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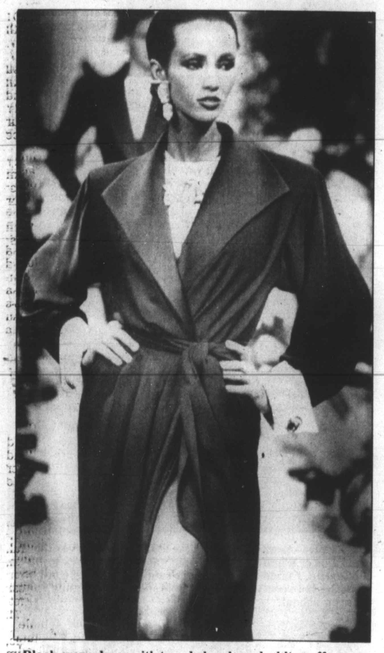
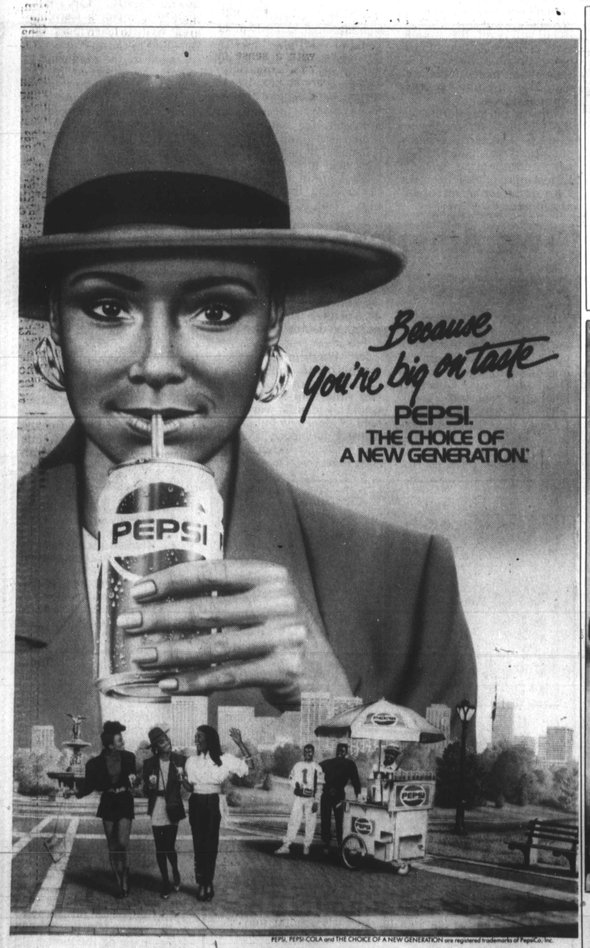


Black crepe dress with tuxedo lapels and white cuffs, worn over a white silk blouse. By Yves St. Laurent.

Flannel cape worn over black crepe pants and matching black hat from the Pierre Cardin collection.

A black crepe sarong-wrap skirt with purple satin draped around the top halter, A Jean-Louis Scherrer design.



It's Fall/ Winter Fashions Time

Biggest fashion news for the Fall/Winter season, is the gradual disappearance of the mini-skirt.

In most cases, hemlines are hovering around the knee top, with skirts flared under the knee.

Classic tailored suits are in, with mannish fedora hats much in evidence in the Paris and Rome showings.

In the realm of high fashion, St. Laurent's new flared skirt just covered the knee. De Givenchy and Chanel designer Karl Lagerfeld, had some hems as low as mid-calf. Cardin showed cuffed, widish mid-calf pants as well as jump suits.

Another of the trends for the coming season is the abandonment of the padded shoulders. Most skirts remain narrow and flat, and most dresses were narrow with simple drapery.

The big color for this season is brown, and brocades are making a big splash.

Followers of high fashion know that when the collections are unveiled, it takes at least a full season before the styles are reflected in ready-to-wear clothing.

