

Fashion Trends

by Freddie S. Henderson

QUEEN ELIZABETH II AND FASHION

Famous queen has always exerted a great influence on fashion in apparel and for several months now there has been evidence of the influence of England's young queen on fashions, hats, fabrics and even make-up.

That is to be expected for history tells of that her feminine predecessor, Elizabeth and Victoria, greatly influenced not only the clothes of their day but the entire mode of living was conditioned by their reign. Witness the art literature and literature of the periods.

In a way, however, the present Queen is proving an unsurpassed fashionwise. It is that Elizabeth II is not beautiful and charmingly gracious in the clothes that she wears, but her general lack of concern about fads, frou-frou and acceptance of so-called "Best Dressed List" makes it rather difficult for the gigantic fashion industry to really put its finger on exactly what she prefers at times.

The sixteenth century ruff and farthingale are credited to the queen, Elizabeth I, and likewise we know of the quaint Victorian ruffles and décolletage. But as yet there is nothing that can be called twentieth century Elizabethan.

In a way that is a great tribute to the Queen, it could mean (and we often read this) that she is a very practical young woman in spite of the royal demands. It could mean that she is so very much concerned with the affairs of her home and state that she considers fashions about clothes rather a trivial thing, it probably means that she will be remembered as a Queen who did a job well rather than a "Queen who wore her clothes well."

Still, Elizabeth is quite a young woman. Possibly she is at the moment concerned with getting and keeping the royal house in order, and once assured that all is

working smoothly, will then turn her attention to setting fashion pieces. After all, there are some who contend that it is impossible for very young women to be really smart fashion-wise, that one must have to be at least 25 or 30 in order to acquire the maturity to wear cloth with conviction.

But whether she wants to influence fashions or not, it is undeniable that she will, for anything that the Queen wears on any occasion immediately becomes news — important fashion news — and the things that she wears will be copied all the way from Paris, France to Paris, Arkansas.

An imitation of the magnificence of the royal robes which the Queen will wear during the Coronation has leaked out. It seems that there will be a handsome cloth of gold woven from an alloy of silver, gold and pure silk (92 percent silver, 2 1/2 percent gold, backing of silk) which will be used for the canopy held over Her Majesty's head when she is crowned with holy oil.

Handweavers can make only three quarters of a yard a day, and the price per yard is said to be about \$50. Not much chance of that fabric being duplicated for mass consumption, but this is for a queen, you know.

CHARM

NEW YORK (GLOBAL)—Everyone likes to speak well but many people don't know when they are using correct pronunciation. And, of course, busy people find little time for study. But there is an easy way to remember most of the common errors in pronunciation and with this in mind I wrote a little booklet of verse called "Correct Speech Handbook." Here's one hint from it:

Again rhymes with den
Or it could rhyme with pain.
But it doesn't rhyme with tin.
So please don't say "agin."
We will give you others from time to time.

A BEVY OF BEAUTIES AT LORD CALVERT



At the Lord Calvert Hotel in Miami are these fair fugitives from the rigors of northern weather: (l. to r.) Nancy Holloway, Cleveland; Merdis Thomas, Chicago; La Bomnie, Detroit; Jackie Greenwood, Chicago; Jackie Branch, East Orange, N. J. and Audrey Denson, Jamaica, New York.

Between Us

Inspired by the advice on good manners and etiquette as given in Amy Vanderbilt's Complete Book of Etiquette, published by Doubleday and Company, this columnist has picked some of the volume's best advice to quote here:

TOP MAN:

"A man who is laying siege to a girl's heart does well not to systematize his flower-sending. I knew one man who could be counted on to send two dozen long-stemmed red roses every Saturday, rain or shine. Another who might send a gay red geranium in a simple clay pot or turn up with a single geranium in a twist of green waxed paper— a new recording of some freshening for the kitchen — one never knew. Any woman could tell in a minute which was the most interesting man."

