects, \$939,308 in Center projects, and \$120,747 on community projects, for a total of \$2,603,093.

Projects at Chippewa are typical of those for most of the Centers. They include tree planting, construction of camp grounds and picnic areas, small bridge and dam construction, and development of wildlife habitat.

Shops are maintained for woodworking, automotive maintenance and repair, and heavy equipment work. Each corpsman receives from two to four hours of instruction per day in mathematics and reading while in the education phase of the program. Programmed materials allow each corpsman to progress at his own rate.

Fire fighting, driver education and safety instruction round out center programs.

Bennett noted that the healthful, rugged outdoor surroundings of the centers contribute much toward the development of Job Corps youth, giving them a fresh viewpoint about their place and potential in the world around them.

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