

Fashion's Crystal Ball For 1955

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Here's how women will look in 1955, as a few famous designers predict:

Esther Dorothy: Women will have more curves than points. Sex appeal will be more subtle for daytime but more rampant in evening fashions.

Lily Dache: The natural look in fashion and beauty will be replaced by the "super-natural" look. Both clothes and cosmetics will plainly show that they have improved on nature. There will be little pride attached to having been born pretty. It will be more important to show that you know all the glamor tricks. There will be more redheads than blondes. Hats will come back in a big way.

Cecil Chapman: Women will look leaner, taller and more sleekly groomed than before. The cute "starlet" type of beauty won't appeal to anybody; the well-bred beauty with brains and emotion will be the ideal. Women will like looking pale and interesting.

Sally Victor: The slim silhouette coming in will inevitably bring more hat with it. Some hats will be wider, some higher, some brighter in color, but however they draw the eye, hats will be essential to the overall fashion picture.

Mollie Parnis: Smart women in 1955 will take great pains to look understated, at ease and entirely themselves. The regimented, packaged look will be out. The chic woman will take pains to choose original color combinations and unique accessories. The amusing eccentricity, such as a conversation-piece jewel, a fresh flower or a pair of pink gloves, will be more important as the silhouette becomes more uniform.

Jack Horwitz: The flapper hip will definitely flit in '55. Young fashions seem headed for the long torso, the hip yoke or drape and low swing to the skirt. Indications are that the long-jacket suit will be a favorite with the young crowd. High necks and low backs will lead the changes in the evening silhouette.

SCOUTS OBSERVE 45th BIRTHDAY



OFFICIAL BOY SCOUT WEEK POSTER

Boy Scout Week, Feb. 6 to 12, marking the 45th anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America, will be observed throughout the nation by more than 3,660,000 boys and adult leaders. Since 1910, more than 22,750,000 boys and men have been members.

"Building for a Better Tomorrow" is the birthday theme. Members of 95,000 Units, through demonstrations and exhibits, will dramatize the purpose of Scout-

ing, and the rich heritage it has in this country.

Boy Scout Week marks the completion of the first year of the National Conservation Good Turn organization has undertaken at the request of President Eisenhower. Units which have qualified will receive National Conservation Good Turn Certificates of Merit awarded jointly by the Secretaries of Agriculture and the Interior, Ezra Taft Benson and Douglas McKay, respectively.

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Fleetwood Smathers: James M. Edwards, Hugh Cook, J. A. Prevost, Pender Hooper, J. C. Seay, Ray R. Whitted, A. H. Kuykendall, N. J. Trantham, Francis Wyatt, Way Mease, C. L. White, Robert Coleman, Cecil Mann, Eugene Henson, W. R. Henry, G. G. Robinson, Rex Lee Messer, Wayne Price, Floyd Fullbright, W. G. Bryant, Paul Hyatt and Robert Messer.

The list for the second week includes: Don G. Harkins, Walter F. Zach-

ary, Ralph Tate, R. L. Hennessee, Doyce C. Cogburn, Roy B. Smathers, Robert F. Jones, Guy Clark, Yoder Messer, Mrs. Margie Cathey, Ben Moody, H. H. Pilkington, J. C. Winchester, Homer Norman, C. L. Edmunds, J. C. Underwood, Miss Mary Cathey, Cash R. Chambers, Frank Bumgarner, Charlie Woodard, H. E. Reno, Walter Fie, Charlie J. Palmer, and Woodrow Messer.

Traffic Team

STAMFORD, Conn. (AP)—Two state policemen investigated an automobile accident on the Merritt Parkway. One was Austin Ford; the other, Arthur Benz.

Your Income Tax — 6

Sick Pay, Pension, Dividends May Provide Tax Reductions

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The new tax law added some ways you can get part of your income out of the tax collector's reach by excluding it from your taxable income.

The new law lets you exclude from your taxable income part or all income you get as retirement-type benefits, sick pay and dividends. In addition there are new provisions of dollar-and-cent interest to scholars supported on grants, to parsons and to policemen.

Possibly the biggest tax saving to the most people under the new exclusions will result from provisions for setting part of annuity or pension income aside tax free. This applies to anyone who has annuity-type income regardless of age or whether he is formally retired from business. There are 13½ million persons in the United States over 65, plus millions of younger persons, with annuity income—nearly one third of the tax-paying individuals in the country.

Two general rules apply in excluding this type of income:

1. You have the right to recover, tax free, from your annuity or pensions benefits as much as you have invested or paid into your benefit plan. (This doesn't mean you can exclude payments you may be making now toward future retirement benefits. You have to be getting the benefits now. And if you are, you may exclude from this benefit income an amount equal to what you have paid in the past toward it.)

