

Help for Retarded Children Sought at Alma Conference

A child's response to a red light in a dark room may hold a clue to why he is mentally retarded, it was learned recently at Alma College during the annual conference of the Michigan Association for Retarded Children.

Carl H. Pott, clinical psychologist at Lapeer State Home and Training School, reported that a method developed by him and Stanley W. Bennett of the same institution, may prove a simple technique for distinguishing children and those who are slow mentally because of environmental or other factors. The project was supported by an MARC research grant.

Flornie Hampton, M.D., Consultant in Mental Retardation for the Michigan Department of Health, outlined state plans for intensifying maternal and child health services in a major attack on mental retardation resulting from lack of prenatal care, inadequate nutrition, and prematurity.

Closing the session, Robert W. Talley, M.D., Ford Hospital physician and president of the Michigan Association, said public attitudes reflect confusion with mental illness and urged further emphasis on physical aspects of the handicap. "We tend to forget that the brain actually exists," Dr. Talley said. "If it fails to develop or suffers damage, this is a physical handicap which must be evaluated on such terms. Programs for these children will differ widely from those for the emotionally disturbed whose functional difficulties may be improved or cured."

Attending from this area were Mr. and Mrs. P. Sills of Farmington.



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JOEL HEPNER is pictured above with the three Farmington young men who are now serving as salesmen in his No. 2 store in the Kendallwood Shopping Center. The young men are (L to R) Bruce Stewart, John DeGroot and Dave Sartlin.

Hepner's Stage Grand Opening

Hepner's of Farmington have introduced a unique retailing innovation at their two Kendallwood Shopping Center stores, west 12 Mile Road at Farmington Road.

Store NO. 1 will now handle exclusively clothes for girls, including sub-teens and juniors, while store NO. 2 will cater exclusively to the males.

"The boys' store soon will have prep fashions and clothes styles for students. Boys all the way up to and including college age youngsters will find their clothing needs in store NO. 2 just as the other store will answer for an equally broad age range for the girls."

JOEL HEPNER, owner and manager, says "every teenager and infant child is the area with interest in quality goods, and service can be outfitted at one of the two stores."

Mothers and dads will also find many of their apparel needs can be satisfied by shopping in the Hepner stores under the new junior department setup, according to Hepner.

Hepner points out that consumer figures indicate by 1970 the size ranges covered by his two stores will be geared for a population nationwide to exceed 100 million young adults and children.

"This tremendously expanding market potential of teenagers, who are capable of buying for themselves, knowing their own styling desires and having the

means by which to purchase their clothing, will emphasize the demand for our method of retailing," Hepner said.

SINCE EARNINGS provided from odd jobs after school hours will enable these fashion-minded young people to seek out stores which are best able to answer their clothing needs, Hepner feels a retailing method which completely caters to them can find an ideal market.

In addition to the retailing scheme instituted at the two Hepner stores, the personnel on hand to assist the shoppers are young people capable of lending advice concerning styles and fashions to others seeking apparel.

DAVE SARTLIN, a senior at Farmington High School, Bruce Stewart and John DeGroot are on hand at the NO. 2 boys' store. Dave lives with his parents at 6508 Oakland Avenue.

Bruce lives in the City at 23005 Manning Avenue. He is also a senior at FHS.

John is a senior at North Farmington High and lives with his parents at 30225 Ardmore in Farmington Township.

"IN THE GIRLS' store, Fran Odo of 2812 Steele Avenue, Kathleen Drury, whose father is the Township plumbing and heating inspector, Carol Paski, Dorothy Kelly and Virginia Olive are well trained to help out the feminine shoppers."

Dorothy's husband is Officer William Kelly of the Farmington Township Police Department.

The No. 1 store carries sizes from the college age level down to infants for girls. The No. 2 store has sizes ranging down to a Boy's size 3.



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Marine Combat Training for Jerry Dowdy

Marine Private First Class Jerry L. Dowdy, son of W. P. Dowdy of 31254 St. Francis, Farmington, completed four weeks of individual combat training recently at Camp Pendleton, Calif.

