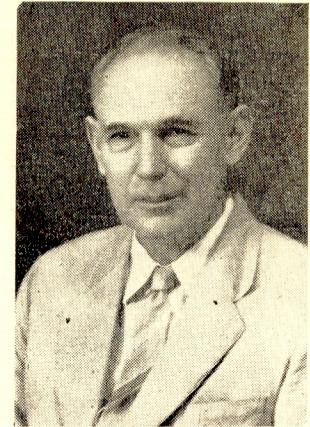


Principal's Message:

Toward Scholarship and Character



Dr. Hollister

THE SUCCESS or failure of any school is measured by two factors: scholastic standing and the character of its graduates.

Scholastic standing includes more than the percentage of passes in examinations. It must include the ability of graduates to use the knowledge gained in class rooms, when they face the actual problems life presents. Some place too much emphasis on the number of pupils who pass a given examination. A truer test is the ability to utilize knowledge in facing the actual problems of life.

But a good school faces a much more difficult task than preparing its pupils for scholastic examinations. It must help its pupils develop the kind of character that will make them good citizens of their own nation and of the world. Initiative, ability to work and play with others, courtesy, consideration for the needs and desires of others, unselfishness, a spirit of service for others—all these are as important as book-knowledge. With these a person becomes a good citizen, helping to build a better world.

To develop this kind of character, something else is needed. There is a Moral Force at the center of the universe. When a person understands this Moral Power and tries to live in harmony with its laws, there comes an integration of life which gives the deepest satisfaction. Different religions give this Moral Power different names. We who call ourselves Christians call this Power, God. But whatever the name that is used, the best education seeks to help pupils build in their lives a reverence for a Moral Law which measures life not by material possessions or political power, but by self-discipline, self-control, a deep concern for others that leads to unselfish service to humanity.

Our Methodist English School seeks good scholarship, good citizenship, and an understanding of God and His desire that all shall find the deepest meaning and satisfaction in life.

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