A LA BOARDING HOUSE:

"Reaching at table is now preferred to asking neighbors to pass things one can well take up himself, but one should not have to be out of his seat."

YOU CAN SAY NO:

"No lady need dance with anyone if for some reason she doesn't care to do so. She must always be polite in her refusal. If she is hoping for another partner she may say, 'Thank you, but I don't believe I'm free right. Or if she is tired she should say, 'Thank you, but I'd like to rest a little. Won't you join me?' If she really wants him to go, 'A man never escorts a girl from the floor and leaves her unaccompanied, though she may always give him some polite excuse for leaving him once they are off the floor.'"

MIND YOUR BUSINESS:

"When people are angry find a way to ward some friend, associate, or member of your family, don't take sides. Let it remain from discussing an opinion, and stay objective, though vaguely sympathetic. If angry friends ask for advice, take your advice they will not like you better. The role of mediator is hard and needless, and most of us are not really equipped for the task."

HUMAN AFTER ALL:

"Nothing, not even a bad clam, is ever spit, rawly, sarcastically, into a skin. Let it be sheer masochism to do so, for the sake of manners, something really spoiled, give you have got a goodly mouthful. Certainly, a partly chewed mouthful of food looks unappetizing to one's dinner partner if it has been necessary for you to deposit it from your fork on the side of the plate. It should be screened, if possible, with some celery leaves or, perhaps, a bit of bread. And, in taking it out of our mouths, try not to look as if anything were the matter."

MAD HATTER



Not the mad hatter, but John Turek of the Thor Corporation designed this prize-winning chapeau worn here by Evelyn Moorehouse also of Thor, in a company sponsored contest. His materials were a straw cartwheel, gladiola bulbs and gladioli, as well as a sprinkling of Thor appliances.

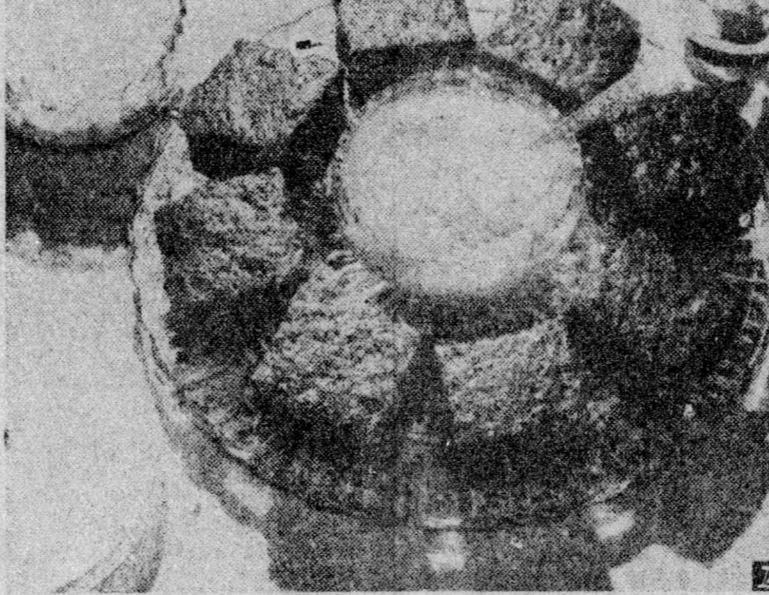
The spring topper, according to punch press operator Turek was designed to symbolize the Thor Corporation purchase of two million imported Holland gladiola bulbs. The bulbs are now being given away free by Thor dealers all over the country.

CHICAGO IN MIAMI



Do you know a better reason to smile? If so write to Merdis Thomas and Jackie Greenwood of Chicago, who are vacationing now at the Lord Calvert Hotel in Miami.

Wonderful Eating Any Time



It's hard to beat pineapple gingerbread for a quick and easy dessert.

