

Senator NELSON. Welcome to the committee.

Dr. APPLE. To my right is Robert F. Steeves who is director of our legal division.

Senator NELSON. Mr. Steeves.

Would you for the record, Dr. Apple, recite your professional credentials and professional background?

Dr. APPLE. Mr. Chairman, I will be glad to submit a biographical sketch for the record, but very briefly, I have a bachelor of science degree in pharmacy, a masters in business administration with a major in marketing, and a Ph. D. in pharmacy administration from the University of Wisconsin and an honorary doctor of science degree from Long Island University. I am also a registered pharmacist in the State of Wisconsin.

Senator NELSON. And were you associated with the University of Wisconsin School of Pharmacy while you were in Wisconsin?

Dr. APPLE. Yes, for a number of years I was a member of the faculty, and chairman of the department of pharmacy administration at the University of Wisconsin.

Senator NELSON. Then subsequent to that?

Dr. APPLE. I left the University of Wisconsin to come here on July 1, 1958, and became executive director of the association on August 22, 1959.

Senator NELSON. Thank you very much. I have a couple of preliminary questions I would like to ask.

How many members are there in your association?

Dr. APPLE. Mr. Chairman, every time we appear before a congressional committee we are asked what our membership is, so I thought for once I would try to settle it. We have our membership roster on a computer, and I have brought with me the entire membership list of the American Pharmaceutical Association. As of November 6, 1967, we have 46,000 paid members of which approximately 14,000 are student members.

Senator NELSON. And these are, except for the students, all practicing pharmacists?

Dr. APPLE. No, sir; they are not. There are roughly 787 who are not engaged in the practice of pharmacy.

Senator NELSON. And what is the activity of those 700-plus?

Dr. APPLE. Well, some of them are teachers, some of them are researchers, some of them are in the category of people who are interested in pharmacy and are employed in some administrative or executive positions.

Senator NELSON. What percentage of the practicing pharmacists in the United States do you have in your association, do you know?

Dr. APPLE. Roughly a third of those actively engaged in practice.

Senator NELSON. Is there any other national organization of pharmacists?

Dr. APPLE. Yes, Mr. Chairman, there are a number of specialty organizations of pharmacists. Two of them—American Society of Hospital Pharmacists and the American College of Apothecaries—are directly affiliated with us. There is another association made up of owners of drugstores; there is another association of chainstores. There are wholesaler organizations. There are organizations ad infinitum in pharmacy. But the only organization that speaks for the