



**PLUGS FOR CENTER**

Joanne Camano, 30, a former narcotics addict, speaks in San Francisco in behalf of Synanon House, a non-profit narcotics-fighting group similar to Alcoholics Anonymous. Miss Camano said her 530-day habit started not by "a man in a dark overcoat and slouch hat," but by a college classmate, who gave her a "oneball" to enable her to prepare for college examinations. (UPI)

**The Medical Roundup**

by *Walter Telesky*  
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 (Register and Tribune Syndicate, 1963)

**X-Ray Studies of Skull**  
 Often when people write me they say that, because there has been some question about their mental status, they wonder if they should get an x-ray of their skull. My answer is that usually an ordinary x-ray film of the skull fails to show anything about the brain because the brain is a soft tissue, something like a firm custard, and it has the same consistency all over. Even a brain tumor has so nearly the same density as that of the brain that the x-rays cannot show any abnormal shadow. X-rays show differences in the density or thickness or amount of lime salts or air in a tissue. Occasionally an x-ray study of the brain suggests the presence of a tumor because something has pushed to one side a recognizable part of the brain such as the pituitary gland.

I recently read an article by Drs. E. Kravt, N. Finby, and A. Schilling, of Northport, N.Y., who report their x-ray studies of the heads of 1,000 patients who had some mental difficulty. The suspected conditions were detected in only 1.7 per cent of these people. Rarely there could be seen an enlarged "sella turcica," a little saddle-like depression at the base of the brain which holds the very important pituitary gland. An enlarged sella means an enlarged gland, which often means the presence of a little tumor in the gland. An overgrowth of this pituitary gland was found twice as often in psychotic as in non-psychotic persons. Sometimes skull changes were recognized as due possibly to a lack of thyroid substance, and sometimes the skull bones were abnormally hard, indicating the presence of Paget's disease, a rare disease as yet not well understood. Unfortunately, these few findings did not contribute much to the understanding of an individual patient's mental illness.

**Unexplained Infant Deaths**  
 One of the most distressing things that can happen to a woman is to wake up in the morning and find her baby dead in his crib, even worse is for the woman to wake and find the child dead in bed with her. Then she feels that she must have killed her own child. There have been many such cases where the mother was perfectly sane, full of grief, and full of self-accusations, and full of paralyzing feelings of guilt. I have seen many such women who could never be happy again. These are the women who are usually the most miserable and who spend as much time as I can trying to get her to see that when an autopsy is made on such a child, practically always it is found that the child died of some overwhelming acute infection, perhaps a meningitis or pneumonia, or an embolism of the heart. In a rare case, the child will have died of acute leukemia that had produced no recognizable symptoms. Usually, the mother says, "My baby boy went to bed looking

