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HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP)—Science labors to bring forth a new miracle drug every day, but my aims are more modest.

All I want to do is give mankind a new miracle disease every few years, a disease everybody can enjoy.

The trouble with a miracle drug seems to be that as soon as it whips one disease it sometimes gives you two other diseases that require the discovery of two more new miracle drugs to cure. How long can this go on?

That's the nice thing about my new miracle disease for the current season. No modern miracle drug has any effect on it, but the disease itself, if treated properly, will prevent you from catching more serious, disabling ailments.

In this respect it is like the common cold or Virus "X", two fine old miracle diseases that have lost their social usefulness because people now suspect you are lying if you claim you have them and stay home from work. Nothing wears out a miracle disease like suspicion.

That is why I suggest you catch my new miracle disease—Boyle's Epidemic Spasmodic Seizure, or "Bess" for short—as soon as possible. Get its benefits now. It can't last long in a world where every man doubts the other fellow's symptoms and suspects his motives.

To give credit where credit is due, I got the idea for Boyle's Epidemic Spasmodic Seizure from Dr. Walter C. Alvarez, the internationally known physician.

Dr. Alvarez in a recent article described a new ailment which he himself has suffered from called "The Devil's Grip." It is characterized by a terrible back pain, headache, chill, shivering, nausea and dizziness.

The title, "The Devil's Grip," drew me at once. It was just the kind of attention-attracting name I needed for my new miracle disease of 1953-54. But after all, it is a real disease, and who wants one of those?

Life today periodically gives

everyone a terrific pain in the neck, however, and who doesn't also shiver, feel dizzy and nauseated in these times? This results in boredom, and caused a tired, rundown feeling that can best be cured by a comfortable siege of brooding in bed.

So I thought of naming my new successor to Virus "X" and the common cold "False Devil's Grip." But I decided that word "false" would keep it from widespread popularity.

Then I sounded out such names as "Hellburn Warp," "Angel Fever," "Purgatory Flutters," and "Wishbone Cramp." Somehow they didn't quite ring true. Throwing modesty aside, I decided to name my new miracle disease after its discoverer, which would give it a ring of authenticity.

How can you tell when you have Boyle's Epidemic Spasmodic Seizure—or Bess? Well, Bess has exactly the same symptoms as the common cold or Virus "X" except for two things. Your nose doesn't run, and you yawn often from an overwhelming sense of ennui.

You go to bed when it hits you and you recover from Bess when you get tired of it. You treat it by eating an old vitamin-packed miracle drug known as beefsteak whenever you are hungry.

Bess is a protective disease. It will protect you from pneumonia, overwork, or boring cocktail parties. It will protect you from being hit by a taxicab or struck by lightning. What other miracle disease can make these claims?

Be the first in your crowd to catch Bess. With the social acclaim and respect that reward anyone who is the first to fall victim of a strange, fascinating, mysterious and comfortable ailment. It won't be long until some jealous termite in our society passes the word around.

"Have you noticed how much Boyle's Epidemic Spasmodic Seizure resembles what we used to call laziness?"

Then we'll have to discover a new miracle disease.

JAMES MARLOW

WASHINGTON (AP)—James P. Mitchell has the smallest province in the federal government's vast domain. His Labor Department has 5,000 employees, which is fewer than any other department.

His job as secretary of labor, which might seem to make him grand titan and superchief of labor problems, is really a seat on the aisle. If he can make it more important, it will take some doing.

The National Labor Relations Board (NLRB) and the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, not the Labor Department, dig deepest into the difficulties of workers and employers.

The NLRB, as chief interpreter of the Taft-Hartley Act, lays down the rules for both sides. When a national strike threatens, the mediation board is called in to try for a peaceful settlement.

The secretary of labor has no control over wages in peacetime. And when the government does control wages in wartime, as it did in World War II and after the Korean outbreak, it sets up a special board outside Mitchell's department.

Railroad workers' relations with their employers are outside the labor secretary's jurisdiction. The problems with the railroad industry are handled by the Railroad Retirement Board and the National Mediation and Adjustment Boards. Even a couple of tiny agencies,

which might seem rightfully to belong in the Labor Department, are outside it; these handle vocational training and rehabilitation of handicapped persons. Both are in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare.

Nevertheless, a labor secretary can make his job vital, if the President is guided by him and Congress has confidence in his judgment.

As a member of the Cabinet, the labor secretary can advise the President on the administration's labor policies and its recommendations to Congress on labor legislation.

So far in the Eisenhower administration the biggest job of the labor secretary—both Mitchell and his predecessor Martin Durkin—has been working on Taft-Hartley law changes which might be acceptable to unions and management and to Congress too.

Mitchell may find it an impossible task. Durkin quit when, he said, the White House wouldn't go along with his recommendations for changing the law.

Mitchell told the CIO convention Nov. 18 he would be spokesman for labor in the Eisenhower Cabinet but not a "mouthpiece" to the Taft-Hartley law.

And he said he wants the minimum wage law widened to cover more of the nation's 63 million workers, plus a raise in the wage. Under present law about 22 million workers in interstate industries must be paid at least 75 cents an hour.

