

From what I have observed, these people have worked together better now than ever before in history. This has brought them into a dialog which to me should strengthen education. As I have observed, the big change which will be created by that legislation will not come in the public schools but in the private schools.

We are going to see a revolution of thinking in the private schools because of this legislation. If anybody ought to be concerned, it ought to be the private schools because they can't corrupt the education in this country, but the Government being involved in their activities could corrupt what they are doing.

I believe it was Monday of this week the papers carried an article of a new study just completed by the Catholic parochial schools.

Mr. ACKERMAN. I saw that.

Mr. QUIE. And the changes that have been wrought in those schools. If they are going to close down some of their colleges and contemplate the same with their secondary schools, just imagine what would happen if one of the public junior colleges in a particular community was closed down after that.

Mr. ACKERMAN. I think as far as I am concerned I covered most of the items I had in the formal report.

Mr. BRADEMAS. Doctor, thank you very much.

I notice we have with us George Tipler, the executive secretary of the Wisconsin Association of School Boards. I have just quickly looked at his statement and find that it is on all fours with yours.

I would suggest that Mr. Tipler come on up to the table and join Dr. Ackerman. If you don't mind, Mr. Tipler, we will put your statement in the record and we will ask questions.

(The statement follows:)

STATEMENT OF GEORGE TIPLER, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, WISCONSIN ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL BOARDS, INC.

The Wisconsin Association of School Boards is a voluntary statewide Association of 400 local public school boards representative of school districts educating over 95% of the children in Wisconsin public schools.

The Association policies are determined by the annual Delegate Assembly of official delegates of its member districts. Operating control is vested in an elected board of directors consisting of eleven persons who are local board members in districts representative of the membership.

The Association Secretary is the manager and is responsible for the program of services, information, and communications which involves the Association.

The Association conducts a full program of institutes, conferences, conventions, meetings, newsletters, and visitations. It is upon the basis of these contacts and activities that the Association respectfully submits this information for the Special Subcommittee on Education.

The Wisconsin Association of School Boards respectfully submits these issues on behalf of its officers and as a consensus expression from its membership among Special Sub-committee on Education.

I. REGIONAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OPINIONS ¹

The Association recently completed a statewide series of regional drive-in meetings of local school board members and superintendents. The written reports from their small group discussions resulted in the summaries in the attached materials. School Board concerns were:

1. The voluminous paperwork in present federal programs is objectionable.
2. Identification of deprived youngsters. Schools aren't prepared or qualified to identify economically deprived youth.

¹ Attached statement of Association policies and summary of 1966 Regional School Board meeting discussions.