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"No, no, the milk comes out here"

pat-hall usual on such occasions but much more of a bloodletting encounter. President Eisenhower's "fluffs" in his speech of welcome seemed to reflect and radiate the courteous disquiet of the people in the streets. The dramatic radio announcement of Mr Khrushchov's proposals for disarmament aroused spontaneous feelings of hope, numbed by the cold war, before a guarded scepticism could come to quench them, or the leaders of the world file away the proposals in delayed-action pigeon-holes marked Propaganda or Urgent-Bring Up.

Living and Partly Living

THIS was the underlying theme of June Opie's contribution to *Nothing Daunted* (2YA), a series of talks on their lives by men and women who are physically handicapped. I heard her talk in the Opie country which also fostered Dr Doris Gordon. Perhaps there is something in the Taranaki air that gives added strength to these women of spirit, who will not be denied. Miss Opie was able to explain vividly the difference to living that being handicapped has made. In her case it has added a unique flavour to life and has brought her a heightened awareness of the kindness of her fellow men and women, which she regards as the handicapped's great advantage over the unhandicapped. Miss Opie spoke freely and with an amused detachment of the hazards of daily life for the paralysed, of things she can do and what she will never be able to do again, and of the perils that lie in offers of help from kindly but over zealous strangers. A good talk that served to make the ordinary person, who feels inadequate or over-sympathetic towards the handicapped, aware of the thoughts, feelings, needs and, above all, the philosophy of a handicapped person who is obviously living to the full.

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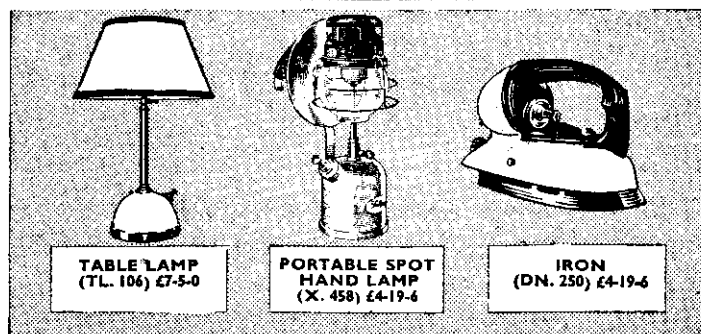


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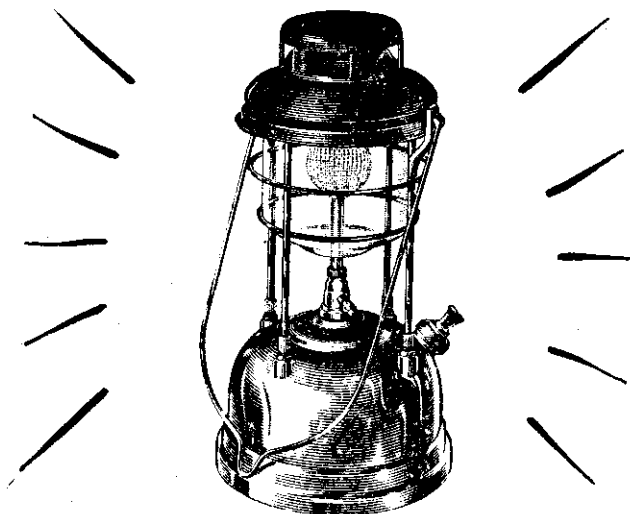
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