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"Elitism corrupts, and arbitrary elitism corrupts arbitrarily . . . .  
In Pennsylvania the Speaker of the House and two other legislators have been  
indicted for allegedly extorting money from parents anxious to get their  
children into a state medical school. Similarly, the Chicago Medical School  
in 1973 collected an average of \$50,000 each in contributions from relatives  
and friends of 77 of the 91 entering freshmen. The officials have admitted  
under oath that the money influenced admissions chances."

-- Richard J. Margolis, In Change 9, No. 10: 28-29 (October 1977).

Table 33. SIXTEEN STATES SHOW WEIGHTED AVERAGE TWO-YEAR GAIN OF 20 PER CENT IN APPROPRIATIONS OF STATE TAX FUNDS FOR ANNUAL OPERATING EXPENSES OF HIGHER EDUCATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 1978-79 (in thousands of dollars).

| States                               | Year<br>1968-69 | Year<br>1976-77 | Year<br>1978-79 | 2-yr gain<br>per cent | 10-yr gain<br>per cent |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| (1)                                  | (2)             | (3)             | (4)             | (5)                   | (6)                    |
| Nine states previously reported*     |                 |                 |                 |                       |                        |
| Nine states                          | 873,119         | 2,580,418       | 3,072,567       | 19                    | 252                    |
| Idaho                                | 20,601          | 69,197          | 83,797          | 21                    | 307                    |
| Indiana                              | 144,715         | 329,771         | 384,376         | 17                    | 166                    |
| Nebraska                             | 33,248          | 121,980         | 140,055         | 15                    | 321                    |
| Nevada                               | 12,339          | 42,357          | 50,112          | 18                    | 305                    |
| New Hampshire                        | 10,221          | 22,859          | 27,542          | 20                    | 169                    |
| South Dakota                         | 17,152          | 38,382          | 45,509          | 18                    | 165                    |
| Virginia                             | 107,524         | 316,042         | 425,797         | 35                    | 296                    |
| Totals                               | 1,218,919       | 3,521,006       | 4,229,755       |                       |                        |
| Weighted average percentages of gain |                 |                 |                 | 20                    | 247                    |

\*See GRAPEVINE, Table 28, page 1512 (April 1978).

IDAHO. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education, fiscal year 1978-79:

Table 34. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in Idaho, fiscal year 1978-79, in thousands of dollars.

| Institutions                | Sums appropriated |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| (1)                         | (2)               |
| U of Idaho                  | 22,227            |
| Agricultural research       | 4,109             |
| Coop extension              | 2,789             |
| WAMI medical school program | 1,360             |
| Veterinary medicine         | 733               |
| Short-term applied research | 75                |
| Forestry research           | 200               |
| Subtotal, U of I -          | \$31,493          |

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|                                |        |
|--------------------------------|--------|
| Boise State U                  | 15,423 |
| Idaho State U                  | 15,278 |
| Lewis-Clark State Coll         | 2,371  |
| Junior college support         | 3,465  |
| Vocational education*          | 10,853 |
| Vocational rehabilitation**    | 1,389  |
| State Board of Education       | 371    |
| Planning and scholarship       | 283    |
| Statewide educational TV       | 1,113  |
| Statewide planning & reporting | 517    |
| Medical education              | 1,241  |
| Total                          | 83,797 |

\*Includes secondary and postsecondary vocational education

\*\*Includes all ages.

The total for fiscal year 1978-79 appears to be a gain of 21 per cent over the comparable figure two years earlier.

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INDIANA. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education, fiscal year 1978-79:

Table 35. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in Indiana, fiscal year 1978-79, in thousands of dollars.

