

Raising Children

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gene on money matters? Where do they learn that money is a servant, not the master? Too many adults don't know the mental hygiene of earning, spending and saving money and it's difficult for their children to acquire any such knowledge from them."

The noted psychologist mentioned that some schools give their teachers but 60 hours study to learn all about children when they should have about four years. Parents, on the other hand, seldom get any training, thus their continual swinging from strict to lenient systems regardless of the emotional reaction on the children.

Unfortunately education places tools into hands not ready to use them; teachers are taught to treat symptoms instead of human relationships.

"There should be a nursery school in every secondary school with a 3-year course for boys as well as girls, and parents should attend at least ten lectures a year for three years on child psychology. Parents need education in bringing up children and at long last the government has made a grant to provide this training."

In addition to Dr. Blatz and Miss Kelly at the head table at the luncheon were Mrs. Blatz, Dr. Graham Lane of the Porcupine Health Unit; Miss Ferguson, national supervisor of the V.O.N. from Ottawa; Mr. K. Young, director of Adult Education in Northern Ontario; Mr. W. B. Sparks, president of the Adult Education Branch of Schumacher; Father O'Gorman and Father Theriault. Representatives from the churches, school boards, Home and School Assns. and presidents of the Adult Education Groups from Schumacher, South Porcupine and Timmins were among those present.

Kiwanis Observe

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Church was introduced by Kiwanian Dr. Gardner, and, on behalf of the club, President O. R. Kenie thanked him for the interesting and informative film shown.

Kiwanian George Knowles introduced the visitors for the day. These included: Jack Atkinson, field commissioner of the Boy Scouts of Ontario; R. E. Sturgeon, director Timmins Activities committee; Chas. J. Cribbs, Winnipeg, Man.; and four members of the Timmins Kiwanis Boy Scout Troop, Doug McCullough, Graham Garner, Jack Hasset, and Clyde Brydie.

Kiwanian P. T. Moisley reminded members that next Monday's meeting of the Kiwanis would be a joint meeting with all the other service clubs in the district. It would be held in the McIntyre Community hall in the evening. The meeting had been arranged as a feature in the Y.M.C.A. campaign, and two distinguished leaders in Y.M.C.A. work in Canada would be guest speakers. For those who could not attend this meeting, there would be a round table conference at the Empire hotel at noon, to allow all to keep up attendance.

Attention was called by Kiwanian F. A. Woodbury to the committee table. This was an innovation to give committees a chance to meet during luncheons. Those who wished to take advantage of this plan should get in touch with Kiwanian Harry Kuzyk in plenty of time before the meeting.

Kiwanian Woodbury also made mention of the fact that Kiwanian W. Rinn had written to all parents concerned, informing them that the reports of the Crippled Children's clinic were in the hands of the doctors, and that the Kiwanis was ready now to give any further help possible.

Child Study

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Blatz said, "While small, and late in coming, it nevertheless is a beginning. And for it we must make the government realize that this \$6,000 is the best investment they ever made."

"Too many people believe motherhood is instinctive, and believe too much in heredity, believing there is no cure for their children's bad habits because they take after some particular wild member of the parental family."

"For instance, alcoholism — often blamed on heredity — is no more inherited than a wooden leg. Alcoholism starts out as a dependence on the parents, and alcoholics are people who carry that dependence along into manhood and will never accept the consequences for their behavior."

The Doctor mentioned that so far parent education is just a drop in the

bucket and that an institute of Child Study should be in every University.

"Groups of parents should get together to discuss children and to assist them the Adult Education Dept. is going to give a two to three weeks course for representative members from each community. "We hope these members will have children over six and will be willing to spend several years leading groups in the community. Next year a provincial leader is being trained who will visit all of these groups and meet discussion leaders."

"Schools of the future will realize child psychology is as necessary a study as arithmetic, domestic science and algebra. Unfortunately our present teachers never had children or training in child psychology though it will eventually be introduced in normal schools and O.C.E."

Dr. Blatz said the Home and School Assns. had faith that children's progress could be improved and that a class would be held in Northern Ontario for two members from each community for five days just to make them realize how little they do know. Then they're ready to lead groups.

Speaking on the incredible number of immature adults the psychologist said that the essence of maturity was when a person is willing to accept the consequences of his decision or behavior. Don't try to put the blame on others, that's what a child does.

"If adults were all matured mentally," the Doctor said, "we'd never have jealousy, a clear sign of immaturity."

"Here again parents are to blame because they lavish all love on one child and he becomes jealous of others. Parents are afraid to discipline their children for fear of losing their love."

"Actually parents should use themselves as bad examples for the children. Eventually the children will grow up and find it out anyway."

The Doctor said that it would take four generations before we would have a mature nation. (In a survey made in 1926 the average mental age of a Canadian was 14 yrs.)

"Tolerance is something that should

Failure Main

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oped in schools so that when the people grow up they would have a start in some hobby for their leisure time.

"A town the size of Timmins should spend about \$10 per child for destructive materials for the children to use and learn with — paints, paper, wood and cloth. And they should be allowed to use their own initiative," the Doctor said. "Actually music and singing is more important in leisure time than algebra."

The Doctor said that the biggest problem that confronted them in Toronto during the unemployment in the 30's was keeping the ones on relief active. And it was deplorable how few of these grown adults had ever learned any hobby in their school days.

The cost of child study and training was little when compared with the cost of maintaining penal institutions. In a visit to the penitentiary at Kingston Dr. Blatz said there were 44 boys under 20 years with total sentences of 375 years; the cost of keeping them would cost the country about \$300,000. If we had this money in advance none of these boys need have gone to the penitentiary.

"If we combined educational and community activities to keep children interested we could cut juvenile delinquency 75 per cent," he concluded.

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Salvation Army

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said he didn't want to take anything for nothing and assisted me in painting the Salvation Army Hall.

"Most of the fellows want to do some work and in that regard many Timmins business men have been very co-operative in providing temporary jobs to tide the lads over."

The Salvation Army in Timmins is fortunate in one respect, receiving a legacy from a miner it helped many years ago. Capt. Church said. The miner came out here years ago from the old country and arrived in Timmins without funds and a job. The Salvation Army came to his assistance and the man located a job in one of the local mines. After working here for a good many years he finally returned to his old home in England. When he died he left a legacy to be used for Salvation Army work in Timmins and district. The funds are administered by one of the mines and the Salvation Army. Capt. Church said he used money from this fund for special cases such as burnt out families.

In his appeal for an addition for a hostel Capt. Chure said he hoped people would understand that the lads which would be accommodated are fine lads just down on their luck. "They're law-abiding citizens and just don't want to sleep in jail. A little assistance at the right time often affects a chap's whole future. It's our work to see they get that needed help," the Salvation Army Captain concluded.

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