

1 month is two years old. In that time the state has
2 grossed ten and a half million dollars from the sweeps
3 of \$3 a ticket. After paying off winners and covering
4 operating expenses, it has distributed \$5,255,000 among
5 local school districts. The lottery has enabled New
6 Hampshire to increase state aid to public education
7 by more than 50 per cent."

8 Nobody has even questioned the fact that
9 this lottery has been operated on a high scale without
10 any hint of skulduggery or dishonesty. It has been
11 operated efficiently and properly and it has been
12 proven in New Hampshire that this can be done. For anyone
13 to say it was a dud, as has been said by the editorials,
14 or a failure, as has been stated by the press locally,
15 just because they didn't bring in as much money in the
16 second year as they did the first year, I think is not
17 a good foundation for such comment.

18 I feel that we ought to take this source of
19 revenue away from the gangsters and the racketeers,
20 channel it away from organized crime and to use it for
21 the benefit of the public. Just as the public is benefiting