PS1 for 9/10/87#NEA Resolutions Shock Again

The National Education Association has proved again that it has an ultra-leftwing extremist agenda. Let's take a look at some of the NEA's recently-passed 1987 Convention resolutions.

The NEA Resolutions call for more counseling and contraceptives without parental consent. ""The National Education Association believes that every student should have direct and confidential access to health, social, and psychological services within both school and community settings. ... These services must include ... comprehensive school-based, community-funded student health care clinics ... family-planning counseling and access to birth control methods and instruction in their use.''

Further, ""The National Education Association believes that guidance and counseling services should be integrated into the entire education system, beginning at the prekindergarten level.

The NEA wants the schools to provide sex education without parental consent. ""The Association urges its affiliates and members to support appropriately established sex education programs, including information on birth control and family planning, parenting skills, prenatal care, sexually transmitted diseases, incest and sexual abuse, the effects of substance abuse during pregnancy, and problems associated with and resulting from preteen and teenage pregnancies. To facilitate the realization of human potential, it is the right of every individual to live in an environment of freely available information, knowledge, and wisdom about sexuality.''

""The National Education Association recommends that educational institutions establish comprehensive AIDS education programs. These programs must include education about all means of transmission, including sex and intravenous (IV) drug use. Information on prevention options must include abstinence and medically accepted

protective devices.''

""The National Education Association supports family planning, including the right to reproductive freedom. ... The Association further urges the implementation of community-operated, school-based family planning clinics that will provide intensive counseling by trained personnel.''

The NEA Resolutions show strong support for gay and lesbian teachers. ""The National Education Association believes that personnel policies and practices must guarantee that no person be employed, retained, paid, dismissed, suspended, demoted, transferred, or retired because of race, color, national origin, religious beliefs, residence, physical disability, political activities, professional association activity, age, marital status, family relationship, sex, or sexual orientation.'' ""The National Education Association believes that educational employees shall not be fired, nonrenewed, suspended (with or without pay), transferred, or subjected to any other adverse employment action solely because they have tested positive for the AIDS antibody or have been diagnosed as having AIDS or AIDS-related complex (ARC).''

The NEA Resolutions support turning schools into baby-sitters. ""The National Education Association strongly supports the inclusion of prekindergarten childhood education programs within the public school system. These programs should include child care, child development, appropriate developmental curriculum, and special education. ... The Association urges its affiliates to seek legislation to ensure that early childhood developmental programs offered primarily through the public schools be fully funded and available on an equal basis and culminate in mandatory kindergarten with compulsory attendance.''

The Resolutions show the NEA wants dictatorial control over

curricula without accountability. ""The National Education Association believes that quality teaching depends on the freedom to select materials and techniques. Teachers and librarians/media specialists must have the right to select instructional/library materials without censorship or legislative interference. ... The Association deplores book burning crusades and attempts to ban books from the school library/media center and school curriculum by pressure groups.''

The NEA's animosity toward private schools comes through loud and clear in their resolutions. The NEA strongly opposes vouchers and tuition tax credits and even urges ""that closed public school buildings should be sold or leased only to those organizations that do not provide direct educational services to students and/or are not in direct competition with public schools.''

The NEA opposes tests for teachers. ""The National Education Association believes that competency testing must not be used as a condition of employment, license retention, evaluation, placement, ranking or promotion of licensed teachers.''