

Dr. ADRIANI. That is right.

Senator NELSON. And then based upon the amendment, the Kefauver-Harris amendment which required the FDA to review the drugs for efficacy, the National Research Council of the National Academy of Sciences came to the same conclusion that the drug council of the AMA had come to many years ago, and in effect endorsed the same position that the drug council has taken for years, is that right?

Dr. ADRIANI. That is right. That has been the position. I make this point in my statement even with some of the new drugs when I mention that the fixed combination of the narcotic and the tranquilizers, Innovar, that has just come on the market, INA 50 to 1. How did they arrive at the 50 to 1 ratio? I was telling Senator Nelson this morning that when this drug combination was a number we evaluated it at Charity Hospital. I was reluctant to evaluate it, because I wanted to have each individual drug available and give the patient the proportion that he needs. Some may need more narcotic and some more tranquilizers. And they finally provided each drug individually. They gave us the material to investigate. I was not impressed by this material, because the patient got rigidity of the muscles. Then they submitted a new drug application (NDA) and finally got it approved, and it came on the market. After it came on the market they started to promote it. My own staff thought I was old fashioned, because I refused to use it. They said, "the old man is obstructing progress. Here is a new drug, and everybody says it is good." They got their information from the detail man. But the old man had seen the product when it was a number and knew all about it.

Senator NELSON. It is correct, is it not, that Dr. Dowling preceded you as chairman of the drug council of the AMA some years ago? ¹

Dr. ADRIANI. Yes. Dr. Harry Dowling was chairman when I came on the council. He served 3 years—you cannot serve as chairman for more than 3 years. Incidentally, every one on the council is reappointed once a year, so you are never sure if you are going to get back on.

After that, Dr. Simeone was elected chairman, he had 1 year more to serve. He is a surgeon, and he is now up in Rhode Island. He is a very fine doctor, and very knowledgeable. He served a year as chairman.

Then Dr. Sol Sherry took it over. He found the duty too heavy, and he resigned.

I became acting chairman and then chairman and I have been chairman the last year and this year.

Senator NELSON. Do you recall that Dr. Dowling wrote a very distinguished paper on fixed combinations in 1957?

Dr. ADRIANI. Yes. I do not remember the exact reference, but I think that was the year. It was an editorial or a paper on the subject of fixed combinations.

Senator NELSON. I have here an editorial which I want to include as an appendix to this record run in the AMA's Archives of Internal Medicine in April of 1957. I will quote excerpts from it and ask that the editorial be printed in full. The authors, all distinguished doctors

¹ See statement of Dr. Dowling, Appendix VII, pp. 5269-5272.