

as I look ahead in our particular institution, the building program which must go on in the coming years—the next 2 specifically—for every \$1 of State funds that we are going to use to construct facilities of our campus, we will generate \$2 more out of revenue bond resources self-liquidating kinds of projects. In institutions such as ours, where, when we take a new student we must build a dormitory bed, in a manner of speaking, to accommodate that student, we must generate these dollars through self-liquidating procedures.

Our problem has to do with the availability of such funds—they are not available in quantity. Our present understanding is that there is a waiting list which we might get on for projects that we are going to construct in 1970—which is a considerable time in advance. The difficulty with the money when you are able to borrow it, and we have had some of it, is that the same kinds of regulations with reference to construction apply to funds secured in this way, a guaranteed loan, as if we have an actual grant.

The matter of timing is one which is the most severe. If I may use an example, we were awarding this week construction contracts for a Hall of Humanities on our campus, a building which will be in the \$4 million class, perhaps slightly over that figure at the time we finish construction of that project. We estimate that we took about a year's delay, and given our climate, our part of the country, if we don't get projects out of the ground fairly early in the construction season, these projects are delayed for several months while we await the next spring and the beginning of a new construction season.

If we meet delays of one kind or another, which add about a year, many times the grant itself is eaten up in increasing costs, and we have this example with this particular building. It is a matter of timing. If we could make a suggestion, it would be to the effect that perhaps qualification of a State or qualification of an institution might be given on a one-time basis, and obviously the audit trail must be complete if we are dealing with the Federal dollar. But to repeat again and again, the qualification does take a lot of time and does seriously interfere with our construction schedules and the matter of timing with other grants is a serious matter.

We have a feeling that all are treated alike. Those institutions that, let's say, have the best procedures in the handling of funds, and perhaps those where the record is not quite so good, still must all follow the same procedure.

It is rather well known among institutions that if you are going to avail yourself of this kind of help you must also face the problem that you have to take the delay that goes along with it. We can tolerate this in certain of our bond revenue construction. We tolerate it with our academic facilities. When we are building items such as residence halls, we cannot tolerate it and therefore can make but very, very little use of this kind of assistance.

May I close by saying that we are very much gratified at the kind of assistance we have been able to get from the U.S. Office of Education and are looking forward to this kind of continuing relationship.

Thank you.

Mr. BRADEMAS. Thank you very much.

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