1414 ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION AMENDMENTS

To summarize the facts presented, we must first of all recognize that Public Law 81–874 and Public Law 81–815 are to assist in financing educational services and facilities for all pupils in federally impacted areas, and title I and title II of Public Law 89-10, ESEA, are to compensate for deficiencies within only a portion of the school's total pupils. Funds for the ESEA are for an entirely different purpose and cannot be substituted for impact funds.

Next we are faced with the emergency situation of the supplemental appropriation under the present Public Law 81-815. Many urgently needed classrooms cannot be constructed unless action is taken

immediately.

Although Federal assistance under Public Law 89-10 is essential to fill the gaps in the experience and skills of many children from disadvantaged backgrounds, the consensus of opinion of all school administrators in federally impacted school districts is that Public Law 81-874 and Public Law 81-815 should become permanent legislation since this is a continuing and progressive problem.

Why face this problem every 2 years or so, when action by the 90th

Congress could alleviate such situations for the future?

If this cannot be accomplished during this session of Congress my recommendation would then be that the expiration of Public Law 81-874 and Public Law 81-815 coincide with the expiration date of Public Law 89-10, ESEA.

It has indeed been a pleasure to present my views on this very critical situation which affects the Rantoul City schools as well as hundreds

of school districts throughout the United States.

Chairman Perkins. Thank you very much for an excellent statement, Professor Eater. How many have not yet made a statement, Mr. Rose?

Mr. Rose. Mr. Hood does not have a statement but he will make

some verbal comments.

Chairman Perkins. We are always glad to see you back.

STATEMENT OF R. E. HOOD, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, BRUNSWICK, GA.

Mr. Hood. I am Ralph E. Hood, retired superintendent of schools of Brunswick, Ga., and a representative of a number of schools throughout the South working on this problem.

Chairman Perkins. How long were you the superintendent at

Brunswick, Mr. Hood?

Mr. Hood. 25 years and 14 days and I enjoyed coming up here most of those 25 years and we would never have survived if there had not been an "up here."

I want to apologize to the committe for not having copies of my testimony. My testimony is resting comfortably somewhere in an

airport, I don't know which airport yet.

I will just hurry along and make a few statements and bring out

about two points which I think should be brought out.

First I want to congratulate this committee and the Congress and the Nation upon the excellent law, Elementary and Secondary School Act. It is a great law.