

New 'Lower Line' Featured in Men's Shoes



COMFORT FOR MEN—Air conditioned comfort is in store for men this season with smart, new, ventilated, woven leather shoes such as the two eyelet bluchers shown above, for either town or casual wear. (By Bates).

Laceless Shoes Continue Must in Men's Wardrobe

There's hardly a man today who doesn't boast a pair of laceless shoes in his wardrobe. In spite of the trend toward more conventional styling in town and business shoes, the ease and comfort of the slip-on continues to appeal. And with high school and college age it's highly popular, especially with novelty welting and crepe rubber soles. Combinations of suede and smooth leather are no longer im-

portant. Smooth leathers or soft grains are the thing. The moccasin front and the "run-around" are the leaders in the slip-on field, although some copy the U and wing-tip styling of more conventional shoes.

The tassel moccasin is still a favorite, especially with younger wearers who seem to like it best in polished black (it can do duty as a party shoe, it seems). And there are wearers who like the laceless shoe with the zipper closing because of the neat trim line over the instep.

In the smooth leathers, black is important for early spring. Deep charcoal is considered smart with dark flannels. The browns and tans of this season are livelier in tone, and cordovan is a hit fashion.

Sale of Rubber Plants Approved

Washington — (U.P.) — The House Armed Services Committee today voted overwhelming approval of the administration's plan to sell the government's rubber-producing plants to private firms for \$310,565,000.

The committee voted 27 to 3 against a resolution by Rep. Wright Patman (D-Tex.) to kill the disposal plan. The committee also approved, 28 to 4, a resolution by Rep. Clyde Doyle (D-Calif.) to kill the proposed sale of three plants in California to the Shell Chemical Corp. for \$30,000,000.

Both resolutions go to the House for a vote next week, Patman's on Tuesday and Doyle's on Wednesday.

The sales were recommended by the Rubber Producing Facilities Disposal Commission. They go through April 30 unless vetoed by Congress by March 25. The government's 24 plants would go to some of the nation's biggest rubber, chemical, and oil companies.

Lions Club Presents Gold Hill With Cans

Gold Hill—Three new trash disposal cans have been placed on Main st. in Gold Hill by the Gold Hill Lions club, according to Mayor Harry Smith.

Installation of the cans is the first project of this type conducted by a Gold Hill organization, Mayor Smith said.

One-fifth of all the lighthouses in the U. S. are along the Great Lakes coasts.

Different Cut Gives Graceful And Lighter Look

Strange they didn't think of it long ago. The new low cut makes all the difference in the world with a look of men's spring footwear. It's graceful. It's easy. It's light looking. And this light look is complemented by lighter soles, finer detailing, a slimmer silhouette.

This is strictly in line with men's fashions which go in very definitely for natural shoulders, easy but not exaggerated body lines, narrower trousers. The whole effect is one of ease, style, let us even say elegance in the most conventional of town fashions.

And the "low-line" is not restricted to town fashions. It has affected the whole range of shoes from casual to formal. It makes the high cut shoe look almost as quaint as grandpa's congress gaiters, when worn with spring and summer clothes.

Some Good Examples

Here are a few examples to show how widespread is the vogue for the new low cut shoe.

The wing tip is still the big ton and business favorite. Also the U and straight vamp. They are conservative, correct, in line with the trend toward a strict line of demarcation between leisure and town and formal shoes. However, they achieve a much smarter, more youthful, more up-to-the-minute look with the new low line. Cooler looking too, in line with summer suits.

This new styling prevails in all sorts of materials. Among the leaders in the field, men's shoes in lightweight calfskin, especially in two-eyelet design, is a big favorite all over the country. This perhaps a little more youthful than the wing tips.

Important also the cordovans which have advanced from utility to high fashion, partly because they are so smart with the blue or grey clothes of spring. These come in wing tips, U-wings, moc-overlays and plain toes.

There's news in two-eyelet low top line shoes with suede fronts and quarters in calfskin. To be really up-to-the-minute, these make use of such combinations as contrasting brown tones, or light grey with charcoal.

Campus Likes Fashions
There's a general feeling that the craze for dark clothes and accessories in the men's field has not yet reached its peak. Lots of men have not yet tried a suit in charcoal gray, black-brown or black-green.

Style-makers don't seem to feel that the approach of spring is going to see any let-up in this dark picture for spring town wear and black, charcoal, darkest brown and blue will all be featured. Perhaps it gives added excitement to the colorful casual clothes for casual and week-end wear.

Youth has adapted these staid fashions with a bang. Look at any college campus for low cut shoes, in black or dark colors, dark suits, black or charcoal raincoats or toppers. In fact, youth was the first to adopt these fashions, along with the low cut shoe.

The moccasin front is now a staple. It too features the new low lines and is most popular in polished leathers, although some prefer the cashmere-soft grains. There are also some suedes trimmed with alligator and lizard. The new moccasin types,



CIRCULAR TIP—Charcoal grey calfskin strikes a high style note among men's shoes as reflected from this low cut, ventilated blucher with circular tip pattern. Casual, comfortable. (By Nunn-Bush).

Bills in Legislature

Salem—(U.P.)—The Senate has passed two measures looking toward international cooperation in conservation of the Pacific Ocean salmon fisheries by Oregon, California, Washington, British Columbia and Alaska.

Sen. Robert D. Holmes (D-Gearhart) said the measures were proposed in an effort to conserve the chinook and silver salmon fisheries of vital importance to the region.

One was a House joint resolution providing for an interim committee to cooperate with the states, British Columbia and Alaska in drafting a treaty regulating salmon fishing.

The other was a House joint memorial asking the other states, British Columbia and Alaska to confer on the proposed treaty. Each measure passed without further discussion.

Salem — (U.P.)—A resolution for a Korean veterans' bonus has been sent to the House Taxation Committee in a move that supporters of the proposal said was an attempt to kill it.

The House voted 40 to 19 to send the resolution back to committee. It had previously been reported out of the Joint Ways and Means Committee with a recommendation that it be defeated.

Rep. Norman Howard (D-Portland) charged that opponents of the resolution planned to let it die in committee in the same manner that a bill for a

World War II bonus was killed in 1949. He challenged the members to "stand up and be counted" and to let the people decide the bonus question. If passed by both Houses and signed by the governor, the proposal would then be put on the ballot for voter approval.

Rep. Maurine Neuberger (D-Portland), author of the resolution, said the argument that the taxation committee should consider a matter of bonus policy was "specious reasoning."

"If you refuse to vote on this measure while it is before you, you will be shirking your responsibility," she told the House.

Concert Presented At Camp on Monday

Camp White—An abbreviated performance of the 11th annual concert of the Eve Prentice accordion troupe, presented last week at the High School auditorium, was offered at the domiciliary theater Monday night.

With the vested choir playing and singing religious and secular numbers, and the well trained sextet from Rogue River Academy offering familiar melodies, the 50 young musicians gave a lasting impression.

The sextet, consisting of Ruth and Elizabeth Jolliffe, Sall Jo Lindgren, Patty Kennaday, El-dene Burgess and Rose Marie Beltz, previewed numbers which will be given on the YMCA program over TV on Sunday.

Among the popular accordion selections played at the Camp White concert were "William Tell Overture," "Merry Widow Waltz," "Tango Rose," "Japanese Sandman," and "Tico Tico."

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