

## "Radio Pill" New Medical Wrinkle

### Tests Being Made to Evaluate Practical Uses

Veterans Administration, the Rockefeller Institute and Radio Corporation of America are joining in laboratory tests and experiments to evaluate the practical uses of a "radio pill" which was demonstrated publicly at the Rockefeller Institute.

The unique device is a tiny radio broadcasting capsule which can be swallowed like a medicinal pill. As it passes through a person's intestine, this world's smallest FM broadcasting transmitter signals the activity of the digestive tract to an outside receiver.

The device was developed and tested jointly by Rockefeller Institute, the New York Veterans Administration Hospital and RCA. The developers cautioned that in its present stage of development, pending the further tests, it must be considered as an experimental technique, but one which holds important implications for future medical research.

The demonstration of the radio pill was made in New York by Dr. Vladimir K. Zworykin of the medical electronics center of Rockefeller Institute, honorary vice-president of RCA, and Dr. John T. Farrar, chief of gastroenterology section of the VA Hospital, New York who is also assistant professor of clinical medicine at Cornell University College of Medicine.

The radio pill was designed by Dr. Zworykin and his associates as it had been envisioned by Dr. Farrar. It was developed by engineers of RCA.

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to offer many possibilities as an important new tool in medicine, since it will permit measurements on internal organs with minimum and psychological and physical disturbance to normal body functions, involving no discomfort.

The developers hope this will prove valuable in studying human digestion and absorption in normal and pathological conditions. They believe the new information that can be gotten on the physiology of muscle contractions can make important contributions to understanding and possibly treating disorders of the gastrointestinal areas.

### Cancer Clinic Will Be Held May 3rd

The Northeastern Cancer Detection Clinic will be held Friday, May 3, in the Elizabeth City Health Center beginning at 1 o'clock.

Only 30 persons can be seen at the Center each month due to limited facilities. The quota for the May clinic has already been filled. The next clinic will be on Friday, June 7th. During the months of July and August the Cancer Clinics are not held. Anyone wishing to be assured of an appointment for the June 7th clinic should write the Cancer Center, Elizabeth City, for a priority.

A chest X-ray will be given to anyone wishing it along with the examination of the five areas of the body where cancer is most easily found and cured. There are no limitations as to sex, race, physical or economic status at the center. However, women should be 35 or more; men should be 40 or over unless referred by a doctor or unless one of the "Seven Danger Signals" are present.

Examinees are asked to bring a robe or housecoat with them.

### ACCIDENT FACTS

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Raleigh—Good news for the lady drivers. Of the 1,270 drivers involved in fatal auto wrecks last year only 117 were women, the State Department of Motor Vehicles reports.

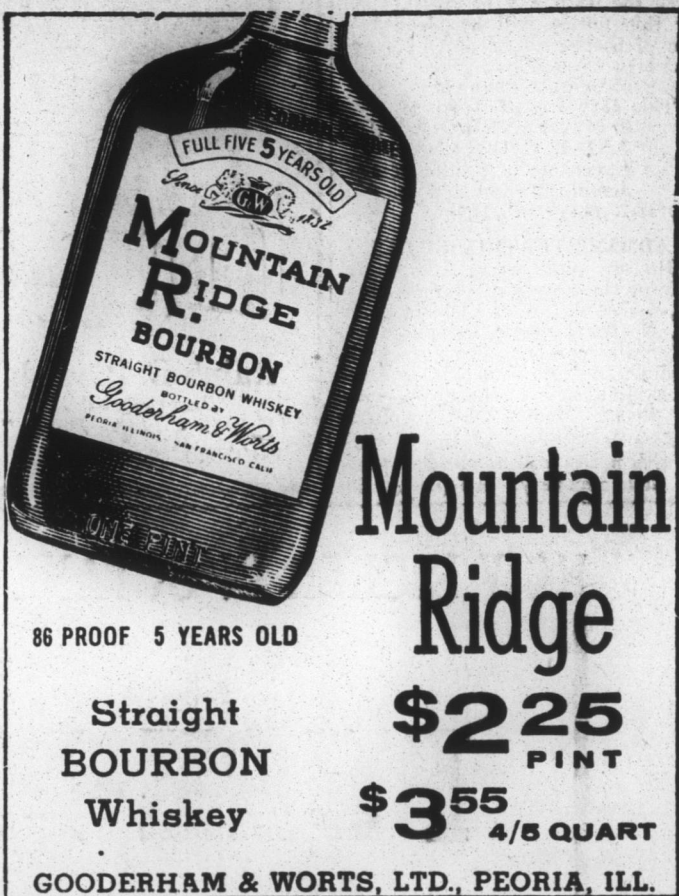
There were 1,139 men involved and 14 reports came in not listing the driver's sex. The 1,270 drivers were involved in 960 fatal accidents during 1956. The death toll: 1,108.