| Institutions<br>(1)               | Sums appropriated<br>(2) |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Indiana University                |                          |
| Bloomington                       | 70,841                   |
| IUPUI (Indianapolis)*             |                          |
| Health division                   | 26,154                   |
| Non-health division               | 15,678                   |
| Medical education**               |                          |
| Statewide system                  | 6,088                    |
| Medical education plan            | 1,748                    |
| Intern residency program          | 1,289                    |
| Regional campuses                 |                          |
| South Bend                        | 6,177                    |
| Northwest                         | 5,398                    |
| Southeast                         | 3,484                    |
| Kokomo                            | 2,193                    |
| East                              | 1,099                    |
| Higher ed telecommunications***   | 2,149                    |
| Mental retardation                | 444                      |
| Chemical test training            | 119                      |
| Blood treatment program           | 55                       |
| <u>Subtotal, IU - \$142,916</u>   |                          |
| Purdue University                 |                          |
| West Lafayette                    | 80,416                   |
| IUPU-Fort Wayne+                  | 9,608                    |
| Regional campuses                 |                          |
| Calumet                           | 6,824                    |
| North Central                     | 2,319                    |
| Coop extension service            | 1,799                    |
| Computer terminals                | 188                      |
| Animal disease diag labs          | 742                      |
| An disease diag labs-equipment    | 44                       |
| Mechanical ag production research | 100                      |
| Ag marketing research             | 100                      |
| Utilization of ag products        | 216                      |
| Bangs disease test service        | 81                       |
| Weed control                      | 28                       |
| Ag experiment sta, Sch of Ag      | 30                       |
| Ag experiment sta                 | 10                       |
| Student legislature               | 5                        |
| <u>Subtotal, PU - \$102,510</u>   |                          |
| Indiana State U, Terre Haute      | 30,025                   |
| Evansville campus                 | 4,155                    |
| <u>Subtotal, ISU - \$34,180</u>   |                          |

| INDIANA (Continued from preceding column) |                |
|---|----------------|
| Ball State U                              | 38,687         |
| Vincennes U++                             | 5,343          |
| Indiana Voc-Tech College+++               | 15,393         |
| Commission for Higher Ed                  | 458            |
| Student Assistance Commission#            | 20,241         |
| Social security, state share              | 13,349         |
| Higher Ed pension fund (PERF)             | 7,750          |
| Higher Ed pension fund (TRF)              | 2,800          |
| Energy technology program                 | 750            |
| <u>Total</u>                              | <u>384,377</u> |

\*IUPUI is the acronym for Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis which includes the large Indiana University medical center and other Indiana University units as well as offering academic programs of Purdue University.

\*\*This involves the operating and further planning of a statewide system of decentralizing medical education by having it accomplished in part at colleges and hospitals in various cities, with the entire system being a part of the Indiana University School of Medicine.

\*\*\*A statewide multi-media communication network providing service to public and private postsecondary institutions, administered by Indiana University.

+Dual campus of Indiana University and Purdue University. The boards of trustees of the two institutions designate one of the institutions as fiscal agent.

++A two year college, now largely supported by the state, but partly by the county where it is located.

+++A statewide postsecondary education institution created to provide vocational-technical education by various means, including establishing and operating institutes within each of thirteen regions of the state.

#1977 legislation eliminated the State Scholarship Commission and combined its functions plus others under this newly created commission.

The total for fiscal year 1978-79 appears to be a gain of 17 per cent over the comparable figure two years earlier.

NEBRASKA. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education, fiscal year 1978-79:

Table 36. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in Nebraska, fiscal year 1978-79, in thousands of dollars.

| Institutions<br>(1)          | Sums appropriated<br>(2) |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| U of Nebraska                |                          |
| Lincoln                      | 58,695                   |
| Medical Center               | 29,335                   |
| Omaha                        | 14,870                   |
| System administration        | 4,957                    |
| <hr/>                        |                          |
| Subtotal, U of N -           | \$107,857                |
| <hr/>                        |                          |
| State Colleges -             |                          |
| Kearney State Coll           | 6,844                    |
| Wayne State Coll             | 3,841                    |
| Chadron State Coll           | 3,787                    |
| Peru State Coll              | 2,198                    |
| System office                | 407                      |
| <hr/>                        |                          |
| Subtotal, S C's -            | \$17,078                 |
| <hr/>                        |                          |
| Technical community colleges | 15,056                   |
| Coordinating Commission      | 64                       |
| <hr/>                        |                          |
| Total                        | 140,055                  |

The total for fiscal year 1978-79 appears to be a gain of 15 per cent over the comparable figure two year earlier.

Nebraska's state income tax, based on a specified percentage of each taxpayer's federal income tax obligation, had been in recent years gradually raised to 18 per cent. (The State Board of Equalization is authorized to fix the percentage and to change it.) Effective January 1, 1978, it was reduced to 16 per cent.

The general sales tax was also reduced to 3 per cent, from the former 3½ per cent. These tax changes are expected to reduce the total of state tax revenues by about \$50 million from their former level.

The appropriations for fiscal year 1978-79 were approved as within the current tax rates. However, the total for higher education was nearly 7 per cent more than for the immediately preceding year. This would seem to say something about a rising priority for higher education.

