

sure that it would even be Congress's responsibility unless some legislation were put before us to that effect.

Secondly, the experience of the Roosevelt Memorial, I think, is rather illustrative of the difficulties that you can get into. President Roosevelt died 25 years ago, and yet we still haven't reached any agreement on how we should memorialize him.

The Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts was presented to Congress as an idea. Congress didn't shop around for other memorials. We accepted it as the memorial to President Kennedy, and I have made this proposal to this Congress as a suitable memorial to President Eisenhower.

You may think it is perhaps odd that I should be the one to make the suggestion with regard to memorializing a great Republican President, but I think, as others are prepared to testify this morning, it will indicate that this is the wish of those close to President Eisenhower. And I think it is something that is shared insofar as the recipient of this kind of honor can be said to share this kind of idea, by the former President himself.

I think we have to act on specific proposals rather than undertake a quest for something we know not what.

Mr. HATHAWAY. Thank you.

Mrs. GREEN. Thank you very, very much, Congressman Stratton. You are a very persuasive spokesman for this particular cause.

Mr. STRATTON. Thank you very much, Madam Chairman.

Mrs. GREEN. President Rosenkrans? We are delighted to have you come before the committee this morning. We would like to have your views, and I am sure we do have additional questions.

**STATEMENT OF JOHN ROSENKRANS, EISENHOWER COLLEGE,
SENECA FALLS, N.Y.**

Mr. ROSENKRANS. Thank you, Madam Chairman and members of the committee.

It is my great privilege to serve as President of Eisenhower College, as well as to represent the trustees, the faculty and administration in this hearing on the resolution under consideration, which will provide in most fitting manner enduring honor to General Eisenhower by underwriting the accelerated advancement of the college which bears his name.

The organizing committee and the successor trustees have acted in the belief that the finest way to offer permanent recall of the great contributions to humanity of this distinguished citizen-soldier is to build in his name a small college of distinction, the general attributes of which he has so often spoken with conviction and admiration. Recognizing that much is yet to be accomplished, we believe that we have in being just such a college, situated in Seneca Falls, N.Y., on a wonderful 265-acre campus bordering Cayuga Lake.

When he joined in the college groundbreaking on September 21, 1965, General Eisenhower, as part of more extensive remarks said:

I came here only to tell you something of the pride I feel in the action of certain dedicated men, and many others who agreed with them, in establishing a most needed college, in the United States and in this particular region, and that they found fit to give my name to that institution.