

**HAL BOYLE SAYS:**

**People Are Beginning To Get Guilt Complexes If They're Called Normal**

By HAL BOYLE  
NEW YORK. — (AP)—Once upon a time there was a hypochondriac who felt sure there was something wrong with his arm.  
"We can't see anything wrong with it," his friend said, but the man thought, "they just don't want to tell me the truth."  
He took his arm to a doctor. The doc said it looked to him like the healthiest arm he had seen all week.  
Still unconvinced the man went home. He began to pinch his arm to be sure the circulation was all right. He pinched so hard a bruise developed.  
"Ah-hah!" he said. He began probing the bruise with a safety pin. Three days later he was in a hospital complaining indignantly to a nurse:  
"They told me nothing was wrong with my arm — and here I am half-dead from blood poisoning."

**The Benzdrine Age**  
This mythical gent suffered from what is now the major disease of our age — the Benzdrine age. And that disease is the compulsion to feel that there must be something wrong with you, just because you're alive.  
It's become a national epidemic. People are beginning to develop guilt complexes whenever they're told they're normal. They suspect it's anti-social to be healthy, and they don't want to be accused of it publicly.  
Greet a man today with "how do you feel?" and he hands you his blood pressure chart and looks around for a couch he can lie on and tell you all the mean things done to him in childhood.  
The bane of the medical world used to be the fellow who tried to treat his appendix at home by following the directions in a patent medicine almanac. Today it's the guy who tries to bandage his mental problems by reading the Psychology books in the public library or the corner drugstore.  
**Psychiatrists Worried**  
People's mushrooming preoccupation with their own mental jungle has got even the psychiatrists worried.  
"The net result must be to produce uncertainty, confusion and distress," Jules V. Coleman, of the mental hygiene clinic at the center, told a convention of specialists last week.  
And he added that all the current jawing and scribbling about mental health "is of little value in reducing the incidence of neurosis."  
This is a bugle note of commonsense. If a gent has cancer, he isn't going to cure it by reading a medical text. And if he has incipient schizophrenia, he isn't going to get well by boning up on the grammar of psychiatry.  
Ordinary mental health, like ordinary body health, can best be retained by following the rules your grandmother knew. An old lady once gave this poor man's philosopher a simple prescription that so

far has worked unflinchingly:  
"If your mind hurts, or your feet hurt, take off your shoes and go to bed. In any case just relax and get away from what causes you to feel bad.  
"If nine hours of sleep don't make you feel better, go to a doctor."  
And if everybody got nine hours sleep a night, the psychiatrists then wouldn't have to go so often to see their own psychiatrists.

**KETELL PROJECT BEGUN**  
PENDLETON, March 2. — (AP)—First work on the Ketell FHA low-cost housing project began here Monday with grading.  
Edwards Bros. of Albany are the general contractors. They expect to start work on the 100 houses sometime in March.  
**ANGELL TO RUN AGAIN**  
WASHINGTON, March 2. — (AP)—Rep Homer D. Angell (R-Ore.) announced Monday he would run for reelection, listing his platform as free enterprise, development of the Columbia basin, and war on Communism.  
Angell also said he would work for adoption of the Hoover commission report, for tax reductions, and for civil rights.

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FRANKFURT, Germany, March 1.—(AP)—The United States has challenged Russia to agree to elections throughout all Germany, possibly Oct. 15, on the basis of free balloting.  
Oct. 15 is the date the Russians have set for an election in the Soviet-sponsored East German people's republic.  
The proposal was made by the U.S. High Commissioner, John J. McCloy. But he indicated the United States would take no initiative in organizing such an election.  
McCloy's statements were interpreted here as a counter to Soviet propaganda statements that the Communists are the only ones who can reunite Germany.  
The higher commissioner said he probably will discuss his proposal with the U.S. State department when he returns to Washington this weekend to testify before a congressional committee on appropriations for Germany.  
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**Prices For Wool Fabrics In Women's, Men's Wear Beginning To Stabilize**

By SAM DAWSON  
NEW YORK. — (AP)—Prices for wool fabrics for both men's and women's wear are beginning to jell. Some, especially woolsens, will be up this fall. Other fabrics, particularly worsteds, will be unchanged from the spring price lists.  
After week of jitters and indecision, watching the climbing quotations on Australian fine wool, the American mills are finally bringing out their new lines, and new prices. The policy, at this time, seems to be: On fabrics woven from wool bought before the Australian prices jumped around 25 percent, the price lines will be unchanged in the main; on fabrics which must be woven from wool bought at the new price, higher tags by from 2 1/2 cents to 20 cents a

yard.  
Customers' reactions to the new prices appear mixed. Spokesmen for the American Woolen Co., largest of the mills, says sales to the men's wear trade, which just opened, already have been very good.  
But the wool associates of the New York Cotton Exchange, Inc., a group that deals in wool tops futures, says that some makers of men's clothing have to raise prices on suits, and that the first advance may come in sports coats, and by this summer. The associates say that retailer buying of women's apparel for the Easter season has been very slow.  
American woolen's new price lines show all worsted fabrics for women's wear unchanged for fall.

Quotations went up on 17 woolen fabrics, however, some as much as 20 cents a yard.  
The company is bringing out 93 new fabrics, the largest number of innovations in its history. And it is offering for the first time a choice of any cloth in regular widths of 56 and 58 inches, or in new extra wide, at 60 to 62 inches. The wider widths, garment cutters say, permit them to cut more garments from the cloth, at a lower cost per unit, which might make up for higher cloth costs.  
Members of the International Association of Garment Manufacturers, meeting here, are told that the demand for all-wool gabardines has been strong, and worsted sheens are picking up in popularity.

Carpet wool prices have been rising, too. The Department of Commerce reports the average price of carpet wool imports jumped 31 percent in the last seven months of 1949. American rug makers have been boosting prices recently, and blaming the higher wool prices. About 65 percent of the carpet wool that Americans use comes from Argentina. Demand for carpets has stayed high.  
In the back of the minds of everyone in the wool business, whether making carpets or making suits, is the specter of rising competition with the synthetic fabrics. The higher the price of raw wool goes, the greater the pressure to use rayon, nylon and other synthetics.

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