NEVADA. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education, fiscal year 1978-79:

Table 37. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in Nevada, fiscal year 1978-79, in thousands of dollars.

| Institutions<br>(1)          | Sums appropriated<br>(2) |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| U of Nevada, Reno            | 17,661                   |
| School of Medical Sciences   | 1,486                    |
| Ag experiment station        | 1,950                    |
| Coop extension service       | 1,340                    |
| Statewide programs           | 1,341                    |
| Intercollegiate athletics    | 578                      |
| <hr/>                        |                          |
| Subtotal, U of N, R -        | \$24,356                 |
| <hr/>                        |                          |
| U of Nevada, Las Vegas       | 14,130                   |
| Statewide programs           | 221                      |
| Intercollegiate athletics    | 578                      |
| <hr/>                        |                          |
| Subtotal, U of N, LV -       | \$14,929                 |
| <hr/>                        |                          |
| Community College Division   |                          |
| Clark County Comm Coll       | 3,705                    |
| Western Nevada Comm Coll     | 3,216                    |
| Northern Nevada Comm Coll    | 682                      |
| <hr/>                        |                          |
| Subtotal, C C's -            | \$7,603                  |
| <hr/>                        |                          |
| System administration        | 568                      |
| System computing center      | 1,474                    |
| Desert research institute    | 946                      |
| University press             | 136                      |
| National Direct Student Loan | 100                      |
| <hr/>                        |                          |
| Total*                       | 50,112                   |

\*Total includes \$1,979,905 for the newly created Business Center South and Business Center North. The funding for these centers was achieved by transferring funds from the other institutions and agencies named above.

The total for fiscal year 1978-79 appears to be a gain of 18 per cent over the comparable figure two years earlier.

Although Nevada has generally ranked low among the other Rocky Mountain states in appropriations per citizen for higher education, it is among the few of all the fifty states now maintaining a cumulative ten-year gain of over 300 per cent in annual appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education.

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NEW HAMPSHIRE. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education, fiscal year 1978-79:

Table 38. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in New Hampshire, fiscal year 1978-79, in thousands of dollars.

| Institutions<br>(1)             | Sums appropriated<br>(2) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| U of New Hampshire              | 15,017                   |
| Ag experiment station           | 506                      |
| Coop extension service          | 399                      |
| Extension work, counties        | 139                      |
| Industrial & inst development   | 99                       |
| Marine research & develop       | 105                      |
| Continuing education            | 66                       |
| Educational TV                  | 595                      |
| Merrimack Valley branch         | 151                      |
| Subtotal, U of NH - \$17,077    |                          |
| Keene State College             | 2,376                    |
| Plymouth State College          | 2,376                    |
| Subtotal, UNH System - \$21,829 |                          |
| Postsecondary Ed Commission     | 21                       |
| Incentive program               | 350                      |
| Subsidy Med School-Dartmouth    | 172                      |
| Veterinary medical school       | 164                      |
| New England Bd of H Ed          | 43                       |
| Ed Commission of States         | 12                       |
| N H Technical Inst              | 1,457                    |
| Vocational-Technical colleges - |                          |
| Claremont                       | 691                      |
| Berlin                          | 675                      |
| Nashua                          | 583                      |
| Manchester                      | 575                      |
| Laconia                         | 529                      |
| Portsmouth                      | 441                      |
| Subtotal, T I's - \$4,951       |                          |
| Total                           | 27,542                   |

The total for fiscal year 1978-79 appears to be a gain of 20 per cent over the comparable figure two years earlier.

New Hampshire has the dubious distinction of being the only state among the fifty that adamantly abstains from enacting either a general sales tax or a personal earned income tax. Approximately forty states have both.

SOUTH DAKOTA. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education, fiscal year 1978-79:

Table 39. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in South Dakota, fiscal year 1978-79, in thousands of dollars.

| Institutions<br>(1)          | Sums appropriated<br>(2) |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| U of South Dakota            | 9,686                    |
| Medical school               | 3,022                    |
| Springfield branch           | 1,880                    |
| Subtotal, USD - \$14,588     |                          |
| South Dakota State U         | 10,742                   |
| Ag experiment station        | 3,423                    |
| Coop extension service       | 2,521                    |
| Ag auxiliary services        | 711                      |
| Subtotal, SDSU - \$17,397    |                          |
| S D Sch of Mines & Tech      | 3,662                    |
| Inst of Atmospheric Sci      | 102                      |
| Black Hills Nat Sci Fld Sta  | 34                       |
| Subtotal, SDSM&T - \$3,798   |                          |
| Northern State College       | 3,533                    |
| Black Hills State College    | 2,724                    |
| Dakota State College*        | 1,656                    |
| Insurance reserve            | 303                      |
| Commissioner's office        | 403                      |
| Dental school contracts      | 369                      |
| Student loans & scholarships | 161                      |
| Veterinary school contracts  | 241                      |
| Health professions loans     | 325                      |
| Total                        | 45,509                   |

\*Beginning July 1, 1978, Dakota State College will no longer be attached to the University of South Dakota.

