

Application for \$57,000.00 for a Head Start Program in the summer of 1966-67 has been filed.

Elementary and Secondary Education Act Title II

In 1966-67 the Cobb County School System received a grant of \$64,821.00 for library materials.

Elementary and Secondary Education Act Title III

In 1966-67 the Cobb County School System received a grant of \$31,800.00 for a Pupil Personnel Center.

National Defense Education Act (NDEA) Title III

In 1965-66 the Cobb County School System received \$11,740 for strengthening elementary and secondary instruction.

National Defense Education Act (NDEA) Title V

In 1965-66 the Cobb County School System received \$30,796.57 for strengthening the county-wide counseling programs.

Economic Opportunity Act Title II, Section B, Basic Education

In 1965-66 the Cobb County School System received \$14,312.89 for an adult education program.

OTHER FEDERAL PROJECTS

A. In 1965-66 the Cobb County School System received \$213,227.23 for lunch-room operations.

B. In 1966-67 a commitment of \$121,355.37 was made to the Cobb County School System to finance a vocational program for Juniors and Seniors with saleable skills in various vocations.

Mr. GRIFFIN. Funds received from Public Law 874 and Public Law 815 have benefited the Cobb County school system more than all of the other Federal programs. Because of the present increase of 3,000 students each year, it would be impossible to offer comparable services without these funds.

The programs are efficiently administered. The service is prompt and courteous.

The other Federal programs administered by HEW, in which the Cobb County school system participated, appear to be well organized. Most of these new programs will require additional time for objective evaluation.

There is a very strong feeling that the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as it applies to school systems, has been operated in a very inefficient and inconsistent manner. Information has been most difficult to obtain. Some information received from different HEW officials has been contradictory.

The guidelines were not received in time to comply in an efficient and orderly manner with them.

Although the Cobb County school system seems to be considered in compliance, notification has not been received to date.

The superintendent and a school board member recently visited the Washington HEW office for the express purpose of determining whether or not the system is in compliance. After a conference with three or four courteous HEW officials, a letter was promised, but has not been received.

It is strongly recommended that clear-cut, understandable guidelines be provided well in advance of their expected implementation, thereby avoiding the chaos that we have literally had in this State this past year.