

Bindweed roots not only spread; they start new bindweeds every here and there. Buds appear in them at irregular intervals. If the root is near the surface, the bud sends up a new stem at once.

If it is deeper, it produces a rhizome, or underground stem, which in turn starts overground stems on their twining, strangling careers.

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### PSYCHIATRY

## Psychiatrists Urged To Start Rehabilitation

➤ PSYCHIATRISTS, psychiatric social workers and clinical psychologists at the Chicago meeting of the American Orthopsychiatric Association were called on to start immediate action in their own communities for psychiatric rehabilitation of service men discharged from the armed forces because of medical or psychiatric disabilities or both.

The call was issued by Dr. Thomas A. C. Rennie, of the New York Hospital and Cornell Medical College, director of the division of rehabilitation of the National Committee for Mental Hygiene.

"The problems facing the men discharged from service are multiple," he said. "Perhaps the most common is the mistaken sense of being stigmatized by discharge for a nervous or mental condition. Although employment in the main is now easy to obtain, some employers

refuse to take back men diagnosed as psychoneurotic.

"Socially these men find the adjustment at home difficult," he continued, pointing out that companionship is denied them because men their age are in service. They are ashamed or unable to seek work, ashamed to telephone former friends, uncertain how to explain their reappearance into civilian life and may make up some symptom to explain their discharge. Many of them stay at home, only occasionally wandering out alone in the evening to a movie.

Many know their diagnoses but their attempts to read up on the subject of psychoneurosis confuse them. Their parents are equally baffled and their fear and over-solicitude make the problem worse. When the men try to get help they find "too many jobs too poorly chosen for their needs" offered them, so they quickly shift from one job to another. Many groups and agencies are eager to help, but their activities may only add to the men's confusion, especially as the agencies frequently are working without reference to each other and without knowledge of the varied resources available.

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### CHEMISTRY

## Plastic Eyes Developed Which Are Non-Explosive

➤ PLASTIC EYES are being successfully produced in this country. Equalling glass eyes in popularity, they have the advantage of being non-explosive. In rare instances a glass eye has exploded due to temperature changes.

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