

Airing of Pet Hates

Blood Pressure Raisers Spoil Life for Writer

By HAL BOYLE

New York—(AP)—Everyone has a personal catalog of pet hates that rob life of zest and pattern it with dull horror.

Here are some of my favorite blood pressure raisers—things that never would be missed:

Little white dogs that smile at you until you turn your back and then sneak up and bite you in the leg.

Socks that get a hole in the right toe the first time you wear them. (Is there any other kind?)

Snakes, snails, eels, centipedes, spiders, tarantulas and old ladies who kiss small children with a noise like a broken vacuum cleaner.

Alarm clocks, low-held umbrellas, snagged typewriter ribbons, cuff links, and dresser drawers that stick until the pitying wife comes over to help—and then pull out for her easy as pie. Cold pork gravy, dirty dishes, unmade beds, extravagantly cute birth announcements mailed in tiny envelopes, visitors who stay after midnight and grown men who never get dirt under their fingernails.

Cab drivers who strike up a conversation or agree with your gripes just to earn a bigger tip.

Hatcheck girls who sneer daintily if you fork over less than two bits to buy back the battered felt you couldn't hock for 12 cents at a pawnshop.

Elevator operators too cowardly to murder passengers who say "Your life sure has its ups and downs."

People who look at you as if you were an idiot because you admit you never owned an automobile, can't drive one and don't want to know how.

Bubble gum, inconsiderate restaurant waiters, salesmen who want me to buy a swimming pool, shirts with long collar points that curl up into my eyes and mothers who hand me babies to hold.

Dentists who say "this will hurt a little" when you both know it is going to hurt like a hammer on the skull.

The sound of women crunching dry toast in a quiet room.

Professional ballroom dance acts, and jugglers.

The so-called "New Look," which reduces women to the semblance of medieval cavalry horses in velvet drapes.

All physical exercises except walking and talking, sweet pickles, gray wartime pennies, men who hoarded white shirts when they were scarce and now rarely wear them and women who blurt "my girdle is killing me," and then don't die.

Printed sales letters that begin "you are one of the intelligent people of America, one who—"

Friends whose hair isn't falling out as fast as mine and others who just say, "if your brow gets any higher you'll be coming your backbone."

This is my index of irritations. Send me yours—and when I get the complete list perhaps we can vote all the nuisances out of this nerve-frayed world at once.

SCULPTOR DIES
New York—(AP)—Albert Weisner, 84, sculptor whose works are displayed in Federal Buildings in numerous American cities, is dead here.

Erie Digs Out from Under 31-Inch Snowfall



Erie, Pa., residents dig out after suffering the worst snowstorm since 1944. The snowfall, centered mostly within a 30-mile radius, started on Nov. 26 and has reached a depth of 31 inches. This scene is one of the main streets in the downtown business section. (Acme Telephoto).

Jews Ready to Defend Selves, Leader Says

Philadelphia—(AP)—The Jews in Palestine are prepared now to take over the machinery of government and defend themselves against any foreseeable attack, says Dr. Chaim Weizmann, noted Jewish leader and biochemist.

Dr. Weizmann, who is in Philadelphia to address a meeting of the Allied Jewish Appeal today, came here after the vote of the United Nations General Assembly which carved a Jewish state out of Palestine.

The scientist said in an interview last night that steps must be taken to prevent the Jewish state in Palestine from being imperiled by a wave of unsupported immigration from the displaced persons camps of Europe.

Queen Wilhelmina Reassumes Royal Tasks

Amsterdam—(AP)—Queen Wilhelmina reassumed royal power today after an interruption of six weeks for reasons of health. During that period Crown Princess Juliana acted as a regent. The queen started her official functions by visiting Amsterdam.

EX-JUSTICE DIES
Bath—(AP)—Edwin C. Smith, retired Supreme Court justice and Steuben County Republican leader, died yesterday at his home after an attack of coronary thrombosis. He was 76.

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The New York Central ran extra sections of at least 20 of its trains through Albany yesterday and Paul Nock, Albany Bostonian has invented a ball point pen with which women can dab themselves with perfume. A Paris merchant has ordered 100,000.

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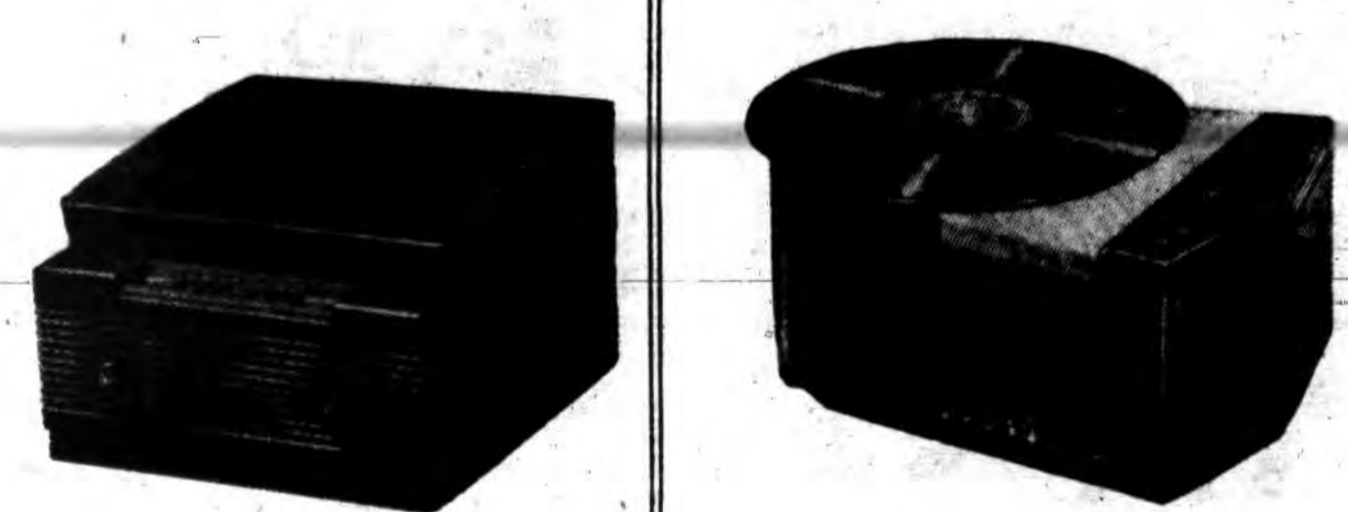
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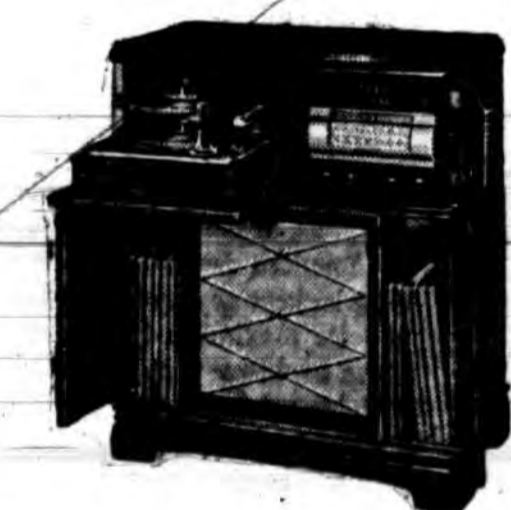


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