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## HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP)—Those long winter evening commercials on television have revived the lost art of reading.

There is no better time to pick up a good book and settle back for a reunion with the printed word than during those cheery interludes on your video screen during which the announcer tells you how you can avoid body odor and protect your lungs by drinking only filtered beer, packed in a king-size refrigerator that can be thrown away after using only once.

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So, if you want to do your friend a real favor this Christmas, why not refresh his ears by giving him a real heart-warming, old-fashioned present—a book? If he has forgotten how to read, surprise him with a color picture book.

To guide you in making the right choice, here is our annual list of Christmas book suggestions—just in jest—for folks in and out of the public eye:

- "How to Make Doll Clothes"—Marilyn Monroe.
- "All Done from Memory"—Harry S. Truman.
- "How to Play your Best Golf all the Time"—President Ike.
- "A Practical Guide to Job Hunting"—Sen. Joe McCarthy.
- "The Boy who saw Tomorrow"—Vice President Nixon.
- "Our Animal Neighbors"—To the family next door.
- "The Borrowers"—To the other family next door.
- "For More than Bread"—To your favorite employer, the boss.
- "You Must Relax"—Ditto.
- "Brother to the Dragons"—The boss's assistant.
- "Some Enchanted Evenings"—June Lockhart.
- "I reached for a Star"—Frank Sinatra.
- "Notes Without Music"—Johnny Roy.
- "So Noble a Captain"—Maj. Gen. Bill Dean of Korea presented with a salute.
- "The Truants"—Arthur Godfrey.
- "The Caine Mutiny"—Julius La Rosa.
- "A Pall of Oysters"—Milton Berle.
- "Kiss Me Again, Stranger"—For Penelope, the Bronx Zoo's old maid platypus.
- "A Mangled Yarn"—Quentin Reynolds.
- "What Can a Man Believe"—Publisher Bennett Cerf.
- "The Age of Suspicion"—Marlene Dietrich.
- "Time and Time Again"—Ava Gardner.
- "Ways of Mammals"—Tallulah Bankhead.
- "Until Victory"—Adlai Stevenson.
- "The Future of Architecture"—Betty Grable.
- "Meet Me at the Morgue"—Premier Malenkov.
- "Songs for my Supper"—Guy Lombardo.
- "Pocket Guide to the Birds"—Your favorite politician.
- "What Time Is It, World"—Winston Churchill.
- "Live Them Again"—Bernard Baruch.
- "The Enchanted Cup"—Your favorite bartender.
- "Lord Vanity"—Many wives are buying this for their husband, although I don't know why. Others prefer "The Man who Wouldn't Talk."
- "The Heart of the Family"—Your wife.
- "A Law for the Lion"—Ditto.
- "Flying Saucers from Outer Space"—To a butter-fingered waiter.
- "By the Dawn's Ugly Light"—Fine for throwing at alarm clocks.
- "Life is Worth Living"—"The Power of Positive Thinking"—Buy 'em for yourself, and give your own mind some fresh air and exercise.

## THE DOCTOR SAYS

By EDWIN F. JORDAN, M. D.

Questions on hernia keep cropping up and several of these will be discussed today.

The names "hernia" and "rupture" mean the same. Normally, the skin, and particularly the muscles, are responsible for keeping some of our anatomy where it belongs. Inside the abdomen in particular, however, there are a number of organs and structures

which keep pressing on these outer covers.

The pressure inside is increased by muscular exertion such as heavy lifting or coughing. Also there are some spots around the covering of the abdomen which are weaker than others. This is especially true of men. It is at these spots that the walls are most likely to give way somewhat and the contents of the abdomen tend to bulge through, forming a rupture.

That's really all a hernia is, a bulging through the surrounding wall of some of the structures which lie within a cavity. For a person not engaged in heavy manual labor a rupture may not cause any trouble though there is always the risk that it will some day come out farther and get strangulated or develop some other complication.

Nevertheless, treatment is usually desirable and unless there are good reasons to the contrary, surgery is best. A truss or support does not cure. Most operations for hernia can be done without special risk at almost any age, but one has to decide whether the occupation and other considerations justify the period of invalidism and the expense.

When one speaks of double hernia, it means that the wall has given way on both sides so that there is a rupture in two places. Operation is the same, though it takes twice as long, and surgeons often repair both at the same time. An operation is not always successful and occasionally a rupture breaks through again. If it does, which is uncommon today, it will have to be operated on again in order to produce a firm wall.

## JCS Chief On Pacific Tour

TOKYO (AP)—Adm. Arthur Radford, chairman of the U.S. Joint Chiefs of Staff and Walter S. Robertson, U.S. assistant secretary of state, arrived Monday on a tour that will take them through Japan, Korea, Formosa and the Philippines.

Robertson, who last summer won from South Korean President Syngman Rhee a promise to observe an armistice, told newsmen he expects Rhee "to cooperate with his allies" in Korea.

Robertson made the statement at Tokyo international airport in answer to questions about Rhee's probable future moves.

