

today about the haste in which a significant effort was made allowing for the possibility of overlooking the importance of these particular lands to these people fits the point I am trying to make, Senator.

Senator ANDERSON. Thank you very much for your appearance here today.

**STATEMENT OF JOE K. PHIPPS, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS
FOR WFIL RADIO AND TELEVISION, PHILADELPHIA, PA.**

Mr. PHIPPS. Mr. Chairman and members of the committee: My name is Joe K. Phipps. I live in Philadelphia where I am director of public affairs for WFIL radio and television. I appear here today as a member of the National Committee for Restoration of the Blue Lake Lands to the Taos Indians, a volunteer group of citizens chaired by Mrs. Oliver La Farge of Santa Fe, N. Mex.

The cause of justice for the Taos Pueblo Indians was a major concern of the late Oliver La Farge for more than 20 years. Mrs. La Farge, who is prevented from being here by illness, has asked me to read the following statement in behalf of the national committee.

Senator ANDERSON. Would you further identify this organization?

Mr. PHIPPS. Yes, this is a group of individuals from across the country. I have a list of them.

Senator ANDERSON. Would you supply them for the record, please.

(The information requested is as follows:)

**NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR RESTORATION OF THE BLUE LAKE LANDS TO THE TAOS
INDIANS**

Mrs. Oliver La Farge, widow of noted author and Indian authority.

Rev. E. Russell Arter, National Council of Churches, New York City.

John Collier, Sr., former Commissioner of Indian Affairs, Taos, New Mexico.

Archbishop James P. Davis, Catholic Archdiocese of Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Mrs. Marshall Field IV, Libertyville, Illinois.

Rev. Lee Hobert, President, New Mexico Council of Churches, Las Cruces, New Mexico.

Rev. Dean M. Kelley, National Council of Churches, New York City.

Daniel T. Kelly, New Mexico businessman, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

William Mauldin, political cartoonist, Chicago, Illinois.

Thomas V. O'Leary, Vice President, Philadelphia Suburban Water Company, Bryn Mawr, Pennsylvania.

Joe K. Phipps, Director of Public Affairs for WFIL Radio and Television, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Rufus G. Poole, attorney, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Mrs. Rufus G. Poole, concert artist, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Eliot Porter, conservationist, member, National Board of the Sierra Club, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

Mrs. Edgar L. Rossin, civic leader, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

S. P. Schwartz, New Mexico business executive, Albuquerque, New Mexico, former President of Sandia Corporation.

Howard M. Squadron, American Jewish Congress, New York City.

John S. Stillman, attorney, New York City.

Dr. Edward H. Spicer, Department of Anthropology, University of Arizona, Tucson, Arizona.

John H. Wanamaker, Department store executive, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

James E. Wood, Jr., Editor, Journal of Church and State, Baylor University.

James Webb Young, retired executive, J. Walter Thompson Agency, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

V. L. Verdiani, President, Sun Oil International, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Mr. PHIPPS. Mrs. La Farge's remarks are as follows:

For more than 60 years the Taos Indians have struggled to have restored to them sacred lands leading to, and surrounding Blue Lake