

Let's Talk It Over . . . Schools vs. A Genius

By Arthur Dean, Sc. D.

Does the school or college kill the genius? I question whether a genius is developed by what is called a "well-rounded education."

If Babe Ruth had graduated from Harvard University, would he have knocked more home runs because he knew the Latin for "ball," the parabolic law for a falling ball, and the chemistry of its leather covering?

If John McCormack had graduated from Ohio State University as a Bachelor of Arts, would he have been a greater singer than he turned out to be?

If Lily Pons had gone through high school and passed in algebra, chemistry, cooking, history, sewing, physics, biology, ancient history and gymnastics, would she have had any time left to study and to practice singing?

I am sure I don't know. But I do feel that a real genius must strike his individual note early in life, between the ages of twelve and twenty-two.

Robert Frost, himself a poetical genius, declares: "Schools and colleges have been conducted for the almost expressed purpose of keeping him (the real poet) busy with something else until the danger of his ever creating anything is passed. Their motto has been: 'The muses find some mischief still for idle hands to do.'"

If I had a little girl who could draw, would I encourage her drawing and let the fractions slide? If she could sing, would I have her cry over her algebra or let her practice her music? If my fifteen-year-old boy saw only bugs, snakes, trees and polly-wogs, would I shut him up in his room until he had mastered

TRAINING
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ed the formula for making sulphuric acid? Think this over, folks.

Mastery is Important
I know it is nice to know a little about everything and to be well-informed on the present, past and future of history, science, economics, literature, physics, chemistry, mathematics, cooking, sewing, agriculture, physical training, Greek, Latin, French, German and all the other things which young people may gather together in sufficient amount to receive a diploma.

But I also know that it is just as nice, and even nicer, to master something which is born within us, and to express our life through it. It seems to me that many boys and girls in high schools and colleges are getting what is called a "well-rounded education" whereas they show great aptitude for art, music, writing, science or drama.

Stressing One's Forte
If I had a daughter who apparently could play the violin very well, I would discover as

quickly as I could whether she was a genius. If she was not, her violin would be a great pleasure in her hours of leisure. If she was a genius she would drop all her studies except English, physical training, and foreign languages.

If I had a son who was crazy over bugs, who thought a great deal of Louis Agassiz, and could draw birds as could Louis Pasteur, he would, as far as I was concerned, never get a look into a book on geometry, algebra or ancient history.

He might live to curse me. And he might live to bless me.

HE CARES VERY MUCH
"My best friend is a boy I have known three years. We take walks, have things in common, and enjoy life together in a wholesome way. Sometimes I find myself wishing he would show me in some way that he cares. How am I to know if he cares?"

ANSWER: The fact that he spends time with you and gets and gives no kisses is clear indication that he cares for your company, enjoys life with you and likes your style. You are getting a great deal and I wouldn't cut open the drum for the sake of seeing what makes the noise. Curiosity has killed many a mouse.

Of course you can make people like you — Take Dr. Dean's advice, in his helpful booklet, "The Road to Popularity." Send for it, enclosing ten cents (in coin). Address: Dr. Dean, c/o this newspaper, P. O. Box 75, Station O, New York, N. Y.

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DISLIKES WAR . . . Morris Stern, suburban Los Angeles grocer, may be a brother of General G. M. Stern, reported new head of Leningrad military district, but is not in sympathy with Russia's war on Finland. Brothers last met in Russia, nine years ago.

Torrance Hi News Notes by ELIZABETH FISH

OUR TOUR . . . The Torrance Forum, an organization of students sponsored by Miss M. Lockyer, is having a big day today. Members are in Los Angeles exploring Olvera street, the Union Station, Helms Bakery and China City, where they are to eat.

SEE FILM . . . Recently students enjoyed a moving picture on Aluminum. It was shown by Guy Mowry, Science teacher.

PRINCIPAL ILL . . . Students wish to express their sympathy for Principal Thomas Elson who is now in a Los Angeles hospital recovering from a serious illness. Principal Elson will not be at school the rest of this semester.