2. Also, in general you may not exclude from your taxable income any part of retirement income if you did not bear part of the cost. But you did bear part of the cost, even if you made no direct contributions, if you were taxed for part or all of your employer's payments to the plan. You can usually get your cost figures from your former employer.

You will find a new schedule "E," on page 2 of form 1040, to enter your exclusion for retirement income.

In schedule "K," on page 4, you will find a place to work out any retirement income tax credit you may have.

In working out your exclusions and credits, refer to the instruction booklet furnished with your return form and—since this is a complex matter—don't hesitate to call on your local internal revenue service office for help if you get confused.

Sick Pay

The 1954 tax law allows a new type of exclusion from your taxable income for pay you receive as wages while you are off work due to sickness or injury. There are some limitations.

Sickness includes sickness during pregnancy which incapacitates you to work. The revenue service has not yet ruled definitely, however, on how it will treat maternity leave. It is possible that all paid maternity leave may be excluded from your taxable income.

Most sick pay plans fall into two groups—those of which the cost is borne by the employer, and those financed by contributions of the employee. The law makes different provisions for these:

1. The amount of sick pay you exclude from taxable income may not exceed a weekly rate of \$100 if it is received under a plan financed by your employer. But no part of your pay for the first seven calendar days of sickness or injury may be excluded unless you are hospitalized for at least one day at any time during your illness.

If your sick pay does not exceed \$100 a week, and you are hospitalized, the entire amount may be excluded from your taxable income. But if you are paid at a rate in excess of \$100 a week the excludable amount may be determined by a formula given on page 6 of the instructions.

2. These limitations do not apply when your pay for sickness or injury is entirely attributable to your own contributions to a plan. In this case, the entire amount may be excluded.

You will find a place at line 3 on page 1 of form 1040, or at line 12 of form 1040A to enter your sick pay exclusion. Attach a statement to your return explaining the exclusion. Both husband and wife can make sick pay exclusions on a joint return.

It is possible that your employer did not withhold your income tax on excludable sick pay you had during 1954.

But it is still necessary for you to show the amount of your sick pay, in order to cut your taxable income down to the amount on which taxes have been paid. If you do not show your sick pay, you might get billed for taxes you do not owe.

Accident and health benefits—Payments to you, direct or indirect, under accident or health plans may be excluded from your taxable income when paid to cover the costs of medical care for you, your wife



or husband, and your dependents. Dividends — with limitations noted below, you can exclude from your taxable income up to \$50 of income you get in the form of dividends.

If you are filing a joint return, and you and your wife each had dividends (dividend income less dividends up to \$50).

You will find a new schedule "J," at the top of page 4 of form 1040, where you work out your dividend exclusion. On form 1040A you enter your taxable income from dividends (dividend income less the portion you can exclude) on line 10 as "other income."

Dividends received any time in 1954 may be counted for the dividend exclusion. (For the tax credit on dividends, to be discussed in the next article, you may count only dividends received after July 31, 1954.)

You may not count toward dividend exclusions any dividends received from a number of organizations detailed under the heading of "dividends" on page 7 of the instructions that came with your return.

The new tax law lets you exclude payments under a scholarship or fellowship in most cases.

It also allows parsons to exclude the rental value of a parsonage supplied to them, as did the old law, and in addition allows rental cash allowances to be excluded. The cash allowance may be excluded to the extent it is used to pay rent or purchase a home.

The new law gave policemen the right to exclude from their taxable income any subsistence allowance provided to them by law, up to \$5 a day.

In addition, the new law preserves previous provisions allowing life insurance death payments, gifts and inheritances to be excluded

S. A. Blaylock Dies At 84

Samuel Alexander Blaylock, 84, a retired carpenter, died today at 7:15 a.m. in a Clyde nursing home after a long illness.

A native and lifelong resident of Haywood County he was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Etheridge Blaylock. He was a member of the Mt. Zion Baptist Church and a former superintendent of the church Sunday School.

Funeral services will be held in the Mt. Zion Baptist Church Saturday at 2:30 p.m. with the Rev. Thomas Erwin officiating.

The body will be taken to the home of a daughter, Mrs. Will Deaver, in the Cruso community Friday morning at 11 o'clock.

Surviving are five daughters, Mrs. Deaver, Mrs. Dewey Davis of Burlington, Mrs. Wilburn Dietz and Mrs. Clyde Sutton of Durham, and Mrs. Blake Wilson of Hillsboro; six sons, M. V. Blaylock of Durham, Harris Blaylock of Baltimore, Hugh Blaylock of Durham, Burton and Ralph Blaylock of Canton, Route 2, and Garland Blaylock of West Asheville.

Also one sister, 36 grandchildren, and 27 great grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Garrett Funeral Home.



SENATOR CLINTON P. ANDERSON of New Mexico will be the speaker at the annual Jefferson-Jackson Dinner in Raleigh February 5th. About 700 Tar Heel Democratic leaders are expected to attend the dinner.