But, you can look to see what translates as high fashion today, becomes items on department store racks in a few months.

Louis Feraud featured dresses, coats and accessories emblazoned with a gambling theme. Dice, hearts, diamonds and clubs were predominant.

Strapless tapesstry cocktail suit with mink trim, dyed to match. From the Merryl Lanvin collection.

IN THE STARS / STRICTLY PERSONAL

LEO (July 23-August 22): Use diplomacy in all dealings with others. Read some books on positive thinking. You can gain greater control of your personal feelings. Wednesday and Thursday are cosmically indicated as stressful with a capital "S." Sunday and Monday will be the only favorable days you have for getting things done. Tuesday suggests caution against possible grief and deception by those close to you.

VIRGO (August 23-September 22): This week may not find you in the best of spirits, but the right mental attitude could be the best medicine to balance things out. Thursday and Friday are listed as stressful to the extreme. But right after the weekend, you will find yourself back on track. In planning gift buying, include one or more persons who have no one or seemingly few who care.

LIBRA (September 23- October 22): Become involved in the church of your choice. Peace of mind and happiness can be found there. You are an important being in the world. This week suggests that activities as well as plans be put into motion before Friday for best results. By end of week a note of caution, you won't be sorry.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 22): Give less thought to getting and more thought to giving. You must work hard to achieve a more generous nature, but with more effort you can do it. In your heart you are aware of the importance of this trait. Consider this your week of extremes. The first part suggests minor delays or upsets. The other end of the spectrum is very, very good.

SAGITTARIUS (November 23-December 21): Although much of this week is in your favor, Friday is not. But before and after these two days are all marked as beneficial for goals and personal objectives. So select Wednesday, Thursday, Monday and Tuesday of next week to move ahead without delay or disappointment.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): With the sun officially in your sign, you should feel right at home. You should be in high spirits. Sunday and Monday, however, are not so favorable as far as travel and starting anew goes. Tuesday promises help and assistance to close out the week. Enjoy this week without letting your routine become disorganized. You can maintain a status quo by eating and drinking in moderation.

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 18): Stay away from controversial matters this week. Never harbor hatred in your heart. Learn to be forgiving. Other than Aries, you have a cosmic forecast second to none this week. Since you tend to procrastinate, finish your last-minute shopping and look forward to a nice weekend. Your especially good days are Wednesday and Thursday, followed by Saturday. Everything should go according to plans.

PISCES (February 19-March 20): According to your planetary chart, this may be the best week to come your way in quite some time. Take care of financial obligations as they arise. A good credit rating is essential for your peace of mind. Buy those things you can afford. Especially good days are Tuesday and Wednesday. If you plan your activities as much as possible, everything should come up roses.

ARIES (March 21-April 20): A favorable week can be expected for personal affairs. You are "Best Sign of the Week" for this period. First of all, you don't have one stressful day out of the bunch. Secondly, right after Tuesday, things will really pick up considerably. Naturally, it's a matter of what you do or don't do with your opportunities. Friday and Saturday are especially favorable.

TAURUS (April 21-May 20): Expect a pleasurable week with early social events. You will see old friends, many of whom you have not seen for a long time. Wednesday and Thursday, according to the cosmic map, may not find you in the best of moods. Afterwards, you will be in better spirits. Make plans to have friends and family around you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Expect a pleasant week with everything running smoothly. Set your goals on Wednesday. Count your blessings as you go forward to weekend. Plan to be more considerate and thoughtful of family members. This should be your week, everything should be cheery and bright.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Don't let the humdrum feeling of this week's activities get you down. Your social activities during the weekend will make life seem much more exciting. Cosmically, you're on the good side, especially Friday and Saturday. Sunday and Monday, you will have to be careful of friction with others and also watch out what you let yourself get into — please don't rush.

