

BRISBANE THIS WEEK

One Big Shot Convicted
The Many Laugh
Roman Triumph, New Style
Storms, Floods, Twisters

The kind of "justice" supposed to "terrify" crime in this country is very amusing justice: confined to the national government. Murderers, kidnapers and other racketeers are jailed, not for their crimes against society, but for failure to pay income tax. The felon is jailed for failure to divide his criminal earnings with his government.

A change in this program is due to Special Prosecutor Dewey, who, before Supreme Justice McCook, in New York city, has convicted a "top-notch racketeer," as Mr. Dewey calls him—Charles ("Lucky") Luciano. He and eight vice-ring associates are convicted on 62 counts, that may entail prison sentences of 1,240 years for "Lucky" and each associate.

This is an actual conviction for crime, not for tax dodging.

In this world, many laugh and a few do things. Fulton said he would run a boat up the Hudson river by steam; crowds gathered to laugh.

When it was suggested early in this century that men would soon fly, successfully, millions laughed.

Had it been suggested that an army officer would cross the continent "flying blind" in a hooded cabin, seeing nothing, guided by a scientific "radio beam," the laughs would have been louder; but that is what Major Eaker, of the army air corps, has just done. If you should say now that giant ships will fly around this earth, up in the stratosphere, above clouds and storms, carrying thousands of passengers, dropping them at their various destinations in smaller ships, "around the world in 48 hours or less," there would be more laughter, but it would be foolish laughter. What men can imagine they can do, and more.

General Badoglio, who was sent by Mussolini to take over Ethiopia, and did so, celebrated his triumph in Rome, Mussolini and the Italian

king, now emperor of Ethiopia, assisting.

The triumphant general, named viceroys of Ethiopia by Mussolini, who surprised the world with the swiftness of his conquest, led his troops, burned by the tropical sun, under the victory arch of Constantine to the tomb of the unknown soldier of the big war.

"Storms kill nine in Oklahoma and Kansas; tornadoes, floods and lightning cause havoc," so runs the headline, and so other headlines have been running for months past. Hall ruins crops; lightning bolts kill three; "twisters," those powerful, revolving, windstorms, lift up and knock down little houses.

The sultan of Sulu is dead on the Island of Jolo, now only sultan in name.

Once, as spiritual and temporal head, he ruled all the Mohammedans of the Sulu archipelago.

The death of this former ruler, Jamalul Kiram, recalls an interesting incident following the Spanish war. Jamalul, good Mohammedan, did not think he should deal with this nation, on account of its religion. He was soothed by an official statement that the United States had no official religion whatever.

The Black Legion, latest secret murder organization, tells candidates: "You cannot join unless you are a native-born, white, Protestant gentile; willing to proceed against negroes, Catholics and Jews." To "proceed against" means to murder.

The Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, a Protestant organization, says it is shameful for the Black Legion to use the word "Protestant," and blasphemous to use the name "God Almighty."

Sir Samuel Hoare had to leave the British cabinet because he opposed the foolishness of sending a great British fleet into the Mediterranean to protect Haile Selassie, not protecting him in the least.

Now, Sir Samuel Hoare is back in the British cabinet "the king pleased to appoint him." This means, probably, that the futile League of Nations' "sanctions" effort to coerce Mussolini will be dropped. Many things are easier than coercing Mussolini.

Why do Americans swallow eagerly anything in the way of foreign-made goods, especially if they come from the friendly British islands?

British merchants advertise proudly "Made in Great Britain." Every Englishman urges "Buy British." Americans seem proud if they can advertise "Made in England" or "Made in France."

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For Graduation, Party and Prom

By CHERIE NICHOLAS



FRESH and young and unspooled, the sweet girl graduate is the star of her commencement week and must be costumed daintily and lovelily as can be for her part. She must also plan for the commencement parties. Being wise, as her diploma declares her to be, she will choose a graduation frock that will be appropriate for evening wear right through the summer.

