

COMPETITIVE PROBLEMS IN THE DRUG INDUSTRY

TUESDAY, JULY 29, 1969

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

The subcommittee met, pursuant to recess, at 9:30 a.m., in room 318, Old Senate Office Building, Senator Gaylord Nelson (chairman of the subcommittee) presiding.

Present: Senators Nelson and Dole.

Also present: Benjamin Gordon, staff economist; Elaine C. Dye, clerical assistant; and James P. Duffy III, minority counsel.

Senator NELSON. Our witnesses this morning are Dr. Henry Brill, director of Pilgrim State Hospital, and Dr. F. A. Freyhan, director of research, Department of Psychiatry, St. Vincent's Hospital, N.Y.

We are very pleased that you took the time to appear here this morning. We will hear from Dr. Brill first.

Your prepared statement will be printed in the record. The committee would be very pleased to have you depart from your text if you desire at any time to elaborate anything that you have in the text. And for any questions that we ask we would be happy to have comments from both of you if you wish.

STATEMENT OF DR. HENRY BRILL, DIRECTOR, PILGRIM STATE HOSPITAL, WEST BRENTWOOD, LONG ISLAND, NEW YORK, N.Y.

Dr. BRILL. Mr. Chairman, I am Dr. Henry Brill of West Brentwood, N.Y. And I would be very glad to dispense with the reading of the qualifications and go right on with the statement, if you would like.

Senator NELSON. It will be printed in the record.¹

Dr. BRILL. I do not speak for any of the groups—I quoted a number of groups I am associated with—I do not speak for any of these groups here today, but I am here in purely a personal capacity. I appreciate the opportunity of appearing to speak about psychotropic drugs. The organizations and the experiences are listed as qualifying background for the statement, and you will note that none of these activities provides a special knowledge with respect to the economics of drug development and distribution nor with regard to merchandising or marketing practices such as advertising or promotion. Nevertheless, I have been active for many years in areas which are closely related to these issues and hope that some of the comments will cast additional light on the central questions which interest your committee.

¹ See p. 5321.