

# Education Is Power

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Children are individuals, and may react to the same situation in vastly different ways. Within a class of thirty children, one would be hard put to find five students who perceive a given incident or story in the same manner.

How we perceive any event is based upon our background of experiences, our language facility, and our ability to perceive events.

Our innate intelligence plays an important part in our total perception of things. We cannot expect a child with an intelligence quotient of 75 to perceive an event in the same way as one with an intelligence quotient of 120. However those of us in education are aware of the fact that the intelligence quotient of an individual is not generally static, that is the intelligence quotient of an individual may be changed, either from low to higher, or from high to lower.

Generally the greater the amount of rich rewarding experiences a child has, the higher will be his/her intelligence quotient. By this, we mean that the more a child has traveled, has been read to, has been told or shown things, has been allowed to explore, has been provided an opportunity to express himself/herself, or has been exposed to books, the greater will be his/her ability to learn when he/she starts to school. The child must also be made to feel that he/she is loved, wanted, and needed at home and at school.

The child must be provided the proper atmosphere in which to learn. There must be a quiet, restful area free from distractions in order for the child to give his/her attention to the tasks of learning.

In order for learning to take place outside the classroom, someone must be willing to give his/her time and effort. With some children more time and effort is required than with others. This time and effort should be from a parent (mother and/or father), an older brother or sister, a relative, a classmate or a friend. Whoever assists in the learning process of a child must be willing to ac-

cept some failures as well as some successes.

A former president of the United States once said, "When the going gets tough, the tough get going." However, care must be taken to prevent the "going" from becoming so "tough" that even the child who is intent on learning will not meet with too many defeats. It is ego-deflating to have to face too many failures, therefore the material presented to the child must be within his/her grasp.

Never before has there been a greater need for a person to succeed in the learning process than today. There is a lot to be learned, and a lot to be taught.

## Halloween Fire Safety From the Las Vegas Fire Department

Halloween is coming, this weekend 10-31. While it can and should be a fun time for all children, precautions must be taken. It is the responsibility of the parents to see that this Halloween is a fun and safe event.

There are a number of things parents can do to ensure the safety of their child, such as the following: Purchase flame resistant costumes, keep children away from space heaters and fireplaces. Do not use candles inside pumpkins or on any other decorations, such as autumn leaves, corn stalks, etc. Weiner roasts, bonfires, and all other open fires should be supervised at all times; and completely extinguished when the gathering is over.

We suggest parents inspect all trick or treat items their children bring home.

With your assistance we can make this a fun and safe Halloween.

## Annual Used Book Sale To Be Held

The Friends of the Southern Nevada Libraries will hold their Annual Used Book Sale at The Meadows Mall on Thursday through Sunday, October 28-31.

The sale will be open to the public during regular mall hours: Thursday and Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; and Sunday, noon to 5:00 p.m.

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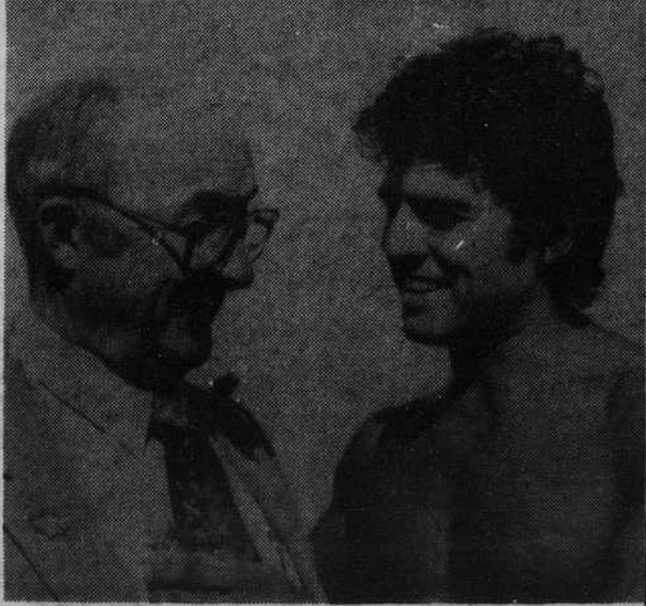
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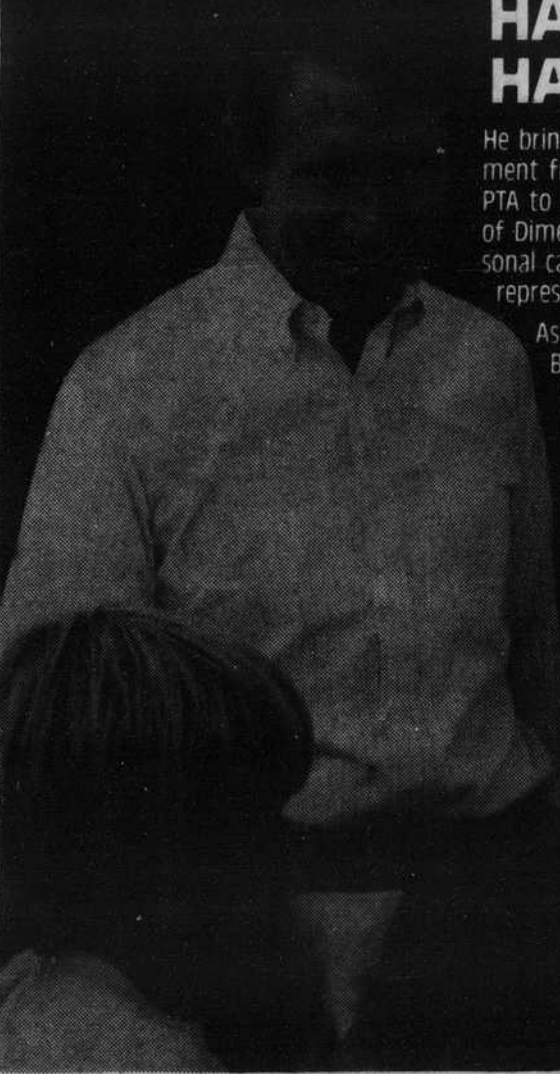
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