Some of the most entrancing dual-purpose frocks are of Swiss organdie. Romantic, youthful and flattering, these sterling, exquisitely sheer cottons come in endless variety. Embroidered organdies are immensely popular this year. They are patterned in versatile fashion, ranging from flowing vine and floral motifs to demure bow-knot, and also novelty dot effects. Eyelet and all-over cutout embroidered patterns are delicately lacy and have an added crispness that is refreshing and cool for summer wear. Flecked Swiss organdies are fascinating, too, with chenille-like dots and geometric patterns applied in colors or white on solid grounds.

The new chic finished organdies are as sweet and dainty as the edelweiss flowers of their native land. These are so supple in finish they drape beautifully and have a soft but noticeable luster that is inherent in the material and comes back faithfully after each tubbing and pressing.

Miraculous, indeed, are the new crinkled and matelasse organdies that need only to be tubbed and then put on a hanger to dry to return to their original freshness. In solid color or in multi-color floral prints.

Graduating frocks this year are full length, with smoothly fitting skirt flaring from the knee. Because of the youth of their wearers

and because the style interest is centered on the unusual fabric patterns, the frocks are always simple in line. Distinctive details are chic fly-away sleeves, always perky and crisp in organdie, a restrained use of demure ruffles, and as a rule, modest high necks.

The lovely models pictured here flaring skirts that will lift blithely to the platform at the graduation exercises and appear later on at informal dances and dinners throughout the summer. Slim sheathes of taffeta make a sleek foundation with an elegant whisper of silk. Taffeta is also being used in a revival of the traditional sash with butterfly bow and long ends as instanced in the youthful frock of eyelet embroidered Swiss organdie to the right in the trio.

Just as the tradition of white for brides is no longer uniformly observed, pastel colors or touches of color on white have become as correct for graduation as all-white. Wherefore, the flower-like maiden pictured to the left will go tripping demurely up the aisle in a sprig-embroidered organdie. The brief bolero jacket has fly-away, pleated shoulder-widening sleeves to enhance its chic and its charm.

Of course you have fallen in love at first sight with the beguiling dress, centered in the picture. Everybody does. A discreet and artful use of ruffles adds to the quaint but very modish air of this summery frock which is fashioned of pin-dotted Swiss organdie. The red grosgrain ribbon tie at the throat and a red grosgrain belt match the color of the fabric dots.

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IT'S THE LATEST

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Here is a coat and dress that is a last-minute arrival, so new that its newness almost startles. It has that modish broad shoulder line which is essential if you would be up and going in fashion. Great emphasis is given to color alliance in this model by Creed. The dress has a front of green, brown and red madras. The three-quarter length coat is made of beige and brown wool as is also the dress. The coat fastens with a wide chamofis gray belt. The hat is gray felt.

Obi Sash

A black satin obi sash printed with large white birds is an interesting accessory to a black or white evening gown.

STRIKING BUTTONS ADD BRIGHT TOUCH

Many striking ideas are being developed in the button line. For sport blouses, a clever manufacturer uses numbers to replace ordinary buttons down the front. These, ranging from one to nine, are of plastic material, sometimes in bright color to form a contrasting effect against the blouse fabric or else in imitation ivory, tortoise shell or delicate, pale amber. The signs of the Zodiac also have been a source of inspiration for button designers and have been used with great originality by leading dressmakers for summer afternoon or beach dresses. The Chinese inspiration has been responsible for one style showing Chinese script engraved over mother-of-pearl discs or plastic plaquettes in lacquer red.

Canine Heads Are Used to Trim Various Accessories

The feminine population of Paris has gone dog minded and canine heads trim everything from sports scarves and handkerchiefs to belt fastenings. Wire-haired terriers and Scotties remain popular favorites and their heads, in black and white composition material, make decorative belt buckles which match smaller editions used as buttons. Pairs of wire-haired terriers and Scotties are suspended on leather chains from leather bracelets and are matched by fobs worn in the lapel of a spring sports suit. These fobs are made like dog leashes with the dogs attached to braided, colored leather chains.