Tell it to Jan

Dear Jan:

When our lease ran out last year, the rent went up and my mother couldn't afford to pay it. We couldn't find a new place so she moved in with her boyfriend, and I went to stay with my grandmother.

That didn't work out so now I'm living with my aunt and uncle.

Mom and I see each other a lot. We had a serious talk a while back and decided to get our acts — and living arrangements — together. But there's a problem. Mom still lives and works in New York. I'm in Connecticut and I love my friends and my school. I don't want to move.

Mom said she'd get a job in this area and we would get an apartment for the two of us. But months have passed and nothing has changed. How can I get her moving on this apartment business?

Waiting

Dear Waiting:

Changing jobs is not something you do on the spur of the moment; it takes a lot of planning and searching. Finding a place to live isn't much easier. Housing is scarce, rents are high and moving takes time as well as money.

It wouldn't hurt to start sending your mother the job section in the classified pages of your local newspaper. That way she can make initial contacts without going anywhere. Then do the same with the apartments-for-rent section.

Action on your part may give her the push she needs.

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Dear Jan:

There's a guy by the name of Andy I see around quite a lot. He got a girl pregnant and now he will have nothing to do with her. She has become a real bully since Andy dropped her. She beats up on any girl she sees with him.

It happened to my best friend who went out with Andy after a party. Regina heard about it and beat her up pretty badly.

The problem is, Andy has started talking to me. I like him a lot — he's very handsome — but I'm afraid of Regina. What should I do?

Scared

Dear Scared:

Andy sounds like bad news all around. Why would you want to get involved with a rat who deserted the girl he got pregnant? That puzzles me.

Regina's no prize either, though she's to be pitied rather than censured. Stay away from both of them. They are trouble with a capital T.

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Dear Jan:

I am going with a man whose moods change all the time. Most of the time it is just wonderful because being with him and being his lady simply makes me very happy. However, I know I am just one of the several ladies he sees. He spends more time with me than he does with the others in his life.

One thing that I want most is to be his only lady. I want him to change, but I just don't know how to get him to change.

Do you?

In love

Dear In love:

What you are asking for is the impossible. There is no way you can change an adult who does not want to change. A change must come from within, and it has to be something that he really wants to do.

It is a waste of your very valuable time and emotions in hoping that this man will just change his ways overnight and just love only you.

Keep in mind that he may be living the type of life that he has. It may be best if you spend your emotions on someonewho could return them.

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Dear Jan:

I think I'm in love with this boy, L. K. But there's one problem. He plays around with another girl. I don't know whether or not he likes me, but I want to let him know my feelings.

I like him very much and would like for him to know. Jan, I need your help.

N. H.

Dear N. H.:

Since you think "you are in love" with this young man, why not try talking with him.

Let him know you could be interested. The feeling could be mutual. You will never know until you try.

Good luck!

STRICTLY PERSONAL

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To have a notice published in the Strictly Personal section, write the message you want printed clearly in the space below. Enclose five dollars ($5.00), check or money order for 25-word notice. Additional words will cost 20 cents each.

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Strictly Personal
Box 1857
Baltimore, Md. 21201

If you have a problem you feel our counselor Jan might be able to help you with, why not write to her. All letters will be answered in this column.

Write: Tell it to Jan, AFRO-AMERICAN,
P.O. Box 1857, Baltimore, Md. 21201.

Pen Pals

SBM, 25, civil engineer, college grad, looking for SBF, 21 to 26, 4'11" - 5'5" for friendship and relationship. Must be intelligent and free from drugs. If you are willing to relocate to North Carolina, write to me. If possible, include your phone number and photo. Occupant, Post Office Box 50211, Raleigh, NC 27650.

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We invite you to discover new friends, new places and adventures. Have some old fashioned fun and maybe make a "love connection." Unlock the doors to your future. Male, female, all races and ages welcomed. For more information, contact: Teena Marie, Post Office Box 12667, Baltimore, MD 21217.

