

1 MR. DONAHO: The Constitution says it's  
2 mandatory upon them. This is the difficulty.

3 THE CHAIRMAN: I don't know. Suppose that  
4 provision wasn't in the Constitution?

5 MR. DONAHO: They would probably fare just as  
6 well.

7 THE CHAIRMAN: That's what Jim Rennie says,  
8 that they would fare just as well because really the school  
9 provision in the Constitution has sort of been outgrown by  
10 the way the school system is financed today. Don't forget  
11 that it wasn't until, really until 1946 and '47 that you  
12 really began to get systematization in the school programs.  
13 I mean, you had equalization before that, true, but you  
14 never had these various formulae which were all brought in  
15 under the Sherbow Commission report or fused into one and  
16 have grown on from there.

17 MR. DONAHO: Let's take other States, for example,  
18 where Constitutions usually don't say much more than it's  
19 the State's responsibility to maintain an adequate system  
20 of free public schools, blah, blah, blah, and that's it.  
21 They fare quite well, I never heard of any of these school