

Mr. VANHOOSE. In our particular school system we have never been requested to do this. No. 2, it would be very difficult in our particular case because of this rapidly expanding situation that we have. We have on just one or two occasions an interchange on driver education courses.

Mr. SCHERLE. But this is all? No specific educational courses?

Mr. VANHOOSE. No.

Mr. NOE. The only thing that I could add to that would be that in the city of Louisville we share all athletic facilities with the parochial schools, exactly on the same basis as they are used by our own schools. In other words, there is a charge to our own school for just out-of-pocket expenses, and the parochial schools use the football stadium and the gymnasium exactly on the same basis.

Mr. SCHERLE. Do you share your winning coaches, too?

Mr. NOE. Winning coaches? No, sir, but in discussing this interchange you were talking about on a half and half basis, we were willing and we were prepared to do this about a year ago when the parochial school officials found that it could not work for them. We were going to let them go to our trade school a half a day. We said if we are going to share on half and half, who is going to get the star halfback?

Mr. SCHERLE. In our particular school system we do have some shared time instruction in special areas. We have instrumental music and the parochial children do come to the public schools to get instrumental music instruction. We also have parochial children coming to our high school to get physics and art. There are special classes which we have not been able in the past to provide, and they do come to our schools to get that type of instruction. We think it is legal.

Mr. BAKER. In our schools everything is on an open basis, it is share alike for those for whom the invitation is there. In the event of any utilization of facilities, materials, audiovisuals, whatever, the parochial schools are the same recipients and same users as the other.

The parochial school in our school district is small, there is only one, they share our library facilities. They do not have any. The elementary and junior high grades, they come in for remedial reading classes or physical education if they are involved in intramural or junior high athletics, complete utilization without any form of question or restriction or what-have-you involved.

Mr. SCHERLE. I would like to ask another question. I believe this gentleman here mentioned the fact that the parochial schools dropped the first grade, is that right?

Mr. VANHOOSE. That is correct.

Mr. SCHERLE. There is one question that intrigues me. Perhaps you gentlemen would like to dwell on it. Was this primarily because of finances?

Mr. VANHOOSE. I believe that is correct.

Monsignor Pitt told me that the Catholic order that provided the teachers had to withdraw the teachers. I presume this was partly because of their inability to finance properly, and I think possibly, partly because of the great need that might be developing elsewhere. I am not sure that I am answering that correctly.

Mr. SCHERLE. My question is this: What do you gentlemen as educators contemplate to be the future of the parochial school that is now