



ICE PICK HANDLE protrudes from back of Mrs. Catherine Nesenjuk as she is helped by New York police to ambulance. She said youth of about 18 ran away after pick was plunged into back as she walked on crowded sidewalk. (International)

The Medical Roundup

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Machine-Made Diagnoses Are Not Always Good

Recently, Dr. G. W. Pickering wrote an article that pleased me much because he said what for long I have been trying to say, and this is that it is unfortunate that when it comes to making a diagnosis we doctors and you lay people want more and more to rely on laboratory tests and x-ray studies. We doctors often take but a skimpy history, or we even trust entirely to the brief inadequate history taken by a young assistant or a nurse.

Often the essential diagnosis could have been made in an instant by noting the patient's shaking right hand or his hoarse voice, or the soup-stains on his coat, or the slow apathetic way in which he talked, or his slightly lopsided mouth, or his wild-looking eyes, or his pinched, ascetic and psychotic face, but many of us doctors do not notice these things because at college we were never taught to do so.

Nowadays, most medical teachers were trained as chemists. Hence it is that when a patient comes in with some disease, such as diabetes or gout or Bright's disease, in which the body chemistry is deranged, they are in their element. Such disease they can treat beautifully. But let a poor woman come in who is slowly going insane or who is dying of a broken heart, and without getting her story, they may not even guess what she has. Why? Because as yet there is no laboratory test that will show that a woman is ill because she is desperately unhappy and thinks of suicide.

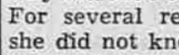
One reason why I discuss this subject here, as well as in medical journals, is that we doctors are not so likely to mend our ways if you laymen get firmly fixed in your minds the idea that our wise family doctor is an old fogey because, often, instead of ordering \$300 worth of tests, he just looks shrewdly at you and asks a few questions. Then he makes the diagnosis.

Usually he is correct, and oftentimes the man who, later, depends only on tests is wrong. He may find a harmless stone floating around in a normal gallbladder, but when you have the stone removed you are no better because your symptoms were all coming out of your disturbed brain.

I hate to have to discuss this subject; it is a painful one to me, but day after day I see poor people, whose diagnosis is obvious at a glance (perhaps a stroke or a cancer) being sent to laboratories for every test known to man, I am greatly disturbed. It certainly is not good for the poor little secretary who must struggle for a year to pay for the useless tests on her dying father, and I doubt if it is good for the soul of the doctor who ordered these tests so thoughtlessly and aimlessly and heartlessly. I doubt if he can save his conscience by saying, "But the people wanted all those tests; they would have been dissatisfied with me if I had not ordered them."

I am not alone in these views. Dr. George Crile, Jr., expresses them in his recent book, "Cancer and Common Sense." He, too, objects to the senseless worship of the routine "complete overhauling," he, too, knows that often it is not needed; he, too, knows that a good chat with an observant and wise physician.

Some readers may ask, "But why did she not tell the doctor?" For several reasons. One, that she did not know that the story was all-essential; she did not know that great sorrow or unhappiness or aggravation can produce severe physical illness; two, that she may have been too reluctant to speak ill of her alcoholic husband or her wayward daughter; and third, that she may have concealed all such facts because, in her desire to get a diagnosis—not of nervousness (that would last too long); but of some tumor which could quickly be cut out, leaving health and peace and mental comfort again.



Dr. G. W. Pickering

Call Meeting To Consider Rescue Unit Group at CP

Central Point — Mayor Donald E. Faber and Police Chief Oran Chastain have called a meeting Thursday evening to explore the possibility of setting up an organized rescue unit in this area.

The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 19, at the Legion hall. Anyone with an interest in this type of work is invited. The two officials especially invited sportsmen with boats, men with special skills which would be necessary in rescue work of any type, and those with equipment useful in rescue operations.

The discussion will center about the necessity and advisability of such an organization, and if it is determined that it is needed and feasible, preliminary organization will be completed. **Rogue River Group**
A similar but informal group is now in existence in Rogue

River under the civil defense organization, and it was indicated representatives from Rogue River would attend.

Central Point fire and police departments not infrequently

get emergency rescue calls, but are not organized for the work and take time assembling men and equipment, it was explained. A rescue unit could use the alerting services of the departments.

Skin divers, aqualung enthusiasts, mountain climbers, boatmen and others could fit into such an organization, it is believed.

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7—Frogs for publication
8—Skin of fruit
9—Bone
10—Dunce (slang)
11—Sunburn
12—Symbol for tantalum
13—Stir up
14—Warbled
15—Allowance for waste
16—More unusual
17—Face
18—Printer's measure
19—Domiciles
20—Promenade
21—Arabian garment
DOWN
1—King of Bashan
2—Harvest
3—Hebrew letter
4—Conjunction
5—Worm
6—Danish island
7—Jump
8—Unnecessarily
9—Most daring
10—City in Ireland
11—Spread for drying
12—Heavenly body
13—Harvest
14—Of love
15—Strike
16—Singing voice
17—Earthquake
18—Catching
19—Plaque
20—Preposition
21—Chinese mile
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RADIO PROGRAMS—TUESDAY

Table listing radio programs for Tuesday on stations KYJC, KMED, and KWIN. Programs include Childrens Hour, Club 1230, Guest Star, Club 1230 & Weather, Edward R. Murrow, Tom Harmon, Frank Goss, Dinner Music, Lowell Thomas, Amos & Andy, Safety Pays, News & Dragnet, CBS News, Curt Massey Show, The Music Shop, Bing Crosby, CBS News, Music Master, Bishop Sheen, CBS News, Music to Remember, Music to Remember, Music to Remember, Music to Remember, Music to Remember, Music to Remember, Music to Remember, Sign Off.

