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JACKSON, Miss. (UPI) — The Southeast regional director of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare said Tuesday he felt private schools have "tended to relieve the pressures of school desegregation" but doubted many such schools would survive.

Carey Hall, regional HEW director from Atlanta, told a news conference the segregated academies which sprung up following massive public school desegregation had given "the die-hards a place to go outside the public school system."

He predicted most whites would return eventually to public schools. "Academies cost money to run and I doubt that many will survive," he said.

Hall was in Jackson for a seminar Tuesday morning to brief state legislators on various federal-state programs.

He was questioned during the news conference by several employes of anti-poverty agencies about HEW policies on Headstart programs.

Hall denied reports he had recommended that HEW uphold Gov. John Bell Williams'

recent veto of appropriations to a number of Head Start agencies in the state. However, he said HEW "did take steps to locate and correct defects that Gov. Williams pointed out in his veto."


"We found some wastage of funds that were horrific," he said.

Hall also said cuts in anticipated Headstart appropriations resulting from federal budget cutbacks would be restored if more money than now expected becomes available. But he said the 10 per cent across-the-board cut won't necessarily be restored to each agency.

"We should put the money where we get results," he said.

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More than 350 students at Church Street School in Tupelo will read a letter to the President of North Vietnam. The letter, written by students, explains the situation of American Prisoners of War there. Reading classes decided to include an article on POWs in their Weekly Reader.

Staff Photo by Nathan

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progress is very slow and opposed by many, we have made some progress in giving increased authority to the states."

However, he stressed that

money for work in an area of concern with a minimum of rules and regulations governing their expenditure," he said.

The seminar, described as the first of its kind in the nation, was sponsored by David R. Bowen, Mississippi's coordinator of federal-state programs, to review new legislation passed by the 91st Congress and recent federal administrative changes which will affect the state.

## Eight Hopefuls Qualify So Far