Gingerbread is a perfect dessert or coffeetime refreshment any time. You can use your own favorite recipe for gingerbread or make one the easy way with quick and fool-proof packaged mixes and have it ready to serve in an hour.

You'll find that crushed pineapple adds a wonderful new flavor to an old favorite like gingerbread. A flat can of crushed pineapple holds about one cup, and the pineapple syrup replaces the rest of water called for on a package of gingerbread mix.

Here are some ideas to make gingerbread extra tempting: Serve it with whipped cream cheese; or sprinkle with a topping of confectioners' sugar. Or while gingerbread is warm, cut in squares and pour over vanilla sauce made from a packaged pudding.

Another idea is to bake in 12 greased muffin pans. Cool, and cut out a cone-shaped center with a sharp knife. Fill centers with orange sauce.

PINEAPPLE GINGERBREAD

1/2 cup water
1 package gingerbread or gingercake mix
1 cup crushed undrained pineapple

Beat 1/2 cup water into gingerbread mix as directed on package. Add pineapple instead of remaining water called for. Pour batter into a well-greased, 9-inch square pan. Bake in a moderate oven (350° F.) for 40 minutes. Serve warm, topped with a spoonful of softened cream cheese.

To bake muffins, fill pans 1/2 full and bake in moderate (350°) oven 15 minutes or until done.

Wilmington Links Feted At Barnette

By CATHERINE H. ROBINSON

On Friday evening at the Barnette, Mrs. William Spaulding, a Link of Whiteville, N. C. was the very gracious hostess of the Wilmington Chapter of Links, Incorporated of which she is a member, at a dinner party.

The delicious repast consisted of a five course dinner, including four d'ouves, shrimp cocktail, turkey, salad, dessert and demitasse. The very tasty dessert combined the better motif and the Links color scheme as we were served ice cream molded in shapes of rabbits, chickens, and lilies, and individual servings of cake topped with white icing and centered with a green "L". The table decorations also carried out the club color scheme with a lovely floral centerpiece of green and white.

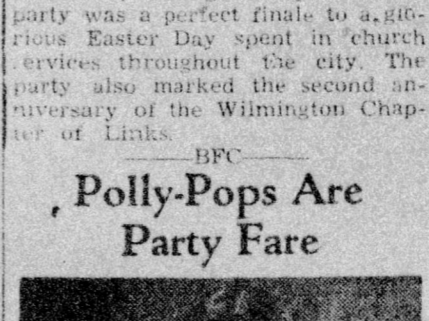
Following the meal, guests enjoyed a song fest which began with the seasonal tune, "Easter Parade" and included such numbers as "Let Me Call You Sweetheart," (sung by the men), "Down by the Old Mill Stream," "Carolina Moon."

Guests were later entertained with mechanical music as they sat in gay repast for a time. Links and their guests enjoying Mrs. Spaulding's very gracious hospitality were Mesdames Evelyn Carnes, Celest B. Eaton, Iris Spaulding Davis, Elizabeth G. Jones, Louise H. Moore, B. Constance O'Neil, Catherine H. Robinson, Margaret Runnels, the Misses Leonard Greene and Alma Lennon; Mesdames Gertrude Evans and Richardson Chadwell; Doctors G. Carnes, H. A. Eaton, and S. R. Rosemond; Messrs. John Chadwell, William Davis, James H. Holmes, Elliot P. Moore, R. Howard O'Dell, and Attorney R. R. Bond. Out-of-town guests included Mrs. C. H. Eaton, Elizabeth City, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. J. Taylor, Washington, D. C.; Mr. and Mrs. James E. Byers, Warrenton, N. C.; Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Montague, Williamsburg, Va.; Dr. and Mrs. Rosemond, Wilson, N. C.; and O. T. Faison, New Bern, N. C.

Links unable to attend the affair were Mrs. S. J. Gray and Mrs. L. J. Wade.

Mrs. Spaulding's unique dinner party was a perfect finale to a glorious Easter Day spent in church services throughout the city. The party also marked the second anniversary of the Wilmington Chapter of Links.

