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Vicky Turns Tom-boy

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"Boys AND men won't have any style to call their own," Vicky announced to her roommate after looking at new summer playclothes. She decided that their loss will be our gain in the sportswear line this year.

A man-styled shirt in white broadcloth with plaid cuffs and collar and matching plaid gingham shorts make up an outfit that Vicky thought was particularly eye-catching. A large white patch pocket on the back of the shorts added a perky, just-for-fun touch.

Gondolier shorts are another item stolen from the men. Copied from Venetian gondoliers' pants, the shorts are longer than most with tiny cuffs and two huge pockets with rounded flaps in front. They're made of pique. Vicky was fascinated by the romantic sounding colors they come in — venetian red, Edo green, gondola gold and Neptune blue.

**Five-Piece Outfits**

The masculine knicker fashion of some years back has been converted to pedalknicks for your summer enjoyment. Pedal pusher length trousers of plain or plaid sailcloth have been nipped in at the knees either by gathering or with buttons. Vicky decided they'd be just right for her friend who likes to wear new and different styles.

Aside from man-styled fashions, sleeveless blouses and T-tops are being emphasized as good mixers with shorts this summer. Vicky found T-tops (glorified T-shirts) are especially popular because they're inexpensive, easy to wash, require no ironing and have new novelty styling. Vicky decided she'd like one with small tennis racquets embroidered on it, but you might prefer golf clubs or arrow emblems. A summer sailor would favor the T-top with anchors embroidered on a sailor collar in a contrasting color.

Twin sets of T-tops with round-necked, short-sleeved pull-overs and matching V-necked cardigans would come in handy on cooler days. The more sophisticated woman hasn't been overlooked in T-top styling. For her there are T-blouses in dramatic diagonal stripes with dolman sleeves and either a scoop or V-rolled neckline.

Vicky noted a halter and shorts combination of newsprint cotton. The white material is decorated with black print of all the latest scoops and gives quite an up-to-the-minute effect.

When she found a backless halter weskit, Vicky decided you couldn't get away from man-inspired fashions. The weskit is made in striped denim and is to be worn with plain colored denim shorts or pedal pushers. Vicky was interested to see that lime and coral denims are being shown just as much now as the conventional faded blue and red.

**Knickers Are Back**

A denim combination outfit complete with coolie jacket, halter, cuffed shorts, shirt and pedal pushers caught Vicky's attention. She decided, however, that before investing in such an outfit, she'd have to be sure she wouldn't tire quickly of the color and material.

For the beach, Vicky liked a white terry cloth shirt slit down both sides to slip on easily over her swimsuit. The roomy patch pockets make it easy to keep track of her sun tan lotion, bathing cap and other beach equipment. A matching jockey cap helps tame wind-blown hair.

The one-piece bathing suit seems to be best to emphasize Vicky's lines. For those who'd like a change from the two strap variety, there's a new one-strap suit. It's in striped elastic nylon with a wide diagonal strap attached to the suit tapering off at the shoulder.

Vicky decided on a swimsuit of nylon powder net, a new fabric with a two-way stretch. She can have it in bright chartreuse or tangerine as well as black or royal blue.