

What we are trying to do is to make sure that book is designed to cover that.

This goes way beyond content and illustration to show we do have a mixed society.

Mr. CAREY. Which specific text did you refer to?

Mr. LOCKE. This particular one is a text for a course that is typically offered in the 12th grade called "Problems of Democracy." This was published in 1964.

Mr. CAREY. I don't expect you to express any competence in this regard but I would comment, on my own, that the 12th grade is a little late to start telling children about the different groups in our society. By that time I would expect most of the antipathies would be structured into the children's makeup.

I would think by the time the children reach the 12th grade, it is a little late to structure their ideals.

Mr. LOCKE. I think you would find we don't structure elementary social studies as we do not publish those. I think you can find elementary social studies where there is a much more forthright discussion now than in the past.

Mr. CAREY. Thank you. I have great respect for your company in the publishing field.

Mr. BURTON. Congressman Hawkins?

Mr. HAWKINS. No questions.

Mr. BURTON. Any questions from counsel?

Dr. MATTHEW. No questions.

Mr. RADCLIFFE. No questions.

Mr. BURTON. We are going to defer the viewing of that movie for the moment and will now call as our next witness Mrs. Rusk.

STATEMENT OF MRS. ALICE RUSK, LIBRARY SPECIALIST, BALTIMORE CITY SCHOOLS, REPRESENTING THE AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

Mr. BURTON. We are delighted to have you here.

Mrs. RUSK. Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, I am Alice Rusk, library specialist in the Bureau of Library Services of the Baltimore City Public Schools.

Today, I am representing the American Association of School Librarians, in which organization I serve as a member of the board of directors; as member of the council of our parent body, the American Library Association; and as chairman of the Committee for the Improvement of School Library Programs. The 9,804 members of the American Association of School Librarians constitute almost one-third of the total membership of the American Library Association.

In January 1965, I testified before the General Education Subcommittee, urging passage of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act. So, I am pleased to have this opportunity to appear before members of the House Education and Labor Committee today to voice our sincere appreciation for your diligent efforts in winning approval of this legislation.

In the short time Public Law 89-10 has been in operation, dramatic improvements have been initiated to develop quality library service for all the Nation's schoolchildren.