

1 moment if we can settle this principle. Apparently,  
2 everybody is agreed on the five principles, but the last  
3 principle, there is some division about, and as I  
4 understand it, it is a question of whether the provision  
5 by the General Assembly of a system of higher education  
6 is limited to public colleges or whether it can extend  
7 to including in such a system aid to private colleges.  
8 Mrs. Bothe?

9 MRS. BOTHE: I would like to speak to that.  
10 There is some discussion of that question in the Report,  
11 which I am sure most of us haven't had a chance to look  
12 over carefully. We recognize in Maryland, a rather  
13 unique system of grants to private as opposed to public  
14 schools, grants for specific purposes, grants by the  
15 General Assembly. The Committee considered whether this  
16 practice should have constitutional status. We rejected  
17 that idea. We felt the Constitution should deal solely with  
18 public institutions. On the other hand, we did not want  
19 to take any or make any proposals which would preclude the  
20 continuation of this practice insofar as the courts will  
21 permit it. Very recently our Court of Appeals has ruled