

States rights, but when the States rights rhetoric seems to entail a State legislator's standing up and being counted and voting for a revenue or appropriations measure to lend credibility to his rhetoric, then suddenly there is a great flight from States rights.

I apologize for the sermon.

Mr. Erlenborn.

Mr. SMITH. It's a useful sermon. We will promise to quote you to our State governments.

Mr. BRADEMAS. I am a States righter, provided this means States display their share of responsibility for these programs.

Mr. ERLBORN. Let me say that I appreciate the gentleman's comments. I like to hear him talking that way. I want to thank all three of you for being here. I am particularly glad to see you, Mr. Banovetz, from my Alma Mater, Loyola.

The question of the effect of 50-50 funding rather than 75-25 leaves me a little confused. Aren't you presently in fiscal year 1968 under 50-50 funding?

This is not anticipated but you are presently operating under this.

Mr. SMITH. Yes and no, I am afraid. It is a confusing situation. In various States the State agencies concerned with title I have found their own patterns of behavior.

For example, in New York State as late as November information was being sent by the State agency to the colleges and universities of the State saying, "It is probably a good time to be making proposals for fiscal 1968 pretty soon. We wish you would be thinking about this, but it is not yet clear whether they will be 50-50 or 75-25 and consequently we are not even quite sure what the deadline for getting in applications will be."

So that applications have come in. Some applications have stipulated 75-25. Some said 75-25 or 50-50 whatever is available. Some of these proposals have been tentatively approved. But none of the money for fiscal 1968 has been officially committed in our State yet. In other States the situation is different.

In the three States that we represent there have been fewer proposals because of the 50-50 which is one thing we need and Dean Thompson was pointing out last night that in his State proposals were originally solicited at 75-25 and then people were notified that they would have to be at 50-50 and they would have to reconstruct their proposals and, when the proposals came back in, most of them had been scaled down so that the institution would still be funding the same maximum amount of funds and would do less for what it is going to get than it would have otherwise done.

One of the things that worries us about 50-50 is the experience that we are seeing of the institutions that say that they can't do it, the ones that have reported this to the Office of Education, and the fact that even in our own States we see fewer proposals being made and the proposals being made on a smaller scale.

Mr. ERLBORN. I am still confused. Since it would seem to me that applications for fiscal year 1968 should be made prior to the beginning of the fiscal year or at least prior to the beginning of the academic year, it would seem to me that your applications for fiscal 1968 would be for programs funded in 1968 and we only have a few short months left in fiscal 1968.