

# a la mode

## Sweaters follow through



A crocheted sweater-jacket combined with silk from Bill Blass

Photographed by BARBARA MCCLELLAN

Fall and winter's precious sweaters did not get the runaround this spring from American designers. Included in many collections is the sweater look, either manifested as cardigans or tiny pullovers to wear with ultra-feminine blousing.

Scarves add to the look and perky hats make the look even more feminine.

When is a sweater not a sweater? When it's really softly woven broadcloth, worn open to give a cardigan look.

The sweater is a versatile member of anyone's wardrobe family. It goes with this season's reminiscent-of-the-thirties pleated skirts, or every season's pants. Some sweaters also couple with their own kind, in tandem—for a kind of 50s affect.

When the going gets warmer toward the end of spring, wear your sweater as a belt tying it by the arms around a slim waist.

Sweaters also lengthened from the cardigan line into dresses. Sorry, little sweater, you'll never see the mothballs, this year.



The sweater look coming and going from Bill Haire for Fredericks



Albert Nippon knits the tiny-top sweater with scalloped armholes to feminize the vest, complete with a matching cloche



Short sleeves keynote this Nippon design for spring

**VICTORIA NEEDLEWORKS**  
Handbags n' Totes  
in tickings,  
canvas, and  
naturals  
\$10-\$25

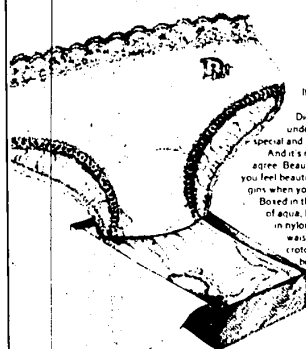
COMPLIMENTARY  
INITIALING  
TROY STORE  
OAKLAND MALL

Alvin's Charge  
Bank Americard  
Master Charge



**Alvin's**  
There's one near you!

Pontiac, Huron at Telegraph/Rochester, 303 S. Main/Troy, Oakland Mall/Platz,  
Genesee Valley Mall/Ann Arbor, Briarwood Mall/Seginaw, Fashion Square Mall/  
Dearborn, Pontiac Town Center



It's funny, but knowing I'm wearing Christian Dior's lace satin bikinis underneath makes me feel special and more beautiful all over. And it's not just me. My friends agree. More beautiful underwear makes you feel beautiful. And the feeling begins when you start getting dressed. Boxed in three: Assorted pastels, of aqua, beige, yellow, and pink, in nylon satin with lace edged waist and leg bands, cotton crotch. 4 to 6 sizes, \$18 the box. Young Dimensions in Lingerie.

Beauty starts from within. Lacey, satin lingerie.

And it's from **Saks Fifth Avenue**

Somerset Mall, Big Beaver at Coolidge, Troy  
Second at Lothrop, Detroit

## fashion calendar

**April 7**—The Women's Association for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra presents *Summer Fashions by Hudson's* at the Fairlane Manor in Dearborn at 11 a.m. Call Mrs. John D. French at 666-9333 for ticket information.

### LUNCHEON SHOWS

**Tuesdays**—Informal modeling by Alvin's at the Cooper's Arms Restaurant, Ruxton.

**Tuesdays**—Informal modeling by Boulevard Fashion Salon at the Atrium, Telegraph north of Twelve Mile Road.

**Wednesdays**—Informal modeling by Alvin's at the Troy Hilton Haymarket Inn.

**Wednesdays**—Informal modeling by Towers East Dress Shop at the Michigan Inn.

**Fridays**—Informal modeling by Alvin's at Bedell's, Bloomfield Hills.

For consideration of listings write, Fashion Calendar, 1223 Bowers, Birmingham, 48012.

### If you have had a mastectomy...

The RB Shops carries The Airways and Family Prostheses, acknowledged two of the finest in the world. We also have prostheses night gowns. Call for expert fitting and thoroughly competent advice on all connected problems.

Ask For Mrs. O'Rourke or Mrs. Kuxhaus

543-5100

**THE RB SHOPS**

**B Siegel**

The New Look  
in Occasion  
Dresses • Spring '76