Fall fashions are elegant • • • casual!

PLAID wide-leg wool slacks are modeled by Twiggy for Stewart's Junior World. Red button-front weskit over man tailored shirt, with wool single breasted blazer.

"POST TIME"—A long black single breasted velvet midi-coat with lamb's wool trim from Stewart's Junior World. Black and white pin-striped slacks. Modeled by Linda.

Elegant, understated, casual — in other words the theme for this fall's fashion is perfect taste. It shows up in design as well as in color.

This is the year of the big coats. Free-swinging tents, toopers to pop over pants or skirts, newsy dolman sleeve coats; wrappy self-sashed styles, shirt jacket models and close little cropped jackets are all part of the picture.

One new look in coats shows sleeves rolled up above the elbow — then worn over a dolman sleeve turtleneck.

There appears to be a renaissance in suits — many with wrapped jackets, others with jackets to just below the hips and circled with narrow belts.

Many of the skirts are hip-stitched and then pleated, many are slashed — all show lots of graceful freedom of movement.

The daytime dress heralds the return or a well-loved style — the chemise. This time around it has the slightest hint of body shaping but, as always, is free flowing and easy.

The shirtdress, perennial favorite that it is, has a slightly fuller skirt — but still tailored with all the expected classic details.

Sleeve treatment in dresses includes the dolman, the capped sleeve and a reprise of the raglan sleeve. Many capped sleeve dresses and jumpers appeared over a turtleneck top or sweater.

Sweaters have a new, albeit nostalgic, look. The twin sweater set is back. Softest angora and cashmere are in fashion both day and night. Colors are pale, well-bred with a kind of throwaway chic.

Pants are generally wide-legged — Many of them cuffed. Many have high-rise waistlines — perfect foil for the narrowed down belts seen everywhere.

The layered look continues very important with vests and shrinks over skirts and sweaters — then often topped with a cropped or shirt jacket. Teamed with pants or skirts, layers are likely to be successful.

Evening gowns range from the most striking strapless and sequined models to casual long sweater dresses. Combinations of satin and angora appear.

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Leather: the new breed... gets big vote

Bonnie Butler . . . shows leather slacks and fur jacket from Linda Lynn.

With fashion back to basics, simplicity is the keystone to this season's look.

Leathers used in the new collections include both grained cabretta leathers and suede. Suede may be ambskin or cowhide.

Grained leathers can be home-cleaned with mild soap and a damp cloth, while suedes need only an occasional professional dry-cleaning.

This fall, one can't go wrong in a well-tailored leather suit with skirt or pants. These impeccable coordinated pieces can take up a great layered look.

Separate units might be a vest, blouse, turtleneck as well as the jacket, pants and skirt. The blazer, cardigan and cropped styles are silhouettes to watch.

Curly shearling can be found in warm and wonderful jackets or simply as lining or trim.

Classic coat styles can be the trench, topper, poncho or cape. For real smash, many coats are luxuriously trimmed with raccoon or other fur.

With separates a vital part of any layered look, the coordinates are irresistible elements.

Among the favorite jacket styles are the blazer, battle jacket, safari, cardigan and shirt-jac. Vests are mainly seen as long sleeveless jackets. Some of the vests offer set-in or separate belts.

Pants are tailored to a T and are frequently cut with the wide leg. Many good-looking jeans show up in leather versions.

Skirts are super-smart, and can be found in zipped, gored, A-line and wrap-around styles.

RON O'NEAL star of new movie "Superfly" directed by Gordon Parks, Jr. models for AFRO interview. soft green and yellow suede with dark green sóft felt hat.

The Maxi-version in leather faced fur coat and matching slacks. Also from Linda Lynn.

From men too!

This landslide for leather seems to reflect the peak of excellence it has achieved in great looks, suppleness and durability.

Racking up the "wearability" percentages are new jackets, coats, vests and pants. Of course, all the other look-ahead fashions for men are to be found, too; tunic and vest-suits, shirt-suits, maxi coats and many unusual separates.

The rundown on the most wanted finishes show suede and grained in the lead—followed closely by split cowhide, shearling and antiqued leathers, notes Leather Industries of America.

Norfolk and safari jackets may well be top vote-getters for a smashing masculine style. These jackets, with their neat pocket treatment, self-belts and stitched trim seem to please both liberal and conservative fashions tastes.

A continuing fashion favorite appears to be the classic sports jacket in creamy suede.

Tough and terrific are leather jackets with eye-catching industrial zippers or brassy stud closings. Some are lined for into-winter wear.

Also seen in chill-chasing outerwear is the hide and hair of shearling. Jackets and greatcoats are rigged out with fleecy linings which may also form cuffs, collars and borders.

Waist-length jackets in grained, suede or rough-out finishes can make knockout casual costumes when matched with leather pants.

