



**HEAVY RAINSTORM**-This was the scene in the North Terminal of Washington National airport late Tuesday after a heavy rainstorm struck the Washington area. An estimated 2 1/2 inches fell during the evening. (UPI)

**Loses Weight Wondering Why**

**West, More and More, Discovers He Watches Less and Less TV**

Washington (UPI)—More and more I found myself watching television less and less. And this worried me. Other people were watching television as much as ever. Why was I different? Was there something wrong with me? For weeks I went around brooding about this. Meanwhile, I began losing weight. Became pale and listless. Tongue coated. The way I always get when I'm brooding about something.

Finally I asked Dr. Swizzle about it. Dr. Swizzle said I should try to analyze what was estranging me from television. He said that if I

understood the problem it might make me feel better. I did and I feel better already. Not first rate yet, but better.

**The Trouble**

It seems that I got along fine as long as the networks were bringing television into the living room. The trouble started when they began bringing the living room into television.

Looking back on it, I think the first symptoms occurred with a program called "Charade Party."

We were playing charades about five nights a week then. On the sixth night we would turn on the set and there would be people playing charades on television.

I have a mental block about what happened the seventh night. Perhaps that is just as well.

After that came a program

called "Open End." People sitting around yakking, yakking, yakking. Spilling coffee and getting cigarette ashes all over everything.

**Like Neighbors**

It is true they were important people, but it wasn't much different from the nights we had the neighbors in.

I think that must have been when I began getting television confused with reality.

Then the commercials changed. Or some of them did. They began using real live people instead of nears. People just like the folks next door, which is saying a lot.

Once or twice I thought I caught a glimpse of my wife standing by the washing machine and telling the an-

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nounce how good the soap was. It was kind of eerie. I might have survived all of that, might have stayed glued to the tube, except that this summer I tuned in on a new program. Bless my soul if they weren't showing home movies on television.

Home movies, the scourge of civilization. Home movies being piped right into my own living room.

I don't trust television now except when there's a ball game on. Fortunately, some of my best friends are not ball players.



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