

Loveliness Keynote In Bridal Clothes

Ethereal loveliness expressed by sheer, gossamer fabrics, and rich detailing, are the keynotes of all the spring bridal collections.

The spring bride will feel like a spring dawn in oceans of fragile fabrics such as billowing silk organdy, silk chiffon, crisp nylon, or the new "point d'esprit," a tissue thin, unusual material. Cupion is popular too.

Trim is used lavishly. It is beautifully scattered about the gown or grouped as in interest-point on skirt or bodice.

Look for baroque appliques of lace, nylon, pleated tulle or organdie, and misty pearls, gay crystals and iridescent sequins.

Hemlines, milady's eternal quandary, are shown in all of the traditional lengths, as well as the new "intermission length," which is waist length in front, sweeping to floor-length in back. It is dramatic with a feeling of youthfulness and predicted for popularity.

Silhouettes continue to favor the lovely Princess line, Empire bodice, tiny sleeves, and full billowing skirts.



BRIDAL GOWN—Fashioned of pure silk, bridal gown features a bodice trimmed with hand-run Alencon lace and a scalloped neckline. Matching lace makes an abbreviated cape with veil. Gown combines elegantly with diamonds in necklace, earrings and ring. Gown by Murray Hamburger; diamonds by Cartier.

Family Council

Sanford G.—My wife is boy crazy!

Gloria G.—I am trying to help Barbara.

Sanford G.—People who think they have trouble with their teen-agers don't really know what trouble is. They ought to know about mine. My wife is boy crazy!

We are both in our early 40s and have two children—one a 15-year-old girl, Barbara is a nice, average kid. She's pretty and friendly and has just recently started going on dates. She seems to take the whole thing in stride, but my wife has gone off the beam.

She keeps talking to Barbara about this boy and that one— which is better looking, which has a nicer personality, etc., until it gives me a headache. If a boy calls, she acts as though the President, himself, is on the phone. If Barbara goes out with a boy who doesn't call back, my wife gets sick with worrying and keeps asking why.

I think it's disgusting, but it's not myself I'm worrying about. What effect will all this have on Barbara?

Gloria G.—My husband thinks she's very, very funny when he calls me boy crazy, but he is sabotaging my efforts to help Barbara toward a happier youth than I had.

Barbara is a lot like I was when I was young. She's a little shy and not very aggressive. I've watched her at parties in our home and she's often a wallflower. She needs lots of encouragement—something I never got in my home.

My parents didn't want me to date until I was 18. By that time most of my friends had been going out for years. I didn't know how to act with a boy and my life was miserable because I had very few friends. I didn't marry until I was 28—in my opinion much too late an age for a girl. I wouldn't want Barbara to go through all those lonely years.

I want Barbara to realize that she's got to get on the ball if she wants to be married by the time she's 21—the right age for marriage for a girl.

The Council: Sanford is right. Gloria is "off the beam." There is a great difference between encouraging a young girl to have pleasant social relations with both sexes and putting her in a desperate race to seize a husband by a given deadline.

Gloria should realize that there is no set "right age" for marriage for either a boy or a girl. Many youthful marriages are all wrong and many later ones are fine. It is not necessary to be lonely up until the time an individual marries.

Gloria could have passed the years between 21 and 28 very profitably and happily if she did not have so many anxieties about getting married. She could have developed friendships and interests which would have enlarged her life and made her a happier woman and better mother than she now is.

Gloria now insists on reliving her anxieties through her daughter. If she succeeds in imposing these on Barbara, she will only make the girl as unhappy as she was.

If she wants to help her daughter, Gloria can quietly encourage the girl to participate in clubs and social events at school, church and in the community. Dates will come naturally if Barbara is natural and does not become frozen by fears instilled by her mother.

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Wash, Wear Togs May Be Dominant for Men

Wash-and-wear togs are expected to be bigger than ever in men's wear, this spring and summer. Made in cords, seersuckers and suits resembling tropical worsteds, they will come in a wide range of light, medium and dark shades. Construction has been improved, and some blends weighing as little as 5½ ounces a yard are being used.

Newly introduced in this field are the "automatic wash-and-wear" suits for which it is said that the only effort needed to keep one trimly pressed and fresh is the energy it takes to place it in the automatic washer.

Catholics Told Not To Listen to Graham

New York — (U.P.) — Roman Catholics were warned today that they are expressly forbidden to listen to evangelist Billy Graham in Madison Square Garden, on radio or television, or to read his books or sermons. The Rev. John E. Kelly, director of the Bureau of Information of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, writing in the Homiletic and Pastoral Review, a magazine for Roman Catholic priests, said there is much to admire in Graham's preaching. But he said Graham preaches "heresy" in his insistence that there is no one denomination which is the true church of Christ.

"Catholics are not permitted to participate in Protestant religious services," Father Kelly wrote.

Actress Helen Hayes' birthday is Oct. 10, 1900.