Also very much in the fall picture is the leather shirt—as a separate or teamed with matching pants.

Longer jackets and knee-length coats in buttery suede and supple grained finishes have a dashing—albeit dressy—air. Trims include buttons, stitching, pocket treatment and yoke effects.

Other newsmakers: jeans and jodhpurs, and leather-and-knit sweaters.

New vaccine holds hope for flu cure

WASHINGTON (UPI) — A new kind of flu vaccine containing live viruses has been developed by government scientists who believe it holds hope of greatly containing future influenza epidemics, it was disclosed recently.

The vaccine still must be put through extensive tests and trials, before being licensed for use on the public. But scientists who reported the development were hopeful that this could major expected U.S. flu epidemic in the latter part of the decade.

Disclosure of development of the new vaccine came in an article by the scientists in a monthly publication, "Journal of Infectious Diseases."

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In their research at the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases of the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Md., the scientists said they employed the live, though weakened, viruses in developing the vaccine.

Present flu vaccines use dead viruses. They have been only partially successful in containing flu outbreaks, partly because, scientists say, flu viruses change their structure and can become resistant to both vaccine and natural immunities developed against them.

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The new vaccine contains what was described as a hybid virus that cannot withstand the heat of the lungs, where live virus can infect an individual. But it thrives in lower temperatures such as the nose and throat where it helps ward off infection, the scientists said.

They said they tested the vaccine on 45 volunteer inmates of a Federal Reformatory for Men at Lorton, Va., near Washington.

PLAIDS are very much part of the layered look for Fall as spotlighted in a contemporary-styled argyle U-neck pullover. In seasonal navy, berry, or brown and ivory. It's layered over color-matched ivory ribbed turtleneck and worn with casual solid-tone double knit jeans.

Fashion '72

PLAIDS

Plaids of all types are very much in the outerwear picture this year. For the first time in several years we find colorful plaids showing up in untrimmed long coats and pant coats in a variety of interesting treatments. Some of the best looking garments are Classic styles in large bold plaids.

RUGGED (Storm)

The rugged coat is definitely "in." Everything is new about "storm" coats except the name. Fake suedes, fake furs, wools and blends all look great! You will find many in "boot lengths" trimmed with real and synthetic fur fabrics.

PILES

Fake furs of all kinds promise to be highly important to the coat operation again this year. This category remains strong because each year new fabric design, new colors and new styles enter the picture. This year is no exception!

CLASSICS

Classics are back better than ever. Camel hair. Cashmere. The wrap coat. The boy coat. All are making spectacular comebacks to the fashion scene.

PANT COATS

Pants are still great. As long as pants continue to sell, pant coats have to be very important. This year you will find 20 tone effects, quilts on wolls, contrast stitching, braiding and many other interesting treatments that will make the pant coat category sparkle.

DETROIT — Mrs. Phy Stephens, director of the local office of Howard Samuels Advertising, has been named public relations and promotion director of the National Association of Market Developers. Association President Waymon Wright made the appointment in anticipation of his successor, Mrs. Vera Gunn of Philadelphia. Mrs. Gunn, now president-elect, is director of Heritage House.

HEW grant to benefit poor schools

WASHINGTON — The Department of Health, Education and Welfare has awarded $51.8 million to 209 colleges and universities, focusing primarily on those institutions serving low-income and minority students.

For example, 95 predominantly black institutions received grants totaling nearly $31 million, institutions enrolling large numbers of Spanish-speaking Americans received more than $3.6 million; and nearly $2 million was awarded to institutions enrolling large numbers of American Indian students.

The grants, awarded under the Strengthening Developing Institutions Program, were awarded to 226 two-and four-year colleges in 43 States, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. Two-year colleges received 71 grants, or 23 per cent of the total.

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The fiscal year 1972 grants represent a $20 million increase over the $31.5 million awarded to 198 colleges and universities under the same program in fiscal year 1971.

Sickle cell benefit set

Plans were completed this week for staging the 1972 flag — football championship game for the benefit of the sickle cell anemia fund.

The contest, to be played Sept 3rd at the Weems Whelan Memorial Field will pit Midwest Athletic Club against the Flames A.C.

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Sleeves make news

Top drawer news this season could be the sleeve. It's been many a season since sleeve treatment has been given such a fashion play. The dolman, roomy but cut with non-bulky lines, is seen on coats, dresses, sweaters for night and day.

The raglan is soft and interesting—sometimes just an extension of the shoulder line—as in the capped effect in jumpers and vests.

At other times it's full-length, narrowing to the wrist. The epaulette frequently rides high on the raglan sleeve.

The sleeve-on-sleeve effect is often seen with coat sleeves rolled up, then worn over a sweater or a turtleneck top.

Capelets can be found on coats, and in lesser numbers, on dresses.

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