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"LIBERAL ARTS EDUCATION BEST PREPARATION  
FOR TEACHING," SAYS SALVE REGINA PROFESSOR

TUESDAY  
APRIL 26, 1966

Dr. E. William Burrell, director of secondary education at Salve Regina College in Newport, participated today, April 26, in a panel discussion before a joint meeting of Future Teachers of America chapters from Portsmouth, Bristol, and Warren High Schools, held at Warren High School. His topic was, "Training for Excellence; Teacher Preparation in a Liberal Arts College."

Dr. Burrell pointed out to the high school students that education, especially teacher education, has more irresponsible critics than a mangy mongrel has fleas and ticks. One of the criticisms in this category he said was the charge often made against college students preparing to teach that "such students show up badly both in achievement and in native ability when compared to students in other fields."

He then reported on a recent research study made in a liberal arts college with objectives similar to Salve Regina. "Students in teacher education made higher scores than their class as a whole both on the Scholastic Aptitude Test of the College Entrance Examination Board as freshmen and on the Graduate Record Examination as seniors." He concluded that there is no justification to the criticism that "teacher education students are forced to sacrifice their liberal arts education on the altar of teacher preparation."

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