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"The jean generation brought us denim and leisure suits from the street. But this season there's a reversal, and for spring the designers are dictating what is new."

Saint Laurent's peasant look is stronger than ever, she said. It was modified somewhat for fall styling, but now necklines are lower and designed to be worn on or off the shoul-

ders. The corselette for spring features the laced-up look of a western dance hall queen, and it comes with or without sleeves, to be worn instead of a blouse. Voluminous skirts have a Mexican flavor.

Ms. Morse finds another look, reintroduced by Halston and promising to go strong this winter. It's the godet, an insert of fabric used to give fullness. The

godet can be at the hip, the knee or the front side.

"The length issue has finally died and been buried," Ms. Morse reported. "We saw collections featuring skirt lengths from knee covering to mid calf, with longer designer fashions looking best on willowy models. If you are not five-foot seven or taller, some alteration may be more flattering.

"While hemlines are moving up and down, so are sleeves," she said. "The newest-looking sleeve is the cut off dolman—a full sleeve with a deep armhole, chopped off just above the elbow. It is very pretty and covers the worst-looking part of any woman's arm."

"The other new sleeve is short, elbow length but pushed up as far as pos-

sible. For women with shy elbows, there's something new too—a push up sleeve that pushes from the wrist to three-quarter length. The new sleeves complement the latest addition to neckline news—the closing that doesn't close."

An example is a soft Calvin Klein T-shirt with the button and loop closing supposed to be worn unclosed.

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Just-above-the-ankle skirts swirl in another version of the peasant for spring.



Pretty and sensual is this soft-shouldered wrap dress by Anthony Muto.

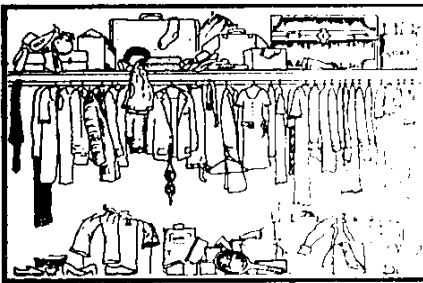
Separates from Anthony Muto look like a dress and offer a beautiful look for spring. They're fashioned in celery silk parchment.

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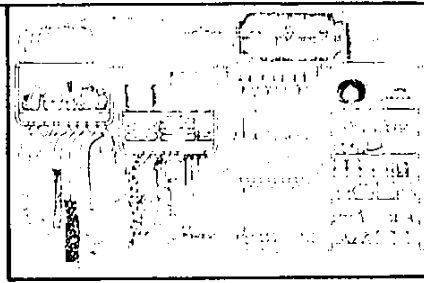
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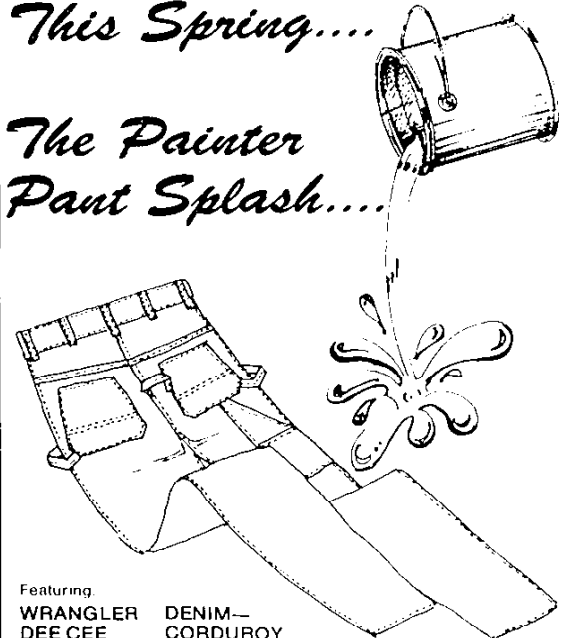
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