

Mr. MARTIN. Do you have any educational TV stations in Kansas?

Dr. GORTON. No, sir. We are trying to get some State funds set up for this. We have a pilot project which is underway now, a study of an educational TV network which is to be operative soon.

Mr. MARTIN. I think that has great possibilities along this line, an educational network that would carry this type of program.

That is all, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. THOMPSON. The broadcasters in meeting here last week suffered almost as much at Government hands as the Government did a week or so earlier at the hands of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

I think it was former Governor Collins who started out shocking the big network people and they had hardly recovered from that when Newton Minow took the stage and gave them a comeuppance which was long overdue.

I do not think that anything is contemplated or possible in this legislation to do more than advise; nor should it be. We cannot legislate taste and, if shoot-them-up programs sell cookies or soap or whatever they sell, then I do not suppose that the sponsors are going to change and put a symphony orchestra on. We might finally get to a point, however, where there are some live musicians on radio and on television and a few less records used over and over again at the expense, really, of the musician; but certainly this legislation does contemplate a thorough review of the Government's role in the arts and it will be expected to make recommendations to the appropriate agencies having to do with the arts. In that sense I think it can be very valuable, but in no sense will it be a censorship group or a group the purpose of which is to require any action on the part of any citizen.

We thank you very much, Doctor.

Dr. GORTON. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. THOMPSON. Our next witness is Dr. Clifford Buttelman, of the Music Educators National Conference.

Is Dr. Buttelman here?

STATEMENT OF DR. CLIFFORD BUTTELMAN, MUSIC EDUCATORS NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Mr. THOMPSON. You may proceed as you wish, sir.

Dr. BUTTELMAN. I have something here which you might want to consider. I am fortunate to be representing the Music Educators National Conference of which I am executive secretary emeritus.

The organization is the department of music of the National Education Association. As an entity, it has been organized for 55 years. As a department of music it approaches 73 years. We have approximately 37,000 members, almost all teachers of music in the schools and colleges or directors of departments, and included in that number are some 10,000 undergraduate students of music education who join as student members and become active members as soon as they graduate and take jobs.

There is a fairly large public adjacent to these people because there are several million pupils in the schools who are receiving music attention from these teachers, and I would not be surprised but what we could get almost unanimous approval from our teachers and the parents of these children for the kind of action that is projected by these two bills.