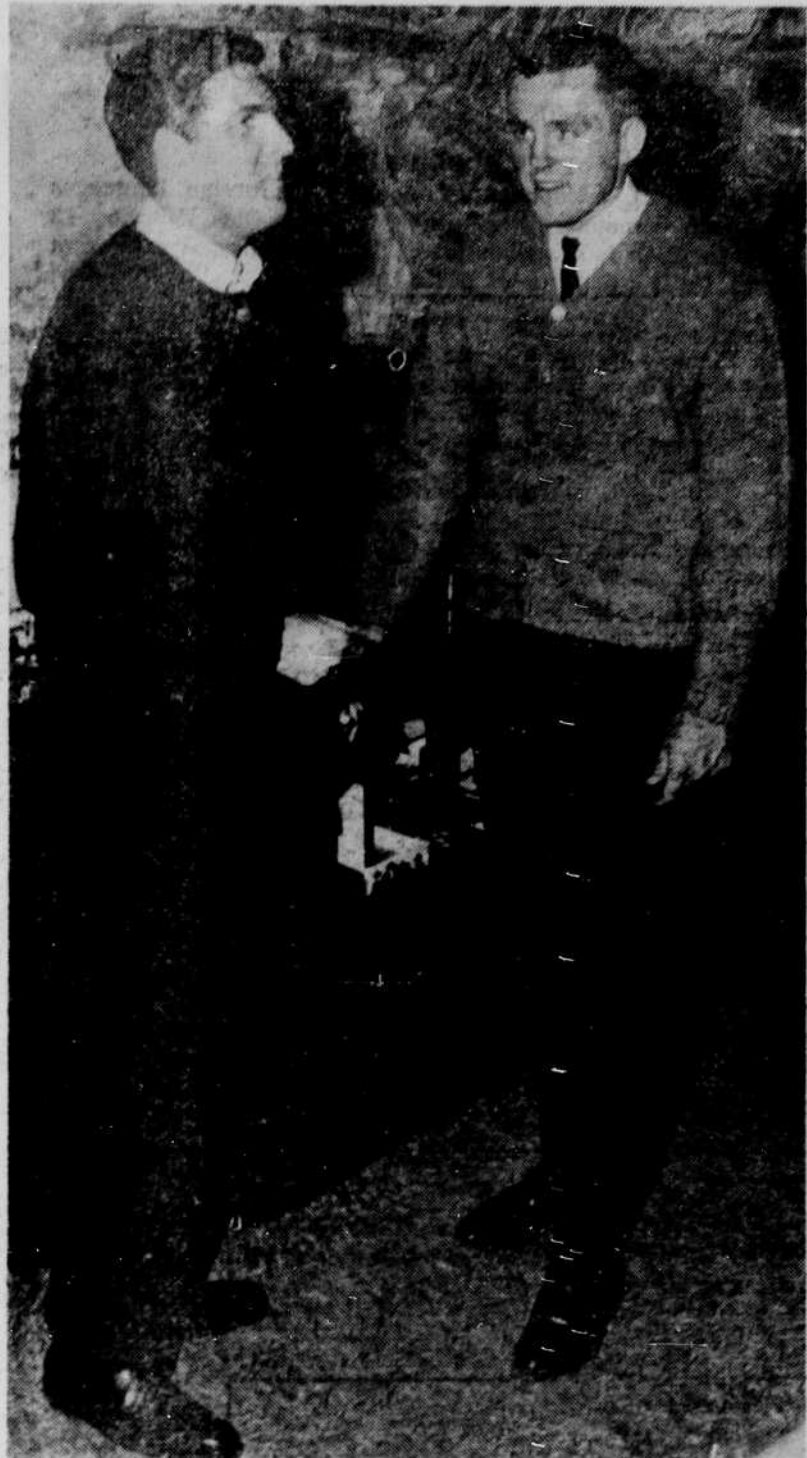




THE COAT SWEATER is popular for men's campus wear on nippy spring days. These sweaters come in both dark and rich, bright colors. These two here are modeled by Dave Thomas (left) and Gene Harris (right).

Viewpoint of Wedding Differs for Males

By JILL ULIN

To the bride the wedding is among the most treasured events of her life. Young girls speculate on what they want their wedding to be like. They look forward with great anticipation to the day they are married and of the beautiful wedding they will have.

YEARS after the wedding women like to recall the wedding day and how perfect everything was. Women form definite ideas about weddings and stress the importance of a proper wedding ceremony. But, what do men think about the wedding ceremony? Do they form ideas about their wedding as women do?

