

Chairman PERKINS. There is no doubt in my judgment that the regulations will provide that you are entitled to receive that.

Mr. NOE. Then there was a question, again raised by Mr. Ford, about the final authority for employment, and were we running into any particular problem there.

There was a guideline which our local OEO Office had which indicated that we were limited in our employment to people who were to be approved by the local committee of OEO. We pointed out to them in another action that was being done by a superintendent of public instruction what was said earlier, under Kentucky law the board of education does have final authority for all employment. I think this has been resolved satisfactorily by correspondence which said that you have to listen to recommendations from these local committees but are not bound by those recommendations, and that the final authority did remain with the board of education. In Kentucky, the superintendent makes the nominations for all employment. So, we feel that this has been worked out satisfactorily for us. We were happy to listen to recommendations and commendations from individuals and committees, but we do not feel that our hands have been tied by this.

One other question, Who can teach in a Headstart program? Were we limited to people? Again, I do not think so. We see nothing in Kentucky law or in the Federal guidelines that would keep us from employment of a nun or a brother or a priest in a program in the OEO or Headstart program. As a matter of fact, in Louisville at the present time the coordinator of the Headstart program, working through the local office and working with all of us in the public school system, is a sister from one of the orders. To us this, again, is not a limiting factor.

Thank you so much for this opportunity to speak to you.

(Mr. Noe's complete formal statement follows:)

STATEMENT BY SAMUEL V. NOE, SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, LOUISVILLE, KY.

I am Samuel V. Noe, Superintendent of Schools in Louisville, Kentucky, and on behalf of some 53,000 public school children and 4,500 employees, I want to express through you to the Congress our deep appreciation for all of the Federal assistance we have been receiving. Because of this, we have been able to expand and initiate programs which would not have been possible otherwise. Through Federal grants amounting to \$4,337,614.00 for expenditure on programs this school year, we have accepted a great responsibility for its proper use. To the best of our knowledge all are good, and all have been helpful in giving added educational opportunities to thousands of handicapped youth. None should be discontinued; the financial cuts of this year should be restored, and you would expect a city school administrator to add that we need more.

I would also add our endorsement to the requests you have received that appropriations should match authorization and that they be made with as much consideration as possible to the schools' fiscal year in order that better planning and staffing can be made.

Concerning the proposed amendments to H.R. 6230: I should like to comment as follows:

NATIONAL TEACHER CORPS

The Louisville Public School system for several years has been affected by the major problem that the National Teacher Corps has been designed to help solve: that is, the recruiting and holding of well-qualified and adequately trained teachers for inner-city schools.

During this school year, 1966-1967, two NTC teams are working in two Louisville elementary schools. The two team leaders and the nine interns have already demonstrated their value to the schools. It is obvious that the compe-