WHAT ABOUT EDUCATION BEYOND HIGH SCHOOL?

TO THE PARENTS: Please give the answers to the questions or statements below which correctly or best describe the fact or opinion requested. Either the father or mother may respond, or the answers may be given jointly. Place a check (✓) in front of your answer, or write answer in space provided.

1. a. My son (or daughter) who graduated from high school last Spring:
   [ ] has a job [ ] is unemployed
   [ ] is in military service [ ] is going to school
   [ ] is married and is a homemaker [ ] (other)
   [ ] is continuing education through correspondence study

   b. If he (or she) is going to school, is he (or she) going [ ] full time?
      [ ] part time?

2. If your son (or daughter) is going to school, please give the following information:

   Name of School or College                             City                      State

   Course (Such as liberal arts, business, law, nursing, teaching, home economics)
   (If taking trade or apprentice training, name the trade.)

3. Did you want your son (or daughter) to continue his education beyond high school?
   [ ] yes   [ ] no

4. If you wanted your son (or daughter) to continue his schooling and he (or she) is not doing so, what prevented it? (If you answered "no" to question 3, skip this question, and go to question 5)
   [ ] he (or she) did not want to
   [ ] could not afford it
   [ ] plans to go at a later date
   [ ] could not find satisfactory place to live at the school
   [ ] did not qualify for admission
   [ ] his best friend(s) did not go
   [ ] no school of type wanted is closely available

   (other) specify

5. If you did not want him (her) to continue schooling, what was the major reason?
   [ ] Wanted him to help with my business
   [ ] College life is not a good influence
     (or work at home)                      (or work at home)
   [ ] Wanted him to enter military service [ ] Costs too much
   [ ] Wanted him to get a job and earn money
   [ ] Family needs income he could earn
   [ ] Further education is too much a luxury
   [ ] Is not a strong student

   (if other reason, please state)

6. a. Did you advise your son (or daughter) to prepare for college? [ ] yes   [ ] no

   b. Did your son (or daughter) take the following subjects in high school? (check those which he or she took) [ ] Algebra [ ] geometry [ ] foreign language

   (Please turn to other side)
7. In terms of income or wealth of families in our community, our family is:

____ above average  ____ average  ____ below average

8. The following statements are opinions which some people hold about the value of a college education. Please check the statements which most closely express your own opinions. If none of these statements express your opinion, write your opinion in the blank space at the end of the list.

____ It is better to learn a job skill or trade than to go to college.

____ A college education is worth making the financial sacrifice it requires.

____ Success in life depends upon ability and effort, not amount of education.

____ Persons who do not have a college education are at a social disadvantage in life.

____ Going to college costs more than it is worth.

____ The school of "hard knocks" is more valuable than a college education.

____ A college education is required to get good jobs and to advance in them.

____ You do not need a college education to earn good money and be leaders in your communities.

____ People with a college education live more satisfying and interesting lives than those without a college education.

____ Too many young people are going to college.

____ Too many capable young people who desire to go to college are not able to go.

____ Going to college is not worth while for many young people who go.

____ People who learn on the job, use libraries, and teach themselves are as well-educated as those who go to colleges.

(Use the space above to state any other opinion or information which you may wish to give.)

9. Who gave the answers?  ____ father  ____ father and mother jointly  ____ mother  ____ mother (father)

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

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