One groom-to-be stated that the man does not think of the wedding ceremony itself when he is first engaged and that it is usually the woman who brings up the question about the ceremony. Men will go along with whatever kind of ceremony the bride wants to have and are content to leave the decision up to her.

MANY MEN state that they prefer a small wedding. Their basic reason for this is that they want to get all of the fuss and bother of the wedding over as quickly as possible. Some men think that the wedding preparations are strictly for mothers and daughters.

Among those men with more radical viewpoints, some prefer to leave all friends and relatives out of the wedding and elope. If you ask a man what kind of ceremony he likes, chances are that he will say he prefers either a small, simple and quick ceremony or to elope.

Some men say that the groom is the neglected member of the wedding. Through all of the wedding preparations and ceremony all attention is focused on the bride. In the weeks before the wedding there are showers and parties for the bride.

THE GROOM is excluded from all of these and suffers a period of neglect. When the time finally comes for the groom's one last fling at his bachelor party, what does he get but words of warning about how not to drink too much and other "words of wisdom" concerning his conduct from the bride and family.

After the ceremony, one always hears comments on how beautiful the bride is. There are usually few comments on how handsome the groom looked.

In the months before the wedding, the man is usually in favor of the wedding. As things get more involved and busy, however, he gets more concerned and develops a negative attitude about the whole affair.

SOON the groom gets detached from the wedding preparations because his part is so small. Men admit, however, that it is the groom who is more upset before the ceremony. At this time he may feel like he has no one to turn to because the bride is busy and he cannot divulge his feelings to his friends.

Regardless of whether the wedding is large or small, the groom does have definite responsibilities in the wedding preparation. According to Emily Post, the man is always expected to take care of the expense of the marriage license, the wedding ring and the clergyman's fee.

SHE GOES on to say that the groom is also expected to purchase a wedding present for the bride, pay for the bachelor dinner if he gives one, purchase the bride's bouquet, give a personal gift to his best man and ushers and purchase the wedding ties and boutonnieres for the best man.

Thus, ironically, the groom's role in the wedding becomes obvious when he reaches for his wallet.

Nuptial Dress Varies for Men

By CANDY HEMMING

Probably one of the reasons men dislike large, formal weddings so much is the way they are required to dress.

The bridegroom at a formal morning or afternoon wedding wears a cut-away with grey striped pants, grey vest, a wing collar with an ascot or cravat in black and white, black shoes and socks, grey gloves, and a high silk hat.

IF THE wedding takes place during the summer, the bridegroom wears the same attire, but the vest, spats, and gloves are white.

For a formal evening wedding (after 7 p.m.) the bridegroom wears a tail coat, as do all the other men in the wedding party. When the groom wears formal day or evening clothes his father and the bride's father dress the same, as do all other men in the wedding party.

Men guests at a daytime formal wedding may wear cut-aways or sack coats with striped pants. It is permissible for guests to wear dark suits. At a formal evening wedding men related to the couple wear a white tie. Other guests may wear dark suits.

FOR AN informal morning or afternoon wedding when the bride wears a veil, the bridegroom wears an Oxford grey coat, striped pants, a white shirt, grey tie, black shoes and socks, and a black or grey hat. His attendants dress the same.

If the bride doesn't wear a veil, the bridegroom and his party wear dark business suits, white shirts, conservative ties, and derbies or Homburgs. In the summer they may wear Palm Beach suits, light socks, and white shoes.

For the smaller, less formal evening weddings the bridegroom and his party may wear dinner jackets.

If the bride wears street clothes for an evening wedding the bridegroom wears a dark suit; if she wears a dinner dress the bridegroom wears a tuxedo.

FOR A civil ceremony the bridegroom and his witness wear dark business suits.

All the men in the wedding party wear boutonnieres, but the bridegroom's is different from those of the rest. It is usually a gardenia or spray of lilies-of-the-valley, traditionally taken from the bridal bouquet.

Honeymoon Tips

The groom is expected to make all the plans for a honeymoon but in case a couple is planning to go out of the country for their trip they should both remember to check their passports and obtain the proper inoculations.



MEN ARE AFFECTED by changes in fashion during the spring just as noticeably as are women. The plaid, lightweight jacket is good for only-slightly-formal wear, such as dining out or small parties. This one has a straight cut and is slightly shorter (for warmer weather) than most suit jackets.

Bridal Gown Affects Walk

One thing all brides-to-be should consider is their grace in the wedding gown. Most women worry about how they will look on the wedding day and so experiment with hair styles and make-up. Few realize, however, that posture and grace also determine how a bride looks.

A woman may have good posture normally, but if she is unused to wearing a long, trailing and often heavy dress this could affect her walk. It is a good idea to have several dress rehearsals of the wedding within the privacy of one's home.

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