

Consequently the church has become more disenchanted with the public offerings and the response has been in this way:

- (1) the Development of "Christian" schools. These may be parochial, cooperative, or individually sponsored. Curricula are developed for these by individual church groups and service agencies. The variety is large with conventional types of institutions as well as non-conventional (ACE-types) types being developed.
- (2) home-schooling with many of the aspects mentioned above also being current.
- (3) legal challenges both to secularized curricula and the implementation of some teaching codes.

All of the above have known some success, some failure, and lots of difficulties. A major problem has been the tax laws and governmental impingement of what are believed to be popular rights. The situation is not going to get better, but, I think, much more complicated and difficult.

- (4) the "Bible-college" "Christian-College" movements. Many schools have developed and a lot of changes in internal philosophies have come up. The matter of finance and pricing of education on a comparative market is but one of the problems encountered.
- (5) the development of Christian teachers and the suggested use of them in a missionaries role in the educational field.

f. Summary:

Throughout the history of our country the church has always had a vital role in education and, in most times, a valued one. Humanism and a more total secularization tend to make this more difficult and it may well be that a deeper participation in education for its own may be the growing challenge of the church. Of some interest on this line has been the development of Christian Education programs and directorships on a much wider line in the protestant bodies in particular.

3. The American Churches and the Work of Mission

Missions can be devised for several purposes but in this section of our material we are thinking 1) of the outreach of the Gospel on this continent; 2) of the reaching to the lower portions of American society, and 3) of the general outreach beyond this land to the world. We are treating these ideas somewhat together but they are the three components of our work.

- a. Earlier the early missions to the Indians (Eliot, Brainerd, etc) were discussed. The work of the Moravians in this area was also notable and it is safe to say that all of the colonies made a little effort in this direction but in some cases it