DEATHS

E. H. HOLCOMBE

Ernest H. Holcombe, 51, an employee of the Southern Railway died Wednesday at 1:15 p.m. in an Asheville hospital after a brief illness.

He was a locomotive engineer serving in the Canton yards of the railroad.

Funeral services will be at 3 p.m. Friday at the Calvary Baptist Church in Canton. The body will lie in state for one hour before the services.

Pallbearers, both active and honorary, will be members of the Brotherhood of Railway Employees. The body was taken to the home this afternoon.

Surviving are the widow, Mrs. Ella Rhymer Holcombe; three sons, Everett and Elmer of Asheville and Ernest, Jr., of the U. S. Navy; one daughter, Mrs. Dick Woodall of Newport News, Va.

Also one stepson, Russell Whitesides of Asheville; three sisters, Mrs. Della Towe and Mrs. Lloyd Penland of Asheville and Mrs. R. J. Hendrix of Jersey City, N. J.; and five grandchildren.

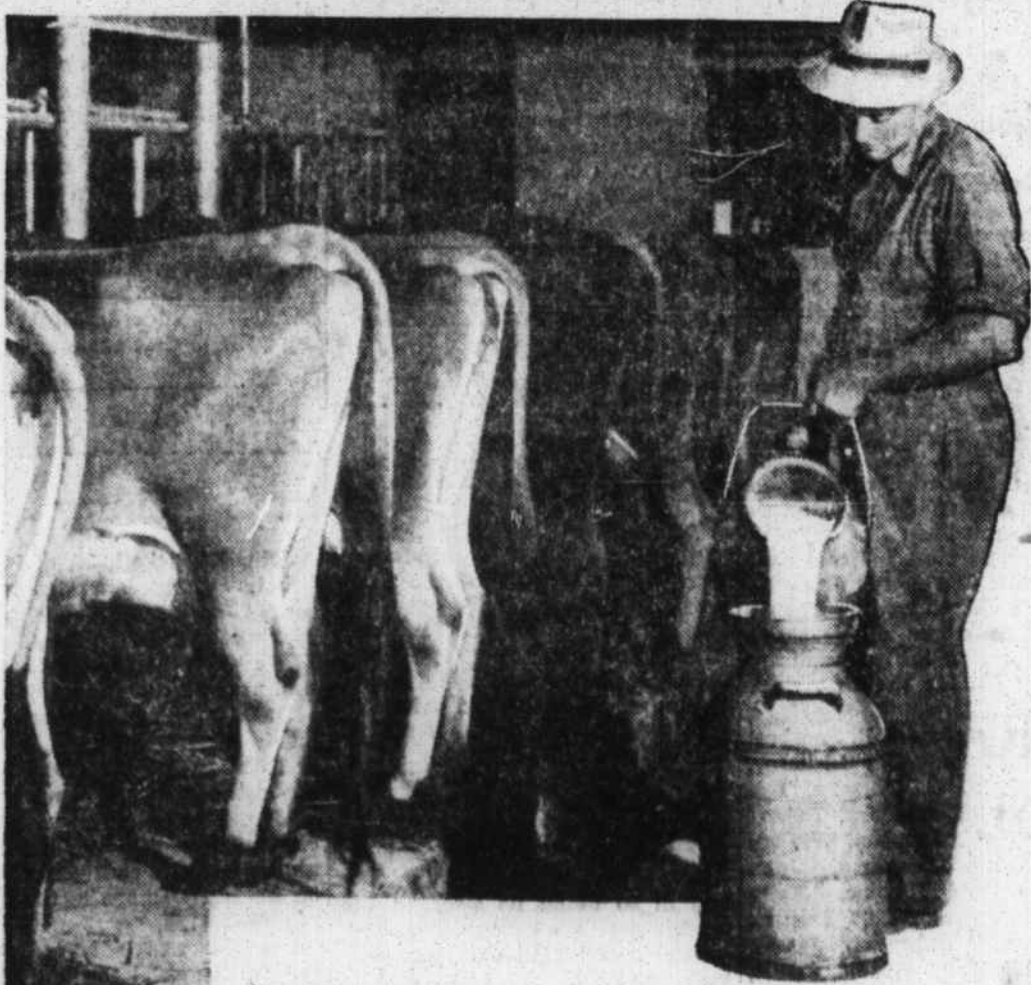
Gets Teeth Into It

SHAMROCK, Tex. (AP)—A rattlesnake struck at J. A. Coleman. He slapped the snake across the head, then beat it to death.

He wasn't bitten, but he did get so mad he gnashed his teeth together and had to have three pulled.

Moonshine Looks Up

JOHNSON CITY, Ten. (AP)—County officers report moonshiners have set some kind of an altitude record. A raiding party of sheriff's deputies found a moonshiner still atop 3,076-foot Chimney Top Mountain near here.



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