

Teaching Morality

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standing self and others; making a living; adjusting to the natural environment; dealing with social and political structures and forces; and developing a sustaining philosophy or set of values.

THE PSYCHOLOGICAL view is that we must recognize that each human being has emotions and that to live effectively he must learn to harmonize his ability to think

with his ability to feel. "We teach students everything except about themselves," notes Arthur Jersild. Deyve defines education as a regulation of the process of coming to share in the social consciousness.

ALMOST ALL philosophers would agree that schools must define to you what is right and challenge him to acquire character to do what is right. Right can be defined without

reference to religion. The laws of our nation spell out what is right. But schools must give students not only the will to do what is right but he skills as well. Education must teach HOW to do the right thing.

Character is having the courage, will and skill to do what is right and to carry out one's convictions. So let us draw the line.

What is "right" is not the same as convictions. A conviction is an individual feeling that something is "right." But it is a "feeling" just the same.

Public education must build character and not teach convictions. The student with character can acquire or accept convictions. But he must have character.

Yes, the public schools must teach morality. But many truths need not be taught by quoting Scripture passages. Life reveals truth and should teach life.

Nolan Denies Foe's Charge

FARMINGTON Thomas Nolan, Republican candidate for Farmington Township Treasurer, has responded to criticism that he plans to be a spare time officer if elected.

"I have never been a spare time officer of this township and don't intend to be if elected treasurer," Nolan says.

NOLAN SAYS he has devoted the time necessary while serving as township trustee and will do the same as treasurer.

The candidate said he now spends 35 to 40 hours a week working for the township as a trustee, planning commission member, Housing Commission member and other committee jobs.

The question of spare time service, Nolan said, "was not raised a long time ago when there were many jobs that needed to be done in this township."

NOLAN SAID he does not plan on quitting his job with a trucking company if elected, but his firm will allow him to take time off work to handle his duties as treasurer.

"I have never at anytime said I would not give the equivalent of full-time activity to the job. I will devote the time needed to do the job and

take exception with persons who question this fact."

The part-time issue was first aired in the primary campaign which resulted in Nolan easily defeating his two Republican opponents, Nyla Archer Wells and Jean Nankervis.

AFTER THE primary, Nolan's Democratic opponent, Harris Berger, raised the issue again. The response came at the last township board meeting when a speaker raised the issue.

Nolan got his start in politics many years ago in Garden City. The first time Nolan was elected to office, he was elected a precinct delegate for both parties.

Being a Republican, Nolan chose to be elected a Republican precinct delegate and has since been elected to Republican positions on the local level.

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Topps Opens Local Store

Grand opening ceremonies were held Thursday morning for Topps discount department store on Orchard Lake Rd. in Farmington Township.

The new store, which is located at 30800 Orchard Lake, will employ about 200 persons, according to manager William Sobkowiak, former manager of the Topps store in Redford.



TOPPS OPENS—Topps department store has opened a new center in Farmington Township on Orchard Lake Rd. north of 12 Mile. The parking lot was filled with shoppers at 9:30 a.m. Thursday before the doors were opened. Also at the center are Perry's drugs and Great Scott food store. (Evert photo)

are Perry drugs and Great Scott food stores. Officiating at Thursday's opening was Robert Reiser, Interstate president. Farmington is the third Topps location planned for the metropolitan Detroit area within a 12-month period, said Reiser.

Earlier this year, a Topps store was opened in Taylor to service the downriver area and an additional store is planned to open early next year in Troy.

BY 1973, he continues, Topps hopes to have 14-17 stores in its Detroit complex employing about 2,500 persons.

Recently, Interstate has been closing down its marginal conventional department stores and opening new ones in suburban locations.

The company's total sales since entering the discount business have grown from \$55 to \$700 million. Profits last year were \$8.8 million, equal to \$1.70 per share.

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