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Hopkins Reasserts Records of WPA Are Available to Public.

Continued assertions by partisan opponents that Works Progress Administration records have not been available to them brought another and "final" answer from Administrator Harry L. Hopkins today.

"Our records have always been open to the public and will continue to be," Mr. Hopkins reiterated. "I can't make it any plainer than that. Neither will I engage in any political harangues designed by certain critics to befog the facts.

"I explained only recently that these records as to administrative costs were available to anyone having a legitimate reason for seeking them. The cry raised in certain quarters over the word 'legitimate' suggests that this touched a sore spot. Certainly we will not knowingly release information for illegitimate use, but we are glad to call attention to the low administrative cost of the Works Progress Administration, as officially announced yesterday.

"It would be impossible to answer every such charge made by those who are devoting their entire time to political attacks at this time of year. My time is fully occupied in the administration of this works program and I trust that in the future this will serve as a form reply to the parrot-like 'viewers with alarm' who must chatter for another four weeks."