

Creative Thinking Hampered As Children Gain Awareness

If your creative five-year-old seems to lose his creativity the moment he enters kindergarten, don't blame the teacher or the school. The cause is probably sex — this sudden awareness of sex differences and the crisis he is facing because of it.

"This advice from the Michigan Education Association is based on a recent research study conducted at the University of Minnesota and reported by Dr. E. Paul Torrance, director of the university's bureau of educational research.

WHEN CHILDREN begin to notice sex differences — when they learn that some activities are taboo for girls and others are not appropriate for boys — that's when their ability to think creatively takes a sharp drop.

Usually that's around age five, the researchers found. The kind of behavior adults expect of a child that age represents a crisis that affects his creative abilities, the report found. Children in other countries experience similar crises when their behavior patterns are changed, the study indicated, but the patterns are different in different cultures.

For American youngsters similar crises are reported to occur at ages 9, 13 and 17. "It is interesting to note that each of the generalized drops occurs at ages at which the transitions from one developmental stage to another begins," says Dr. Torrance. "The drop at about five occurs with the end of the childhood stage and the beginning of the juvenile stage with its demands for social accommodation and compromise and acceptance of authorities outside him. The second drop occurs with the onset of the pre-adolescent stage with its increased need for sensual validation, peer approval, identification with peers of the same sex, and conformity to peer norms," according to Dr. Torrance. The third occurs at the onset of adolescence with its increased anxieties and striving for approval of the opposite sex.

"We have observed," Dr. Torrance points out, "that concerns about sex appropriate-ness and emphasis on sex differences become tremendously inhibiting at about age five and continue into the beginning of the first grade."

WHEN YOUNGSTERS were asked to think of improvements that could be made in certain toys, "we found that boys at this age would frequently refuse to offer any suggestions for improving a nurse kit and some girls similarly refused to think of ideas for improving a toy fire truck. Some of the more creative boys, however, first changed the nurse

kit to a doctor's kit, after which they were quite legitimate and respectable to think of ideas. Thus we see that whole areas of experience become taboo, and, thinking thereby, inhibited."

Another inhibiting factor in young children, Dr. Torrance said, was found to be the forcing of fantasy. "Many children at this age (five) are inhibited in their thinking because they have been warned harshly by parents and teachers that they must eliminate fantasy. Although we are interested in developing a sound type of creativity, we need to keep fantasy alive until the child's mental development is such that he can engage in this sound type of realistic creative thinking."

One hundred and six classes of children are reported to be offered this term at six different locations. Enrollment for the term, which began Feb. 1, will total more than 1,700 says Director Spencer A. Larsen, who has headed the Center since it was founded in 1952.

TO STAFF this extensive program Director Larsen has called upon local business and industry to provide key personnel for the "professor's chair" in the classroom.

Teaching in the program from Farmington is D. J. Skrovan, 28385 Farmington Rd., Chevrolet Div. GMC, Supervisor, Suggestion Plan.

Blect New Officers For Newcomers Club

The next meeting of the Newcomers Club will take place at the City National Bank Building at 10 Mile and Orchard Lake Road on February 27.

The program will begin at 12:45 p.m. and a fine talk will be given by a representative of the Detroit Edison entitled "Prospects of the Future" this will be illustrated by pictures.

Coffee and dessert will be served after the program.

Ladies interested in joining the Newcomers Club, please call Membership Chairman, Clara Baird, GR 4-4442.

The new officers of the Newcomers Club for 1963 are as follows:

PRESIDENT, DOROTHY OGLESBY; Vice President, Mary Ross, Treasurer, Ethel Storer, Recording Sec., Jill Emerson; and Corresponding Sec., Betty Hall.



MEL J. ABELE

Named Manager By Kelvinator

The Kelvinator division of American Motors Corporation recently announced four field sales executive appointments, effective February 1.

J. M. Tenney, general sales manager, said the appointments and their new positions are: John L. Young, general sales manager, New York zone.

William W. Patterson, manager Eastern Region.

MEL J. ABELE, manager, Central Region.

John W. Hanrahan, manager, Detroit zone.

Abele joined Kelvinator in 1948 as a district manager in the Dallas zone, advancing to zone advertising and sales promotion manager, then southwestern regional representative. He was named Cleveland zone manager in 1956 and has been Detroit zone manager since 1959.

Abele resides at 28357 Ken-dallwood Drive, Farmington.

GOP Delegates Named in Twp.

"Peter R. Olcott, Farmington Township Republican Director, announced that the Township will have a large delegation at the Republican State Convention to be held in Grand Rapids on February 15th and 16th.

The following were selected by the Oakland County Republican Convention on January 30 as representatives from Farmington Township: Mrs. Elise Avery, Mrs. Grace Richardson, Mrs. C. E. Haynes, Joseph T. Brennan, Robert Baxter, Richard Habicht, Bill Davis and Peter R. Olcott.