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Incarcerated male, 28, black and handsome, 6'1", 170 pounds, medium built, a Christian and Aries. No children, from Chicago, IL., would like to establish friendship through correspondence. For more, write to: Wilbert Glover, N-73280, Post Office Box 711, Manard, IL 62259.

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Confined male seeks friendship through correspondence. Willie Chambers, 190-231, Post Office Box 511, Columbus, OH 43216.

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Single black male, 28, confined, seeks female friendship. Donald Pitt, Y-5638, Drawer K, Dallas, PA 18612-0286.

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Incarcerated male would like to correspond with interested females. Jimmie Harris, 136-106, P. O. Box 4571, Lima, OH 45802.

Searching

Mother looking for daughter, Patricia Bellamy Orvellie, 40, born in Trenton, NJ. She is the mother of two children, Curtis, 18, and Nicole, 9 and they formerly lived in Bruce Ct., Baltimore, MD. Her mother, Ms. Mary Dawson hasn't seen her daughter for approximately two years. Anyone who knows of whereabouts, please contact: Ms. Dawson, 1003 Calhoun Street, Baltimore, MD (301) 383-6051.

Lonesome Hearts

Retired, highly educated, 67-year-old gentleman, excellent background, fine person. Champagne taste and beer pocketbook. 5'9", 180 pounds, would like to meet non-smoker, clean, honest, compassionate, attractive, intelligent lady of class, to spend an eternity. Phone number and photo requested in first response. Will reciprocate. CC 78.

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38-year-old sincere male, 6', brown complexion, with no children, would like to meet sincere ladies in the Washington, DC area. For more, write to CC 79.

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SBF, attractive, petite, with no children would like to meet loving, caring, strong gentleman, with a sense of humor, 35-45 for friendship. No drug users or inmates. If possible, send photo with first letter. CC 80.

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Sincere, interesting, compassionate lady, 59, would like to meet honest, sincere gentleman free of drugs and alcohol, who enjoys going to church. Baltimore area. No phonies. To find out more, write to CC 81.

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DBF desires to meet sincere, mature black gentleman, 40-53, 5'10" and over. I enjoy the theatre, jazz, travel and fishing. No drug or heavy alcohol users. No phonies. Write to CC 82.

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Conservative male, 57, interested in lady over 40, not over 135 pounds, for meaningful relationship. Must be trustworthy, honest and sincere. If possible, send phone number with first letter as soon as possible. No phonies. CC 73.

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Financially-secure male, 39, 6', 250 pounds, Pennsylvania area, seeks faithful, sincere, affectionate, plain, homely, loving, non-egotistical wife, 16-25. If possible, send photo with first letter. For more, write to CC 74.

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39-year-old black female, 5'3", 125 pounds, medium brown complexion, employed, no children, would like to meet sincere, honest, clean, down-to-earth, "for real" male in the North Carolina area. Write to learn more. CC 75.

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Lonely Virginia Christian lady, 47, a widow, would like to meet nice, attractive, Christian gentleman. Must like church. I am a loving, understanding, "down-to-earth" lady. Write to CC 76.

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Handsome, black male, 35, would like to correspond with sincere ladies, 30-40 who are interested in marriage and, or long-time relationship. Must be open-minded, good natured, lovable, understanding and willing to travel. For more, write to CC 77.

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Single black female, slender and attractive, seeks single, black male, 33-43, 5'9", or taller, for meaningful relationship, spending time together, enjoying activities together. Absolutely no drug users or inmates. CC 70.

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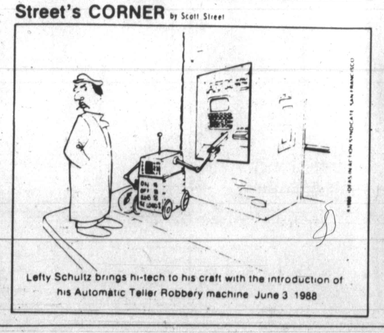

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