

# HELLO—VOUCHERS ANYONE?

The schools in Oakland, California are so violent that hundreds of parents recently asked Mayor Jerry Brown to establish a charter school run by the National Guard. Brown accepted the idea, floated it by the school board, and watched it die a quick death. While this was going on, the ACLU filed a class-action lawsuit against California, claiming the state fails to provide “the bare necessities” to a large number of minority students.

Hello, ever heard of vouchers? You bet they have, but there are some “champions of the poor” who would rather see inner-city youths be imprisoned in a dungeon of illiteracy before they would ever allow them the right to opt for a Catholic school. To think this isn’t motivated, at least in part, by anti-Catholicism, is balderdash. And that’s putting it mildly.