Chosen to be alternate delegates were: Mrs. Frank Downs, Curtis Hall, Floyd Edwards, Charles Stuart, Lawrence Avery, William Miller, Edward Curme, Alfred Schweizer and Don Robinson."

Bill Conroy Does Too! Sec., GR. 4-3511

STRIKES and SPARES

Douglas Marawski, 12, of 28375 Green Willow in Farmington may have a 64 average shot, but he showed he can come up with that big game just the same. Bowling with the Coca-Cola Bantam Boys in the noon league at Red-Aire Lanes on February 2, Doug rolled a 242 game and it stands as the high for the season even though several other boys in the league have threatened the mark with fine games themselves.

IN THE JUNIOR Girls League at Farmington Lanes this week the over-average stars were Noralee Stock with 81 pins, Merrilyn Spink with 75, and Diane McPhail with 68 pins average.

Junior Boys Bob Oja with a 158, Gary Roy's 200, Bob McCafferty's 195 and Carl Hunt's 232 captured the honors this week. John Kirk also bowled well but Hunt's 232 is high for the year.

Jim Flynn's 157 was high for the Bantams.

Roy Siegal took the Sunday Doubles Pot of Gold for \$50 with a 255 game. He also took first place with his partner Paul Kotas in the Doubles competition.

Blue & White JV Cagers Lose To Waterford

The JV Falcons, after winning five in a row, had their winning streak brought to a halt by the Waterford Skippers by the score of 45-39. It was a heartbreaking loss for the Falcons as it hurt their chances for an undisputed first place finish. The JV Falcons Conference record now stands at 5-2 with both losses coming at the hands of the Waterford Skippers.

The Falcons were never able to recover from a disastrous first quarter which left them on the short end of a 17-4 score. Farmington came back valiantly in the second quarter in an attempt to get back in the game. At halftime the Falcons had battled back to within two points of the Skippers.

In the second half, play remained pretty even although Waterford forged into an eight point third quarter lead. In the fourth period the Falcons battled back, but their efforts fell short.

The Falcons had one bright spot during the evening as John Olander hit for 20 points to spark the Falcons in their losing efforts.

This week's game with the Pontiac Northern Huskies should be the JV Falcons' biggest test of the season. The Falcons still have a good chance to tie for the league crown if they can beat the Huskies this Friday. Game time is 6:30.

Warns Against Death Gamble

"If you sit in a parked car with the motor running, you're taking a gamble with death," warned State Health Commissioner Dr. Albert E. Heustis.

Alarmed at the increasing number of young couples found dead or overcome by carbon monoxide in parked cars, Dr. Heustis urged parents to admonish their children not to sit in parked cars with the motor running.

"THERE ARE A number of reasons why this is unwise," the commissioner said. "But the primary reason right now is the possibility of being killed or overcome by carbon monoxide

gases leaking into the car." With the exception of scientific equipment, there is no foolproof method of detecting the presence of this silent killer, which is completely odorless and colorless. In the confined area of an automobile, there is a rapid buildup of carbon monoxide which can overwhelm the occupants without the common symptoms of carbon monoxide exposure — headache, nausea, "smarting" eyes. As a result, the victims are usually overcome rather suddenly without warning.

"The best way to prevent ac-

Have Your Prescriptions Filled at

Bradley Rexall Pharmacy 23366 Farmington Rd. GR. 4-3123 27 Yrs. in Farmington

cidental carbon monoxide exposure in a car is simply never to sit in one with the motor running and the windows closed," Dr. Heustis said.

WANT ADS are STAR SALES-MEN

Keep a practicing lawyer who graduated from Harvard Law School and holds a master's degree from Harvard Business School.

Keep the experience of an incumbent; a judge proved to be fair, honest and strong; a man thoroughly familiar with Township conditions. Why change to someone untried and inexperienced?

Keep a court-and-office which is located in our Township. Why change to one in the city?

Keep a judge who does youth-guidance work; keep a reliable Republican who will continue doing a good job for us.

Get a good man as our Republican judicial candidate for the April election; in the Feb. 18th Primary Election re-elect ROBERT H. NELSON, Justice of the Peace.

