

## Fitted Coat Is Gaining Favor

Smooth Wool Allies With Dressy Touch; Flare Held Universal

With fitted styles in the ascendancy for fall and winter coat popularity, the full skirted silhouette makes a graceful entrance in both untrimmed and handsomely fur-trimmed styles, distinguished by dress-like detail. Chiefly, these details may be observed in darted bodices, soft drapes, strategically placed bows, clusters of tucks, the achievement of a wasp waistline and much sleeve newness. The definitely dressy trend in coats is one of greater formality than ever before, while the sport coat has its own realm, making both types essential to every wardrobe. Even the casual, untrimmed reefer has taken to softer, dress-maker details in a dressy mood, although it also is seen in sport interpretations. The fundamental body lines of coats this fall are different than in any previous season, because they reveal so much in artful seaming. Eased out bodices are strikingly new, attaining a long, narrow waistline. Fall Fullness. Every coat has something of a flare, whether it's the all around, uninterrupted ripple, or fullness concentrated in front, in back, or to the side. . . . attained through gores, or pleats in any one of many variations. The woman who's been wondering what to do about a coat to wear over her bustle dresses, is answered by the gores and umbrella pleats which give fullness to coat backs, which can accommodate the actual puffy fullness of the bustled dress. One of the more youthful coat trends is the simulated, or removable bolero of fur, worked in any of the season's popular pelts. The affection for brown furs has increased this season, because so much more luxury can be afforded by the average woman, in mink and sable dyed furs such as fitch, kolinsky, squirrel, muskrat and skunk. Subtly shaded sheared beaver is another brown favorite whose tones lend themselves admirably to the new coat colors as well as black. Significantly elegant and dressy are this year's smoother woolsens, which go in more for wavy ripple weaves, pin point and novelty stripe effects, than for curled surfaces. Casual Curves. These fabrics lend themselves admirably to the elaborate use of fur in lavish plastrons, tuxedo panels, bands and borders, yokes, and capes reminiscent of the 1880's. A new corner, in bustle trend is the pepum which usually extends from the plastron, detail of the bodice, in fur—while yet another variation, is seen in pockets of fur. Flatter collars, which rest more comfortably on the shoulders and keep out of the way of the long bob; simplified sleeves and accompanying muffs with shoulder-straps are further chapters in the dressy coat edition for fall. The fitted silhouette extends to sport coats, in the reefer, single and double breasted preference of the young figure—new this season with trimmings of velveteen and gold buttons. The swagger back coat is still the great favorite, and in this year's silhouette a flare is released from square shoulders, falling in deep soft folds, outward, to the hem of the garment. Color is more rampant in casual than dressy coats—with wine, nautilus and teal blue, artichoke green and ruddy brown well liked. When it comes to sport colors, the rainbow's the limit!

**Influence of Two Fairs Noticeable**

Most of the recent changes made in modern styles can be attributed directly to the influence of the two world's fairs. In most instances, the modern suits are streamlined, even the hardware being eliminated to keep a smooth, unbroken surface. Small section chests that may be used individually or in a series, have gained popularity. Bleached woods are becoming less predominant, their place being filled by the natural woods finished to enhance their real beauty. Pear, apple and cherry wood have proved that fruit trees not only contribute to the meal, but actually go into the making of the table itself. During the coming fall and winter months, the perennial admirers of 18th century furniture styles will again back their favorite. Modern styles may come and go, but to thousands of homemakers, furniture bespeaks the graceful charm of the period pieces. Modernized versions of Sheraton, Hepplewhite and Adam designs are shown in both walnut and mahogany. Light finishes in standard cabinet woods or the use of light woods such as prima vera, etc., replace much of the specially designed "Swedish modern" pieces of the past season.

**Organdy and Lace Neckwear Winner**

Not in a long time has fashion decreed a type of accessory which is so universally flattering as the white organdy and lace neckwear now in vogue. Since rough handling in laundering may tear the fabric, many women are finding that the safest way of keeping these accessories fresh is to shake them in a fruit-jar of lukewarm sudsy water. If the excess moisture is soaked up in a turkish towel, the collars can be ironed immediately. All boys need a supply of sweaters—one or two lightweight wool slipovers to wear under their coats, and a couple of coat sweaters for play. These will probably be preferred in shades of tan and brown, in spirited patterns.

## Class-Conscious Casuals



Left: In rich Shetland, smooth as a Princeton senior. Right: In nubby tweed with a British look.

## Beret and Scotch Cap Both Popular

Anything Plaid Is Winner; Casual Brim Hat Also to Be Noticeable

Classic in headgear for the daughter of the house are—the beret, off the face this year and larger in scope; the Scotch cap with streamers, beloved this season because everything plaid is popular; and the casual brim hat with a feather in its ribbon band. Rainy days will find daughter wearing a rubberized cotton hat, made just like a Gloucester fisherman's, chin strap and all. Little girls will often wear simple, roll brim hats to match their coats—either in the coat fabric, or in a matching felt. Older sisters, however, will look forward to dress up occasions when they can set on their pretty curls, the draped off-the-face berets, position crowns and Dutch boy visor brims which are in keeping with their chubby fur jackets, simple date dresses, and the new Holland silhouette in dresses, achieved with projecting pockets. Felts pretty nearly win the popularity contest for school-age hats, but there are still a num-

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Throughout the fall and winter months, the family life will be centered around the living room, and there must be a spot or two for everything the family may want to do. If mother is a good planner, she'll arrange a center of interest, the fireplace, or conversational group. If there is a fireplace, this may be flanked by a pair of sofas, love-seats, easy chairs, a pair of lounge chairs opposite a sofa, or other similar ensembles. The center of interest may be a secretary or an attractive window or group of windows. A pair of coffee and/or end tables with lamps will take care of the lighting situation and add a note of completeness to the group. The family "bookworms" will be given their favorite spot, too, with a lamp that gives adequate light. These "nooks" can be distributed throughout the room, so that there is no "sitting" out while mother sews in Tommy's favorite reading corner. Whether the writing program

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of the household is carried on at a kneehole desk or a Governor Winthrop secretary, some means should be provided for writing thank-you letters, and planning the next day's menu. Back in the corner of her mind mother has kept a special place for the colors that she knows should be added. A good decorator can give mother some helpful hints about the colors that make small rooms seem larger and large rooms smaller, or she can keep in mind that red, yellow and orange reflect hospitality, cheer and warmth; violet, green and blue add coolness, quietness and dignity to the room; hills black reflects solemnity, white purity, and gray softness and serenity.

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## Colonial House Entrance Recipe

Here is a room recipe for an entrance hall for a colonial house. If it is quite small, as colonial entrances often are, the lower part of the wall may be paneled with vertical boards painted a gleaming white while the upper walls are coated a soft creamy yellow. This serves as a good background for colored prints, landscapes, old maps and pictures of historical figures. A pair of ladder back chairs and a Chippendale card table may be added. Above the table may be hung a mirror framed in mahogany.

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