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Chicago Sun-Times News Service  
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Galanos brought his exquisite collection to Bonwit Teller, he adorned his gowns with necklaces fashioned like Greek worry beads. With a choice of crystal, pearl or jet and three different lengths, each necklace has the traditional tassel pendant associated with the beads that are fondled by Greeks to take their minds off their cares. Besides being decorative, the worry beads might come in very handy when the bill for one of Galanos' creations arrives in the mail.

Beauty briefs: Discount that old theory that a dash of cold water after washing the face will "close the pores." The cold splash may awaken you and make you feel better, but it serves no other purpose. Wet your skin

BURLINGTON, N. C.  
TIMES-NEWS  
D. 22,500

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## Betty loves garden

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OCT 26 1975 *Sullivan*

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NEWS-TIMES  
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Oct. 30, 1975

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VIDETTE-MESSENGER  
D. 10,000

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CALDWELL, IDAHO  
NEWS-TRIBUNE  
D. 6,000

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## Betty Ford is garden enthusiast

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KLAMATH FALLS, ORE.  
HERALD AND NEWS  
D. 15,000

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SUN  
D. 11,000

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