

## Spring campus costume...



Photo by Bill Latta, Jr.  
Marge Cruse wins the admiration of her Pi Beta Phi sisters with this campus costume of wheat-gold, pleated skirt, white shirt and cool green sweater of a new in-between length for spring.

## Capes are tops For casual semi-sport... for versatile, casual wear

New spring vogue is for tall girls

If you're tall, and if you like the idea of making a spring suit extra-casual, wear a cape. College girls started this current cape fashion, you know, for they are the people who sling a coat around their shoulders to resemble a cape. Tailors have begun now to put loops inside the coats to hold them on when they are worn as capes.

But now capes, the real thing, have hit the top, and variety, practicality, and versatility are a few of their virtues. Casual, semi-tailored capes are most popular and most useful because they can be worn with almost anything, and will take the place of the top coat worn in years before over suits and tailored dresses. The standard fleecy topcoat is also replaced this spring with beige, bright red, or green fleecy capes, which are ideal for all-around knock-about wear.

Three-piece suits are in again too, and, by the substitution of a cape instead of the original three-quarter top coat, are made even more wearable for those occasions when you want to look smart but not over dressed. Then, of course, if you are like most coeds, you will want to "mix 'em" and wear the cape with another suit or with a casual shirt-waist dress.

Then there are girls who want to be feminine, and who shy away from conventional casual clothes. They should select a fine twill cape of a pastel shade or a color to match the frilly dress with which they will wear it. A few capes have small fur collars and these too, will help to attain that frivolously dressed-up look.

For formal wear, a navy cape of light-weight material, with corded or braided trimming, and an insignia on the small collar would be a knockout. Even small girls, who definitely are not the types for regular length capes, could wear these evening versions



Tall, blonde Betty Mueller, Alpha Chi's entrant in the best-dressed girl contest, leaves Magee's in an outfit which falls into that great medium "casual class" which includes the majority of new spring things. The dusky rose shirtwaist dress is worn with a light plaid, predominantly blue, wool jacket. Betty wears a light blue felt hat, beige shoes, and carries a beige purse and shorty gloves. Thrown over her arm in casual fashion is a plaid full length coat.

## Men's spring fashions emphasize new colors

From champagne to cognac and back again to red, white and blue, college men will wear a variety of new colors this spring in suits, slacks and shirts.

Beginning with the light gold of champagne, a new set of shades called Diamond Brown will include darker colors of the same rich tan which is especially suited to light gabardine. An intermediate shade of the same material will probably replace the popular neutral tone.

Gabardine will compete with covert for fabric honors this spring. Far from being confined to suits, it will be a favorite for slacks and sports jackets, which will feature a military influence in tailoring.

### Red, White and Blue.

Which brings us, of course, to red, white and blue. Perhaps its most revolutionary effects will be found in the new Air Force Blue combined with white or an off-red stripe in single and double-breasted suits and soft flannels. White madras shirts with narrow red and blue stripes look well with solid blue or gray suits, and the perennial blue and white Oxford cloth shirt with the button-down collar are still in high favor among college men.

Sand, canary yellow and light pastel blues will give solid shirt colors a run for their money, with new colors of tan, green and gray running a close second.

Accessories will brighten wardrobes further, if possible, in the

national colors and stripes. Hats with contrasting crown and brim will feature new shades and styles.

## Horse accessories set the pace for this year's fashion style race

By Jo Duree.

If you love horses, if playing cowboy and Indian is one of your favorite sports, if the brisk breezes excite you to throw away discretion, open your mouth and holler, "Give me my boots and saddle," then here are some hints for you. You can have that sturdy look and eliminate bothersome exercise if you wish. For fashion has decreed that we shall brighten

up our spring fineries with horse accessories.

To go with your new suit there are bags, gloves, and shoes of saddle leather in three warm sunlit shades, Iroquois, Cherokee, and Pawnee. To cover your spring permanent there are suede toppers of the same colors, as sporty as they can be. Out of skin-thatched tepees came the original inspiration for these modern stylings. Wear them with red, green, beige, or pastels. The beauty of it is they go with almost anything.

And that isn't all. This primitive stuff gets in the blood and pops out everywhere. There are jewel-studded leather bracelets and belts, not real jewels, but that doesn't matter. And for that final touch, pin yourself up with a horse's skull or a coyote. If your chief concern is style, you'll rush right down to your favorite shop and put in a supply of these pronto.

By Louise Eppinger.

## Dramatic vogue reenters spring fashion parade

Earrings, one of the dramatic new fashion flares, are swiftly becoming as popular as the charm bracelets of yesterday. The sudden popularity is attributed to the off-the-face coiffures which are swirled up over the ear and back from the brow. The coed on every campus is quickly adapting herself to the new vogue, because earrings can be worn with everything.

In the selection of earrings the middle-aged woman remains faithful to the conservative wedding ring style, while the coed and young matron prefer the novel and exotic ornaments. Unique and unusual are the Buddha and arrow earrings. The latter gives the effect of the ear being pierced by the dart.

### Padlocks, bows and arrows

Still another pattern giving individuality to the wearer is the padlock earring which is fastened to the lobe of the ear and dangling from its tiny fine chain is a gold key.

