want to be recognized, catch my eye and I will be glad to recognize you if you have anything to add to the discussion or any point you

wish to make.

We have a 5 p.m. deadline here that I hate to impose on anybody, but there is so much to do today and so little time in which to do it. As you all know, we are going to have to work together and treat this as a group discussion. I would like if each one of you would make your remarks, and we will insert your statements in the record, together with the statement of Mr. Flanagan, and let each one of you briefly summarize what you have there. Tonight on the plane and tomorrow morning, we will go over your statements again when we get on the ground. As I said before, we will include those in the record.

You have heard a lot of discussion that has preceded you here. If you want to change the focus of your remarks, this is your oppor-

tunity to do it. Let us start over here.

Mr. Ciaravino, suppose you open for 5 or 10 minutes and then we will pass it around.

STATEMENT OF CASPER CIARAVINO, SUPERINTENDENT, SCHOOL UNION 69, CAMDEN, MAINE

(Mr. Ciaravino's formal prepared statement follows:)

FORMAL STATEMENT OF CASPER CIARAVINO, SUPERINTENDENT, SCHOOL UNION 69, CAMDEN, MAINE

School Union 69 is a medium size unit located in mid-coastal Maine. It consists of Camden-Rockport School Administrative District #28, the Town of Hope, Lincolnville and the Island of Islesboro. Its origin dates back to the days of the adventurous Captain John Smith. The first permanent settlers arrived in 1769 at both Camden and Rockport and a year later at Lincolnville. The area is well known for its rugged coast, its mountains that reach the sea, its lakes and its emerald islands that dot Penobscot Bay. From the top of Mt. Battie a panoramic view of the area lies at the feet of the beholder so varied, so expansive and so beautiful that it is the equal of any.

School District #28 is made up of Camden and Rockport. The combined population of the two towns, according to the 1960 census, was 5,882. Of this number 3,988 individuals reside in Camden and 1,894 were Rockport residence. The population increase during the interim period has been slight to moderate.

The District has a school enrollment of approximately 1,485 and a staff of 78 teachers. The pupil enrollment is distributed as follows:

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Kindergarten 92	8th grade 111
1st grade 124	9th grade 138
2d grade 111	10th grade 134
3d grade 100	11th grade 118
4th grade 117	12th grade 115
5th grade 93	
6th grade 106	Total 1,478
7th grade 119	Special class7

The State valuation of the two towns is:

	1964	1966
CamdenRockport	\$12,000,000 5,550,000	\$13,000,000 6,300,000