



PRIVATE PURKEY AT SAN FRANCISCO

Dear Ed: Well I am out here at the San Francisco world huddle on "What is the Best Way for a World to Stop Cutting Its Own Throat" and all I can say is that if the boys don't get together on it this time they are crazier than was even suspected.

I got one piece of advice for them which I took from a piece of sheet music. It is "Accentuate the positive, minimize the negative and don't mess with Mister-In-Between." That should be the slogan here from start to finish.

A lot of people has got the idea this is a peace conference, which is gooney on account of you can't hold no peace conference until a war is over and the only people who think this global shindig is over are the ones who are too busy in dark cellars raising mushrooms at home to know what goes on outdoors. This is just a conference to keep the fire from breaking out all over again once it gets put out.

It is suffering from overcrowding, bad ventilation, mutual suspicions, long speeches and difficulty getting pants back from the suit pressers on time. There is more jealousies than you would find at a party thrown for Frankie Sinatra by a bunch of bobby-sockers, and there have even been a couple of good fights in the halls and out behind the garage. But everybody here knows just the same that they all got to get together on an antisuicide pact or spend the rest of their lives trying to outguess jet bombs.

Don't worry too much about the Polish situation. This is a tough one and it is too bad. But it can wait. Letting it stymie this meeting is just the same as if a lot of neighbors outside a burning village held an emergency meeting to make plans for bigger hydrants, but decided to have an argument first over whether one of the firemen fell off a ladder or was pushed.

The one need of the world after this war is going to be a League of Nations with guts instead of umbrellas. And it has got to have a headquarters without no golf links attached.

So I don't think the pussyfooters, rubber backbone boys, fixers and fancy waiters is going to get nowhere at this meeting, even if I admit some of 'em is getting a lot of headlines.

This is a pretty screwy world but I still think it is not 100 per cent nuts yet.

As ever, Oscar.

CIRCUS BACK HOME

Dear Hi: 'Member when the circus used to come to our town; how you got up at 4 a.m. and was down at the railroad yards to see them unload; begged for a chance to carry water to the elephants (sometimes brought a pail along with you to show you meant business) in exchange for an admission ticket; rushed home and gobbled up (or down) your breakfast so as to be downtown in time for the parade; followed it up to the grounds so as to see the "free show" as soon as the procession got to the "big top"? Then gulped down two or more glasses of "red lemonade"; was one of the first to buy a ticket of the fellow who always wore a silk hat and held the bills between the fingers of one hand while passing out red tickets to the pushing crowd; spent an hour in the animal tent; looked for the octopus which the posters had shown as attacking a four-masted schooner, its arms clutching all the topmasts while sailors with axes were trying to slay the monster, and then found the object of your search to be dead, dried up and fastened to a frame only about 8 feet square?

Then get inside and set through an hour or so of thrills that gave you the creeps up and down your back; bought a bag of peanuts; lost your heart to the girl in pink tights performing on the most beautiful black horse you ever hoped to see; lamented the fact that you didn't have an extra dime so as to see "the most stupendous, extravaganza the world has ever seen, to be presented immediately after the performance"?

I'm in the throes of incipient nostalgia. Even a steam calliope couldn't break my dream.

Well, the big league baseball magnates, after a winter spent shivering for fear they might name somebody to succeed Judge Kemesaw Mountain Landis who would be like Judge Landis, have named Senator "Happy" Chandler to the job. He reminds them of the judge, because he is so different.

Maybe, after all, the Landis set-up was wrong. He should have been called "Dimples" Landis.

Your Chic Jewelry May Now Be Worn With Daytime Casuals

By **CHERIE NICHOLAS**



A NEW vogue is winging its way into fashionland. It is that of wearing honest-to-goodness jewelry instead of novelty sporty items with your sweaters and casual daytime frocks. Just because you are wearing a sweater is no reason why your beloved pearl necklace has to be reserved for dressier occasions. According to the new way of thinking it is perfectly style-correct to wear your choicest strand with your new chic sweater. Best dressers are doing just that this season and what's more they are giving an extra fillip to their daytime casuals with other smart jewelry items outstanding among which are the stunning new chatelaines, which add so much to the swank of one's costume.

There's a tremendous demand for sweaters in neutrals, especially subtle grays, also the fascinating light beige and cereal tones. With these, women who know their fashions are wearing perhaps a pearl necklace with a pearl pin, worn like a sorority emblem.

There is also a decided trend toward costumes carried out in monotone, such as the modish three-piece consisting of a suit jacket and skirt in neutral gray or beige or a new off-white shade teamed with a pull-over sweater in the same identical color. Carefully selected jewelry completes an outfit of striking style distinction. If you are aspiring to something new and exclusive looking, here's your cue.

The illustration shows you the latest in jewelry for wear with your casual clothes. Because there is such startling news conveyed in the picture below to the right we are eager to tell you what it's all about. See the gold hairpins she is wearing in her hair? Well, they are news, big news! Next time you go shopping saunter over and ask to see the newest in gold hairpins to wear

Princess Jumper



This little princess jumper dress is a pleasing change from the usual two-piece or suspender-skirt types. Mothers will welcome the simplicity of this pinafore-like dress, for it only requires a mere remnant of material to make, and when it comes to laundering it's so easy. For every day wear make it of small patterned rayon print or a gay calico.

in a braid atop your head or brushed up pompadour or a low-coiled bun, for all three are smart hairdos for now and for summer-to-be. The hairpins as worn here are topped with concave flowers of gold which reflect a cluster of small rubies in the center. Matching earrings and a gold snakechain necklace complete this stunning ensemble. Pretty with her summer frock!

