



Chronically Ill Should Be Labeled 'Thick File Cases'

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New York — (UPI) — Dr. Robert Kemp proposes that the person who is forever feeling ill but isn't actually ill should be medically labeled "thick-file case."
The present label is "neurotic personality." Another mistaken and sometimes applied label is "hypochondriac." These persons number in legions, as any doctor in any country will testify.
Kemp proposes further that physicians shouldn't waste scientific medicine on them. Rather they should be treated with non-scientific "common sense" of a kind a layman might apply.
Most Are Women
He called upon physicians to be factual and the first fact about these persons is they accumulate thick files after years of regular visits to a doctor with symptoms which have no real organic basis.

In Kemp's views these persons are almost exclusively women of middle age with husbands, children and other relatives. In "thick file" men — and numerically they're fewer — there usually is only one symptom, such as a pain in the stomach.
But the "thick file" woman has symptoms of all kinds. On one visit to the doctor's office, they center around headaches. On the next visit insomnia will be at the core. Then again the physician can jump, mistakenly, to the conclusion of rheumatic disease or too much blood pressure.
Kemp advocated a thorough investigation of all complaints, to find out if perhaps there is an organic basis. When no such basis is found, "reassurance of the patient can then be firm" but the helpful doctor shouldn't stop with merely saying, there is nothing wrong.
He has to "formulate some theory as to why they have abandoned the normality of health," he continued in addressing the profession in the technical journal, "The Lancet."
His own "theory" was this: "These patients appear to have found, as we all must do, that life doesn't measure up to what we thought it would be. That marriage, a home, a family and security do not always add up to constant and complete happiness."
Needed Sympathy Lacking
"These may not give the amount of sympathy demanded by the patient, and this can only be obtained through ill health. On this theme, of course, there are as many variations as patients. Jealous husbands, unfaithful husbands, cruel and drunken husbands and indifferent husbands typify the dissatisfaction — with — marriage story. Sex, relatives, and work are more general themes."
From this "theory" the doctor can then "point out

the results of her illness to herself, her work and her family. Here we should bear in mind that ill health can be a gainful (even if disastrous) policy in itself. It may be used to attract sympathy, to give self-importance, to act as an excuse for not doing something, to use as a shield from the unpleasant parts of life."
This treatment will take much time because it will be resisted, he said, but it is worth the doctor's time because it is "an attempt to prevent the chronic waste of energy and happiness that is otherwise inevitable."

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Rep. Carl Vinson Nearing Longest Tenure in House

Washington — (UPI) — Rep. Carl Vinson, a 79-year-old spectacle-wearing Georgia country boy sees no cause for reminiscing just because he will soon set a record for serving more years than any other representative.
"You've got to stay busy and stay abreast of the times," the dean of the House said as he neared completion of 48 years, 8 months and 13 days of continuous service in Congress. "Times move ahead. There's nothin' to be gained sittin' back reminiscin'."
On July 16, Uncle Carl Vinson, leader of the so-called moderate bloc from the South and powerful chairman of the House Armed Services Committee will break the record set by that other House giant, the late Speaker Sam Rayburn.
The shrewd and capable Vinson has withstood many a House battle since he first entered Congress in 1914 as its youngest member at age 30. On Nov. 18, he will be 80, and next year will have completed 50 years in the House.
In Fine Shape
Although the Milledgeville, Ga., native is very familiar with recent criticisms that there are too many old men in Congress, he refuses to accept that description of himself. His hearing, vision and energy are excellent. His mind, as many admirals and generals who have appeared before his committee will attest, is as sharp as ever.
His last drink of whiskey was taken 30 years ago. But, Vinson still manages to smoke seven or eight 10-cent cigars every day. As one possible concession to his age, he claims to have stopped chewing tobacco.
Vinson still retains his Southern drawl and a habit

Field Personnel Completes Survey Of Blowdown Logs

Rogue River National Forest field personnel have completed a survey of the Oct. 12 storm blowdown timber in the inaccessible portion of the Prospect and Union Creek districts, Supervisor C. E. Brown has announced.
On the 17,600 acres surveyed, 6,415,000 board feet of blowdown was found. All but 10 per cent of this timber is located close enough to the roads and in large enough concentrations to be economically operable, Brown said. It will be offered for sale this summer.
About 103 million board feet of blowdown has been sold this spring, and is now being removed at the rate of 1 million feet per day.
The blowdown survey of inaccessible areas began this spring as soon as melting snows permitted access to the back country. Two forestry technicians surveyed the one-quarter-mile-apart strips searching for wind-damaged timber. The purpose of the survey was to locate patches of blowdown not visible from the air and to evaluate the threat to the forest from beetle epidemics and increased fire hazard.
Fortunately it now appears that by far the greater volume of wind-thrown trees occurred close to the roads and is now being removed. There is still the threat of localized beetle infections which will be detected by aerial survey before beetles threaten too seriously, Brown noted.