Polly-Pops Are Party Fare



Whatever the occasion, birthday party, May party or just rainy-Saturday-afternoon party—the children enjoy it more if there is something really festive about it. Polly-pops and paper hats are good items to keep on hand—because they help to make any young get-together a party, but the "eats" are the really important thing. Polly-pops served with ice cream squares (with animal centers) will give any party a gala touch, and in addition are simple to prepare. Ice cream all made up with animal centers are available on short notice from the ice cream dealer and Polly-pops take no time at all.

POLLY-POPS

1 cup sugar
1/2 cup light corn syrup
1 cup top milk
4 cups SUGAR CORN POPS
1 cup salted peanuts

Combine sugar, corn syrup and top milk in saucepan. Cook over low heat to 240° F. (soft ball in cold water). Mix SUGAR CORN POPS and peanuts in buttered large bowl. Pour on syrup, mixing thoroughly. Press into buttered muffin pans to about 3/4 inch in thickness. When cool, remove from pans and insert a wooden skewer sideways in each one to resemble a lolly-pop. Yield: 2 1/2 dozen Polly-Pops, 2 1/2 inches in diameter.

York soon and it might be a TV show for her—who knows? Hopes are high, anyway. May 8th is the date for the TESTIMONIAL DINNER for JULIUS J. ADA'S here in the Hotel Theresa Skyline Room. We understand there will be a record crowd on hand to salute him. We are more than happy, because Julius deserves all of it. St. Louis, Missouri is Y CIRCUS-minded.

DADDY GRACE is opening a new Temple right in the heart of town in Newark, N. J., and one of the first to greet you there will be Sister Flora Fields. On Mother's Day everyone the country over tries to honor mothers in some way. Here in Harlem there will be a special affair with our own WILLIE BRYANT as Chairman. RUTH NELSON SAWYER's sister is visiting her. Hobby who is stationed in Germany.

PAULA MORAY of CHICAGO, ILL. will be vacationing in New

HINTS TO HOMEWIVES

Miss Ruth Carson

FOUNDATION GARMENTS

BUYING: Look for that smooth and proper fit when you buy foundation garments. Lingerie fabric is desirable and a garment suitable to the clothes you will wear is for occasion, daytime, dress wear. The right size has much to do with comfort in wearing and the desired appearance. A washable fabric is always more practical. Avoid extra trimmings if garment is for everyday wear.

REPAIRING:

Keep foundation garment in repair. The sooner underwear fastens the mending job pairs are made the better and color scheme as we were served ice cream molded in shapes of rabbits, chickens, and lilies, and individual servings of cake topped with white icing and centered with a green "L". The table decorations also carried out the club color scheme with a lovely floral centerpiece of green and white. Following the meal, guests enjoyed a song fest which began with the seasonal tune, "Easter Parade" and included such numbers as "Let Me Call You Sweetheart," (sung by the men), "Down by the Old Mill Stream," "Carolina Moon."

HOME FREEZING

Year rolls may be frozen hard or unshaded. Bakes ones are convenient and ready for quick meal Use a zig-zig stitch when you patch elastic—this helps to keep ping paper.

All For Eve



It's Mother's Day! And Eve Arden, popular star of CBS Radio's "Our Miss Brooks" show, gets a pleasant surprise from her daughters, Liza and Connie. As teacher Connie Brooks, Eve brightens listeners' Sundays each week at 6:30 p.m. EST (5:30 p.m. CST; 4:30 p.m. MST, 3:30 p.m. PST).

PLAN TO USE MORE MILK IN DAILY MEALS

RALEIGH — Getting more milk into your diets does not necessarily mean drinking more. It's milk, says Virginia Wilson, State College Extension Nutritionist. Of course it is important that every child drink at least one pint of milk a day and every growing boy and girl at least four tall glasses a day. But there are many other ways of getting more milk into your diets.