Earrings vary in shape and size from tiny bow knots which cover the lobe of the ear to the cowboy hat that covers the entire ear. They may be purchased in either gold or silver, depending on one's ensemble. Very few precious stones are used and consequently they are moderately priced. Also the modern girl and woman no longer pierces her ears to hold each earring because the modern vogue is clipped earrings.

By Marcy Bauer.

## Formal white jackets now a necessity

Frightful deeds have been accomplished and are gaining, as perschedule—we turn our attention to the subject of formal clothes—and a likely topic it is, with all! But we dilly-dally no longer and quickly speak of white formal jackets—specifically.

One contention of a man's physical appearance can be affected about 57½ percent, one way or the other, by the clothes he wears. Perhaps to wear clothes that make a man seem different than he actually is may seem like cheap trickery to you, until you consider the importance of a good appearance...and the effect on women. Time enough for this.

Since our fair damsels wear formals to our spring parties it is without question that a sport coat and a slack do not go with a formal dress. These women have learned what is right to wear to a spring formal and the male sex is still in doubt...so help 'em. The man not wearing the white for-

## Midriffs bare, jackets long in new play suits

With spring already in the air thoughts are beginning to wend along such lines as picnics, steak-fries, swimming and beach parties. And thoughts such as these are always followed by the inevitable question, "What is new?"

With fashions going militaristic and designers striving to give women that new "narrow look" play clothes, for one thing, are no longer merely casual but have been elevated to the degree of smartness.

First and foremost on our list we have slacks and slack suits which are still the uncrowned kings of the rumpus world. And this year their popularity should be unexcelled with the new long torso jackets, huge utility pockets and slenderizing trousers. Jerkins are also enjoying their share of popularity in the slack world, being used in contrast with blouse and trousers to make a very smart and colorful outfit. And for those who do not believe in these newer creations we still have the ever faithful Levi or jeans whose style never changes but whose comfort is supreme.

### Bare playsuit midriffs.

Playsuits, another undying favorite, are back stronger than ever. Shorts are longer, giving

more of a little boy effect, skirts are shorter and midriffs are definitely bare. The gayer the print, the fuller the skirt, the smarter the outfit.

For those who like to stick to the conventional play dress we also have shorter fuller skirts. Jumpers in gay prints with vivid contrasting blouses are the last word in ease and comfort and still help to retain that sweet girlish look. Here once again midriffs are holding their own, and for something brand new in ideas try combining a pinfore shorts ensemble.

### More patriotism

Stripes, splashy prints, startling and bold contrasts and the patriotic red, white and blue, are the guaranteed eye holders for this season. Mix 'em and match 'em and don't be afraid to be colorful.

Play shoes are as colorful as the outfits themselves. A strap and a sole is all that is needed and hose or socks worn with them is definitely a faux pau.

So here we have another wonderful season where comfort reigns yet style prevails. Keep your jackets bare, midriffs bare, in general look smooth and you'll be headed for a fashionable summer. —By Dorothy Jordan.

## Prof backs plan to tone up, paint uni classrooms

NEW WILMINGTON, Del. (ACP). Classrooms at Westminster college will be done over in colors like salmon, apricot and "cool green" in an experiment to relieve the monotony of drab walls for students and thus keep sleepy ones awake.

Moving figure in the plan is Prof. Harold J. Brennan, head of the art department, who believes college classrooms are the "last citadel of drabness" and should be "individualized."

"There would be fewer dozing and sleepy students if classrooms were made attractive, instead of being merely 50 chairs surrounded by 80 feet of blackboards and bare walls," Brennan said.

University of Wisconsin draws the largest intercollegiate boxing crowds in the country; a recent record: 15,500.

## Wet weather detail

By Betty Klingel

For the brave girl who ambles forth in in rain and sun alike, manufacturers are constantly bringing forth a new nose-thumber to the weather. Last year around this time, rain fashions were revolutionized by the sale of bags carrying a full sized umbrella in a waterproof section. Well, ever onward and upward is this spring's decree, for shops are now offering a 1941 version of this same bag that includes the rubbers as well. The bag is spacious and handsome, too, of rayon faille or felt in choice perky colors.

But such a bag containing umbrella and rubbers is only one of the bad-weather items we have at our fingertips. All of us have seen the new boots in white, brown and black that are so popular on campus after campus. And not only do they come in

sizes for saddle shoes and the like but your dress shoes will come in for their part.

Of raincoats, there are new varieties. The ever-popular reversible comes in for its share in new spring shades and of course, in lighter weights. But something entirely new are the three-quarter length, light-weight gabardine. They are ideal for warm, rainy days and can be worn as well, as a casual coat on the campus. Then there are the lieutenant trench coats in cotton gabardine and the processed white cotton gabardine with brightwork buttons that will soon be a favorite with college girls everywhere.

And just mentioning coverings for the head—on certain progressive campus coeds are adopting "sou'westers" for adornment. They are the authentic seamen's hat and are unusually becoming as well as protective.

So, girls, if it rains, you can still shine! Dress the part and look equally smart!

By "Whitey" Reed.