

Increase In Dangerous Drugs On Market, Careless Poison Handling Alarms U. S. Bureau

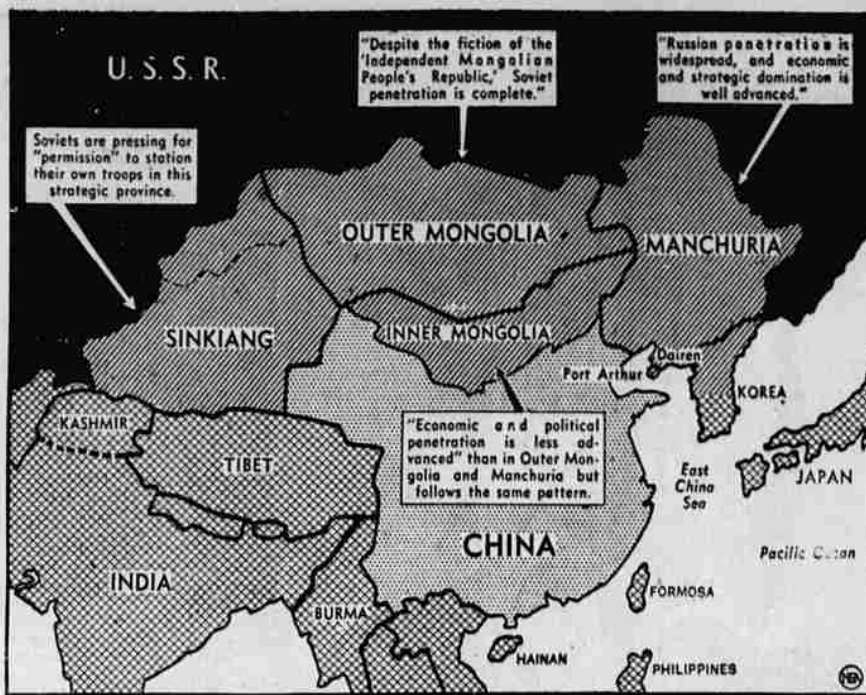
WASHINGTON—(AP)—The food and drug administration expresses alarm over an increase in the number of dangerous drugs it has found on the market.

It also noted a rise in the careless use of the deadly rat poison 1080.

At the same time, however, the agency pointed out that "to the credit of the American food, drug and cosmetic industries as a whole," better supplies of these products are available than ever before.

In his annual report, Commissioner Paul B. Dunbar listed these as some of the difficulties he has run into in the past fiscal year:

1. The increase in coffee prices led to attempts to salvage coffee "to the last bean." The administration seized five large lots of sweepings—beans spilled from broken bags in ship holds and on docks—some of them containing
2. DDT is still found in dairy barns. The agency reaffirmed its position of last fall that there will be "no tolerance for DDT in milk, because it is a poison that is not required in good dairy farm practice."
3. Shipment of short-weight



BILL OF PARTICULARS—Answering Russia's angry denial, the U. S. State Department backs up Secretary Acheson's recent charge that Russia is extending control over rich slices of North China (diagonal shading) by giving an area-by-area picture of the situation. Taking Manchuria as an example of the Russian plan for domination, State points out: (1) Russia is "extending" control over railroads in that province. (2) Soviet troops occupy key ports of Dairen and Port Arthur. (3) Sixty per cent of farm produce is shipped to Russia. (4) Soviets operate key industrial and power plants, coal and gold mines, and the only civil airline. Type boxes on map are quotations from the State Department's detailed charges.

products such as gift packages little more than half full, and honey-rum-brandy cakes with little honey and no rum and brandy. (But the agency reported that although 14 shipments of candy were seized as short weight, "in general the proportion of the candy to the package in candy bars is improving.")

Raspberry Frauds
4. The use of "naked" raspberry seeds in pie filling to give the false impression that it contained raspberries—a fraud, the agency said, which recalled practices before the passage of the food and drug act in 1906.

5. Deodorants that proved irritating to laboratory animals (70,000 such jars later were mixed with cement to form part of an excavation fill), egg shampoos short on eggs, olive oil hair dressings consisting chiefly of mineral oil, and an explosion—while the shipment was being seized—of quart jam samples of a "no-bloat" mixture for cattle and sheep.

