

Mrs. GREEN. I thought you said your agency worked closer with the people than any other agency?

Mr. DAY. Definitely so.

Mrs. GREEN. I don't understand. When a school board is elected by the people, why that is not working very closely with people.

Mr. DAY. You can demonstrate this by the comparison of the number of people who come to the school board meetings as against the number of people who come to our meetings.

Mrs. GREEN. We can compare it to the number of people who come out and vote for you compared to the number of people who come out and vote for the school board, too?

Mr. DAY. Yes, and nobody votes for us except within the communities, the poverty people are elected to be on our board.

Mrs. GREEN. I thank the gentleman.

Mr. QUIE. Let me clear up one thing.

This program you are talking about, was that an Office of Education program or an OEO program?

Mr. DAY. That was part of our local government, the intermediate education.

Mr. QUIE. Federal funding of intermediate education?

Mr. DAY. No, except that they have taken on some of the experimental type educational work with money furnished by the Federal Government.

Mr. QUIE. Which Federal agency gave the money?

Mr. DAY. I am not sure where they get their money. Some of it they get from OEO and some of it they get it from the Office of Education. I think it is split.

Mr. QUIE. Talking about late funding, let me find out from Mr. Flanders if Wisconsin were in Chicago, would they get any faster action than we are able to in Minnesota? Have you had trouble with late funding because of OEO in Wisconsin?

Mr. FLANDERS. I was looking through our schedule here of funded programs. We have had more funded in this calendar year than we did last year. Mrs. Tryon says that the cooperation and the expeditious handling has increased greatly in the last 6 months of this year.

Mr. QUIE. That does not mean that they are very speedy. We have a program with Indians that finally got funded here the other day. The request was made in August 1966 for a year-round school program for transportation of Indian children.

It was finally funded, I believe, the 20th of July 1967. I had nothing to do with the congressional appropriation. It seems OEO is quite negligent in reaching a decision on the projects.

Mr. FLANDERS. I think this is partly due to Congressional control of how much goes into what categories.

Mr. QUIE. It is possible. We must admit there was late funding last year. In my estimation, the Congress made a mistake and earmarked the program instead of providing a versatile program. I was doubtful of it last year and I am convinced now it was a mistake. So, you also make a point there.

I also maintain that OEO itself has about the lousiest administration of any agency in the Federal Government.