

Smiling Irish Eyes



Peter Duffy in 1938



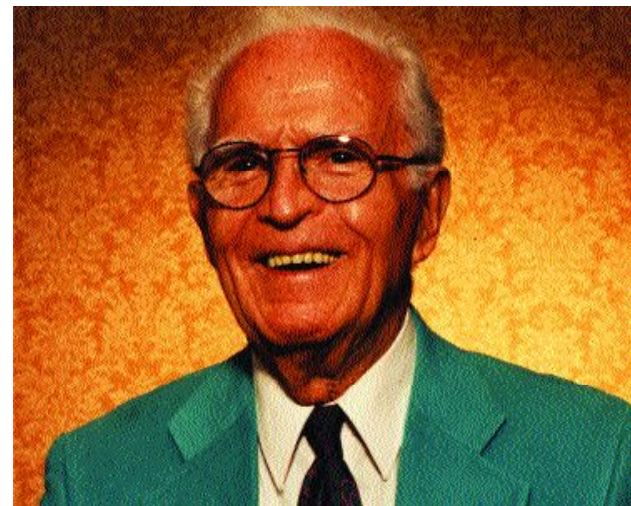
Sheared Beaver



Chinchilla



Italian Shearling



Peter Duffy, spry and youthful at the age of 88, is proud of being the only Irish-American furrier in New York. A lifelong Manhattan resident he is one of 10 children, the son of Irish immigrants.

Peter got his first job at 14, delivering singing telegrams for Western Union. He worked in Manhattan's garment district where there were many furriers and he often carried their telegrams and packages.

One day a fur dealer named James J. Maloney advised Peter to enter the business "Peter," he said "You're going to make it. You've got the gift of gab." Now successfully in business for more than 70 years Mr. Maloney's prediction was 100% accurate.

Peter's wife, Marge, who is also the general manager of the company cheerfully says about Peter, "My husband is a real people person-his love of life and Irish smile sustain all who know and adore him."

Peter is keenly aware of the blessings he has received. He has had a number of operations, including quintuple bypass surgery, yet he says "Look how lucky I am," "God has been so good to me health-wise. I'm running around like a kid." He then points out that he rose from a \$10-a-week fur factory job to a successful furrier. "I'm the luckiest guy in the world!"

Peter Duffy has helped make the world a better place. He is active in fundraising for various charities, Peter feels that the fund-raisers enable him to do something that is important: help people in need. He is worried about how reductions in gov't spending will affect the poor. "They're cutting down now, and the poor people won't be able to afford hospitals, anything I can do, I'm only too happy to do."

Hats off to you Peter, you are a Prince among men.

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