6. Various phony medical devices were found on sale—including such items as copper and zinc shoe plates to help walking and "carry off static deposits that cause pain due to rheumatism, arthritis and backache."

7. Polluted baby foods. The agency seized more than \$100,000 worth of a mixture of pureed apricots and insect-infected farina, and removed from the market 45,000 cases of an under-processed infant food which caused gastric disturbances.

Rat Poison Takes Toll
The rat poison 1080, a white powder usually mixed in water and set out in small paper cups, is so lethal it may be used only by trained pest control operators

Murder Victim Leaves Estate Of \$10,600 Value

The late Thomas Robe Green, for whose murder his grandson, Wallace C. Green, 20, was given a life prison term, left an estate valued at \$10,000 in real property and \$600 in personal property, the bulk of which was to have gone to the self-confessed slayer.

This was disclosed Wednesday when the elderly Green's son, Austin Green, formerly of Bremerton, Wn., and now giving his residence as Dillard, was appointed administrator, with will annexed, upon posting bond. He had petitioned the probate court he be so appointed.

Young Green, who pleaded guilty to second degree murder of his grandfather, is incapable of inheriting or benefiting from the will in any way, under the present circumstances, the court ruled.

The will had provided that the murder victim's son and granddaughter each be given one dollar. The remainder of the estate, valued at a total of \$10,600, with an annual rental value of \$150 on the real property, was bequeathed to the victim's grandson.

The elderly Green was found and public health personnel.

"Although this poison is sold under strict restrictions, inspectors have encountered many instances of alarmingly careless handling in food plants," the report said.

"Several deaths occurred accidentally from bringing this poison into private homes—among the victims were children who drank the liquid or who chewed the empty paper cups. There is no satisfactory antidote for the poison, and its effects are rapid."

The report said that during the year, 33 dangerous drugs had to be recalled from the market, "an alarming increase of such incidents." They included salt substitutes which contributed to several deaths, and a burn ointment containing a small percentage of carbolic acid, blamed for the death of a 10-year-old boy.

One person died and 100 became ill in one of two major food-poisoning outbreaks traced to cream-filled pastries. Nevertheless, the agency said, "bakery products are cleaner as a whole and are produced under far better sanitary conditions than was the case a few years ago."

The largest food fine of the year, \$9,500, was assessed against a noodle manufacturer who also was prosecuted in 1944 and 1946 for extremely unsanitary operations.



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March 2 is announced by County Assessor Ned Dixon as the deadline for the return of personal property declaration forms, which were sent out Jan. 1.

Oregon law, said Dixon, states that the assessor shall cause blank forms for such returns to be prepared and distributed, but failure to receive or secure the form shall not relieve any such person, managing agent or officer from the obligation of making the required return.

Any person who shall, with intent to evade taxation, refuse or neglect to make the return within the specified time shall be subject to a penalty of \$10 a day, the law states. All returns filed are confidential records of the assessor.

Dixon said he mailed out about 7,500 forms to Douglas county residents, but to date only 15 per cent of the forms have been returned.

All personal property used in connection with any business, store, farm or industrial enterprise is subject to tax. This includes merchandise in stores, farm machinery, equipment and livestock, industrial equipment, private boats and personal items, not otherwise taxed, such as automobiles and licensed boats, according to the assessor.

Household furniture, domestic effects actually in use as such in homes and dwellings, where not used for business or commercial purposes, are exempt from taxation and should not be reported on this form. Exemption also applies to wearing apparel, watches, jewelry and similar personal effects actually in use.

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Max D. Tucker, Plywood Executive, Passes Away

PORTLAND, Feb. 3.—(AP)—Max D. Tucker, president of the Cascade Plywood corporation, died yesterday. He was 59 years old.

Before coming to Portland in 1942, he was vice president of Evans Products company, serving the firm at Detroit, Mich., from 1920 to 1932 and at Coos Bay from 1932 to 1941.

In 1948 he was elected a director of the Oregon Portland Cement company here and formerly was a director of the forest research foundation.

Death was due to a blood clot which developed after a gall bladder operation.

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