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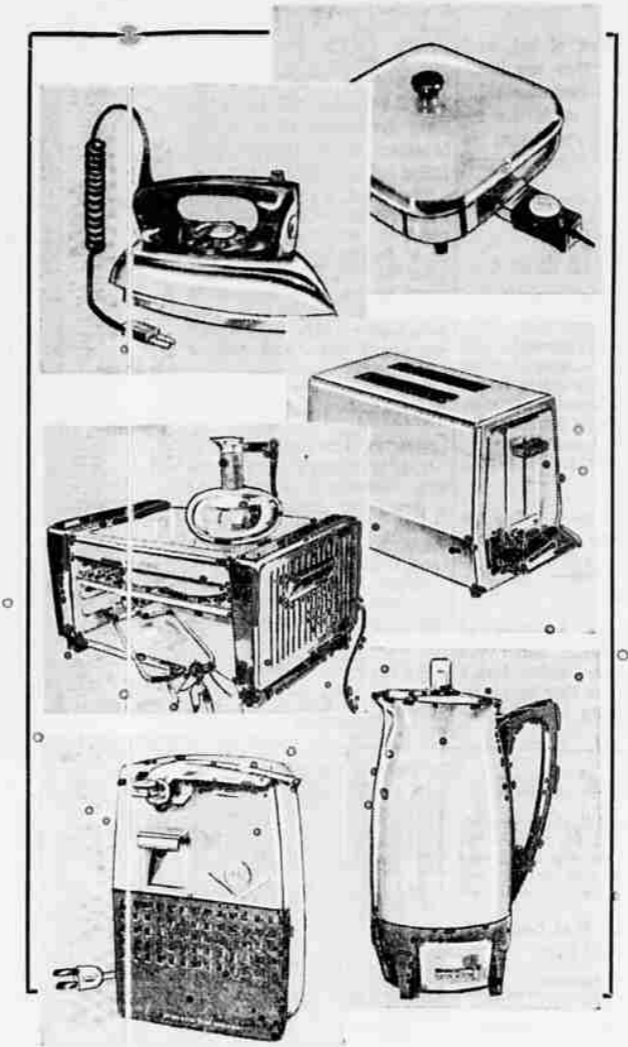
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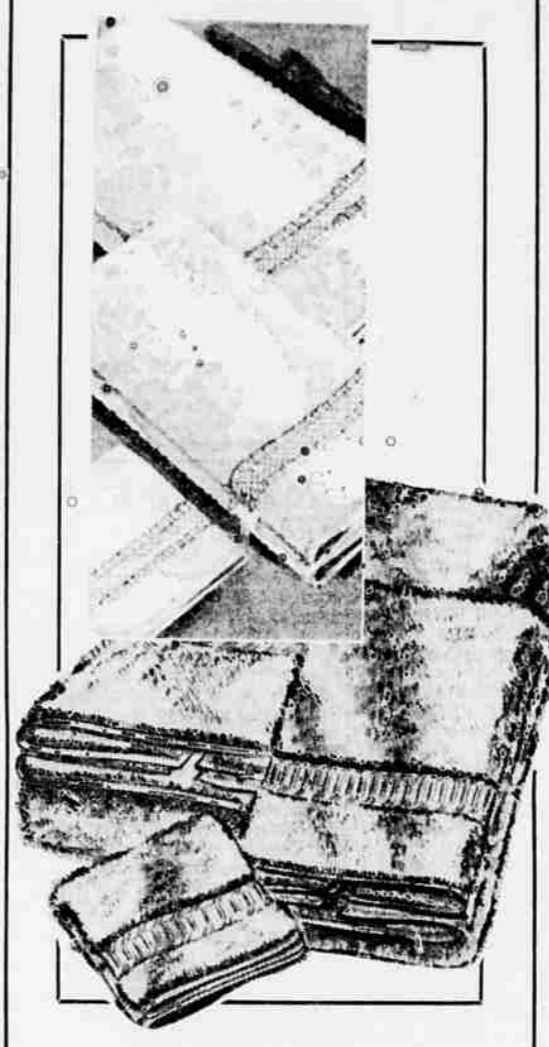
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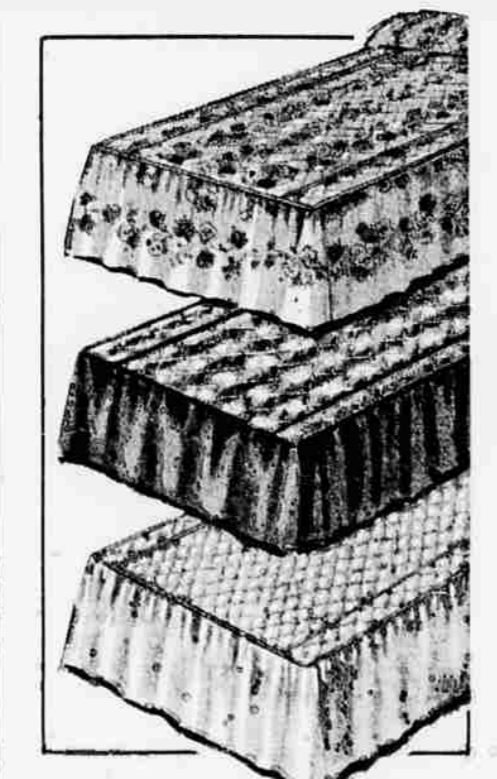
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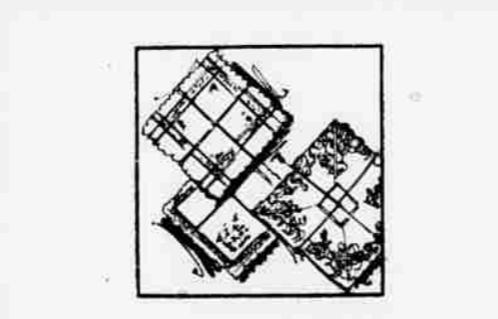
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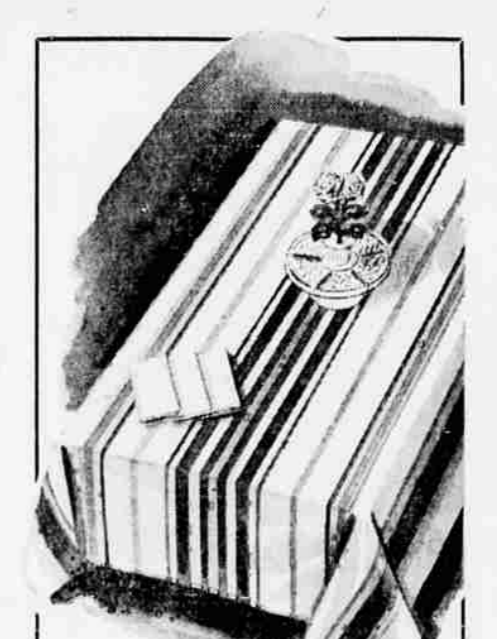
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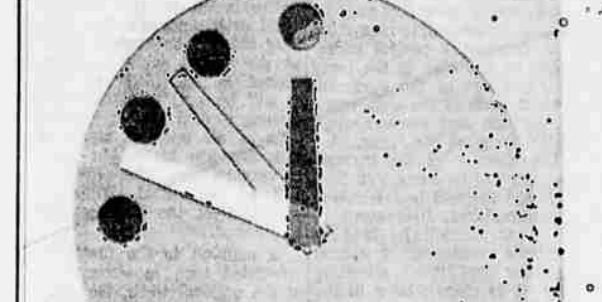


