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NEW WHITE HOUSE RULES... BROCCOLI'S IN, SMOKING'S OUT!

SO MUCH FOR HEALTH-CARE REFORM, WHAT'S NEXT?

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In keeping with his New Year's resolution to stop smoking, Gordon bypassed a cigarette butt, opting instead for a discarded nicotine patch.