

Fashions Around the Clock

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'Old Time' Fashion Fad Bagged by Modern Miss

With characteristic directness, teen-agers have pegged a long-forgotten tradition and put it to their own practical use:

The slipper bag, once carried by royalty and carriage trade, has suddenly burst on the fashion scene in fad-like proportion.

TODAY'S concept, however, has nothing to do with keeping pretty shoes protected from the mire of unpaved streets and sidewalks. Instead, the glamorous little bags are totting "flats" to local dances (high school, Cotillion or The Assembly) in preparation for the evening's inevitable rock 'n' roll session.

Off come the high heels, out come the "flats", and missy is prepared for every exciting beat, without recourse to rhythm via stocking feet.

FLORENCE Schoolfield Young, local dance instructor recently

back from a convention of dance masters in Chicago, reports that Westchester County, N. Y., as well as the Gold Coast in Chicago, have been hard put to keep youngsters supplied with the be-sequined bags.

The fact that, actually, they serve a dual purpose (one compartment for shoes, the other for cosmetics, hankie and mad money) adds to their popularity with both boys and girls.

THEY'RE AN item with the stag line particularly, for no longer are pockets of sharp madras jackets bulging beyond recognition with girls' party clutter.

Local headquarters for the bags is the League Shop, 165 Pierce street, where Detroit League for the Handicapped keeps shelves well stocked. The bags are fashioned of French felt, come in numerous colors and are sparked by glitter designs in everything from French poodles to monograms or initials.

Jewelry Themed To Three Motifs

Three groups of jewelry that will be talked about this coming season are the tambourine earrings and necklaces, the jeweled slide bracelet and the golden ball 'n' bar motif.

The tambourine group has a gypsy note with its thick metal, mirror-like discs styled in drop earrings and link chained collar necklaces, hip necklaces, pendants and bracelets.

The slide bracelet will have an antique air with Victorian scroll and floral designs, each bracelet embedded with tiny stones.

The ball and bar mode, as the name indicates, will feature linked strands joined by long bars. Both necklaces and earrings will use this design idea.

'Sissy-Look' Good In Fall Blouses

Sissy-look blouses will have a youthful touch and many of them will be softly ruffled this season. Button backs and overblouses are other variations of this popular style.

Another well-liked topper will be the soft blousons for dressy, late-day and sleeves after-five moods. Large floral prints will have their day in this blouse style. Necklines may range from scoop to jewelry necklines.

Wool Groups Taking On a 'New Look'

Coordinated wool groups are taking on a new look and are planned for a long life. Colors are vivid and include groups in red, white, blue, ice cream plaids, brilliant coral, deep blues, beige from deep tan to straw color, white, also sun-kist tones of grape, lemon and lime.

One of the most interesting developments has been the return of the blazer jacket, not as a separate item, but with matching hip-stitched pleated skirt. The best colors have been and will continue to be medium grey, navy, olive green and oakleaf brown.

Dress Suggestions

A small piece of terry-cloth toweling is good for cleaning light-weight felt hats. Rub gently with the nap. To be sure you're putting on ribbed socks right side out, attach a small piece of iron-on tape or colored thread to the inside. Belt wearers should smooth the waistline of the shirt after tightening the belt. This eliminates wrinkles and bulging of the shirt-front.

Carry a Tote Bag For Casual Look

Everyone's talking about the colored suede tote bag, created by a topflight sportswear designer, that will storm the stores this autumn.

It's called the "Vagabondo" and features saddle-stitched trim, an outside change purse and large, soft roominess.

It's carried tophandle style and usually done in vinyl in an exciting range of colors.

Trends in Fabrics

Utility fabrics like chambray, denim, hopsacking and duck are growing important in sports shirts particularly in the "hot" shades. Don't be surprised if some of the unusual tailoring details in sports jackets catch on in a big way. We're seeing more and more belted backs, Norfolk models, elbow patches and the like.

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