

# Fashions Are Crisp and Colorful . . .

## Jewelry Keyed to Color Story Of New Fashions Bold Look

Not in many seasons has there been quite so much news in the jewelry story. The importance designers have placed on jewelry for spring appears to stem from a renewed, real interest in jewelry by women all over the country.

Take necklaces first, as they seem to be the great love at the moment. Beads are bigger, brighter and more lavish than ever. Some of the beads are as large as the old-fashioned "jaw breakers." Most feature three or more strands. Jeweled collars (an airy variation on beads) will not be quite so popular as beads, but they are lovely and offer change-about possibilities for the many collarless fashions.

Wooden beads are perhaps the newest. These appear in color or natural. They're carved smoothly or in abstract shapes. Crystal, already taking the country by storm, will be more popular than ever. Jet has been revived with greater interest, and is often seen mixed with crystal.

Lilac, beige, lime, yellow and lobster-pink are the favorite bead colors. Many times these are combined with shadings of the same color, sometimes with contrasting colors. And, sometimes the contrast or shading comes through a mottled effect on each bead.

Most necklaces this spring have exquisite, over-sized clasps which are meant to be worn front or back. When

seen at the back, they will be dropped, with the beads embracing the throat. Some necklaces, rather than having the decorative clasps, have detachable pendants which also serve as pins.

While we're at the point of pins . . . they are tremendous this season, in both size and beauty. Part of the excitement is in the way they will be worn. With two or three that are all alike in the

jewel box, they serve as "instant" buttons to dress up a jacket or costume. Or, one may be attached to the belt and another to the handbag. A pin in a vibrant color, worn on a costume of a quite different but vivid hue, creates a striking focal point. Actually, the possibilities are limited only to the imagination.

Bracelets pick up the design of necklaces . . . they're large, wide and sport contrasting decorative clasps. Dangles, both beads and classic charms, are favored here too—especially for more casual wear.

Costume watches have become a part of the bracelet picture and offer a great many style variations this year. One idea is a watch face that comes with colorful bands that make for a change each day in the week.

An ornament in the hair will become as necessary as earrings, for both day and night. There are combs, chopsticks, tiaras, clips and hairpins . . . all elaborately designed and bejeweled.

## Short Skirts Call for Well Groomed Legs

These days a gal hasn't a leg to stand on, from a fashion-plate standpoint, unless her gams are scrupulously groomed! Sheer hosiery, dainty shoe styles and shorter skirts focus attention on legs.

So, here are some quick-tips from the Lady Remington Beauty Institute: Once a week give yourself a pedicure—from toes to knee-cap. Use all the trimmings: fragrant bath oil, pumice stone, nail polish and skin cream. And, be sure to defuzz legs. Use an electric shaver, of your own, to eliminate nicks and scrapes that can mar the good look of marble smooth legs.

Take advantage, too, of new spring hosiery shades to flatter your limbs. Rosy shades will round out the shape of thin legs visually. Darker tones will tend to minimize plumper limbs.



A TRIP TO TOWN—Mrs. R. K. Petrat, Junior Woman's Club member, is ready for a shopping trip. She is wearing a Patty Woodard two-piece pink and white checked dress. Fashioned with a bouffant skirt accented with bias bands and lace trim, the dress has a self belt at the waistline. Hat and bag are trimmed with matching checked material. Chic two-piece is available at the Pic-Wic Store, 1317 El Prado, Torrance.



PICTURE OF POISE—So crisp and fresh is this R&K contemporary work of art. For a dress to be irrepressibly fresh and irresistibly light, this is the one to shop in or attend a luncheon. Flattering neckline accented with the round collar and the bodice highlighted with pearl buttons. The bouffant skirt will make any gal feel fluffy and fresh as a spring day. Available at Moore's Women's Wear Queen Shop, 1274 Sartori in Torrance.

Lastly, keep shoes in shipshape condition to complete that bandbox appearance—from foot to head.



FOR BUSINESS OR PLEASURE—With a perky self tie this navy blue and white polka dot pure silk dress should be a must whether a career girl or busy homemaker. Fashioned with a dropped waist-line which is accented with large buttons, the skirt is bouffant. Smartly styled dress is available at the Pic-Wic, 1317 El Prado, Torrance.

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