



BIRD DOG—Patty, a cocker spaniel, keeps a protective maternal eye on the newly-hatched pheasants at the state game farm, Wapato, Wash., where her master, Dale Chinn, is superintendent.



U. A. W. CONVENTION OPENS—Walter Reuther, standing before a tremendous mural, opens the United Automotive Workers (CIO) convention at the Milwaukee Auditorium in Milwaukee, Wis.

Battle Of Neckline In Current Fall Fashions Still Waged By Designers

By DOROTHY ROE
 (Associated Press Fashion Editor)
 NEW YORK, July 14.—(AP)—The battle of the neckline goes on apace in fall fashions currently being previewed for the nation's press.

Designers vie for the most daring décolletage, and one of the newest and most startling is known variously as the "fan neckline," crumb catcher, bakery and shelf. It consists of a bodice flaring upward and outward from the waist, with no apparent means of support. It is calculated to arouse the opposite sex, who are doomed to the disappointment of finding that a bra arrangement behind the "fan" makes it all modest, after all.

Jo Copeland, known for her sophisticated after-five costumes, employs the crumb-catcher silhouette to distinct advantage on a striped green surah cocktail dress guaranteed to break the ice at any gathering.

This designer also shows a sleek collection of slim city suits, with dressmaker touches such as velvet trim, braid binding, rows of small pearl buttons and such. Skirts are slim and jackets generally longer. Miss Copeland likes contrasting apron panels on dark afternoon gowns, goes in for elaborate side drapes on her more formal designs.

Ben Reig concentrates on sleeve interest for fall, introducing the "Mercury Wing" silhouette, which is a flaring lapel arrangement stitched into the sleeve seam. He shows also the mousquetaire sleeve, which is buttoned from wrist to elbow and suggests the long mousquetaire glove.

The "Gyro Skirt" is another Reig innovation of the season, with panels applied at side front and side back to suggest that it would be dandy fun to whirl. His "Tallspin Skirt" is slim and straight in front, develops a flirtatious flare at center back.

Reig goes in for sumptuous fabrics for fall, showing upholstery-weight satin damasks and brocades, chenille-embroidered net, silk velvet and chiffon to intrigue customers in the upper income brackets.



BUILDING FRONT COLLAPSE KILLS FOUR—Firemen and rescue workers clear the rubble of bricks that crashed to the street in Pittsburgh, Pa., killing four persons and injuring eight, four critically. A large neon sign weakened and collapsed the brick parapet atop the one-story building, showering the bricks onto the street below.

Develop U. S. Natural Resources, Cut Other Funds, Secretary Krug Urges

WASHINGTON, July 14.—(AP)—Secretary of the Interior Krug said Wednesday he believes other appropriations should be cut to allow more money for developing the nation's natural resources.

He told the House Public Works Committee such development would create an industrial

west, he said, the nation's air program and atomic bomb project might not have been so effective during the last war.

Krug had estimated Congress should give the proposed CVA \$250,000,000 to \$300,000,000 a year for Columbia River Basin development.

He said similar expenditures have been running \$150,000,000 a year and this year would approach \$250,000,000.

Rep. Pickett (D-Tex.) asked where, in view of declining federal income, will the money come from.

"I have thought for a long time," Krug replied "that we have neglected things at home that needed to be done. We could cut somewhere else."

Krug reiterated his views that the CVA would do a better, faster and more economical job than is being done now by the Army Engineers and the Reclamation Bureau.

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