Real Flower Fan

A lovely and unusual fan carried at an evening affair in Paris was made of living ferns and orchids set in a tortoise shell frame.

Beaded Necklaces

Beaded necklaces as wide as collars and taking the place of collars are increasing in importance and desirability.

HOW ARE YOU TODAY

DR. JAMES W. BARTON Talks About

Dangers of "Slimming"

"IT IS interesting to note that the so-called reducing preparations on the market fall into three categories; first laxative that deny the body the benefit of its food intake as the salts, crystals and herb teas; second, obvious frauds that depend for effect upon the stringent diets as part of the 'treatment'; and third the unquestionably effective but dangerous articles containing thyroid or dinitrophenol, both of which act by speeding up the use of the food." I am quoting Mr. W. G. Campbell, chief of the Federal Food and Drug Administration, Washington.

What about the first kind of these preparations, the laxative? This is the use of epsom or other salts in patented form which act by not only causing diarrhoea and that much loss of water from the system, but carry out with them some of the actual food products of the blood, thus causing thinning of the blood—anaemia. As a matter of fact, small doses of "salts" for a few days at a time may be helpful when the liver is sluggish and not filtering the poisons from the blood properly. The salts thus thin the blood and remove some of the poisons from waste food products. However, the use of salts for long periods of time and in the amounts often recommended for reducing, takes some of the body building elements from the blood and hence every cell in the body is deprived of these necessary food elements to some extent. Thus tuberculosis, anaemia, or a serious shock to the body can readily occur.

The second kind of preparation that really depends upon reducing the food intake rather than any merit in the preparation is likewise dangerous because the amount of food advised being much less than the body needs, the body has to give up some of its fat and other tissues to supply the food needed to carry on the body's work.

Giving up its fat is, of course, of help in reducing weight, but other tissues of the body, muscle tissue, for instance, has considerable fat in it, which cannot be given up without damage to the muscle itself. And delicate nerve tissue needs fat to enable it to do its work in the body.

Fallacy of Diet Fads

The reduction in the amount of food eaten is good treatment if the amount of reduction were not so great. An example of too much reduction is the 18-day diet that swept through the country a few years ago, resulting in hundreds of deaths and making invalids of many others.

The third method of reducing—the use of thyroid extract or the drug dinitrophenol overheats the body and so melts away fats and burns other tissues.

Research physicians record a number of cases where the use of thyroid extract to reduce weight has caused the dangerous type of goitre, permanently damaged the heart by overwork, and in other cases has made necessary the daily use of iodine and the need of almost constant rest.

While dinitrophenol in the hands of research physicians in San Francisco has met with a fair measure of success its unsupervised use has caused severe skin eruptions, cataracts to form in the eyes, and even death in a number of cases.

Sane Way to Reduce

Now there may be some cases where tiny doses of epsom salts daily for a few weeks may help remove liquid weight from the body and supply the body with an alkali to help overcome the acidosis that occurs during weight reduction. Also the slight reduction of food over a long period of time is bound to reduce weight without injury to the body.

And finally there are cases where the use of thyroid extract is the proper method of reducing weight. It is quite likely also that the day will come when with a pure preparation and under strict supervision dinitrophenol will be more generally used in weight reduction.

Warm Weather Reducing

In spring and summer when the weather is warm, it should not be difficult for those seeking to reduce their weight, to cut down on all foods, particularly starch and fat foods.

This would mean that the amount of these kinds of foods—fat builders—could be cut down safely by one-quarter to one-half without causing any real discomfort.

The difficult thing would be to cut down on the liquids—water, soft drinks, ice cream—but a simple rule would be to take liquid whenever the feeling of thirst came, but to drink only half the usual quantity each time.

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Football Apparently Much Older Than We Suspected

A sports writer has discovered that the Chinese are rapidly mastering Association football. He's a bit late, really. Chinese teams have won the soccer championship in Far East Olympic games for last 15 years. Football was known in China as far back as Seventh century. From there it spread to Japan.—London Answers.

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