

Dramatically Styled Furs Have Look of Luxury and Distinction

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THIS is a season of fabulous furs, distinguished by dramatic styling. It would seem almost as if miracles are being performed in fur manipulation. The regulation coats of the past, designed for the most part to keep you warm, are no more. A new era dawns in fur coat design, one that is breath-taking in luxuriosity, in top-flight styling, in assured winter warmth and in all the finess that women of fashion seek in fur coats.

Never a lovelier evening wrap could fancy picture than the exquisite stole of precious white Russian ermine shown in the magnificent fur revue presented recently in Chicago by the State street council. Note in the illustration herewith the superb grace and beauty of this enchanting evening wrap. The full deep cape at the back flows into wide front panels, which are heavily tipped with ermine tails. It is in such gracious modes as this that fur artistry reaches the ultimate.

The handsome coat illustrated at the right was also in the showing. This sumptuous model in black Russian Persian lamb brings a most important message in that it is high style this season to trim one fur with the same fur in striking color contrast. In this instance, natural gray Persian lamb is used in banded treatment about the wide bell sleeves of this very elegant black Persian coat. There is also a trend this season to trim one fur with another.

As to the kinds and types of fur in the fall and winter fashion pic-

ture, the list of fine peltry is most versatile. Coats of opossum, mouton, muskrat, raccoon, nutria and natural leopard have the look college girls want. Beaver is also high in favor and gray furs are very popular. The new "rage" among the younger set is daytime coats of white fur. Street furs stress mink of every type, which tunes right into the "brown" vogue that is sweeping the country. Mink-dyed muskrat makes a good showing too, while Persian lamb is a stand-by with women who like elegance without ostentation. Beaver has high fashion rank this season, and quite a little natural squirrel and seal are on the list.

The gorgeousness of evening furs baffles description. Rare platinum mink expresses luxury at its highest. Blond mink is charming and new looking. Fine black Persian lamb remains first choice with women of conservative tastes. Lovely white ermine, too, is scheduled for a busy social season. As to the dramatic coat silhouettes, they radiate a feeling of opulence, much as do the magnificent furs themselves, in that this season's coats are cut in such lavish lines as shown in the huge graceful sleeves with their wide and luxurious turn-back cuffs. There's grace and beauty too, in the generously-cut coat itself which often stresses a flare hemline. And as to lengths, it's the shorter types that major in the style parade. However, the full length models are not out of the picture. A smart model shown is a full length opossum sports coat.

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Smart Costume Suit



It's big news that the costume suit has returned to the fashion picture. The new note of elegance that prevails in current fashions is reflected in the revival of the old-time favorite that calls for a handsome two-piece done in quality-kind wool and choice fur trim with the thought in mind that it will, together with a wardrobe of intriguing blouses and various costume jackets and bodice tops of rich fabric plus versatile accessories, sum up to almost a wardrobe in itself. The good looking fine wool costume suit pictured selected from a collection by Chicago Fashion Industries, declares in favor of the new fitted tunic-coat version.

You'll Need Plenty of Jackets and Skirts

A big vogue is on for the jacket and skirt costume. The fashion, besides being a most practical one, offers endless possibilities for a variety of costumes from the mix and match viewpoint. Something different this year in way of a fashionable skirt is the new wrap-around that comes in black, also in stunning bright colors. You get the jacket in a smart color contrast, orange with black, Mexican pink jacket with brown skirt, and so on. The blazer jacket is "tops" for practical wear, and the college girl buys this type first of all. Jackets in bizarre plaids or stripes vie with those made of plain fabric that play up one vivid color against another. The exciting new jacket theme this year is seen in the new corduroy models in either narrow or wide wale. Their colorings are most attractive. New also are handsome little velvet jackets. The jacket and skirt costume is highly important.

Fabric Squares Are Used In Many Versatile Ways

You might like to know that you can buy patterns especially designed for making the beautiful fabric squares so popular this season into stunning blouses, skirts and a host of other items that will add to the glory of your wardrobe. It's amazing what you can do with these glamour scarves. There's real excitement in a gay dirndl skirt which you have made out of two colorful printed squares. Once you have begun you will want to keep on creating smart dress accents such as a charming blouse, contrast sleeves for a dress that needs uplift, and so on. You'll want to learn dozens of ways to use these squares and the instructions that accompany the patterns will help you to do just that.

Why the Dancing Bear Clawed His Pal, the Keeper

Weird Tale Emanates From Underground; Puts on Act to Fool Nazis.

AMSTERDAM.—The true story of why the famous dancing bear at the Rotterdam zoo suddenly turned on his keeper, threw him to the ground and clawed and bit him has just been told. One of the weirdest tales yet to emanate from the underground.

