

Mr. MAHON. Thank you, so very much.

Mr. KLUCZYNSKI. Any further questions?

Mr. McEWEN of New York.

Mr. McEWEN. This was interesting to me and I am sure to others that your community of Lubbock you said is 165,000 population, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. MAHON. Yes.

Mr. McEWEN. What was the population of let us say the metropolitan area?

Mr. MAHON. I am talking about the metropolitan area. The city is something over 150,000.

Mr. McEWEN. What was the population of that metropolitan area 10 or 20 years ago?

Mr. MAHON. Well, it has grown very rapidly during my period of service as a Representative. It was nothing approaching that in 1935. I can supply it for the record if you like.

Mr. McEWEN. Lubbock was something in the order of maybe 50,000 going back to the 1940's?

Mr. MAHON. Yes.

(The following population figures were supplied for the record:)

	Lubbock County	City of Lubbock
1940.....	51,782	31,853
1950.....	101,048	71,747
1960.....	156,271	128,691

Mr. McEWEN. What, Mr. Chairman, lies west of there or east if you were to have an east-west connection?

Mr. MAHON. West, of course, if you go west you go more or less toward Albuquerque, N. Mex., and on out.

Mr. McEWEN. And Roswell, N. Mex.?

Mr. MAHON. Roswell, N. Mex., more or less on the line.

Mr. McEWEN. South and west of Lubbock?

Mr. MAHON. Yes. Of course, the highway that way would parallel to some considerable extent Interstate Route 20 to the south and the highway through Amarillo to the north which is Interstate 40. But it would be an important link and serve a very big area.

Mr. McEWEN. It is now you say approximately 100 miles either north or south?

Mr. MAHON. Yes.

Mr. McEWEN. Thank you.

Mr. MAHON. Thank you very much.

Mr. KLUCZYNSKI. It has been a pleasure to have you before this committee.

Mr. MAHON. I have not had this opportunity recently.

Mr. KLUCZYNSKI. You are always welcome because we need you.

Mr. MAHON. Thank you.

Mr. KLUCZYNSKI. I now recognize another Congressman from New York, Mr. Jonathan B. Bingham.

Do you have a prepared statement?