

# Educators Ruining Country, Martha Charges

## Washington

Martha Mitchell, wife of the Attorney General, yesterday blamed America's educators for destroying the country.

"They are totally responsible for the sins of our children," she said.

Mrs. Mitchell denounced educators in comments to United Press expressed in irritation over a published report quoting her husband, John N. Mitchell, as calling educators "stupid bastards who are ruining our educational institutions."

Mr. Mitchell said she was calling from the telephone in

her upstairs bathroom at their plush Watergate Apartment on the Potomac "so John won't hear me talking to you."

"The academic society is responsible for all of our troubles in this country," Mrs. Mitchell said. "These are people that are destroying our country."

Asked if she was referring to any particular educators, she snapped: "The whole academic society is to blame . . . the professors in every institution of learning."

She declared that had educators not adopted "a leftist" political philosophy, "they

would lead the path of Americanism rather than the path of communism."

Mrs. Mitchell telephoned a United Press reporter at home, irate over the published report of her husband's statement at a Women's Press Club cocktail party Wednesday. A spokesman for the attorney general described the report as "distorted and highly inaccurate."

Mrs. Mitchell dismissed the report, in Women's Wear Daily, as "ridiculous" but then voiced her own attack against "the academicians."

"It makes me sick at my

stomach. They're a bunch of sidewalk diplomats that don't know the score," she declared. "They don't know what's going on. They don't have any right to talk."

"They are the sidewalk diplomats, who do not know and have no right to express an opinion on diplomacy," she said. "Why, some of 'em can't talk as well as I can and I can't talk very well."

"There are more repercussions in our society today because of them," she said. "They are totally responsible for the sins of our children. The academicians have not taken care of our children.

They are at fault for a whole generation of children."

Women's Wear daily also quoted Mitchell as saying Henry A. Kissinger, President Nixon's national affairs adviser and a former Harvard University professor, was "an egocentric maniac."

"That's ridiculous," she said. "Why, we just love Henry."

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