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Maneuvered, cranky and maybe feverish

"I hate to be an alarmist. Everytime your child has a stomach ache, it doesn't mean he has food poisoning it takes a long time to build up," explained Dr. Jack Will, Cleveland's chief of community hygiene.

The said the greatest problem in land reclamation is in children, aged one to six years who live in old houses and slums.

(The paint industry says no paint with lead pigment has been used since World War II, and is making available films and pamphlets on lead poisoning.)

"Here in Cleveland, we found a pre-echolector who liked to carry around a brown paper bag with paint chips. He was patrolling he was carrying his lunch to school and getting the paint chips from the outside of the house. He was getting them like candy."

Dr. Wain pointed out that everyone has some trace of lead in their blood.



pin PRICK in used to draw blood samples from the youngsters at health center. Here William Morrison, field worker, begins testing for lead levels in two-year-old Demaris Jackson's blood.

These guidelines are being used at the Lead Poisoning Control Center which opened last week at the McCollough Health Center, 4242 Larkin Ave. Since Jan. 11, 377 children have been tested here.

"It's been estimated that 10% of all children have high lead levels, so potentially there could be a lot of kids in the city who are affected," said David Mirra, deputy coordinator for health and environmental health services.

The food poisoning prevention center is supported by \$100,000, granted last June by the federal government for equipment and staff salaries, and matched by \$100,000 in local services.

His son, the program begins with routine testing of children, ages up to six years, who pass through health center facilities. Two more testing centers are to be opened at the end of this month at the North Maryland Health Center and the J. Allen Smith Health Center.

Children with high lead levels can be treated as
culpable or hospitalized.

He explained it can be treated with chelating agents — drugs which make the lead in the body excrete it through the urinary system. Treat-ment continues until the lead level, tested in blood and urine samples, declines.

Search to stop poisoning of housing starts to help homeowners to eliminate the danger, said a work- ing body with the housing department for legal enforce-ment.

Marsh said they anticipate the program will run three to five years.

"We're excited because we've been studied to death and at last something is being done."