The total for fiscal year 1978-79 appears to be a gain of 18 per cent over the comparable figure two years earlier.

South Dakota enacted a one-cent increase in the general sales tax, and the legislature was reported to be considering upward revision of the tax on motor fuels and the cigarette tax.

Purpose of the added general sales tax was to restore the loss of revenues occasioned by repeal of local personal property taxes.

VIRGINIA. Appropriations of state tax funds for operating expenses of higher education, fiscal year 1978-79:

Table 40. State tax-fund appropriations for operating expenses of higher education in Virginia, fiscal year 1978-79, in thousands of dollars.

| Institutions<br>(1)               | Sums appropriated<br>(2) |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| University of Virginia            | 48,777                   |
| Hospital division                 | 13,323                   |
| Blue Ridge Hospital*              | 3,672                    |
| Sch of Continuing Ed              | 2,617                    |
| Clinch Valley College             | 1,827                    |
| Subtotal, U of V - \$70,216       |                          |
| Va Poly Inst & State U            | 48,932                   |
| Extension division                | 16,540                   |
| Research division                 | 10,327                   |
| Subtotal, VPI & SU - \$75,799     |                          |
| Virginia Commonwealth U           | 49,258                   |
| Health sciences, hospital         | 24,693                   |
| Subtotal, VCU - \$73,951          |                          |
| Coll of William and Mary          | 13,264                   |
| Richard Bland College             | 1,241                    |
| Va Assoc Research                 | 436                      |
| Subtotal, CW&M - \$14,941         |                          |
| Other Colleges and Universities - |                          |
| Old Dominion U                    | 18,639                   |
| James Madison U                   | 12,830                   |
| George Mason U                    | 12,677                   |
| Norfolk State College             | 10,520                   |
| Radford College                   | 7,551                    |
| Virginia State College            | 7,437                    |
| Virginia Military Inst            | 3,979                    |
| Longwood College                  | 3,960                    |
| Mary Washington College           | 3,812                    |
| Christopher Newport Coll          | 3,371                    |
| Subtotal, OC&U - \$84,776         |                          |
| Community Colleges                | 86,777                   |
| Student aid**                     | 4,482                    |
| St Council of Higher Ed           | 1,354                    |
| Scholarship assistance (CSAP)     | 2,176                    |
| Eminent Scholars                  | 755                      |
| Regional ed & scholarship         | 961                      |
| Tuition asst & loan (TAGLP)       | 5,487                    |
| Other supplement                  | 194                      |
| Subtotals, SCHE - \$10,927        |                          |

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| VIRGINIA (Continued from preceding col) |         |
|---|---------|
| Eastern Va Med Auth                     | 3,474   |
| So Reg Ed Bd                            | 59      |
| St Ed Asst Authority                    | 99      |
| Va Inst of Sci Research                 | 40      |
| Other Higher Ed***                      | 256     |
| Total                                   | 425,797 |

\*Included in University of Virginia appropriation for the first time. Includes payments to this hospital from the Department of Welfare.

\*\*Includes appropriations made directly to higher education institutions for student aid. Other aid funds are included under State Council of Higher Education.

\*\*\*Includes: Gari Melchers Memorial, \$22,375; James Monroe Law Office Memorial, \$28,790; Virginia Institute of Marine Science, \$154,420; George Marshall Research Center, \$50,000.

The total for fiscal year 1978-79 appears to be a gain of 35 per cent over the comparable figure two years earlier.

The configuration of the Virginia system is notably different from that of any other state. It has also undergone major changes and considerable expansion in recent years.

Today there are three major state universities, each supported in part by annual appropriations of between \$70 and \$75 million of state tax funds. These are the University of Virginia, favorite of Thomas Jefferson; the land-grant university now bearing the cumbersome, compound, but accurate name of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University; and the much more recent Virginia Commonwealth University formed by merging the old and respected Medical College of Virginia with another urban institution of comprehensive type.

Developed largely since 1966, the network of 23 community colleges provides opportunity for the first two years of higher education in all parts of the Commonwealth.