"Well—I think it's a grave mistake to put on public record everyone's I.Q. I think the first thing the revolutionaries would want to do is knock off everybody with an I.Q. over 110, say. Then the 100's would go after the 110's, the 90's after the 100's, and so on," said Finnerty. "Things are certainly set up for a class war based on conveniently established lines of demarcation. And I must say that the basic assumption of the present setup is a grade-A incitement to violence: the smarter you are, the better you are. Used to be that the richer you were, the better you were. Either one is, you'll admit, pretty tough for the have-not's to take. The criterion of brains is better than the one of money, but"—he held his thumb and forefinger about a sixteenth of an inch apart—"about that much better." "It's about as rigid a hierarchy as you can get," said Finnerty. "How's somebody going to up his I.Q.?"

"I'm going to get myself a uniform, so I'll know what I think and stand for."