

Mr. QUIE. Mr. Chairman, I am glad these three businessmen have come before us today and expressed their views. However, they note the men on this side of the aisle do not look at the Federal Government as a wise place to go for the source of revenues. Listening to some gentlemen on this committee, and I had better refrain from saying on which side of the aisle they are, the local communities are broke and States are broke, and we seem to have the same problem on the Federal level. Our taxes are so high they evidently reached the point of diminishing returns and we cut them by better than \$11 million.

We had to plan our budget in the red this coming year.

I do not know how long that will continue. Perhaps for a long time.

The States do not operate their finances in this way. Really, the situation is that the Federal Government has greater borrowing authority than anyone else. I think this is why we are the place of last resort, where everybody comes for some financial assistance.

When we look at the Federal Government's ability to solve the problems where it does have jurisdiction, one only has to look at the District of Columbia to see how well we take care of the problems of poverty here, of inadequate education, of the problems of the people of the minority race. We see that the Federal Government has fallen very short of the goal we have set for it.

So, there is no superability or superintelligence on the Federal level.

The one thing you point out here is the need for revision of the school structure. There has always been a strong fear around the country that if the Federal Government steps into the picture, at least it should not propose any changes in school operation. But here this is the one thing you recommend. Perhaps there ought to be changes in the school structure.

All I can see in the program is the Federal Government picking up 90 percent of the cost to get us started. Any ideas on school structure still has to come from the local community. I wonder if once they know how to change their structure, perhaps this in itself will enable them to go ahead and do it. The reason you are unable to do it now is that the local community has not accepted it, has not been told the story well enough. I have seen this happen time and again. When people with an idea on a local level have tried to put it into practice without letting the information be known to the rank and file and selling them on it, bond issues are lost. When they get that slap in the face, they ought to go out and really do a job of public information, and the end result would be that they finally accomplish what they want to. So, no matter—

Mr. LANDRUM. The time of the gentleman from Minnesota has expired.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. I ask unanimous consent that the gentleman be permitted to continue for 2 more minutes.

Mr. QUIE. Really, the local communities will have to make these changes and improve themselves. Nobody else can do it.

What we are talking about here is money, how we ought to finance these programs.

Mr. LANDRUM. The gentleman from California, Mr. Bell.

Mr. BELL. Mr. Besse, I note that on page 4—my question goes somewhat to what Mr. Quie was talking about—I note that you speak