

## Not Above The Law

George White, 53, producer of the famous girl show, "George White's Scandals," is now serving a one-year sentence for a "hit-and-run" accident that resulted in the death of a newly-wed couple near San Diego, California.

We call attention to the case because Mr. White, beginning his incarceration, protests, "I'm not a criminal and I don't deserve this." His attitude seems to be shared by some notables in the amusement world who wrote letters in an effort to prevent Mr. White from receiving a jail sentence.

While we're not familiar with the facts in the case, we have no idea that the producer would have been convicted if he had not been guilty of the crime charged against him. Whether he was the accidental victim of circumstances, or not, the fact remains that the case had some suspicious circumstances, particularly the failure of the guilty driver to report the accident when it occurred.

Mr. White, who may be considered famous in his line, is not above the laws of the country where he resides. Whether he considers himself a "criminal," or not, he has been charged with a crime, convicted of it and sentenced to serve time. If the laws of the nation mean anything, they should mean that no man, regardless of his fame or his wealth, is above the law and if he violates the law, he should be punished like everybody else.

## Adults Not Without Blame

From Chicago comes the story of a sixteen-year-old girl cashier, who handled from \$3,000 to \$7,500 a day, and is now accused of taking \$13,000 from the firm for which she worked.

This will go down as a case of juvenile delinquency, but something should be said about adults who permit a child of this age to handle such large sums of money.

Of course, it is only right to say that the girl cashier had the wrong idea, that she succumbed to temptation, and that somewhere in her training she failed to receive some fundamentals. Without excusing her dereliction, we do not think that it showed much intelligence for adults to place temptation in a big way in front of a child of tender years.

## As to Means

The Communists and Nationalists both have the single objective of peace for China, declares Sun Fo, president of the legislative Yuan, who says that the parties differ only in the means of achieving peace.

It is interesting and we hope that it is true. From this distance, it begins to look like both major groups in China have the objective of peace and that the difference between them, as to means, involves a difference of opinion as to who should win the civil war that is apparently under way.

THE U. S. CENSUS BUREAU JUST RELEASED word that there are more than a million more women of voting age than men in this nation. If they really got down to practical politics, they could change the Constitution and the laws of the United States.

## 2,000 Enter U. S. Daily

Some 2,000 aliens enter the United States illegally every day, according to U. S. Attorney General Tom Clark who says that the southeast, with its long coastline and proximity to islands of the Caribbean, shows an 800 per cent increase in the number of aliens arrested in the last eight years.

The Mexican border continues to hold first place in the number of arrests. Hundreds attempt to pass the line daily. Not all of them are apprehended but patrols, operating along the border and the coasts, covering 60,000 miles of frontier, catch thousands of criminals, stowaways and smuggled aliens and the riffraff of many nations.

The immigration laws of the United States restrict the number of foreigners who can enter the country legally for the purpose of becoming citizens. There is, of course, a yearning on the part of many others to make their home in the land of fabulous prosperity, and consequently, a considerable traffic in smuggling aliens into the United States.

## No Sensation

Times change and with it, the implications and importance of events. For example, the other day, a German Elite Corps general was hanged in Yugoslavia for war crimes. The execution was hardly a matter of news and received only a few lines in a few large newspapers.

This would have been a sensation in 1939, before Hitler marched Nazi troops into Poland. In fact, it would have probably led to an immediate declaration of war against Yugoslavia. But Hitler and his threats mean nothing today and the Nazi Party's doctrine of Germany and even the militarism of Germany carry no fear to Yugoslavia.

KIM SIGLER, REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR GOVERNOR of Michigan, recently completed a tour of Michigan's 83 counties. That was a strenuous assignment; but during it he acquired needed knowledge to enable him to do a good job after January 1, when he takes office.

DO YOU KNOW THAT IRONWOOD, MICHIGAN, is on a list that extends through four other States that lie west of the Mississippi River? The Upper Peninsula is one of wide expanses.

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## Happenings of Long Ago

50 YEARS AGO  
Sept. 24, 1896  
"People buy bicycles although they have holes in their shoes."  
"I. N. Baker has strawberry vines bearing for the second time this season and has brought us in a nice lot of fresh edible strawberries. Verily, '96 is a corker."

"XII piano players should immediately procure the new U. of M. waltz composed by Edna Appel and published by Ignatz Fischer of Toledo, O. For sale at all music houses. It is a beautiful composition and places all beavers."

"Henry W. Bullock, who acted as attorney for Holmes, the multi-murderer, is oppressed by fear of death or misfortune. He thinks that Holmes' malign influence still exists. He says that nearly all those in any way connected with Holmes have either died or become ruined, and he expects his turn to come soon."

