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Mrs. Mitchell Opens Own Assault on Educators

*She Finds Them Responsible
'for All of Our Troubles'*

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20 (UPI)—Mrs. John N. Mitchell, wife of the Attorney General, said today that professors and educators were destroying the country. "They are totally responsible for the sins of our children," she said.

Mrs. Mitchell denounced educators in comments expressed in irritation over a report published Friday in Women's Wear Daily and carried by news agencies.

The report quoted her husband as calling educators "stupid bastards who are running our educational institutions."

Mrs. Mitchell telephoned a United Press International reporter at home, irate over the report of her husband's remarks at a women's press club cocktail party. A spokesman for the Attorney General had described the report as "distorted and highly inaccurate."

Mrs. Mitchell dismissed the report as "ridiculous" but then voiced her own attack against "the academicians."

"The academic society is responsible for all of our troubles in this country," Mrs. Mitchell



United Press International
Mrs. Martha Mitchell

said, "These are people that are destroying our country."

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

She declared that had educators not adopted "a leftist" ~~"they would lead the path~~ political philosophy "they would lead the path of Americanism rather than the path of Communism."

"It makes me sick at my

*Scores Report of Husband's
Comments as 'Ridiculous'*

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 them 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."

Mrs. Mitchell said she was calling from the telephone in her upstairs bathroom at the apartment on the Potomac "so John won't hear me talking to you."

Mr. Mitchell has never disclaimed any of her remarks, except once jokingly to say he would allow her to talk to any reporters so long as she spoke in Swahili.