

Governor CHAVARRIA. Yes, sir.

The CHAIRMAN. Are your answers any different to these questions than those given by your fellow Governors?

Governor CHAVARRIA. Mr. Chairman, our answers are the same. We have the same type of government from time immemorial.

The CHAIRMAN. Do you carry with you the two canes which are symbolic of your allegiance to the Spanish, first, and then your allegiance to the American Government, given to you by the same people that gave the canes to Governor Calabaza?

Governor CHAVARRIA. Yes, Mr. Chairman. One of the canes that I have here was presented by the Spanish Government, and this black ebony cane was presented by Abraham Lincoln, which on the head of the cane is inscribed "A. Lincoln." I will get my glasses on to read the date.

The cane is inscribed "A. Lincoln, 1863."

The CHAIRMAN. How much education have you had, Governor?

Governor CHAVARRIA. Mr. Chairman, I completed through the seventh grade.

The CHAIRMAN. You beat my father by two grades, Governor.

Governor CHAVARRIA. Thank you.

The CHAIRMAN. The gentleman from Washington.

Mr. MEEDS. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. And also my father by two grades.

Governor CHAVARRIA. Thank you.

Mr. MEEDS. First of all let me commend you, sir. I notice when you stood and spoke, the people with you showed a very proper degree of reverence to your presence and the fact that you were speaking. I won't burden the record with a discourse on all the questions I have asked the other people.

Would it be your testimony that you presently give to the people, or the people presently have in your pueblo the same rights as the former witness testified to with respect to the Zuni?

Governor CHAVARRIA. Yes, we do.

Mr. MEEDS. All of these rights?

Governor CHAVARRIA. Yes, all the rights.

Mr. MEEDS. Well, sir, if there are some Indian people in the United States who do not have all those rights, wouldn't you feel better if they did?

Governor CHAVARRIA. Sir, I did not catch your question.

Mr. MEEDS. Would it make you feel better if all Indians everywhere had the same rights that the people in your pueblo have?

Governor CHAVARRIA. That is right, sir.

Mr. MEEDS. If they had those rights guaranteed to them by law?

Governor CHAVARRIA. Yes, sir.

Mr. MEEDS. That is all, thank you.

The CHAIRMAN. The gentleman from South Dakota.

Mr. BERRY. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. No questions. Just to commend you gentlemen on a very fine statement. We appreciate it very much.

Governor CHAVARRIA. Thank you, sir.

The CHAIRMAN. Do you have a written constitution, Governor, of your tribe?

Governor CHAVARRIA. Yes, we have, Mr. Chairman.