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Childhood authority to speak in Missoula; also on reservation

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A series of programs concerning child development is scheduled for Oct. 21-23 in Missoula and Oct. 23 on the Flathead Indian Reservation.

Program lecturer will be Dr. James L. Hymes Jr., specialist in early childhood education and author of numerous books on that subject. The programs are open to the public without charge.

At 8:15 p.m. Wednesday (Oct. 21), Dr. Hymes will speak in room 215 of the UM Women's Center. The lecture is entitled "What Is The Young Child Like? Knowing This How Should We Educate The Young Child?" The program will be followed by a reception for Dr. Hymes sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children in the McGill Room of the Women's Center.

Other programs scheduled for Dr. Hymes include the following:

Thursday (Oct. 22) -- 9 a.m.-noon, room 242 of the UM Liberal Arts Building, informal talks to classes in child development and early childhood education; 1:30 p.m., room 101 of the Missoula Technical Center (MTC), 915 South Ave. W., "The Young Child: Do We Know Him?"; 8:15 p.m., Immanuel Lutheran Church, 830 South Ave. W., lecture to parents of private kindergarten children, entitled "What Makes A Child Really Ready For First Grade?", followed by a reception for Dr. Hymes in the Church.

Friday (Oct. 23) -- 9 a.m., room 101, MTC, "What Is A Good Public School Kindergarten?"

Dr. Hymes also will address parents on the Flathead Indian Reservation Friday concerning the behavior of young children and disciplining youngsters in the classroom and at home.
The Flathead talk is scheduled for 3:30 p.m. at the Ronan Masonic Temple, Ronan. Dinner will be served from 6-7 p.m. at the Temple. Dr. Hymes' talk will resume after the dinner, and his lecture program will continue until 9:30 p.m. Friday.

Dr. Hymes is a graduate of Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass. He holds graduate degrees in child development from Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, N.Y. His most recent publications include "The Child Under Six" and "Teaching the Child Under Six."

Dr. Hymes presently lives in Carmel Valley, Calif., where he is working as a consultant, lecturer and author in early childhood education.

Sponsors of the upcoming programs include the UM School of Education, private kindergartens of Missoula, the Montana Education Association, the UM Indian Community Action Program, Flathead Indian Summer Head Start and the UM Head Start Regional Training Office.

Arrangements for Dr. Hymes' speaking tour were made by Mrs. Janet C. Roberts, Head Start regional training officer in the UM Department of Home Economics.