Above to the left the matched set worn includes pin, barrette and earrings. The pin is an arrow and heart designed in gold-plated sterling silver. The hearts are concave reflecting the color of the center stones.

A clever way of wearing one of the new chatelaines that are the talk o' town this season is shown above to the right. This double-strand chatelaine or fourteen-carat gold snakechain has a clip at one end to fasten to the dress and a ring at the other for a gold heart-shaped pin with an amethyst heart in the center. Loops and streamer ends, in a ribbon effect, accent the fluted heart. One important jewelry piece like this will glorify even the simplest dress or suit.

Colorful and modish for summer with a white wool and cotton knitted sweater blouse are twisted strands of real coral made into a necklace and bracelet as shown below to the left. The gold plated heart clasps are studded with small turquoise stones and the earrings are coral.

The high necklines and cardigan jackets offer every encouragement to wear pins and necklaces to soften the sometimes severely simple lines. You will be wanting bracelets galore to wear with the new brief cap sleeves. Chatelaines are stunning arranged about the new low-cut square necklines and they are smart with gabardine or spun rayon coat-dress classics.

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Double-Duty Cotton Popular Style Theme

A theme that is being stressed with increasing enthusiasm is the double-costumes that serve so readily for many-purpose wear. The practicality, economy, color and design rhythm that characterizes these adjustable costumes make them indispensable in a summer wardrobe. The combination that is a "prize buy" consists of a play suit with an extra skirt. It looks very complete with its skirt for town and general daytime wear. Worn without the skirt, it makes the play-suit ideal. Another big idea in double-duty cottons and one which designers are playing up for all it is worth this summer, is the bare-back sun dress that has either a separate bolero or cape that can be easily slipped on and off. In some instances girls are wearing with their bare-back gingham sun dresses a stole of matching gingham. Some of the sun dresses are styled with a view to being that attractive that with the bolero removed they serve charmingly for informal dance frocks.

Quick-Change Costumes Boon to Business Girls

Career and business girls are on the lookout for accessories that will tune their practical office dress to after-five occasion. There are loads of pretty things that will do this chief among which are the exquisite dickeres and gilets made peplum style and all you have to do is to slip them over your dress and with one of the new flower-wreath hats you'll "look like a million."



Vegetable Oil Crop Needs Continue High

Total Fat and Oil Supplies Decrease

GROWERS' of vegetable oil crops are being urged by the War Food administration to remember pressing war needs for those oils and to keep production at a high level by meeting their acreage goals.

Total oil crop acreage is substantially increased over 1944, although most of the change comes from the



Canning Vegetable Oils.

64 per cent step-up on flaxseed. The peanut goal is down slightly, but emphasis is being placed on increasing acre yield to offset the smaller plantings. Final goal for peanuts picked and threshed is 3,230,000 acres.

Harvest of 10,757,000 acres of soybeans is sought, and planting of the needed 5,000,000 acres of flaxseed is already well under way.

Demand for fats and oils is expected to continue strong in 1945, while the total available supply will be considerably reduced. Production of some 9.8 billion pounds from domestic materials is anticipated, over 1 billion pounds less than the 10.9 billion pounds produced in 1944. Chief cause given is lower lard production.

Domestic edible oils — cottonseed, soybean, corn and peanut—may reach a total production 100 to 200 million pounds more this year than last, largely due to an increased harvest of cottonseed from the 1944 crop.

Military demands for fats and oils, including butter and lard, are heavy, both for the expanded military program and for relief distribution in areas under military jurisdiction.

Preliminary estimates made by United States department of agriculture experts indicate a domestic disappearance of fat and oil products in 1944 totalling more than 10.3 billion pounds (in terms of fat content), for an increase of about 400 million pounds over 1943. Expanded production of soap for the military, with some increase for civilians, is believed to have been the major factor.

Domestic disappearance of cottonseed oil declined 172 million pounds last year, reflecting the reduction in output, but the effect on supplies of food fats was partly offset by an increase of 101 million pounds in the use of soybean oil for this purpose.

Agriculture In the News

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White Oak

The oaks are among the most important hardwood species in the United States, due to large quantity of oak available and its strength and beauty. There are 80 different species of oak, scattered over nearly all parts of the country.

The wood of the white oaks generally lacks the reddish tinge common in the red oaks. It grows slowly, so is not as profitable for timber planting as red oak.

In planting, best results are obtained from acorns, instead of transplanting the deep taproot young trees. The tree is valuable for ornamental planting, furniture, flooring, motor vehicle parts, railroad cars, general millwork, boxes and crates, caskets and coffins, ship and boat building, agricultural implements, railroad ties, fuel, cooerage and mine timbers.

Hands Carry Mastitis

The streptococci bacteria which cause most cases of mastitis can be carried on the milker's hands, despite the most thorough scrubbing and disinfection, according to the University of Wisconsin specialists.

The organisms were found on hands of milkers six to eight hours after the last milking. Control is easier on milking machines. No bacteria was found on hands of men who used milking machines, doing only the stripping by hand.

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