

The average citizen could not travel and see this great country of ours but for you. The opportunities you have given people to learn about this country of ours, and the retired people who could not afford to go by airplane. You are right in making them more comfortable and for this, I commend you.

With this statement, Mr. Chairman, I pledge to you that I will only take a fair amount of questioning and I will not under the circumstances be given a chance to ask the questions I have so I will just yield my time, whenever the chairman thinks I have had sufficient time to ask the questions, and I will yield to someone else and I will present my case in the Congressional Record which I do not think is an adequate or fair way to approach the solution to the problem I have pointed to.

Now, if my time is up I will yield. If not, I would like to ask a few questions of these people.

Mr. KLUCZYNSKI. Well, the gentleman from Iowa, I would say to you that I appreciate the kind remarks you said about the chairman and the purpose of the hearings you said you were not for the bill or against it now and I want you to know the chairman feels the same as you do and before I make up my mind, I want to give everybody interested, whether he is for the legislation or against it, I want to give them a fair hearing and so we can sit down and get this testimony and statements together and sit down in executive session and I hope we can work some kind of legislation out that the committee has always done in the past.

Mr. Schwengel, I think you are one of the outstanding members of our subcommittee. You have always been on the job. You have been present all the time and many times I was short of a member and I would call your office and you were right on the job, and I appreciate that very much.

Mr. Cramer, the gentleman from Florida.

Mr. CRAMER. I believe the gentleman from Iowa indicated he had some questions he wanted to ask and I will yield to him for that purpose. But I would like to comment too, Mr. Chairman, just briefly. There are not too many matters that have had greater study by the Bureau of Public Roads, by the American Association of Highway Officials. There are not many subject matters that have had more reports and studies made thereon. There are not many subject matters that I know of on which there seems to be a common ground for understanding and somewhat agreement than the bill that we have before us and the subject matter we have before us which is now being testified about and was the other day by truckers, and what have you.

I think I will say to the gentleman from Iowa that we do have very substantial documentary material based upon which we can make I think a sound judgment when it comes to the problem of marking up this bill.

As a matter of fact, we have so much material that I find it rather difficult myself to go through it all but I am confident as the chairman suggested that we can end up with a bill that will protect everybody's best interest and in particular, the general public.

I will yield to the gentleman for whatever questions he has and on the 5-minute rule.