

TEACHERS SAY

Mind 'Marbles'; Muscle-Bound Missile Men May Make Mayhem

California's school teachers are on record with an insistent demand for an adequately financed program of "enriched education" for gifted students. The action was taken by the State Council of Education, policy-making body of California Teachers Assn., meeting at a two-day session of the 350-member body in Los Angeles.

Eggheads Needed
A statement of policy calling for expansion of the program for the gifted in California declared:

"The community must hold academic achievement in high respect. Any society which in the dangerous world of today equates giftedness with queerness and sneers at those who strive for the high use of intellect as 'eggheads', does so at its own peril. The difference between catastrophic destruction and progressive survival may well depend upon the contribution of a few remarkable minds, discovered early in life and vigorously nourished."

The teacher group, being elected representatives of the 93,000 CTA members, took cognizance of the challenge to American schools imposed by the Russian success with its space missiles.

Jack D. Rees of Hayward, CTA president, in an address declared that "We of the public schools accept the challenge and will do our utmost to cope with it."

No Apologies
Rees said, however, that in doing so teachers "make no apologies for the past in which public education has contributed so much to the welfare, progress, culture and defense of our country."

The CTA leader pointed out that since 1901 the United States had thirty-five Nobel prizes in science while during the same period Russia won only two.

"Our major difficulty," Rees said, "is the shortage of educated brains for the reasons previously stated. We need not only more good scientists and engineers; we need more good teachers; we need more good doctors; we need more good philosophers; we need more good statesmen; we need more good citizens."

Muscles Bound?
"The only person who can keep us ahead of Soviet tyranny in all fields by producing the necessary educated brains is the classroom teacher. You can't make missiles with muscles. You've got to have some marbles!"

Rees warned that "We must not let Russian freedom of choice for Russian compulsion. We must not, and will not, drag our American youth into careers that they do not choose for themselves. We will not transform American classrooms into forced labor camps nor lockstep young people into our scientific laboratories."

"In striving to produce Edisons, Tellers, Salks and Einsteins, American education must be sure it is not diverting a Shakespeare from his writing, a Lincoln from his

compassion, nor a Michelangelo from his canvas."

Program Eyed

Declaring that the improvement of education is the responsibility not alone of the state but one which "must be shared by the public, by industry, by the taxpayers, by school boards, by state legislatures, by the Congress and by the president, Rees proposed a nine-point program as follows:

1. State or Federal scholarships that guarantee every high school graduate a college education regardless of his economic status.
2. Encourage capable young women as well as men to enter scientific professions.
3. Provide more adequate facilities and faculties in higher education.
4. Entice a sufficient number of properly trained and competent teachers for public schools.
5. Get more pay and prestige for all school teachers.
6. Expand greatly our programs of enriching the educational opportunities for the gifted.
7. Reduce the number of pupils per teacher at all levels aiming eventually to match the Russian class load of 17 per teacher.
8. More State and Federal aid for school buildings and school operating expenses.
9. Step up and improve counseling and guidance programs in our colleges and universities to the end that more qualified young people will choose careers in teaching, in mathematics, and in science.

Action Taken

Actions taken by the CTA body included:

1. Authorization of the appointment of a state-wide committee to make a comprehensive study of proposed merit rating as a basis for fixing teacher salaries.
2. Request the Legislature to propose a state school building aid bond issue of \$250 million for the November ballot next year.

Such a measure would be the fifth of its kind on which the electorate would be asked to vote. Four previous proposals since 1950 have approved such bonds in the aggregate sum of \$630 million and according to CTA leaders the need for more classrooms is still acute.

Student Speaks

John McCuen, a student at Chico State College, and president of the CTA sponsored California Student Teachers Assn., told the Council that "We are getting tired of hearing our generation called one without imagination or new ideas and reading that today's college students are striving toward conformity and mediocrity."

The student leader, on behalf of his organization's 3000 members, declared that "It is our hope that some day only the outstanding students will be able to become teachers, for the student teacher is the only means through which improvements in education can become lasting ideals."

Mrs. Armstrong to Head Division for Heart Fund

Mrs. Donald Armstrong of Palos Verdes has accepted appointment chairman of the special gifts division of the 1958 Heart Fund campaign for Region 5-A.

The communities in Region 5-A include Domingues, El Segundo, Gardena, Hawthorne, Hermosa Beach, Inglewood, Lawndale-Alondra Park, Wilshire, Lennox, Lomita, Manhattan Beach, Redondo Beach, San Pedro, Torrance, Waltham, and Wilmington-Harbor City.

Mrs. Armstrong was selected to head one of the three solicitation divisions of the month-long campaign for funds to fight heart and circulatory diseases. The drive opens Feb. 1.

In addition to the special gifts division, other highlights of the campaign will be "Business Invest in Heart Days" to be conducted in retail districts Feb. 13-14, and the fourth annual Heart Sunday residential collection on Feb. 23.

Other Posts
Experienced in community welfare activities, Mrs. Armstrong is serving on the board of governors, Welfare Federation of Los Angeles and its budget committee. She is also on the board of the Harbor Area, Welfare Council and is area chairman of the Ameri-

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