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"This is the first task of the teacher — to bring to light the good elements in the life and behavior of his disciples and sons, even of those less inclined to order and discipline; to have confidence in the good judgment of some, and in the patience of others; to pass over the resentments of the past, as accidents of little importance; to affirm principles and laws firmly but gently; to uproot hatred and thus pave the way for unity, not pretending that it will be reached tomorrow but consciously willing it and preparing for it."

"The Gospel . . . does not turn back, but advances with men and the times for the strength and joy of families and of peoples. He who possesses the riches of this good tradition and the freedom of God's sons, moves ahead safe and strong. Pope John told us this and gave us an example."

Monsignor Louis Capovilla: THE HEART AND MIND OF JOHN XXIII. Hawthorn Books, Inc., New York, 1964.

"By adding to the knowledge of man's biological nature, science could help the humanist to understand better the human condition, and to define the good life. Unfortunately, while biological sciences have been immensely successful in describing the elementary structures and processes of the body machine, they have tended to neglect the study of living as experience."

René Dubos: Humanistic Biology. THE AMERICAN SCHOLAR 34 : 179 (Spring), 1965.

"I think the time will certainly come when our present-day medicine seems to future generations as inept as Galen's seems to us, and we are not yet

qualified to prescribe the medical welfare of our great grandchildren. In a slogan, I should say that present skills are sufficient for present ills."

Peter Brian Medawar: Do Advances In Medicine Lead to Genetic Deterioration? MAYO CLINIC PROCEEDINGS 40 : 23 (Jan.), 1965.

"It is a tragic commentary on the mental and moral health of our nation that the most common cause of childhood deaths today is physical abuse of children by their own parents. This shocking revelation, like the murder of our President and the racial bitterness that threatens civil war, could disturb our social conscience. . . .

Mother Loretto Bernard, Mother General, Sisters of Charity of New York, in Foreword: THE MALTREATED CHILD. Vincent J. Fontana. Charles C. Thomas, Publisher, 1964.

"It is relatively comfortable to talk about technical and social progress as long as it produces nothing worse than unemployment among commencement banquet speakers and university professors. . . . [But] the task of today's graduates, Catholic or not, non-Christian or not, is to participate in the realities of the very things in which the Catholic conscience often has been backward and provincial."

Fred M. Taylor. Commencement Banquet Address. University of Saint Thomas, May 27, 1965.

"Our agent in Bloomington, Ind., visited a local liquor emporium and spotted a bottle of wine with the brand name "Rhythm," but was unable to learn its primary and secondary purposes or how it works."

THE NATIONAL CATHOLIC REPORTER 1 : 1 (June 9), 1965.