The director of the Rotterdam zoo was Eric Klant who took the name of Hagenbeck when his mother, after the death of his father, married into the famous circus family.

Because he had lived in Germany since childhood the Nazis in 1940 ordered Klant into the German army. Twice he was saved by city officials who said his services were essential. But they warned him that if the Germans asked a third time they would probably have to release him.

Klant had a daring idea. He arranged a special matinee at the zoo. Everything went smoothly until the famous act of the dancing bear. Klant had worked with the bear for years. It was his favorite performing animal.

Something Happened.

But this time something happened. The tame, usually affectionate bear turned on Klant. It threw him to the ground, clawed him fiercely and bit him on the foot.

"It was the most difficult act I ever performed," Klant said. "The bear did not want to bite me. I had to make him. I also had to make him stop at the right moment. That could have been difficult but my bear was well-trained. An actor could not have done better."

On his way to the hospital Klant deliberately dug into his wounds with an indelible pencil. The lacerations became infected and for months he remained in the hospital. Finally the Germans sent him to a military hospital in Amsterdam.

He managed to stay there for several months more by another ruse.

Buts Against Wall.

He wrapped his head in a towel and beat it against a wall until he lapsed into unconsciousness. The Germans were unable to figure out the strange high fever and apparent concussion.

Finally, he escaped from the hospital. For eight months he hid with his wife Mia in the attic of a house. Because it would have been dangerous if the neighbors had heard a man's voice he spoke only in whispers. When he finally got out, his voice was almost too hoarse to be understood.

Now he is going back into animal training—but as Eric Klant, rather than Eric Hagenbeck.

Woman's Call Gets State Police in Another State

COLUMBUS, N. J. — Mrs. Alfreda Heck, a farmer's wife, said she had quite a time getting state police at Columbus to report a heifer missing from her farm in nearby Springfield township.

Trooper Joseph Lyons said Mrs. Heck told him she asked the operator to get her state police at Columbus. She got a sergeant who asked her where she lived. Mrs. Heck told him at Chambers corner and Hancock road on route 29.

"I've been in Columbus a long time and I never heard of those streets," the sergeant said. "What police do you want, anyhow?"

"State police at Columbus," she told him.

"Lady," the sergeant asked, "where are you calling from?"

"Springfield township, New Jersey," Mrs. Heck answered.

"This is state police at Columbus, Ohio," he said.

Boy Hung by Toes, Tied Naked, Brutally Beaten

DUNDEE, SCOTLAND. — Twelve-year-old Norman Wilson testified in High court that his foster parents hung his 10-year-old brother, Harry, by his toes from a clothes wringer, pulled his lips with pliers, tied him naked to a chair and beat him, and locked him in a dark cupboard.

The foster parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Walton, are charged with cruelty to the two boys, who were put in their care last year by the Fife county council. Both deny the charge.

Norman said that on one occasion both boys were beaten "for saying the same prayer over and over again."

"We only knew one prayer," he told the court.

Shortens Name Formerly Apostolopanagiotopoulos

ST. PAUL, MINN.—Seaman Paul Panagiotopoulos, 21, St. Paul, had such a good time celebrating victory he was taken to police headquarters for the night.

"What's your name?" asked Police Lt. Frank Kennedy before releasing Paul.

"Seaman Panagiotopoulos," he answered.

"Why don't you shorten it?" Kennedy asked.

"I did," said the sailor. "It used to be Paul Apostolopanagiotopoulos."

Pigeon Brassieres to Be Cut Out Hereafter

PHILADELPHIA. — The army has cancelled contracts for pigeon brassieres.

The signal corps revealed it had so informed a brassiere manufacturer who made bands of lace to be bound around the birds to prevent their injury when carried in paratroopers' pockets.

3 Choose Death To Imprisonment

They Were Caught When Japs Invaded Moro.

NEW YORK. — Three American civilians chose death to imprisonment when the Japanese invaded the rich Moro island citadel of Jolo on Christmas eve, 1941.

Most prominent perhaps was J. Scott McCormick, an American educator who spent many years in the Philippines and played an important role in establishing American educational methods there. In 1941 McCormick gave up his government post in Manila and came to Jolo to help educate the Moros. He was made superintendent of schools. The Boy Scout movement was a pet interest of his and McCormick became Boy Scout commissioner for Sulu and Mindanao.

When it was plain the Japs intended landing a strong force on Jolo, Moro teachers implored their American "superintendent" to run away. They promised to sail him to a distant island where he could hide among friends.

But McCormick refused. On the day of the Japanese landing he dressed himself in full Scout regalia. Then he went to Jolo high school and set his papers in order. Again teachers begged him to leave but the superintendent said he would not desert his post.

