

Mr. FORD. Have you written the Office of Economic Opportunity or the Chicago regional office asking for a breakdown of where the programs are conducted?

Mr. PAGE. I would think it would be reasonable to expect that the chief school officer of the State be informed of this without having to seek it, when we seek out the advice of the community action programs on the administration of our programs.

It seems to me reasonable that we would expect the same to be in this act for Headstart.

Mr. FORD. On page 2, you say:

It is remarkable then that the educational agency must consult with community action programs prior to the implementation of programs for the public schools, under title I of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act.

Isn't that because of the coordination between the CAP programs and title I programs for the conduct of Headstart?

Mr. PAGE. Mr. Ford, the idea is that we are trying to put out here that it should not be a one-way street leading to a dead end; that it should be equally done in Headstart, that we should have the same consideration.

Mr. FORD. Do you know of any public school agency in your State that has ever carried on a special program for migrant workers' children?

Mr. PAGE. Not at this point.

Mr. FORD. Would you be surprised if I told you that out of the—

Mr. PAGE. We have one in Cairo, Ill.

Mr. FORD. Out of the first \$15 million in grants awarded under that program when we started a couple of years ago, every single one of them went to an agency that was in no way directly connected with the public school agency. As a matter of fact, over 90 percent of the money went to church-connected organizations. For example, in Michigan, we financed a corporation made up of the Michigan Council of Churches' Women, and the Michigan Catholic Welfare Conference. When we started that program, we didn't find a single public school agency in condition to accept responsibility for or to conduct a program for migrant workers.

Would you disagree with that?

Mr. PAGE. I would disagree if you are saying that we are not in condition in Illinois to conduct it; yes.

Mr. FORD. Are you conducting any program now?

Mr. PAGE. No, sir.

Mr. FORD. You have used no State money for this purpose?

Mr. PAGE. No, sir.

Mr. FORD. Then you are not asking us to finance any ongoing State program, but you are asking us to turn the federally conceived and privately executed programs over to you because even though you don't spend your own money on this you think you could spend our money better than we do?

Mr. PAGE. I don't know what you mean by "our money." I felt Federal money was our money.

Mr. FORD. I am responsible for appropriating money for this program, but I am not responsible for the appropriations made by your State legislature or my State legislature. There is a great deal of