

of both civilian accidental exposures and military casualties. The treatment includes atropine oximes, and various types of artificial respiration. Symptoms in both mild and severe cases are illustrated, and the mechanism of action of cholinesterase inhibition is animated. The role of clinical studies in arriving at therapeutic regimens is also explained. This film is well done and accurate. The research that goes into the treatment of organic poisoning is stressed considerably more than the diagnosis and actual treatment.

-- J. Am. Med. Assn. 192, 265 (April 19, 1965)

621 Dangerous Fireworks.

George P. Larrick, Commissioner of Food and Drugs, U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, recently warned parents and retail dealers across the country to be on the lookout for a new kind of fireworks which can be dangerous to children in an unusual way. Several injuries to children have been reported. The fireworks, having the appearance of small colored candy balls, sometimes marketed under the name "Cracker Balls", may easily be mistaken for candy and some children in Ohio and the District of Columbia were recently injured when they bit into them. Commissioner Larrick said FDA inspectors are on the lookout for these novelty items with a view toward legal action unless they are labeled to meet all requirements of the Federal Hazardous Substances Labeling Act. He questions, however, whether any labeling can be devised which would make these products free from the danger of being mistaken for candy. Commissioner Larrick added that any stocks which can be shown to be in violation of the Federal labeling law will be removed from the market under the seizure provisions of that statute. Samples obtained thus far are imports from Japan.

-- U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare News Release (May 28, 1965)

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| 622 Aug. 1-8 | 9th Latin American Chemical Congress, San Juan, P.R. |
| Aug. 2-13 | Institute of Paper Chemistry, 3rd Annual Conference on Chemicals and Paper, Appleton, Wis. |
| Aug. 4-7 | Association of American Feed Control Officials, Annual Meeting, Clemson House, Clemson, S.C. |
| Aug. 6-8 | International Doctors in Alcoholics Anonymous, Chicago, Ill. |
| Aug. 9-12 | National Medical Association, Cincinnati, Ohio. |
| Aug. 11-13 | 20th Calorimetry Conference, Ames, Iowa. |
| Aug. 15-20 | American Institute of Biological Sciences, Annual Convention, Urbana, Ill. |
| Aug. 16-20 | American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics, Fall Meeting, Philadelphia, Pa. |
| Aug. 22 | American Association of Electromyography and Electrodiagnosis, Philadelphia, Pa. |
| Aug. 22-27 | American Academy of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, Philadelphia, Pa. |
| Aug. 22-27 | American Microchemical Society, International Symposium on Microchemical Techniques, University Park, Pa. |
| Aug. 22-27 | Flying Physicians Association, 11th Annual Meeting, Miami Beach, Fla. |
| Aug. 23-25 | 1965 Cryogenic Engineering Conference, Houston, Texas. |
| Aug. 23-26 | Clay Minerals Society and 14th North American Clay Minerals Conference, Berkeley, Calif. |
| Aug. 29-Sept. 2 | American Association of Clinical Chemists, 17th Annual Meeting, Chicago, Ill. |
| Aug. 30-Sept. 1 | 5th Rare Earth Research Conference, Ames, Iowa. |
| Aug. 30-Sept. 2 | American Hospital Association, San Francisco, Calif. |
| Aug. 30-Sept. 2 | 3rd International Symposium on Fluorine Chemistry, Munich, Germany. |
| Aug. 30-Sept. 3 | Society of Applied Spectroscopy, 4th National Meeting, Denver, Colo. |

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