He left the schoolhouse with a few Moro friends and returned to his home. It was there that the Japanese soldiers found him.

When they broke in the door they found McCormick standing proud and erect, without a weapon. His khaki Boy Scout uniform which he had chosen for his last hours proved a death warrant. The Japanese riddled him with bullets.

Perry Macklan, an American planter, met death quite differently. When invasion became imminent, Macklan provided his wife and children with food, and sent them to an old Moro stronghold in the mountains. He stayed behind.

Two days later the Japanese sent two small landing craft loaded with soldiers to Macklan's place. As they streamed ashore they were met with a fusillade of small arms fire. Six Nipponese died before Macklan was killed.

The third American, Antoni Fraklan, also a planter, never left the streets of Jolo. When the first Japanese soldier approached him, Fraklan spit in his eye. He was immediately shot.

Heroic Pup Gives Life To Save Two From Fire

CHICAGO. — Edwin Lederer, 27, of 4245 Augusta Blvd., owes his life and that of his 17-month-old daughter, Alvaline, to their pet collie puppy, Doo-doo.

When fire spread through the rear of the three-story brick building, Lederer was awakened by the dog's barking and smelled smoke. He snatched the child from her crib and ran down the front stairway to safety from his top-floor apartment. Eight other persons escaped from the building.

Lederer then attempted to re-enter the burning building and rescue Doo-doo, but was restrained by firemen.

Later the dog's body was found among charred debris on the back porch. He apparently died of suffocation.

Lederer, whose wife, Laverne, 22, gave birth to a girl recently at the Illinois Masonic hospital, said: "We're sure going to miss that puppy. He was only three months old, but he saved our lives."

Hires Taxi to Take Him To River Bank for Suicide

NEW YORK. — A man who identified himself as Elmer Sayre, 21, a discharged veteran, was held for observation at Bellevue hospital recently after hiring a cab to take him to the East river so he could jump in.

Cabbie William Donegan said Sayre hopped into his taxi and said: "Drive me to the East river. I want to jump in." Then his fare asked him, Donegan said, "Is the East river good and deep?"

Donegan said, "Sure," as he pulled up in front of a police station.

Wave of Nazi Suicides Follows Potsdam Decree

NEW YORK. — The French radio, quoting the Stockholm Tidning, said publication of the Potsdam communique in Germany has been followed by an "enormous wave" of suicides.

The broadcast said 1,200 persons took their lives in Berlin in one week. Leipzig had 600 suicides, Hamburg 458, Frankfurt "a larger figure" and Cologne 300.

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Shakers
When refilling salt and pepper shakers that have corks in bottom, or which have fallen inside, remove the cork and discard. Then paste mucilage paper over the hole. Or use adhesive tape.

Book Appreciation
Teach children to wash hands thoroughly with soap and water before using school or library books. This will develop habits of cleanliness and appreciation for books at the same time.

Fires Costly
Every day in the U. S. there are 1,800 fires, 28 deaths caused by fire in 1,000 homes, 130 stores, 100 factories, 7 churches, 7 schools and 3 hospitals.

Airplanes Over Counter
One of Chicago's largest department stores has agreed to open an "airplane department" and will offer a popular, two-place model for sale from a conventional display room.

Iron Across Length
When ironing, press with the length rather than across the width of fabric wherever possible. But if a skirt, slip or nightgown is cut on the bias, then iron on a slant, along the grain or straight of the material. This will prevent the stretching and sagging which makes hems uneven.

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Bacteria Threat
An improperly cleaned milking machine may add millions of bacteria to the fresh milk that passes through the machine.

Egg Eating
Egg eating by chickens is a habit usually developed by young pullets. This costly habit can be prevented by providing plenty of nests—one nest for each six birds—so eggs will not be broken by nest crowding at laying time. All nest bottoms can be kept well padded with litter such as hay, straw, cottonseed, shavings, so eggs will not be broken as they are laid. If the egg-eating habit has gone so far that some of the birds break the eggs themselves, it may be necessary to remove those birds from the flock for a few days or dispose of them entirely.

Aircraft Engines
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Plan Baths
If the man of the house has been accustomed to taking his daily shower in the morning, reserve this time for him. The children might bathe in the evening, allotting the time according to their ages and when they go to bed. The younger children might be bathed before dinner, older children later. Plan your own bath for whichever hour will give you the most relaxation.

Vitamin Loss
While investigating whether glass or tin containers caused the greatest loss of vitamin C in canned vegetables, research workers found that the material used for making the container had no effect on vitamin C but the loss was caused by the air left in the can. The amount of vitamin C lost was in proportion to the amount of headspace left unfilled in the container.

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