Milk products like cheese, butter and ice cream are also rich in vitamins and minerals. Plan to use cheese in sauces for vegetables and meats and as a basic ingredient for salads. Here's a recipe for a cool, congealed salad that is made with cottage cheese. Try this tempting salad out on your family some warm spring evening.

LIME-PECAN SALAD

1 pkg. lime gelatin and 1 pkg. lemon gelatin
3 cups boiling water
1/2 cup pineapple juice
1-3 cup lemon juice
1 cup heavy cream or evaporated milk
1 cup cottage cheese
1 cup diced pineapple
1 cup brown pecan meats
1 teaspoon salt

Dissolve gelatin in hot water; add pineapple and lemon juice. When nearly set whip until light; beat in whipped cream or evaporated milk, cottage cheese, and salt; add chopped nuts and diced pineapple. Pour into individual molds and chill. Makes about 12 servings.

Permanent pastures should be top-dressed once year with 400 to 600 pounds per acre of 9-10-20, 0-27, or 0-14-14.

CHECKED TAFFETA provides the "twist" for shopping tour or date in this gay original by Fashion Frocks of Cincinnati. Stand-up collars, butterfly bow cuffs and the spirited flare of the skirt add flattering touches. Available in homes from housewife representatives.

Some \$417,734 hot lunches were served to North Carolina school children last October under the USDA's National School Lunch Program costing \$1,434,780.15. Much of the money was spent with local farmers and merchants for poststuffs.

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Secretaries Across the Nation Honored During Special Week



SECRETARY OF COMMERCE Sinclair Weeks (center) met in Washington, D. C., with C. King Woodbridge, chairman of the National Secretaries' Week Council and president of Dictaphone Corporation, and Mrs. Mary H. Barrett, co-chairman of the Council and president of the National Secretaries Association, to officially launch the second annual National Secretaries' Week. "A Tribute To The American Secretary" in the form of a colorful scroll was signed and issued for display throughout the country.

The second annual observance of National Secretaries' Week, designated to honor "The American Secretary," The First Lady of Business," was officially set for May 24-30 at a meeting in the office of Sinclair Weeks, Secretary of Commerce in Washington, Wednesday, May 27, was set as National Secretaries' Day.

Attending the meeting with Secretary Weeks were C. King Woodbridge, of New York, chairman of the National Secretaries' Week Council and president of Dictaphone Corporation, and Mrs. Mary H. Barrett, of Pittsburgh, Pa., co-chairman of the National Secretaries' Week Council and president of the National Secretaries Association.

Keynote for 1953 is stated on a scroll entitled, "A Tribute To The American Secretary."

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GLOBAL JOTTINGS

NEW YORK (GLOBAL)—The Class of '28 of the Harlem Hospital School of Nursing celebrated its 25th Anniversary last Monday evening when the Staff Nurses gave a dinner at the TAVERN ON THE GREEN in Central Park. Twenty-four members of the class were on hand to enjoy the many courtesies extended them. They were Eartha Young Jones, Volda Vera B. Isaacs, Rosa Mai Godley, Virginia Washington, Julia Thompson, Gilkes, Edith Nease, Mildred Travis, Viola Jenkins, Marie Moore, Sadie Mae Rankins, Edith Richard Lednickey, Elizabeth Wooten Willis, Sue Bargrave Brown, Frances Helen Smith Brody, Fannie Nelson Blackman, Annabel Lee Bryant, Viola Bridges Avery, Olive Matthews, Catherine Risdon Turner and F. Bessie Lee Fuller.

This was the fifth annual dinner of the Staff Nurses and it made possible an increase in the Staff's Student Fund and it will also benefit the Student Nurses in the Residence. Seated on the dais were Dr. Bernard B. Nadell, Medical Superintendent; Dr. Louis Binder, Deputy Medical Superintendent; Dr. Aubrey Maynard, Director of Surgery;

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