SENIOR TEA TODAY . . . One of the biggest events of the Senior A's high school life was held today. It was the annual "Senior Tea," honoring seniors, their parents and faculty members. Those on the program were Sherman Bross and Edgar McDonald, who represented the students; Miss Janeves, commercial teacher who represented the faculty; a musical number by Maxine Clark, assisted by Kiyoko Hasegawa and the Madrigal Singers.

PLAN LEAP YEAR PARTY . . . A meeting of the "Teeners" was held Monday night at the home of Ann McAnnally. The girls decided to hold a Leap Year Party. Those present were: Virginia Zampertini, Vera Weber, Marian Robinson, Margaret Moon, Anne McAnnally, Shirley Guttenfelder, Ruby Benner, Jenoyne Barkdull, Ruth Pankey, Margie Rusk, and Elizabeth Fish.

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STOP PAYING HIGH

You may not know it, but you're probably paying from 25 to 35 percent more for the meats you're buying than what you could buy them for at the Ideal! Hundreds of people have learned that this is so since the Ideal came to Torrance only a few short months ago! And now they are smart; they know that by making ALL their meat and delicatessen purchases here they have VERY SUBSTANTIALLY reduced their food budgets.

PURE LARD 100% PURE 4 LBS. LIMIT TO THE CUSTOMER **4 lbs. for 25¢**

SMOKED PICNIC HAMS Here is The Finest Ham Sale in Mkt. **15 1/2 lb** **Eastern Skinned Hams** Tenderized Ready To Bake The World's Finest Ham **19 1/2 lb**

Shortening 4 lbs. for **25¢**

BABY LAMB LEGS Short Shank Cut From Genuine Baby Lamb **19 1/2 lb** **Whole Pork Shoulders** Sweet Pickled For Baking **11 1/2 lb**

Bacon Sale Extra Special Whole or Half Piece **14 1/2 lb**

Yearling Lamb LEGS Fancy Fresh Cut **12 1/2 lb** **Sliced Pork LIVER** From Grain Fed Pigs **9 1/2 lb**

Steak Sale Guaranteed Tender P. House, T-Bone Club and Rib **17 1/2 lb**

EXTRA FANCY YEARLING LAMB CHOPS **12 1/2 lb** **Loin Pork CHOPS** **17 1/2 lb**

Bacon Squares Eastern Sugar Cured and Smoked **7 1/2 lb**

DELICATESSEN DEPARTMENT

2 Year Old Wisconsin Redskin Cheddar **Cheese 35¢ lb** DELICIOUS, FRESH **Fruit Salad lb. 10¢**

XLNT—STEAMING HOT READY TO SERVE **Tamales 3 For 25¢** KRAFT'S CREAMED or COUNTRY STYLE **Cottage Cheese 15¢ lb**

SWEET **PICKLES Doz. 9¢** XLNT **TURNOVERS 3 For 25¢**

IDEAL RANCH MARKET

Church News

LUTHERAN CHURCH
Frank D. Mechling, pastor. Acacia and Sonoma.

Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Morning service 10:45 a. m. Topic: "The Glory of the Common Place." Bible hour and prayer service Wednesday, 8 p. m.

BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. C. Miles Northrup, pastor. Carson and Main.
Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning service 10:50 a. m. Topic: "God's Treasure Chest for the New Year." Special Music. Evening service 7:30 p. m. Topic: "God's Program of Soul Winning for the New Year." Special music. Young people's meeting, 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting, Bible study and praise testimony service Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Rev. F. T. Porter, pastor. 1415 Engracia.
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Scott Ludlow, Supt. Morning service 10:40 a. m. Topic: "The Church." Evening service 7 p. m. Topic: "Beyond The Sunset." Amateur Hour.
Young people's meeting, 6 p. m. Bible study and choir Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

GRACE TABERNACLE
1324 El Prado. Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Kolb, pastors.
Sunday school, 9:30 a. m. Morning service, 11 a. m. Regular service Tuesday and Thursday evenings, 7:30 p. m.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST
1208 El Prado.
Sunday morning services at 11. Sunday school, 9:30 Wednesday evening meeting, 8 p. m. Reading room in church edifice. Communion Services will be conducted on Sunday in all Churches of Christ, Scientist. The subject of the Lesson-Sermon is "Sacrament" and the Golden Text is from Leviticus: "I am the Lord that bringeth you up out of the land of Egypt, to be your God; ye shall therefore be holy, for I am holy."