of being in his office by 7:30 a.m. His staff does not have to report until 8.
As chairman of the House Armed Services Committee he closely supervises the work of the subcommittee chairmen, often assigning them a problem which he already has solved. "Now heah's what let's do, and I'm gonna hep you," is a frequent saying of Vinson's.
He has headed the group for more than 12 years and was chairman of its predecessor, the Naval Affairs Committee, for 16 years before that. If there has been another person who served that long as a committee chairman, no one can recall.
Says Kennedy Great
During his tenure, Vinson has worked with and known well eight Presidents starting with Woodrow Wilson. He has called President Kennedy one of the greatest Presidents despite their disagreement over civil rights.
He believes Kennedy is wrong, and will join fellow Southern representatives in voting against the administration's civil rights bill. But, on other critical issues, he has helped garner Southern votes for the President and predicts "I'll be heppin' him again in the future."
Vinson, with his countrified looks, large nose and glasses which he peers over in the manner of the country judge he once was, has become one of the few real characters in Congress and it is hard for many to imagine him gone.
When asked about rumors that he will not run for a 26th term, he looked over the rims of his spectacles and said: "I never take off my socks until I get to the creek."

History Conference Planned at College

Ashland — The Third Annual Southern Oregon History Conference sponsored by Southern Oregon college and the Jacksonville Museum will be July 26 and 27. Dr. Arthur S. Taylor, chairman of the arrangements committee, a member of the history department at Southern Oregon college, has announced.
Registration will be at 7 p.m. Friday, July 26, in the Mark Antony hotel and will continue at 10 a.m. Saturday in Britt lounge on the college campus. There will be a registration fee.
Main speakers for the conference will include Dr. Elmo N. Stevenson, SOC president; Dr. Vaughn Borne, chairman of the SOC social science division; and Dr. Hector Lee, dean of instruction at Sonoma State college, Cotati, Calif.
Those wishing to make luncheon and dinner reservations or dormitory reservations should contact Dr. Clifford Miller, associate professor of history at Southern Oregon college.
Conference members also will have an opportunity to see the Oregon Shakespearean Festival presentation of "Henry V."

4-H Club News

Sis-Q Club
The Sis-Q 4-H club will hold its annual pre-fair Thursday, July 11, at the Bellview Grange in Ashland, starting at 10 a.m.
The fair will include showmanship and judging for sheep, beef, rabbit, dairy and pigs. Included will be displays by the home economics division.
Judge for the agricultural division will be John Keyso, Lakeview.
Lunch will be served. Mimi Barron, Reporter

British Guiana's Aid Bid Rejected

Washington — (UPI) — President Kennedy has rejected a request from leftist Prime Minister Cheddi B. Jagan of British Guiana for an estimated \$3 million in economic development aid.
Jagan wrote Kennedy a 4,000-word letter last May requesting the aid. Official sources said Tuesday that Kennedy rejected the request in a letter July 3. They said the reason was Jagan's left-leaning tendencies, plus his country's recent political and racial turmoil which might make large aid programs futile.

Goody Cookies
The annual Mother-Daughter get together of the Jacksonville Goody Cookers 4-H club was held this year in the form of a luncheon in the home of Mrs. Dunlap.
There were two tables one of which had a white lace tablecloth with a centerpiece of red roses and the other had a lace table cloth with pink peonies and lavender irises.
The main course of the luncheon was a sea-food salad prepared in advance by the members of the club. Hot rolls and jello salad were also on the menu. The girls had lemonade served in coconut cups, and mothers were served coffee.
Vacations kept some of the girls from attending.
The Desert Pegasus 4-H Horse club held its regular meeting at Dunn's Ranch recently.
Pattie Hansen passed her first step in 4-H horsemanship. Junior leaders, Kathy McGuire and Karyl Bishop, helped the younger members in horsemanship.
We decided on a new date for our camp-out which will be July 20 and 21. Directions were given on how to get to the area.
Our pre-fair will be held Jul. 14 on the Jaycee rodeo grounds at the Dunn ranch. All other clubs are invited to participate. It will be run off just like the county fair.

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