

COMPETITIVE PROBLEMS IN THE DRUG INDUSTRY

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U.S. SENATE,
MONOPOLY SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE
SELECT COMMITTEE ON SMALL BUSINESS,
Washington, D.C.

The subcommittee met, pursuant to adjournment, at 10:20 a.m., in room 318, Old Senate Office Building, Senator Gaylord P. Nelson (chairman of the subcommittee) presiding.

Present: Senators Nelson, and Long of Louisiana.

Also present: Benjamin Gordon, staff economist; Daniel T. Coughlin, minority counsel; Susan H. Hewman, research assistant; and William B. Cherkasky, legislative director, staff of Senator Nelson.

Senator NELSON. The hearing of the subcommittee will resume.

Our first witness this morning is Dr. Leighton Cluff, professor of medicine, University of Florida. Doctor, the committee appreciates very much your coming here today to present your testimony. You may present it in any fashion you please, and speak extemporaneously from your statement or read it, elaborate on it, whatever way you wish. If you would, give a brief biography of your professional background.

STATEMENT OF DR. LEIGHTON E. CLUFF, PROFESSOR AND CHAIRMAN, DEPARTMENT OF MEDICINE, UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA COLLEGE OF MEDICINE, GAINESVILLE, FLA.

Dr. CLUFF. I graduated from George Washington School of Medicine, took my house staff training, intern and residency training at the Johns Hopkins Hospital and Duke University School of Medicine. I had my research training at the Rockefeller Institute in New York. I then joined the faculty at Johns Hopkins University in 1955, and I rose in rank there until I became professor of medicine at the Johns Hopkins University in 1962. I was professor of medicine at the Johns Hopkins University until the summer of 1966, when I became professor and chairman of the department of medicine at the University of Florida.

Over the past few years, my major investigative interest has been in the epidemiological study of hospital acquired disease.

Senator NELSON. Of what?

Dr. CLUFF. Hospital acquired disease, and in the past 5 or 6 years one of my major areas of interest has been in the epidemiological study of drug usage and adverse drug reactions.

Senator NELSON. All right, Doctor. If you would, go ahead and present your statement.