The Lesson-Sermon includes also these verses from Matthew: "When Jesus came into the coasts of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, Whom do men say that I the Son of man am? And they said, Some say that thou art Jesus the Baptist; some, Elias; and others, Jeremiah, or one of the prophets. He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona; for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church."

Among the selections from "Salvance and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy are the passages: "Jesus established his church and maintained his mission on a spiritual foundation of Christ-healing. In other words, Jesus purpose, founding his society, not on the personal Peter as a mortal, but on the God-power which lay behind Peter's confession of the true Messiah."

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY
Engracia and Manuel avenues. Rev. Fr. Joseph V. Fitzgerald, pastor.

Masses Sunday 8 and 10 a. m., week days at 8 a. m. Devotions Sunday and Wednesday, 7:45 p. m. Instruction for children after 8 o'clock mass on Sunday. Adult instructions Tuesday and Friday at 7:30 p. m., at rectory, 1447 Engracia.

MEN'S BIBLE CLASS
Meets at 9:30 a. m. Sundays in Boy Scout hall on El Prado. Rev. Ben Lingenfelter, teacher. All men welcome.

CENTRAL EVANGELICAL CHURCH
Rev. E. W. Matz, pastor. Marcellina and Arlington.

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning worship 11 a. m. Joint evening service with the Methodist church at 7:30 o'clock. Church dinner; cafeteria style, will be served in the Guild Hall from 5:30 to 7 o'clock next Thursday night. The public is invited. Choir rehearsal Friday, 7 p. m.

METHODIST CHURCH
Harry C. Banks, pastor. El Prado at Carson.

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning service, 11 a. m. with Rev. Dr. J. E. Meade of Long Beach as guest preacher.
Evening service 7:30 p. m. United service in Evangelical church. Topic: "What and Where Is Heaven?" Junior High Epworth League 6:30 p. m. Wednesday, church night for prayer and study. Friday, Rev. R. A. Young will be preaching. Choir is to assist.

ST. ANDREW'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
1432 Engracia. Rev. Thomas R. Marshall, Vicar.

Sunday services include Church School at 9:30 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon at 11 a. m. The annual parish meeting 6:30 o'clock Tuesday night, Jan. 16. Dinner reservations may be made by telephoning 391 or 470.

LATTER DAY SAINTS
Woman's clubhouse, David T. Rossiter, bishop.
Sunday school, 10 a. m. Evening service, 7 p. m. Tuesday, 2 p. m. Relief society, 3:30 p. m. Primary association, and 7:30 p. m. Mutual Improvement association.

NAZARENE CHURCH
Rev. W. A. Penner, pastor. 20507 North Royal. Hammerton tract.

Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. Morning service 11 a. m. Young people's service 6:30 p. m. Evening service, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting 7:30 p. m. Wednesday.

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Heaven Is Topic for Sunday Talk at Local Church

The discussion of "What and Where is Heaven?" will have a major part of the Sunday evening service in the Evangelical Church, Jan. 14, at 7:30 o'clock. The pastor of the Methodist church, Rev. Harry G. Banks, will be the preacher as the two congregations join in this gathering.
"It may truthfully be said that we know little or nothing of this future state, yet it is one of the themes to which religious people and literature have given great consideration," Rev. Banks said this week. "It is natural for people who anticipate a journey to another country to make every effort to familiarize themselves with the conditions prevailing in that land. And so this will be but an honest effort to look into a few of the outstanding ideas concerning this realm and seek to find what inspiration we may for this preparatory life." All will be heartily welcomed to the service.

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