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THOUGHTS ON SCHOOL DAYS . . .

Once upon a time when Americans were not publicly fretting about "Johnny" and his lack of education, there was good reason for their confidence. Ohioans were schoolmasters to the nation. William Holmes McGuffey taught the young ones to read . . . and behave, too. Thomas Harvey's Grammar molded their knowledge and use of language, Joseph Ray's Arithmetic assured a steady head for

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numbers and Platt Spencer guaranteed a legible "hand" in writing. Horace Mann, and a host of others like him, provided quality rather than frivolity as a criterion.

Ohioans perennially probe the frontiers of knowledge, quietly seeking, patiently testing. And *Ohioana* unconsciously, or seasonally, reflects that pervading interest in this issue, from Vitz on McGuffey, through Dr. Hunter's dedicated life and Havighurst on Artists in Residence, to Sears on Worthington, pioneer apostle of education.

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