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CLOCK MOVES BACK — The clock of "Nuclear Doom" on the cover of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists, has been moved back for the second time in 17 years in recognition of the nuclear test ban agreement. The cover clock first appeared on the Bulletin in June, 1947, with the hand set at 2 minutes until midnight, and was pushed ahead to 2 minutes until midnight in 1953 when the United States and Russia tested hydrogen bombs. It was set back to 7 minutes until midnight in January, 1959 (outline hand) and as of the October issue, back to 12 minutes until midnight (white hand). (UPI)

**Race Difficulties Major Factor in Numerous Areas**

By AL KUEITNER  
 UPI Correspondent

One thing that has to be said for the current racial integration drive is that it has "busted out all over."

Who ever would have thought the race issue would have been a major factor in a municipal election in Boston or that police would have to haul out an armed riot act to stop a demonstration in a Dayton, Ohio, suburb?

Most of Boston's 600,00 Negroes live in the communities of Roxbury, Dorchester, and South End—a three square mile area labeled as "oppressed" by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

At the start of the school year, the NAACP set out to break down neighborhood school patterns in Boston in a move that would have permitted children to attend school anywhere there were seats. The drive hit a stone wall of opposition from school authorities and the NAACP reacted with demonstrations and charges of "de facto" segregation. They Accusations

Bostonians deny the accusation. They point out that, while Roxbury Negroes normally attend neighborhood schools in which there are almost exclusively for that group in another section, they say, Catholic-fresh from the population of schools where that group lives.

The whole thing came to a test in Boston last week in an election for members of the school committee. Largely due to the stream built up by the desegregation issue, the election brought a turnout of voters larger than some elections for mayor.

Candidates who led the fight against the NAACP over school desegregation were swept to victory. The only Negro in the race came out seventh. Negro voters conceded the outcome was "a step backward."

The trouble in the Dayton, Ohio, suburb of Xenia was even worse. When a Negro family moved into the all-white neighborhood, a riotous demonstration resulted.

Editor James Finn, writing in the Dayton News, said a calm attitude had captured the town. He said the town was "a step backward."

Right Close Watch

Sheriff's deputies kept close watch on the home of Negro contractor James Fuller to prevent a recurrence of the riotous and bottle battle that erupted last week end.

For while the Dayton battle between police and white demonstrators was as rough as any in the South.

As the NAACP and other agencies step up their campaigns against so-called "segregation in fact" in the non-South, tempers inevitably will flare.

This factor was clearly between the lines in the U.S. Civil Rights Commission's report Monday to President Kennedy and Congress.

The commission, while urging the government to end all phases of discrimination, noted there is "a broad gulf between the abandonment of enforced segregation and the achievement of a society in which race or color is not a factor in the hiring or promotion of an employee, in the sale of a home or in the educational opportunity offered a child."

**Interest Rates Monetary Topic**

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Treasury Secretary Douglas Dillon said Tuesday that international monetary stability required that all major trading countries maintain short-term interest rates "reasonably well in line with each other."

Dillon, in a speech prepared for the annual meeting of the International Monetary fund, admitted that domestic financial goals sometimes would limit this emphasis on uniform short-term rates.

However, he said that it generally should be possible to encourage "small changes in short-term rates in the interest of speeding restoration of international equilibrium."

The U.S. government recently took action to raise short-term rates to discourage investors from sending their money overseas. The loss of short-term capital has aggravated the U.S. balance of payments problems.

Lord Menna Wellesley  
 Reminiscences of War

(UPI)—Irene, Foreign Secretary, Home, Tuesday welcomed the new countries of Asia and Africa as an instrument of national policy and urged Communist China to a "nuclear collectivist" approach.

Heater in a policy speech to the General Assembly, told the world on the home of Negro contractor James Fuller to prevent a recurrence of the riotous and bottle battle that erupted last week end.