### RECORD MILK PRODUCTION

Milk production on North Carolina farms during March totaled 146 million pounds. Production in March set a new record high for the month and exceeded that for March 1956 by 12 million pounds and the 1946-55 average March production by 24 million pounds.

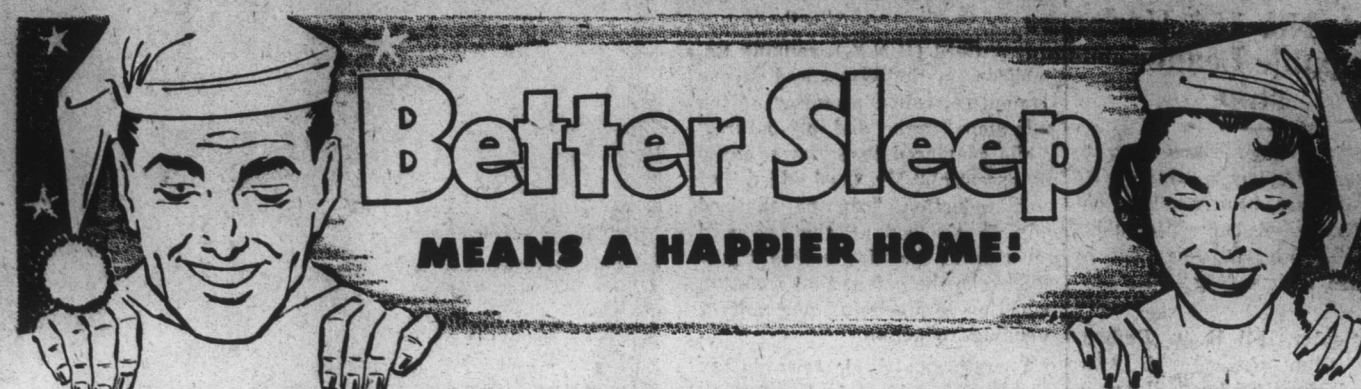
Milk production per cow in herds on April 1, 1957 averaged 17.5 pounds compared with 16.6 pounds a year earlier and 13.3 pounds for the 10-year average. The percent of milk cows milked on April 1, 1957 was 76.6 compared with 74.8 a year ago.

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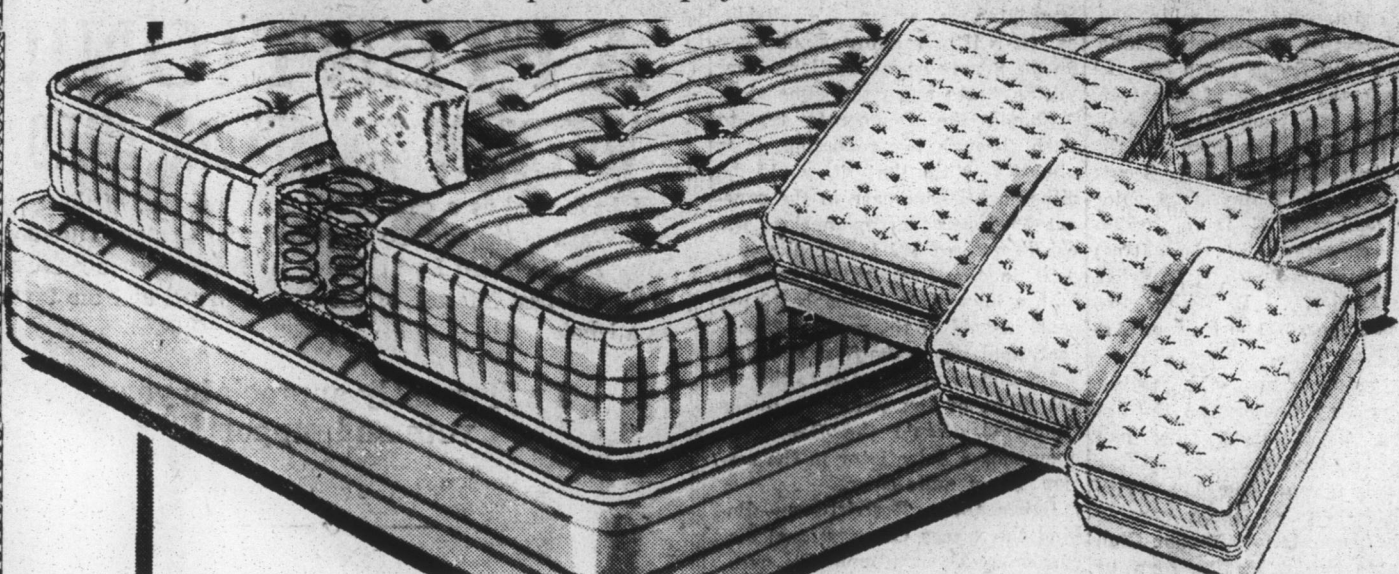
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