

According to a story in the San Francisco Progress, by 1975 any police officer or government agency will have instant access to your child's life history, school grades or relations with teachers or classroom associates, if the child has been identified as a potential criminal. Children in kindergarten and the primary grades who are so identified will have their names and fingerprints placed in a central computerized file operated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The concept of the computerized files originated with the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, a group that disseminates funds to local authorities for the development of new techniques of law enforcement. The methods for determining who is a potential criminal and who isn't are being devised by the California Technical Research Foundation, formerly a branch of the California Council on Criminal Justice but now independent. The research foundation became independent after receiving a \$2 million grant from the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration and the state of California to develop, among other things, early detection measuring devices for the propensity of a person to riot or commit a criminal act. Because of the nature of the funding the work and developments of the foundation can be kept secret from the public and the legislature. Consequently the group is answerable only to the Governor.

Children identified as pre-criminal will not only have a computerized record for the rest of their lives, they will also receive attention and extensive treatment in behavior modification during the years they are in school. Parents will not be informed of the computer file, nor will they be told that their children's behavior is being modified. According to the paper, programs to detect aberrational behavior in kindergarten students are under way in Ventura, Orange and San Diego counties. Teachers so far have not commented publicly on the programs but the paper quotes one as saying, "The kids who are picked for the program may not be pre-delinquents at all - they just might be some kids who have a personality clash with their teacher. And for that they get a record for life and submission to some 1984 brain machines."

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SFChronicle 7 May 70, this file
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New Orleans States-Item 29 Jul 72, filed Nixon.
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