

and you hoped they would be able to contribute to the February meetings.

Mr. CLIFF. That was Mr. Greeley's comment, and I concur with him fully.

Representative DELLENBACK. May I push that one point further then, either Mr. Cliff or Mr. Greeley, directly on this particular point. Has a decision been made at this time as to whether any representatives of industry will be a part of the negotiating team as contrasted with merely being advisers to the negotiating team?

Mr. GREELEY. Congressman Dellenback, this is not properly my question to answer. I have participated in some discussions about this. The subject is under active consideration by the people who must make the decision. But I think this is not—I can't answer it because I would have to say I don't know—I think it is not properly my question to answer.

Representative DELLENBACK. I don't mean to push unfairly or unduly on this.

Mr. GREELEY. I think this is not my proper field to attempt to answer.

Representative DELLENBACK. Let me just make a brief statement for my own standpoint at this point, that I think it would be from our standpoint, meaning from America's standpoint, extremely helpful not only that the negotiators work closely with industry, but that representatives of industry be a part of the negotiating team, and again when the representatives of State testify before us, I will push this further with them. It is difficult enough for those of you who engage in these negotiations on behalf of America to keep the outside advisers briefed on what you are doing, although I have made a very real effort to do that last time. I am sure they were grateful and we were grateful to note that the representatives of Agriculture, the representatives of Interior and the other departments did do a real good job in this particular regard. But it seems to me that there is a difference between the interrelationship between industry and the government in Japan and the interrelationship between industry and the Government here in America that can permit the Japanese to have merely government negotiators and really they are representing industry also from what I understand, but on your side it is almost imperative, if we are to have truly meaningful, effective negotiations, that we have representatives of industry as part of the negotiating team, and I don't ask you to comment further on that in view of your remark.

Mr. GREELEY. I understand what you are saying.

Representative DELLENBACK. This I feel strongly about and as I have said, I will take this up further with the State Department people when they are on the stand.

So far as the negotiations with the Japanese are concerned, do you feel that if in negotiating with them it is better to work from a firm stand or a very soft stand or do you have any comment, Mr. Greeley, as our negotiator from the Forest Service on this particular point?

Mr. GREELEY. In about the last 6 weeks my experience as a negotiator has grown from nothing to a trifle. On the basis of this vast experience I don't think that I am the one to comment.

Representative DELLENBACK. I must confess you threw me off with