

Study Shows Rising Expense of Socialized Medicine

British Churchman Sets Etiquette Code For Bridal Couples

London — (U.P.) — A British churchman, fed up with the "laced up" bridal couples and friends and relatives who behave like "hooligans," today laid down a code of etiquette for wedding ceremonies.

"I am appalled and often sickened by the shocking behavior" at weddings, said the Rev. G. S. Crookshank of St. Andrew's church.

Among Crookshank's pet peeves are:

Bridegrooms who sit in a front pew smoking cigars while waiting for the bride.

Brides and grooms "laced up with strong drinks before the services."

"Catcalls" from the audience during the ceremonies.

Crookshank expressed hope that his words "may shame some people into behaving less like hooligans or a tribe of monkeys and more like decent men and women—even if they are not practicing Christians."

CRASH IS FATAL

Colton — (U.P.) — George J. Deegan, 21, only recently discharged from the Navy, was killed in a one-car accident early yesterday afternoon when the late model sports car he was driving spun out of control on a curve.

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Prices Paid Farmers For Crops, Livestock Raises One Per Cent

Washington — (U.P.) — Prices farmers receive for crops and livestock rose 1 per cent for the month ended Jan. 15; the Agriculture Department has reported.

The rise still left farm prices 7 per cent below those of a year earlier.

The department said the cost of production and living supplies purchased by farmers rose 1 per cent during the month.

Farmers' returns in mid-January averaged 80 per cent parity, the same as in mid-December, and compared with 86 per cent of parity in mid-January last year.

Parity is the price need to put commodities sold by farmers on a par with commodities they buy.

The department said higher prices for meat animals, tender vegetables, strawberries and potatoes were primarily responsible for the increase in the farmers' price index.

Livestock Prices
Hog prices in mid-January were \$10.90 a hundredweight compared with \$10.60 in mid-December and \$17 in mid-January 1955.

Beef cattle prices in mid-January were \$13.90 compared with \$13.50 in mid-December, and \$16.50 in mid-January, 1955.

With today's price report, the department set up new and shorter yardsticks for measuring prices of cotton, wheat, corn, and peanuts.

The new parity formula, directed by legislation enacted in 1954, is designed to reflect modern production methods in lowering costs of crop output.

Mechanical Equipment
The old prewar formula was based largely on hand labor and horse and mule power which is being replaced by mechanical equipment.

In shifting to a new parity formula, the department is limited by law to a reduction of not more than 5 per cent a year except in the case of cotton. Parity price reductions are reflected in lower government price supports which may range to 90 to 75 per cent of parity depending on size of surplus stocks.

For cotton, the full transition was reflected in today's report. The old parity price as of December was \$35.09 a pound. The new price is \$34.84 a pound.

For wheat, corn, and peanuts, the full transition cannot be made in a year.

Salem — (U.P.) — New parking restrictions in the areas adjacent to state buildings in the Capitol Mall area will become effective tomorrow.



Eden's Government Sponsors Reports Of British NHS

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Washington — (U.P.) — Prime Minister Anthony Eden's Conservative government has just sponsored some interesting reports on what the British term their National Health Service (NHS).

NHS also is known as socialized medicine, a tax-paid health system which had former

President Truman's sympathetic interest at one time but got nowhere in Congress. A British investigating committee set up in 1953 now reports that the cost of National Health Service in the United Kingdom still is going up.

It cost \$1,032,000,000 in the 1954 fiscal year, an increase of more than \$130,000,000 since fiscal 1950. Costs long since had doubled original estimates of the Socialist government which set up the NHS system shortly after World War II.

The report estimated current costs at 3.24 per cent of British treasury revenue. On the same percentage basis, socialized medicine would cost the United States about \$2,066,000,000 in the current fiscal year — and go up from there if British experience is a sound guide.

The committee reported that the administrative structure of NHS was sound and had a record of real achievement. It rejected the idea that some of the small fees imposed after experience with socialized medicine should be increased. The committee said some should be reduced.

Spectacles For All
Even the Socialists acknowledged after practical experience that they had been overly generous in their nationalization of all medical aspects of life and death and what lies between. Obtaining free prescriptions became a costly game. Everyone was getting spectacles or changing them.

There now is a small fee for dentures. Dental treatment costs one pound sterling, the equivalent of \$2.40. A prescription—any prescription—costs 14 cents. Spectacles come at \$4.20. The committee said the dental and spectacle charges were too high.

Free hospital service has contributed to the hospital bed shortage. Vast numbers of persons who could be treated at home — and who would be if they had to pay for hospital care — contribute to the overcrowding. The committee found that the bed shortage was not being overcome speedily, although the NHS steadily allots capital funds to construction.

A quirk in NHS is that any foreigner gets it free, too. An organization of British physicians and surgeons estimated last week that the cost of free medicine to foreign visitors was about \$640,000 annually. The government's reply, in effect, was that the trouble and cost of collection would exceed the sum involved. The physicians said foreigners purposely came to Great Britain for free medical care.

Queue Up For Surgery
A Minister of Health spokesman replied:

"Taking into account cost of travel and accommodation, they could obtain what they need more cheaply in their own country. When it comes to major operations, they would have to join a queue, which might mean a stay of weeks or months."

Put another way, it appears that individuals needing major operations under the British NHS must get in line for weeks and months to obtain surgery. The shortage of dentists is terrific, with a consequent similar delay in dental care. There was a time when three months was the customary wait for new spectacles.

Economy-minded Britons were disappointed in the committee's failure to foresee any economies while recommending most costs. The House of Commons was informed that Sir Anthony's Conservative government agreed with the committee's general conclusions and overall approach.

The hard political fact is that the under-privileged British masses fell in love with socialized medicine from the beginning. Any government which tampered with it much would be tossed out. For many a lower class Briton it was a sudden change from no medical care to lots of it for free—even if he had to wait a few months to get it.

Colombia is the only nation in the South American continent with seaboard on both the Atlantic and Pacific.

USING NASAL SPRAY which aids in reducing rate of sneezing, Jean Gentele, 15, of Algonquin, Ill., rests after sneezing for 40 days—sometimes twelve or more times a minute. Affliction which baffled family doctor and Elgin specialist is successfully treated at University of Illinois Research and Educational Hospital. (International Soundphoto)

Civil Service Jobs Open Are Announced

The civil service commission has announced that positions are now open as executive housekeeper for duty in Veterans Administration hospitals throughout the United States and Puerto Rico; for social workers; and for

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