

Mr. SWIDLER. No; I would particularly like to say for the three colleagues who cannot speak for themselves that they seem to me to be very well balanced, with no neurotic tendencies whatever that I can discern.

Mr. SPRINGER. Have you or any other Commissioners down there been rendering any decisions where you have been getting puff-jobs or image-building instead of protection, or streamlining and wall chart juggling instead of hard work?

Mr. SWIDLER. No, sir.

Mr. SPRINGER. Mr. Chairman, as I read through your statement very hurriedly this afternoon, it seems to me that you have pointed to one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine places which I have marked, in which you have pointed out progress that you thought has been made in the Commission in the form of streamlining the agency and bringing it up to date.

Mr. SWIDLER. Yes, sir.

Mr. SPRINGER. You have made this statement—I am not going to say it is all true, but at least you have tried to point out what innovation you made. If those are all true, I want to compliment you.

Mr. SWIDLER. I appreciate that, Mr. Springer.

Mr. SPRINGER. I just hope—I had one Commissioner up here last year and he had a hard time because he had done something which was not particularly popular here on Capitol Hill. I think he was right and I told him I thought he was right at the time. I just hope that you do not let you or any member of the Commission be upset because of the fact that you have had a disgruntled member of the Commission who is now leaving and has seen fit to make a statement impugning, as I get it, not just the Commission but the motives behind personal members of the Commission.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

The CHAIRMAN. Mr. Younger?

Mr. YOUNGER. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. CHAIRMAN. Did Commissioner Morgan consult you at all before he wrote that letter to the President?

Mr. SWIDLER. No, sir.

Mr. YOUNGER. Did you know that he intended to leave?

Mr. SWIDLER. I knew that he had political interests in Oregon and that he had long considered whether to go back to Oregon or stay on the Commission.

He made a good many trips to Oregon early in his term in an attempt to decide whether to leave the Commission and campaign for the governorship.

And I knew this was something that he was turning over in his mind. But not beyond that, sir.

Mr. YOUNGER. If I properly interpret the testimony yesterday and your statements today, your Commission meetings must have been most entertaining.

Mr. SWIDLER. No, sir; I think that Mr. Morgan was——

Mr. YOUNGER. I should think that either you or he would have known that something was going to happen sooner or later.