

## What's true?

Ota Takashi Univ. of Tokyo professor emeritus and Tsuru Univ. professor emeritus died. (大田堯)

When I was novice of teacher, I read many books about education.

One of them is written by Ota.

The book's name is "Continuity asking what is education?" (教育とは何か問いつづけて)

It was established 35 years ago and I bought it at 30 years ago.

During winter vacation I read the book again.

The chapter 6 of the book is "Maximum efficiency and Minimum personality".

The content is achievement test and teacher's estimate in England during 1862-1897.

It was the occurrence more than 100 years ago.

The purpose of achievement test and teacher's estimate was only "low cost".

The officer though only low cost education system, he didn't think quality of education.

So teachers did illegal actions.

And education made education conformity.

Teachers kept opposing, so it was abolished on 1890s.

In Japan, about 50 years ago achievement test executed, but same case of England happened.

Now achievement test executed again.

The mayor of Osaka city said about teacher's estimate by result of achievement test.

We must watch politics and study of history before "the yeas and nays".

This is my new year's thought.