The training, conducted by the Second Infantry Training Regiment, covers the basic field and combat skills required of Marines. Under carefully selected instructors, he has been learning to take his place in small fighting units, such as the four-man fire team and the 14-man squad.

Wood Creek Farms Village

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Bill and Sheila Holden have had three weeks in Florida. They went down to Venice Gardens to visit the J. Dorsey Calhagens. He is the former music critic for the Detroit Free Press. Other than still writing notes for that column he is now retired.

Bill and Edie Dorough left here June 30 driving first to Stanford, Ky. where they spent a couple of days with Edie's brother. By the 4th of July they had reached Harpersville, Ala. where they stayed with a sister of Bill's and where he has many, many relatives. The 4th of July was his father's birthday and he started a family gathering on that day which he asked he continued.

There were 78 members of the family gathered together this time. They also went to Huntsville to visit a nephew and to Camp Hill where a piece of rain in fact, just before they reached there, boats had been used as the means of transport.

Mac, Pat, and Jim Tenney went to Greenbriar, Va. just before the 4th where they enjoyed the golf, riding, skeet and trap shooting. They brought Jim's cousin, Stephen Campbell, back with them to spend a month or so here.

AL AND GINNY Albertsen have been showing Detroit to friends of theirs from Cleveland, Ohio. Two couples were on last week — at different times. For one couple it was the first time in Detroit; both couples enjoyed the city very much.

Mary Ann Freidly has graduated from the DBI (Detroit Business Institute) where she took a two-year accounting course plus three months of IBM education. She has been working part time at the Peralt Music Studio, at 13 Mile & Orchard Lake Rd., while attending school. She is leaving there tomorrow to look for a full time job. She hopes to find one in the IBM work which she loves.

CARY FREIDLY is a soap box derby fan. He has entered the derbies the past two years and won two heats last year. For this year's derby, which will be this Saturday at Derby Hill, he has had to make him a new car — he had completely outgrown the previous one. This winter he designed the body, and he has built it completely himself. There will be some 650 contestants in the two classes, A and B. Let's all root for Gary in Class A!

Lynn McKinnon, a niece of Mary Twygen's is spending about three weeks here in Wood Creek. Her home is in Windsor. The Women's Association summer picnic held at W. Smolck's found, well over 1000 people. Jimmie, goodbye as he left present. The pool was delightful for his summer job with the food delicious, the setting beautiful, the company the best in Buffalo, N. Y.

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Exciting Time Had by Visitor

There seems to be no end to the excitement at the John Koscielniak residence on 13 Mile Road in Farmington.

Their daughter, Agatha, and the exchange student visiting at their home, Laura, both graduated last month in commencement exercises held at Our Lady of Sorrows High School, June 9. Since graduation, the girls have done some extensive traveling. A trip to Niagara Falls highlighted the sightseeing junkies and included a four-day tour of the "Cave of the Winds" and a ride on the famous "Maid of the Mist."

OTHER ENJOYABLE times were spent at the wedding of Mrs. Koscielniak's brother, Danny, a canoe excursion at Belle Isle, and a pot-luck supper with some 90 relatives and friends of the Koscielniak family at their home which had far well to Laura who left Farmington to visit Washington, D. C. July 11, prior to returning to her home in Chile, South America.

Laura's parents live in Santiago. She has six brothers and three sisters in addition to a new baby nephew awaiting her return.

Equator Crossing For Local Sailor

Duwayne E. Fulcher, fireman apprentice, USSA, son of Earl Fulcher of 3172 South Nine Mile Farmington, was among 1,000 crewman of the Guided Missile light cruiser USS Providence who were initiated into the "Shellbacks" league upon their first crossing of the Equator.

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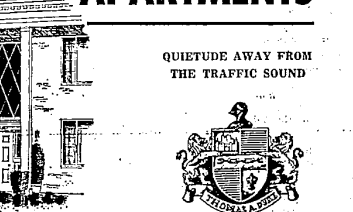
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