Both Radford and Robertson described their trip as routine.

Radford said he and Robertson planned to attend the presidential inauguration of Ramon Magsaysay in Manila Dec. 30 and decided the occasion was a good chance to gather knowledge in the Far East.

## They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



## Bruce Bissat

Even though the Russians' original oil-hand rebuff of President Eisenhower's atomic peace proposal was later reversed, one finds it hard to digest the incredible stupidity of their first response.

As most of the world recognized instantly, the President's plan was fresh and different, at once practical and idealistic. The Reds greeted it, however, with an assortment of their weirdest cliches. How they imagined a standard serving of Communist propaganda would be adequate for this totally new occasion is a mystery.

They even called the plan a variant of the old Baruch plan for control of atomic energy, which is just exactly what it is not.

The Russians surely cannot seriously believe that these painfully familiar propaganda devices are going to impress anyone at all. If they do think so, then they have lost all contact with reality.

Every word that has emanated from official White House circles about the President's proposal indicates it is a serious attempt to grapple with the deadliest element in world tensions.

Such an effort demands a sober answer. Even neutrals predisposed to give Russia rather than the United States the benefit of any doubt want to hear something more than routine guff from the Kremlin.

Unless the men in Moscow have taken leave of their senses, they will fulfill their later promise to give the Eisenhower plan "serious consideration." If they do, and if they agree to discuss the President's program in private conversations with all interested powers, the chances are strong, however, that the ultimate effect will not prove much better than if they should rest on the first foolish utterances they made.

For the Russians have never yet shown they are interested in the substance of real peace and real disarmament. They commit themselves to the appearance only, since genuine peace and advancing prosperity would be enemies of the cause they seek to spread across the globe.

From the Kremlin's viewpoint, the most sensible move would be to agree to atom peace talks and then stall them or bog them down in haggling along conventional Communist lines. That would require appearances, but yield nothing of substance.

As for the United States and its allies, their course is plain whatever the Soviet Union does. Mr. Eisenhower's proposal to build a world bank of atomic materials and foster their application to medicine, agriculture, industrial power and other peacetime use should go forward—with or without the Russians.

This plan has the grandeur of outline—for all its modest content—which marked the Marshall Plan. It opens a new vista of world development that beckons all men of good will. That vista should be explored with all those peoples who are willing to make the journey.

## FRANK TRIPP

This was the last chance. "Only X"opping days of Christmas. It gives procrastinators the jitters but is sweet music to weary salespeople. Yet, with all the bluster, the majesty of Christmas far overshadows any man-made adjunct of the holy day.

There is only one unfortunate phrase of Christmas giving. It is the heartaches that it brings to so many: the glorification to size and glamour that smother the spirit of a humble gift and makes its giver miserable. Oh why must people grieve that they can't "do more?"

I wish I could tear the price tag off of Christmas. If you'll pardon an intensely personal incident, I'll try. It best emphasizes what I'm trying to write.

Ed Tripp's house was one of simple comforts, yet by today's professionalized welfare standards its one "child likely would be classed among the "borderline underprivileged"—which would have been fighting words if Ed. He wanted neither tender sympathy nor "budget payments." He just wanted work.

This house weathered its crises on what could be saved from daily wages that now are paid per hour. The year of 1949 was a tough one, railroaders' work was slack; Ed's savings were exhausted.

Christmas came, on the parol wall hung a tambourine, upon which a friend had crudely painted a gaudy pastoral scene. I had all ways teased to thump and jingle it, but it was one of mother's prized possessions, her only "oil painting," not a plaything, she explained.

When I went downstairs that Christmas morning there was an apple in my stocking and a little candy cane, on the floor a couple of homemade toys that my father had contrived.

There also was a strange aura in the room that even a child could detect; the pang that parents feel when their child seems disappointed. Mine were thinking of the stacks of toys I'd soon encounter in playmates' homes.

Then something happened that was to influence my attitude toward Christmas all through life. Mom pointed to the wall, mother nodded, and a radiant smile came upon her face. I jumped for joy.

Mom gave me her cherished tambourine.

I can't remember a happier Christmas. It was years before I understood what my parents passed through. They thought they let me down; instead they had given me the one thing I wanted most in all the world; a treasure that they prized, a humble token from the heart.

This is the true Christmas giving, all men live to discover. Have you ever marveled at the choice of children? We have seen ours desert expensive toys to play with kitchen gadgets, Anna keeps a bottom drawer full of castoff cookie moulds, pie tins, measuring cups, spoons and mixers; an array of playthings, battered and bent; the best loved toys of any in the house.

No, it is isn't the children who make Christmas a carnival of extravagance, a vulgar show to beat the Joneses. It is parents, who deplete them with more than they can use or comprehend—and plant the seed of waste and overindulgence in generations to come.

As truly as it is blessed to give, so it is evil to overgive. How much better to spread that stack that no one child can enjoy, among the less fortunate.