Coats Cut on Easier Lines of Wearability

Whatever the color or fabric, and whether the style be slim, or full, coats generally are cut on easier lines, for more wearability over spring's newly rounded dresses and suits.

Most importantly, this is a season when a coat is often a cape—or at least, cape-conscious in design. The full, full coat comes into its own, either as a real cape, sleeveless and with armhole slits in its graceful folds, or as a pyramid shape with cape sleeves or back.

The real cape appears in straight-flowing or cocoon designs, in topper to full lengths. Slim coats, too, show the pretty and prevalent influence of the cape. Wrap or clutch styles look relaxed but regal with cape-effect dropped shoulder lines or cape-like dolman sleeves and full backs.

Make Collar News—Betwixt-and-between coats, neither slim nor full, get new impetus from the cape. These coats have flat, slim fronts, often with little neckline ties, and cape fullness in the back.

Then of course there's the cape collar, topping a full coat or lending width to many an otherwise slender silhouette. Conversely, full-flaring capes sometimes have only the daintiest and tiniest of collars.

Continuing in the news is the coat with high-placed detail, front or back. Generally, the back of the coat gets the softening detail, while the front stays slender.

Noted for Daring—Blousing, panels, martingales, pleats, yokes and V seams all help to provide back interest and ease.

Coat fabrics and colors are notable for the way they combine a demure look with a dash of daring—for instance, lacy tweeds, pale pastel in hue but boldly plaid in pattern.



ALL WEATHER COAT—Ribbed cotton trim adds to smartness of all weather coat; matching beret. By Lawrence of London in Wyner's Land-O-Cotton jersey.

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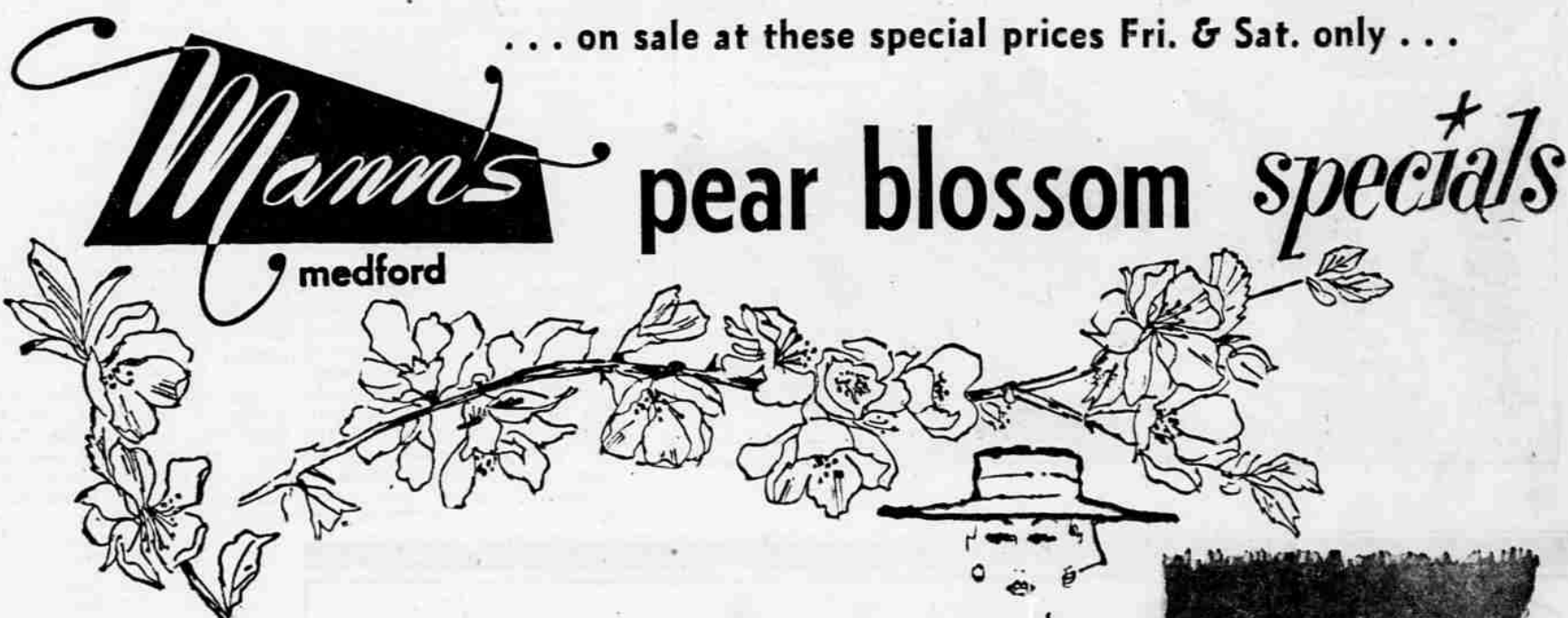
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