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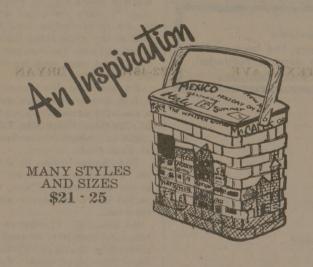
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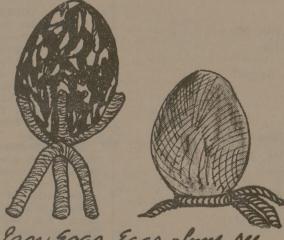


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Perma Press Wigs-Fun, **Practical**

By Fran Haugen Battalion Staff Writer

Once upon a time, long-haired Rapunzels needing to make a fast fortune could cut their hair, sell it and survive for a while on the money the hair brought them.

Not so any more.

Human hair wigs are on the way out. Synthetic wig sales have boomed in the last two months and Reader's Digest predicts the \$5-million now spent on synthetic wigs in a year will double by the end of the decade.

The three best wig fibers, according to Jeanette Lawson, owner-manager of Wigs by Jeanette and Jeanette's (Wig) Discount, are dynel, kenakalon and

Dynel is a product of Union Carbide.

Kenakalon and mirelle are produced by a Korean company with three factories in the Orient and two in Italy.

The new synthetic wigs are perma press and wash'n'wear. This means you can wash them in a mild detergent or Woolite as you would lingerie, let them dry overnight, brush them and wear them. Even the curly ones require no setting to restore their original form, and a wire brush for backcombing is all you need for styling.

Human hair wigs, on the other hand, require dry cleaning, setting as you would your own hair, slow cool drying and a "comb-

"Human hair wigs are the cadillac of wigs because they look more natural," Mrs. Lawson said, "but for a nice quick hairdo, synthetics are ideal."

Perhaps the best thing about synthetic wigs is their price.

The machine-made synthetics generally run from \$25 to \$30. Fewer machine-tied wigs are made, and these cost about \$150. Hand-tied human hair wigs are even more expensive.

Most wigs, machine-made ones, consist of hair fibers sewed to a ribbon which is sewed on a net cap. Fibers in tied wigs are double or triple knotted and pulled through the net. Falls are almost always made

of human hair since a naturallooking synthetic fall has not been perfected.

Temple tabs in the cap of the wig help the wearer in putting her wig on. When the wig is on straight, these two-inch-wide tabs come right above the ears, and the wig extends from hairline to hairline. Some tabs are reinforced with wire which can be bent toward the face so the wearer's hair does not show out around the temples.

Long hair should be pinned up before the wearer puts her wig on. Because the wig cap stretches, the wig can be put on as a bathing cap is.

Even if the synthetics didn't exist, wig prices would be going down, Mrs. Lawson said. Four or five years ago, human hair for wigs came from Europe and cost from \$100 to \$150. Hair buyers discovered Indonesian hair was less expensive, yet had a texture complementary to that of Caucasians. The Oriental hair was boiled, bleached, dyed and made into wigs.

If you hate to bother with your hair after a swim or like to change your look with your mood, a synthetic wig may be the

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WIGS—A&M coed Celia Williams models synthetic and human hair wigs and hairpieces. Top, Oleg Cassini human hair wiglet. Middle, synthetic shag wig with long neckline. Bottom, synthetic wig with human hair fall. Wigs and hairpieces photographed by Jeanette's Discount. (Photos by Laura Sorenson)

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Wednesday, May 6,

WOMEN

Postponed Fashion Show B Rescheduled for May 12

"Fashion '70," postponed from the Student Finances Office of March 23, has been rescheduled Student Programs Office of for May 12. The style show is MSC, as well as at the door. sponsored by the Host and Fash- cost is \$1 for students, \$2 ion Committee of the Memorial all others. Student Council and will present the latest fashions from Neiman-

The show will be held at 8 p.m. in the Memorial Student Center ballroom. Tickets sold for the previously cancelled show will be

Tickets also will be on sale in

Punch will be served in Birch room after the show a Neiman-Marcus booklet, " It," will be on sale for \$1.

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