Marshal's Badge Comes in Handy

LAMARQUE, Tex. (AP)—About 10:30 p.m. Saturday Lester Ingram was notified he had become marshal in this newly incorporated town's first election.

About 2 a.m. he was notified a burglar was trying to break into his place of business, a jewelry store.

Ingram pinned on his new badge and rushed down in time to scare away the intruder.

ask
If not... JERRY THOMAS

this question:

A tree in our front yard has caused the walk to be raised about an inch and a half in one section. A man walking past our house yesterday tripped and almost fell on the walk. If anybody was injured like this, would I be liable? Can I be insured for this?

ON ANY QUESTION ASK...

Jerry Thomas
INSURANCE
6th & Main — Phone 6445

They'll Do It Every Time



Telling The Editor

RAIL SAFETY
My letter is concerning the "Great Northern Railroad." Why don't the Railroad put reflectors on each one of their box cars? One on each end of a car, on both sides. Reflectors will shine up when car lights hit them. Especially the flat cars. It's impossible to see the flat cars on a clear night, that much harder to see a box car on a pitch dark and foggy night.

Here is an experience, we had last winter. We were coming home from the show. It was foggy out. We came upon the train at Washburn Way. No signal to let you know that a train was on the track.

We could hear it. But it sounded farther away than it was. Pretty soon we could barely see the outline of a box car, and we stopped, until the train got through. I will say, they did blow the whistle, even if it sounded far away. While waiting we noticed quite a few flat cars that you couldn't even see. If we had not seen that dim outline of the box car we would of plowed right into the train. And we were going slow and have traveled the highway quite a bit.

Washburn isn't the only place that don't have proper signals. Not all the time that the signals work. And there isn't anything to wear out on reflectors. Put them low enough so the flat cars, will have them. These freight trucks have to be lit up like a Christmas tree. Which I think is a good idea.

My opinion I think the Railroads should have the reflectors or an iron gate that will go down when a train is on the track. And you can't see those railroad cross arms, when it is foggy out. My opinion, the Great Northern here don't have any signals on lot of their crossings. You have to admit there sure have been a lot of wrecks and lives lost on railroad tracks. A life is something you can not bring back. Why not make our railroad crossings a safe place instead a slaughter house? A lot of people don't know where these train crossings are. So let's see something done about it.

Even signals would help.

Thanking You
Mrs. L. O. Paddock
Box 58
Midland, Oregon

AGREEMENT
In response to Gomer Caseman's letter published in last evening's paper (Dec. 2), I just wish to voice a hearty "Amen!"

The greatest need of our country and the world is men of spiritual perception, moral integrity, deep convictions, and firm faith in God, who is the giver and preserver of human liberty. There has been a dearth of that type man in public office during recent decades.

God, give us regenerated men. Sincerely,
Mrs. Dale Harvey
2118 Home Ave.
Klamath Falls

SITE
ROME (AP)—The Technical Commission of the Food and Agriculture Organization voted yesterday that Bangkok should be made the permanent site of the FAO's regional office for Asia and the Far East.

VISIT
TAIPEH, Formosa (AP)—The former commander of the U. S. 7th Fleet, retired Vice Adm. Charles M. Cooke Jr., arrived today for a week's visit. He will be received by President Chiang Kai-shek.

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They are selling good looks and social poise for 70 cents an hour to dateless damsels.

Calling themselves the Citywide Escort Service, they hope their business venture will prove the answer to a desperate need for dates.

They are available, at the prevailing rates, for coke dates, dances, bridge, coffee or tea drinking, or any other social gathering.

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Big Three Work Out Plan To Dominate Reds; Ike To Address UN Tuesday

By JOHN M. HIGHTOWER

TUCKER'S TOWN, Bermuda (AP)—President Eisenhower flies direct to New York tomorrow to deliver a dramatic new Western challenge to Russia to join in working out a plan of disarmament and atomic control for a world periled by the hydrogen bomb threat.

With the backing of Britain's Prime Minister Churchill and the French leaders here for the Big Three conference, Eisenhower in a major address to the United Nations General Assembly is expected to suggest a fresh approach to the knotty international atomic problem which has been caught in the vise of a Soviet-Western deadlock for seven years.

The announced subject for the speech is "Perils That Confront the World in This Atomic Age." Major radio and television networks in the United States made plans to carry the address.

It is scheduled for 4 p.m. EST. The sudden announcement last night that Eisenhower would address the U. N. caused a sensation dominating the closing rounds of his meetings here with Churchill and French Premier Joseph Laniel.

The development overshadowed the shift of the talks today to Far Eastern problems, including France's war in Indochina and negotiations for a Korean peace conference, and continuing British-American efforts to press the French for early approval of the rearmament of West Germany.

The Big Three talks were due to close late this afternoon or tonight with a communique summing up the meetings.

Eisenhower will fly to New York tomorrow. The ailing Laniel, still confined to bed with a lung infection, also will fly home tomorrow, he is able.

Churchill will take off for London late Wednesday.

Eisenhower and Churchill, along with U. S. Secretary of State Dulles, British Foreign Secretary Eden and French Foreign Minister Bidault, at their sessions yesterday completed the drafting of a note to Russia reportedly agreeing to a Big Four foreign ministers meeting in Berlin, possibly in early January.