"The usual quietness of our Sabbath day was early broken and disturbed by a corps of cats with guns and all the war accoutrements that a man can carry, who arrived as early as five o'clock tired, hungry and noisy. The hotel men were beyond their limit. Edith Hamilton don't open her restaurant on Sunday, so a charge was made on Sherman's 'All Day Lunch' and he quickly filled 40 stomachs with ham-sandwiches and popcorn and then the army returned by the trolley car."

20 YEARS AGO  
Sept. 23, 1926  
"Excavation has started on the new First Church of Christ, Scientist, at Willett and Chester streets and today laborers are working rapidly toward completing the structure within an estimated eight months. The building is to cost an estimated \$100,000."

"This is for Ralph, whose address is General Delivery, Birmingham. It is to the Ralph who wrote a card to a girl in Chicago sometime last week and wondered why she has not answered it, especially when he gave his address. He told the girl that Chicago was certainly a fine place in which to be and said he wished he were there, too. He said that he liked Birmingham, though, and that it also was a fine place. But it was easy enough to see that Ralph would trade to Birmingham for one Chicago where this particular girl could be found. The reason this is addressed to Ralph is so he will know that it probably is not all the young lady's fault that he has not written. She failed to get the card. Ralph did not put an address on it. He did not even write her name. The card is a General Delivery window of the post office. Anyone can read it, Ralph—did."

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Sept. 25, 1941  
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STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland.  
At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, Michigan, on the 17th day of September, A. D. 1946.

Present, Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of the Court.

In the Matter of the Estate of Frank Flinders, deceased.

Richard Barrett, Trustee of said estate, do hereby certify that the following Final Account for the period from April 1, 1945, to September 1, 1946, has been filed for the examination and approval of the Court.

It is ordered, that the 17th day of September, 1946, be and the same is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

Witness my hand and the seal of the Court, at Pontiac, Michigan, this 17th day of September, 1946.

ARTHUR E. MOORE, Judge of Probate.

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## The Cupboard Was Bare



## BITS OF B'HAM

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called the Wanders this week to say that some of the tomatoes were plucked for the dinner table on July 8, last. "Was going to call you several weeks ago, but I went on my vacation but forgot about it," he explained. Allen said he has been raising his tomato crop for the past 25 years and usually gets the first ripe ones about the 10th or 12th of July, having set them out on Decoration Day. "This year breaks my previous record," he stated.

Remembered a veteran to the Wanders this week: "I got a nice bit of advice from a friend of the family this afternoon when I told him I had purchased a home under the GI loan. He told me, 'That's fine, young man—get a mortgage on your back and feel like the great average American!'"

Patrons of Birmingham's open-air "lunchmen," these benches in the municipal park between the city hall and the public library, are used to refrain from scattering their sandwich papers and brown paper bags around the city.

## THE ECCENTRIC'S Camera Corner

Picture of the week. When your eye is drawn as irresistibly to the center of interest as it is in this splendid picture of Miss Sue Lutz, you know that the composition is successful. The curve of the head swiftly to the door of the church and the balance of the trees keeps your attention from wandering from the picture of the subject. Sharp focus has been achieved from near foreground all the way to the church. Taken on supreme film with an exposure of 1/50 second at F11. A medium yellow filter was used.

As a photographer you don't usually have the artistic freedom of a painter who can always change the background of his picture. But you can explore for the camera point of view that will give you the best effect.

There are a few more precautions such as throwing out of the picture junkyard backgrounds and out of focus backgrounds that not only distract attention from the main feature, but too often make two or three pictures in one.

Nobody in his right mind slings his camera around his neck and goes out looking for an S-curve or an A or L composition study. A good photograph is arrested action or a slice of life with a hint of what went before and what comes after. It tells a story; it says something. Make sure it says it simply and clearly. Make the important thing stand out—by the line of sight or getting the brightest light or sharpest focus, by being pointed to by lines or gestures or looks.

You'll have a good picture then and you can amply talk about the geometrical composition later in your camera club.

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Knowing that you do not want to waste time and stress, the restaurants listed in this advertisement are letting you know what days they are closed and what hours of other days they will be open to serve you. Check the list carefully when you plan your dinner engagements.

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## We're Trying to Make Telephone Service Go Around, Too!



A LOT of people are still waiting for telephones. To provide as many of them as possible with service, we're having to limit most new installations to party lines.

This, of course, is a temporary measure, designed to give more service to more people sooner. As additional facilities become available, we'll be able to give individual-line service to those who want it.

Meanwhile, you can help make party-line service good service by observing these simple rules:

1. When the line is in use, please don't interrupt except in case of emergency.
2. Keep all calls as brief as possible.
3. Avoid making several calls in immediate succession.
4. After every call, hang up carefully. One receiver off the hook puts all the telephones on the line out of service.

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