Wendell Brown, Howard I. Boyd, Edward Moseman

I am voting to keep ROBERT H. NELSON as Justice of the Peace — Monday, February 18 — fair, incumbent, Republican and strong.

| | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Richard H. Peters | Vernon P. Fisher | Herbert R. Neal |
| Leona Stidwill | Alger M. Clark | Ida F. Neal |
| Edgar C. Cope | Alice J. Billiu | Douglas P. Hammill |
| Leonard Stidwill | Barbara M. Reader | Carl E. Licht |
| Helen G. Cope | Charlotte Thompson | Charles P. Audette |
| Malcolm J. Delaney | Conrad N. Lam | Bernice A. Licht |
| Murray N. Deighton | Andrew Dynda | Hope B. Seeley |
| Luigi Martini | William J. Thompson | Richard S. Seeley |
| Edward Moseman | Wendell Brown | Anne M. Burton |
| Walter E. Mitchell | John Najjar | Matthew M. Novak |
| Stanley C. Thorpe | I. Bud Kaufman | Arthur R. Duizo |
| William L. Cogswill | Bernard S. Kahn | Richard L. Thomas |
| Hazel B. DeGree | George R. DeCourcy | Robert W. Burton |
| Norwood W. Weiss | Paul O. Inniss | Nelson H. McCormick |
| Phyllis V. Tucker | June E. Ingman | Robert A. MacLeod |
| Elliott S. Rogers | Allen Sosin | Marian D. Palmer |
| Morley E. Foster | Jaqueline M. Davis | Harry M. Ramsey, Jr. |
| Jack D. Tucker | William E. Morgan | Robert W. Scott |
| Jacklyn H. Weiss | Thomas R. Adcock | Howard I. Bond |
| Walt B. DeGree | Donald F. Barth | Margaret Schaeffer |
| Charles W. McCaughan | Charles Merryman | Allen C. Ingte |
| Palmer C. Esser | John W. Oettinger | Paul Button |
| Marcella J. Esser | William L. Hamilton | Harry R. Farmer |
| Beverly L. Ellis | William P. Fisher | Charles E. Findlay |
| James M. Ellis | George J. Caudron | Charles Rollins |
| David E. Krings | Robert F. Donovan | Edward J. Forkel |
| Laurence A. Clingman | David Wrigley | Clifford B. Moorhead |
| Elizabeth M. Johnson | Gwen Wrigley | Charles L. Hanchett |
| Jack Dew | Lois Hoelscher | Virginia M. Hanchett |
| Florence E. Krings | Nellie A. Donovan | Wilbur E. Shquist |
| Walter L. Christensen | Harold Chellman | Addison B. Kelley |
| Rose Bogatinnoff | William H. Hoelscher | Donald K. Summers |
| David B. Witmer | Robert J. Amis | Robert K. Orman |
| Elizabeth I. Witmer | Ralph L. Wirtman | John J. Foss |
| Glen Mingo | D. Melvin Todd | Royce Carpenter |
| Donald C. Howard | Leo F. Costello, Jr. | Kathryn Glide |
| Kenneth W. Seaman | Mary I. Wilson | Charles F. Allyn |
| Maynard Roe | William C. Ward | Alan B. Little |
| Maxine Seaman | Marvellee D. McEachin | Muriel A. Wells |
| Don R. Bowerman | Charles P. Smiler | David C. Wilson |
| William E. Ryan | Wesley F. Mitchell | Robert W. Hutchison |
| Robert J. Kelly | Donald E. McEachin | Beryl Salisbury |
| Harry T. Fitzpatrick | Ann E. Ward | Robert A. Mitchell |
| Hugh F. Flack | Florence M. Smiler | Joyce Little |
| Billy Hicks | Frank Ridley | Bonnie Cosper |
| Pauline L. Shaw | Billy Hicks | David M. Sparling |
| Charles Bares | Stuart D. Orman | June E. Sager |
| Robert A. Miller | Thomas R. Nolan | Frank R. Reynolds |
| Betty Bares | Grace J. Holappa | Eugene Pulgini |
| Dwight M. Gordon | H. P. "Murph" Freeman | Paul L. Cosper |
| Bernard Schmidt | William E. Barnum | Phillip A. Rabideau |
| Oris H. Op'tholt | Lily F. Barnum | Joseph P. Ziska |
| John A. Helgert | Jaqueline M. Joseph | Gerald S. Ellsworth |
| Peter R. Kollins | Conrad Braseth | Norman Liebert |
| Emily Orr | Catherine Wenz | Irene Liebert |
| Robert M. Mock | John E. Ziska | Ellie Bird |
| William McNeill | Grace H. Nye | Roy Rysstrand |
| Virginia Op'tholt | Thomas P. Czubiak | Virginia P. Cook |
| Doris J. Helgert | Nelda B. Czubiak | George T. Bird |
| Kenneth J. Fugo | Marge Wilcox | Stanley Kouris |
| Doris Lister | Ray B. Wilcox | |
| Dorothy B. Harris | Betty Kouris | |

When you need insurance
Go to the best insurance man

When you need printing
Follow this same practice

It's just plain good business. You'll get better results and be much happier when you get your work done by specialists. In business here for almost 75 years, we have a staff of trained printers and the background and technical know-how to assure you of a good job. Price alone isn't everything.

The Farmington Enterprise

"We put the accent on Quality for all of our printing work!"

FARMINGTON RD. (Just South of Grand River) GR. 4-6225