RADIO PROGRAMS—WEDNESDAY

Table listing radio programs for Wednesday on stations KYJC, KMED, and KWIN. Programs include News of America, Yawn Patrol, Yawn Patrol, Yawn Patrol, Coffee Concert, Martin Aronson, Harry Eshelby, Frank Goss, Breakfast Club, Breakfast Club, Ted Malone, Cote Glee Club, Helen Frost, News & Bulletins, Relay Quiz, Whispering Streets, Howard King Show, Trading Post, Music Box, Aunt Mary, Nora Drake, Aunt Jenny, Paul Harvey, Jeeps & Record Rack, Logic Valley Reports, Weather & Lost Pets, Arthur Godfrey, Arthur Godfrey, Arthur Godfrey, Arthur Godfrey, Ruth Ashton, Musical Mixmaster, Musical Mixmaster, Musical Mixmaster, The Childrens Hour, Club 1230, Marine Melody Time, Club 1230 & Weather, Edward R. Murrow, Bill Stern, Tom Harmon, Frank Goss, Dinner Music, Lowell Thomas, Amos & Andy, Music & Pabst Fight, Pabst Fight, Pabst Fight, Chas. Collingwood, Curt Massey Show, The Music Shop, Bing Crosby, F.B.I. in Peace & War, F.B.I. in Peace & War, Show Times, Show Times, CBS News, Music to Remember, Music to Remember, Music to Remember, Music to Remember, Music to Remember, Music to Remember, Music to Remember, Sign Off.

KBOY—130 KC
(All programs at same time daily unless otherwise indicated)
A.M.—5:45 Sign on Music throughout day except for following programs:
10:10-11:15 KBOY Bargains; 11:12 (Sunday only) First Baptist service
P.M.—12:12-15 KBOY ranch; 12:15—12:30 (Sunday only) KBOY ranch;
6:30 Sign off.

TV PROGRAMS—KBES (Channel 5)

Table listing TV programs for Tuesday and Wednesday on station KBES. Tuesday programs include Western Theater, Uncle Bill, Pinky Lee, Howdy Doody, Maple and Music, News & Weather, TBA, \$84,000 Question, Do You Trust Your Wife, Phil Silvers Show, Celebrity Playhouse, Liberate, Confidential File, Famous Playhouse, Best Theater, News and Sign Off. Wednesday programs include Devotions, Matinee, Garden, Home & Farm, Secret Storm, Afternoon Theater, Val Rovee, Feminine Fancies, Medford City School Program, TBA, Uncle Bill, Pinky Lee, Andy's Game, Dance Time, News, Weather, Hopalong Cassidy, U. S. Steel Hour, Disneyland, Follow That Man, Science Fiction, Texas Rangers, Best Theater, News and Sign Off.

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Aunt Jemima To Be At Jamboree Here

Aunt Jemima, who will appear here in connection with the Eagles' sponsored pancake jamboree Saturday, Jan. 21, will arrive in Medford Wednesday from Hollywood. Members of the Eagles, the Medford Fire Fighters, and city officials will welcome her.

Thursday and Friday, Aunt Jemima, well-known radio and television star, will present short programs at Medford schools.

She will be featured entertainer at the pancake jamboree at the Medford YMCA between 7:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. Proceeds from the jamboree will be used to purchase needed equipment for the Jackson County Disaster Car.

Her appearance at local school was arranged through the cooperation of Leonard Mayfield, superintendent of Medford schools, and the Rev. Robert Tomisner of Sacred Heart school.

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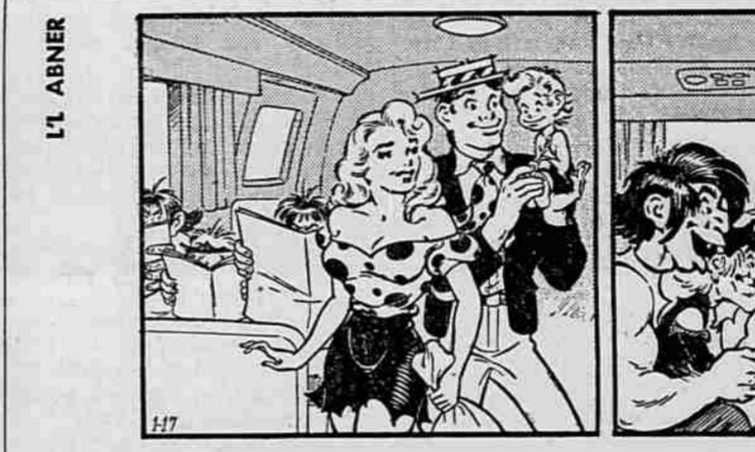
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Nagging Backache Sleepless Nights

Nagging backache, headache, or muscular aches and pains may come on with over-exertion, emotional upsets or day to day stress and strain. And folks who eat and drink unwisely sometimes suffer mild bladder irritation... with that restless, uncomfortable feeling. If you are miserable and worn out because of these discomforts, Don's Pills often help by their mild diuretic action through the kidneys—tending to increase the output of the 15 miles of kidney tubes.

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