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## James Marlow

WASHINGTON (AP)—Never before in the history of the country have the people had to depend so blindly on the military wisdom of its leaders.

The Russians have atom bombs, they may have hydrogen bombs, and the number of their troops under arms is impressive.

Nevertheless, the Eisenhower administration is planning to reduce the manpower of U.S. armed forces—with the exception of the Air Force—this year and still further next year.

The administration has two motives:

1. A desire to keep campaign promises by reducing expenses.
2. More reliance on new weapons and the special teams and planes to deliver them.

Since the wisdom of these decisions may not be known for years, it has to be assumed meanwhile that the military planners know what they are doing.

We are told that scientific development of new weapons since World War II has been astonishing, changing the old concepts of fighting a war. What the new developments are, what can be expected of them necessarily is known only to the military people, the President, his close advisers and the atomic experts.

In the atomic field the size and power of the bombs are not known by the public. They can't even be imagined. Laymen know only that they are many times more powerful than those dropped on Japan.

Some idea of their power, although still beyond the ability of the lay mind to comprehend, was given by President Eisenhower in his Dec. 9 speech to the United Nations.

He said the United States stockpile of atomic weapons today "exceeds by many times the explosive total of all bombs and all shells that came from every plane and every gun in every theater of war through all the years of World War II."

And as a warning to the Russians he said anyone who tried an attack would be repaid quickly by having his homeland laid waste.

This was an expression of confidence which the public, not knowing the details, must take on faith. Military power was something which could be understood better in World War II.

Then there were few mysteries. It was generally understood that if you had enough troops, guns, ships, planes and traditional bombs your chances of winning were pretty good.

Everyone had pretty much the same sort of thing, more or less. And there was no great mystery about the bombs. The bigger they were, the more powerful they were and the more damage they could do.

This country no doubt has a greater supply of atomic weapons than the Russians since the United States has been building them longer. In time the Russians may have enough for wartime needs, if they don't now.

When that happens both sides, having sufficient bombs to blast each other off the earth, may have to revise all over again their ideas about warmaking, looking for still newer ways to do it, unless in the meantime they can agree to let each other stay alive.

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## More Letters Appeal To American POW's In Korea

PANMUNJOM (AP)—An appeal from a Texas mother to "come back to your country and to your God" arrived Monday for delivery to her son, one of 22 American war prisoners who remained with the Communists.

"It is going to be a very sad Christmas for us unless you decide to come home," Mrs. J. H. Adams of Corsicana said in her appeal to Sgt. Howard G. Adams.

The message was broadcast to Tokyo and relayed to Panmunjom by the Associated Press.

Mrs. Adams walked into the Los of radio station WFAA in Dallas Sunday and asked help in writing a final appeal to her son. The deadline for him to come home is Wednesday when he could change his mind any time before Jan. 22.

The station helped her message for broadcast to Panmunjom. Her brief message: "Dear son, I want you to come home. I had hoped and prayed you would be on your way home now."

"It is going to be a very sad Christmas for us unless you decide to come home. You have things, so please give them up."

"We all love you very much and are praying every day that you have thought things over and come back to your country, and your God."

"I love you, Mother."

Mrs. Adams explained that name Gayle is a family name. After recording her message, she boarded a bus to Corsicana because "I have to go to work at 10 o'clock today."

He suggested the Soviets may be contemplating in development of a potential air offensive because the Russians have had practically no wartime experience with strategic, long-range operations.

Twining said American air superiority would cut down any advantage the Russians might enjoy from big land armies.

He hinted that atomic bombs would make strategic bombing more effective than it was in World War II, when only conventional explosives were used except for the two A-bombs dropped on Japan.

During World War II, he said, American aircraft sometimes had to strike at a target four or five times "before we knocked it out."

"I don't think we'll have to go back a second time to knock out a target now," he added.

TEHRAN, Iran (AP)—Five British diplomats arrived here by air Monday to close a 14-month gap in Iran's relations with Britain.

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## Free Bus Ride Gift Told

A gift to the public from Klamath Bus company was announced today by Fred Joles, who stated that all bus riders in the city will be free to patronize Christmas day.

Klamath Bus drivers are doing their time, said Joles, in this contribution project.

## Seoul Air Raid Alarm Sounded

SEOUL (AP)—Two unidentified planes flew south across the border zone from North Korea last night, and air raid sirens in Seoul signalled the battered city's first alert since the armistice.

Allied radar tracked the planes in their southward flight and jet interceptors struck through cloudy skies in a vain attempt to locate them.

An Air Force spokesman said the planes headed north a few minutes after creating a former battle line.

## Child Shot While In Cab Of Truck

GREAT FALLS, Mont. (AP)—Eckstein left his small son in a daughter in the cab of his pickup truck while he went into a grocery store at Shelby.

When he came out he found daughter Pamela, 4, on the floor a bullet wound in her head.

Police have not yet determined where the .22-caliber bullet came from but Coronor Robert Bar said it may have come from some distance.

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